

Chatter

Bones aren't enough

If your livestock or pets have been disappearing because of wolf or wild dog attacks the Osgoode Township Council has a word of advice for you. Make sure you've got enough evidence left over if you're going to apply for compensation. As a Council report says: "Pieces of wool, bones, missing lambs, missing poultry feathers etc., do not constitute evidence." The Review suggests you ask the wolf to stick around until the livestock valuer shows up.

Discover the 4-H style of Outdoor Living

The Russell 4-H Club is gearing itself up for its spring homemaking Project and is looking for leaders and members. The theme of this year's project is "More Outdoor Living." Club members will be discovering animal tracks, tree varieties, and wild edibles. They'll be practising leaf printing, old fashioned drying, fruit leathers and shish-kabobs. They'll be making kites and planning outings for their clubs. You can join the Club if you're between 12 and 26 years of age. And if you like working with young people each club needs two leaders. If you're interested in joining or becoming a leader contact: Nylene McNeil at 445-2018.



Don't snowmobile yourself to death

In the past months three deaths and three serious injuries have been caused by snowmobile accidents in the Ottawa Valley. All three deaths occurred when snowmobile drivers drove their machines into the back of parked cars. If you drive a snowmobile loosen up on the throttle or you're going to lose your grip on life.

Horticulture Society re-elects executive

The Russell Horticulture Society held its annual meeting in January. New officers were elected and discussion took place on a number of projects the Society is planning for the next year. The highlights of the meeting included:

- A final discussion on amalgamating the flower show with the Agricultural Society was deferred until the spring meeting.

- A Judging School is to be held in 1982 and 1983 in five two-day sessions. Students at the schools will be taught how to judge both flowers and vegetables.

— The new officers for the Society are: Mrs. Betty Hay — Past President; Miss Judy Tapley — President; Mrs. Ina Kinkaid — 1st. Vice President; Mrs. Barbara Boland — 2nd Vice President; Mrs. Dorothy Kinkaid — Secretary; Mrs. Ruth Bertrand — Treasurer; Directors; Mrs. Ada Latour, Mrs. Joan Roberts, Mrs. Barbara Boland, Mrs. Lidia Nyerkamp, Mrs. Bertha Smith, Mrs. Ann James, Mrs. Mary Inglis, Mrs. Diane Wade, Mrs. Mabel Gamble, Mrs. G. Bakker.

Other officers for the Society include: Mrs. Connie Belanger — Press Relations; Mrs. Ina Kinkaid, Mrs. Ola Atkinson — Park; Mrs. Eileen Hamelin, Mrs. Helen Morrow — Auditors; Mrs. Betty Hay, Mrs. Margaret Burton — Nominating Committee.

Friendly Club making friends

The Friendly Club of the Church Street senior citizens apartments in Russell have been busy entertaining and being entertained by numerous groups in the village.

Cecil Harrison (445-3278) is the Club's President and Cora Boothe (445-5470) is the Club's Secretary.

The purpose of the Club says Mr. Harrison and Mrs. Boothe is to take care of the welfare and the entertainment of the tenants. There are 26 members of the club.

Once a week the Club holds a Bible Study, it has produced a quilt for the tenants and each week it organizes euchre sessions and a bingo.

Early last fall the tenants enjoyed a Pot Luck Supper and entertained children on Hallowe'en. Parties were organized during Christmas and New Year's.

During Christmas the Cubs and Boy Scouts visited the tenants and gave each tenant a gift they had made. When the Junior Farmers Club visited the tenants they gave each tenant a fruit basket.

On Valentine's Day the men in the apartments held a surprise lunch for the ladies. All the members of the club are now busy planning summer-time activities.

Fighting French illiteracy

One out of every three francophones living in Prescott-Russell is either totally or functionally illiterate, according to a recent provincial government survey.

The provincial survey found that about 20,000 people in the primarily French-speaking county of 52,000 have trouble reading and writing.

The survey classified a person with less than Grade 9 education as functionally illiterate and a person with less than Grade 5 as totally illiterate.

