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Embrun Home Show

Embrun's Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Home Show on May 14, 15 and 16 at the Embrun arena. More than 30 merchants and public service associations will have displays at the show.

On Friday night (May 14th) Embrun's Man of the Year will be chosen. And on Sunday (May 16th) a Fashion Show will be held in the recreation centre.

Tickets to the Fashion Show are \$2.00 in advance and \$2.50 at the door. Tickets to the Fashion Show allow you free entry to the Home Show. Tickets for the Home Show alone are \$1.00. Tickets for both events are available at most merchants in Embrun.

For further information contact: Lucie Lapointe for the Fashion Show (443-2959) and Albert Bourdeau for the Home Show (443-2255).

New Baptist Pastor

The Baptist community in the area has a new pastor. He's Terry Reid Orchard formally of Westfield, New Brunswick. Mr. Orchard is married and has a 15 month old boy. He graduated from Wolfville Divinity College in Nova Scotia. He says he's hoping to stay in the area until "the Lords calls me from this world." Welcome Pastor Orchard.



An April Fool's Outhouse

Pierre Latremouille (center) woke up on April Fool's Day to find a ready-built outhouse in front of his store. Turned out it was put up by his friends Jean-Marie Seguin (right) and Richard Burelle (left) in retaliation for Latremouille's April Fool's joke on Seguin last year. Seguin owns the Building Supply store in Embrun. Last year Latremouille changed Seguin's store sign to read "LaBranch" and told everybody in the village that Seguin had been bought out. The April Fool's joke had a political overtone too — Latremouille is an adamant supporter of sewers for Embrun so the Castor River will be cleaner. Will both Seguin and Latremouille be changing each others signs next April Fool's Day? Could get crowded next year.

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Russell R.A. calls public meeting

The Russell Recreation Association has called a special public meeting for Monday, April 26th, to discuss payment of the debt owing on the Dr. F. Kinnaird arena. The Russell Township Council will attend the 8 p.m. meeting to hear suggestions on how the \$62,000 debt can be paid.

Baird McNeil, Chairman of the R.A., said in an interview, the meeting has been called to "discuss the possibility of a special assessment amounting to about \$50 for an average Russell household to repay the debt owed by the R.A. to the Township.

"If we could pay off the debt," said Mr. McNeil, "we would save \$9,000 in interest payments in the first year alone and about \$25,000 in interest over the five years now scheduled to pay off the debt."

The special public meeting to discuss the arena debt was called after the R.A. met with Township Council on April 15th to discuss the Association's 1982 budget. At that meeting Mr. McNeil said: "We held a meeting in Russell to discuss payment of the debt and everybody who attended agreed that the debt should be paid off as quickly as possible.

"If the debt isn't paid off," said Mr. McNeil, "our position

next year would be worse because while the debt costs would remain constant other costs such as hydro and maintenance would increase."

At the meeting with Council the R.A. asked the Council to approve a budget that included the special assessment plus an \$8,000 grant to balance its budget.

But Township Reeve Gaston Patenaude told the Association that more people in Russell should be involved in deciding whether or not a special one year assessment should be implemented.

"The people who attended the meeting in Russell to discuss the assessment may have agreed it was necessary but it is such an important decision that more people in the village should be given the opportunity to voice their opinions" said Reeve Patenaude.

The Council briefly discussed holding a referendum on the question but finally decided a public meeting would provide a better opportunity for debate and clarification.

The 1982 budget proposed by the R.A. to Council included expenses of \$142,994 plus \$21,000 to pay for interest and principle payments on the arena loan. The revenue side of the proposed

budget added up to \$156,325 including \$50,000 from the proposed special assessment.

If the special one year assessment were to be approved and passed by Council an extra 18 mills would be added on to the present 18.69 mills currently being paid by residences in Russell.

The County has already approved a five mill increase for its budget increase. Still to be heard from are the schoolboards and the Township who have yet to set their budgets.

The R.A. expects 1982 expenses to include: \$42,000 for salaries and expenses; \$15,200 for repairs and maintenance; \$18,924 for capital expenditures; \$12,000 for hydro bills; \$8,000 for operating and cleaning materials; and \$14,800 for the swimming pool.

Expected revenues for the year include: \$51,000 from ice rentals, \$13,000 from the sale of food and beverages; and \$9,825 from the pool.

The Russell Recreation Association is directed by: Baird McNeil (Chairman); Peter Vantol (Treasurer); John-Paul St. Pierre; Pat Holcombe; Greg Rokosh; Lorne Wade; Betty Latimer; Peter Romme (Vice-Chairman); and Jean Millaire.

New loan for Embrun

Russell Township Council has applied to the Ontario Municipal Board for permission to borrow \$141,928 to pay for renovations to the Embrun arena and Zamboni room and expenses involved in building the village's bowling alley. The Council had approved both projects before getting OMB approval.

The application to the OMB for the loan was delayed when seven taxpayers in Embrun and the surrounding area formally objected to it. In a meeting with Council they pointed out that an advertisement, published in *Le Droit* by the Council, said money to pay back the loan would be "recovered by imposing a special tax on all taxable properties on concessions 5 to 10, including the Village of Embrun."

The taxpayers withdrew their objections when they were told by Albert Bourdeau, Russell Township Deputy-Reeve and J. Brisson, a Russell Councillor, that no additional tax would be imposed and that the OMB had dictated the wording of the ad placed in the newspaper.

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Russell Recreation Association
and

Russell Township Council

Monday, April 26

8 p.m.

Arena Hall
Dr. F. Kinnaird Arena
Russell

To discuss repayment
of the R.A. debt to
the township.

Russell
RECREATION ASSOCIATION