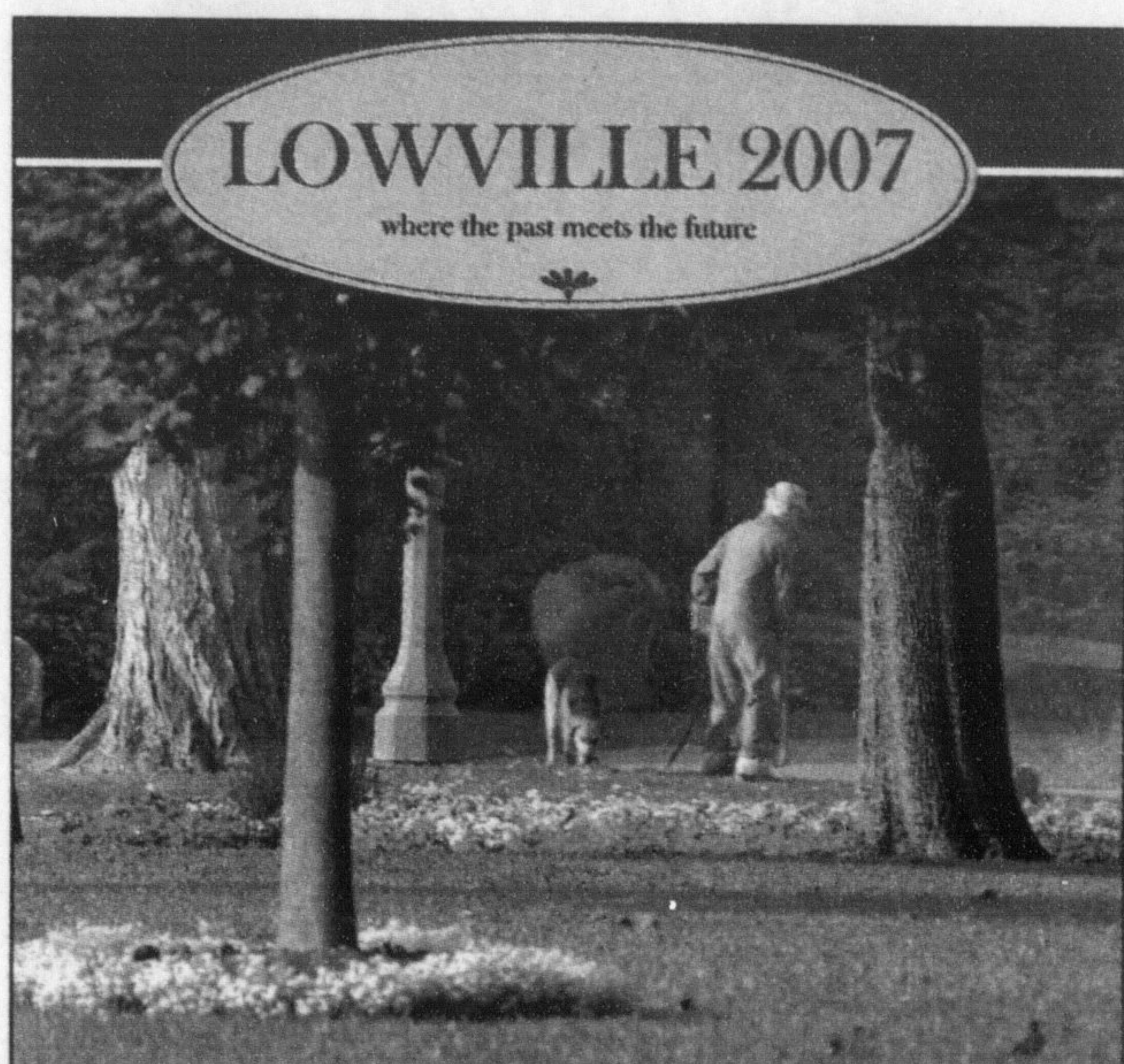


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Calendar dedicated to respected Lowville resident



Copies of the 2007 Lowville Community Calendar — dedicated to Harold Ledsham (inset right showing the 2006 calendar) — go on sale next week.

By Robin Downton-Poirier
SPECIAL TO THE CHAMPION

Before his death on June 1 after a bout with esophageal cancer, Harold Ledsham spent many years striving to make Lowville — the town he called home — beautiful.

It's because of his hard work that the Park Edition of the Lowville Community Calendar 2007 will be dedicated to his memory.

Ledsham could be spotted walking through the Lowville Park with his dog, watering plants throughout the village and participating in various committees to keep the integrity and heritage of Lowville intact, said David Haley, a member of the Lowville Community Calendar Committee.

"Harold was a highly-visible neighbour," said Haley.

Ledsham chaired the Lowville Area Residents Association (LARA), which worked co-operatively with the Region of Halton to insure that the reconstruction of Guelph Line through Lowville would protect and preserve the character and heritage of Lowville.

He also spent the last year of his life working to create an aluminium banner that will be hung in place of the

flower baskets throughout the village in 2007.