"But this does not mean that all of them can not read or write" said Sydney Pratt of the Ministry of Culture and Recreation. "It means that most, if not all of them have difficulty in understanding and assessing things such as information provided by various government ministries or the contents of a newspaper."

The aim of the survey was to develop public concern about the problem and encourage the establishment of local committees to fight illiteracy. Toronto has

Fair directors

At their annual meeting on Jan. 23, the Russell Agricultural Society members re-elected the existing executive for another term.

Despite adverse weather conditions a large crowd met at the Dr. Frank Kinnaird Community Centre hall for a social hour followed by a delicious meal prepared and served by members of Felton UCW group.

Head table guests included President Ian MacGregor and wife Joyce; first vice-president George James and wife Judy; second vice-president Eric Campbell; immediate past president, Barry McVey and wife Merrill; Ontario Association of Fairs (District 1) President Lloyd Morrison and Mrs. Morrison; secretary-treasurer George Yonge and guest speaker, Betsy Clarke.

Miss Clarke, general manager of the Canadian 4-H council, was introduced by Barry McVey and presented an interesting and educational review of her work both here in Canada and throughout the world.

A report of the district meeting held at Navan was presented by Joyce MacGregor while various other reports were submitted by the following: Nancy Matthew (purebred sheep and school work), George Yonge (field crops, commercial feature display, various horse classes), Mary Heymens (flowers), Mona Saunders (arts and crafts), Barry McVey (entertainment), Eric Campbell (cattle), Joe Marx (bird show).

The 1982 Russell Fair will be directed by the following executive members: Ian MacGregor, president; George James, first vice-president; Eric Campbell, second vice-president; Doris Graham, head of the ladies department; Fred McLaren, Jerry Smit, Barry Boothe, Jack James, John Achtereekte, Doug Cherry, Keith Boyd, Gordon Saunders, Bert Vedder, Henry Staal, Joe Marx and Harry Nooyen, directors.

Additional directors named were Mona Saunders, Dini Achtereekte, Patricia Rodney, Iva James and Judy James.

George Yonge will continue to handle the busy secretarial chores as well as finance.

Harold Gamble and Marjorie Wouters were appointed auditors for 1982.

had an illiteracy committee for several years.

Already, there has been a response to the need for a committee in Hawkesbury where a citizens committee headed by Richard Hudon, a social animator at the local Algonquin college, has been established.

"Our main aim is to reduce this shocking situation," said Mr. Hudon.

Mr. Hudon said his committee is the first attempt at stamping out illiteracy among the province's French-speaking people. Prescott-Russell was chosen for this pilot subject, he said, because it has the most concentrated French-speaking population in Ontario.

One of the committee's first jobs, he said, will be to find volunteers with "the right attitude".

As soon as volunteers are selected the committee will have to study the best approach to achieving its objectives he said. There are two main choices: the one-on-one approach or group sessions.

"The problem is that our society has attached a bad connotation to illiteracy and the people who need the help are reluctant to come forward for a group session."

The illiteracy problem, which touches all sectors of the Canadian population, can be tied to poverty because young people have to leave school to help support their families and to the lack of educational facilities. As of yet no committees have been established in Embrun, Russell or other communities in Prescott-Russell.

Industrial aid needed

The Prescott-Russell County Council has decided to ask the federal government to designate the area as needing financial assistance for industrial development.

Council Warden Lucien Groulx will be meeting officials from the federal regional economic expansion department to have the county designated.

"Such a designation is the key for improving our current bad economic situation," said Warden Groulx. "I am going to point out that we in Prescott-Russell urgently need new industries and about the only way to get them is with federal financial incentives."