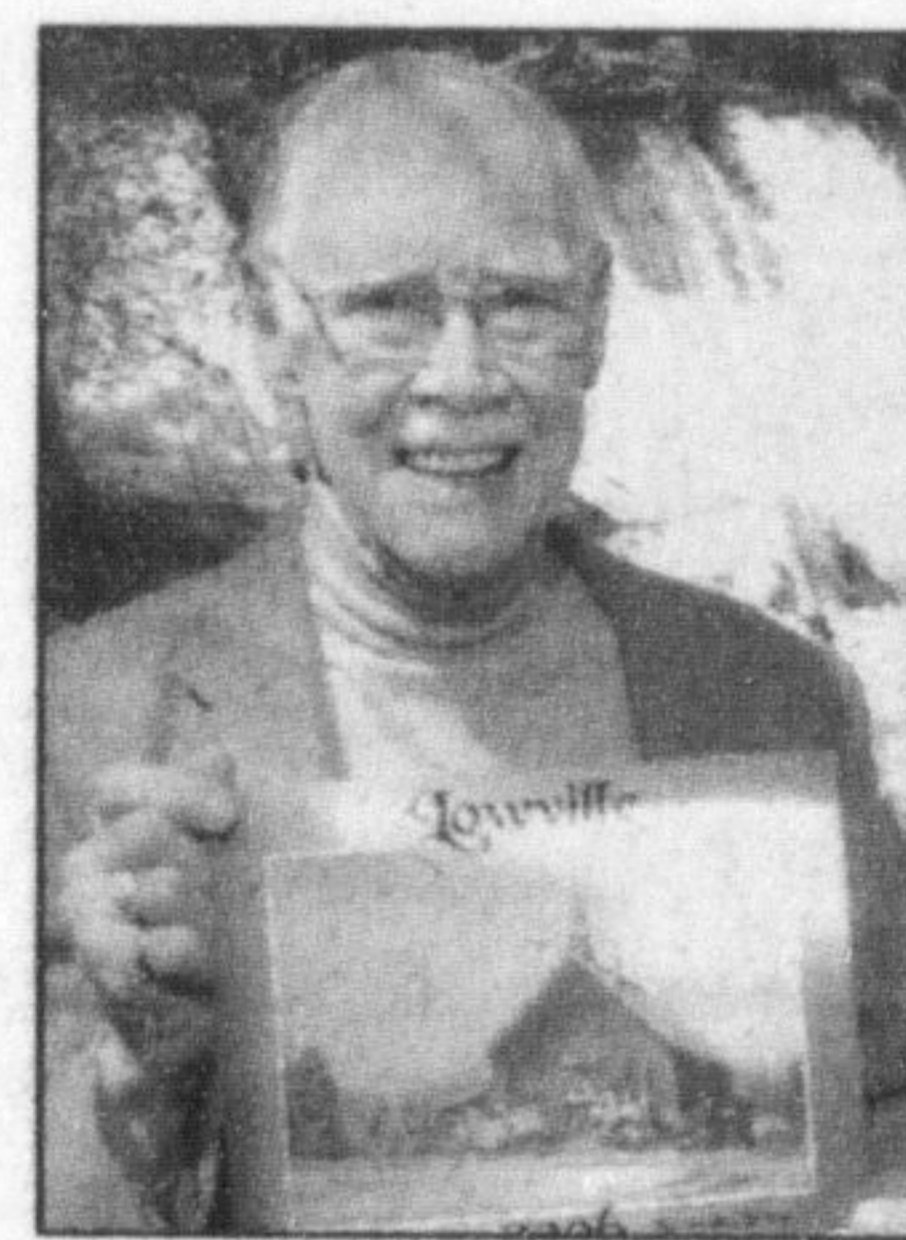
Ledsham was aware that the cost of buying and maintaining the baskets through the Beautification Group of Lowville couldn't be sustained and the banners were a more cost-efficient and attractive solution, added Haley.

Ledsham was a founding member of the Lowville Community Calendar Committee and was instrumental in the research, marketing and promotion that contributed to the calendar's success. It's for all these reasons that the Park Edition, one of seven different covers, will be dedicated to his memory.

"Harold Ledsham lived in the heart of the village of Lowville and the village of Lowville lived in the heart of Harold Ledsham," Haley said.

"His struggle with cancer may have ended on June 1, but the impact of his efforts over the past 25 years will be felt for many years to come."

Ledsham was aware of his picture on the calendar before his death, said his wife of 51 years, Edna Ledsham.



She said he was very honoured and happy about it.

"Harold and I were members of the calendar committee and he was shown a mock-up of the calendar before his death," Ledsham said. "He was very honoured and a little overwhelmed with the attention, but he was happy about it."

Some residents have also initiated the creation of a stone bench that will be placed in the Lowville Park in Harold Ledsham's memory.

The official launch of the 2007 Lowville Community Calendars will be August 9 at 7 p.m. at the clubhouse of the Lowville Golf Club. Calendars go on sale the following day at Kilbride General Store, Different Drummer Books, Spice O'life and Harris Stationary.

For more information about the calendar, contact David Haley at (905) 335-2136. To contribute to Harold Ledsham's memorial bench, call Cindy Powell at (905) 319-2186 or Edna Ledsham at (905) 332-7780.

Firefighters may pay visit

Don't be surprised if a firefighter shows up at the door of your country home sometime this month.

Starting today, teams of firefighters from the Milton Fire Department will visit rural homes to educate residents about the recent change in the smoke alarm law.

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