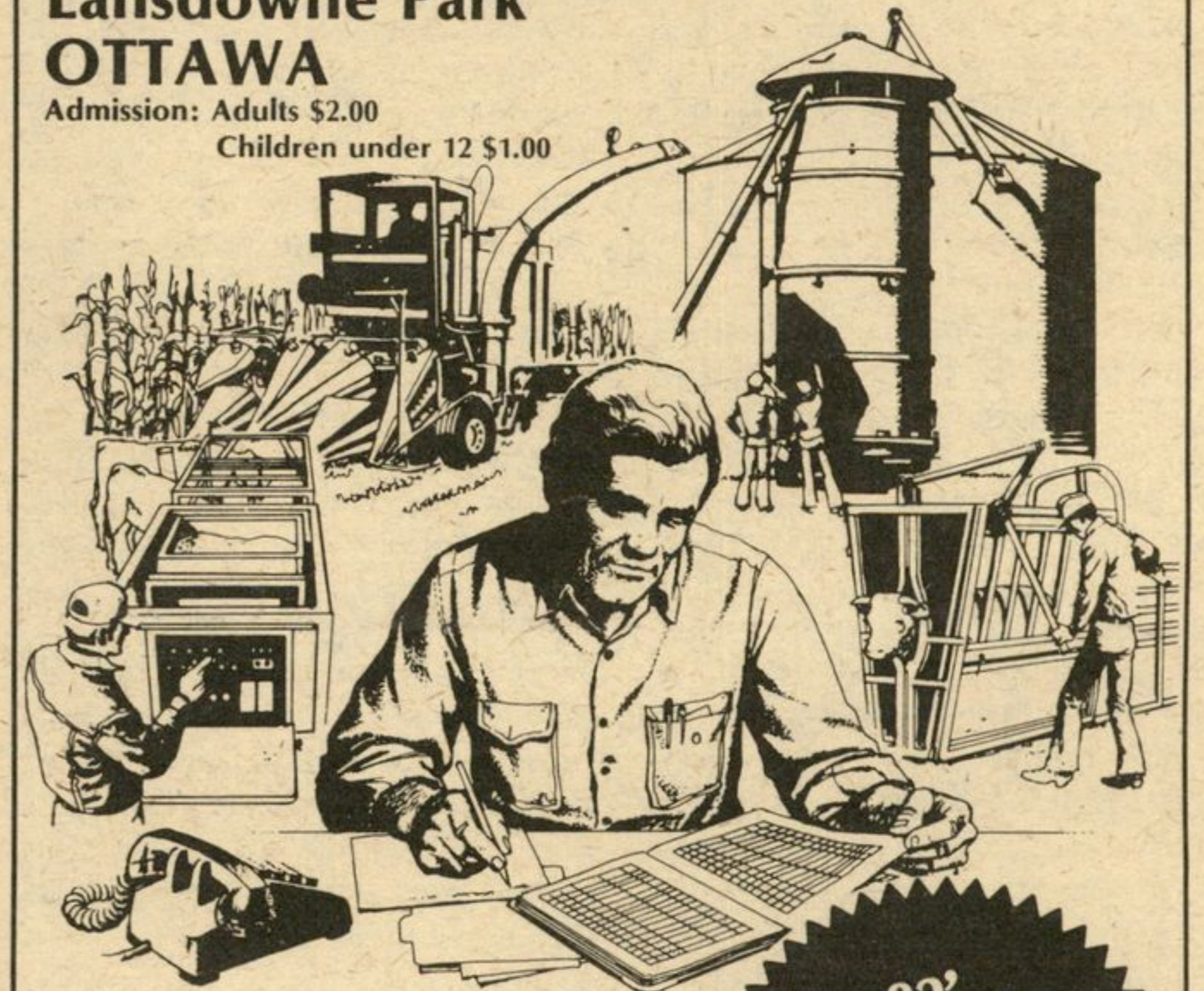
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The Ottawa Valley

FARM SHOW

MARCH 23-26
Lansdowne Park
OTTAWA

Admission: Adults \$2.00
Children under 12 \$1.00



82' Show Hours

- Championship Seed, Feed and Forage Show
- Farm Machinery and Equipment Show
- Educational and Commercial Exhibits
- Simmental Sale — Tues. March 23, 1:00 p.m.
- Hereford Show — Thurs. March 25, 10:00 a.m.
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- Fashion Show & Demonstration — Thurs. March 25, 8:00 p.m.

Mar. 23, Tues. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Mar. 24, Wed. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Mar. 25, Thurs. 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Mar. 26, Fri. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.