Municipally Yours,

Not a long script this month, but do want to pass out some thank yous:

. to the Board and staff of Black River Cheese Factory. So proud to have you back and operating (with the original ice cream too!). But those cones are killers on the hips! And the smell of Keogh's strawberries - ah, heaven...

. to all the folks who organised the Community Plant for the 38 barrels in bloom in the village. To those individuals, businesses and organizations that sponsored barrels and to the many folks who helped plant them. Special kudos to Trevor Miller, Bill Creasy and John Lammes for the "delivery" services about the village and to 6 year-old Alex Larkin for bringing her watering can!

. to the Board members, staff and summer crew of the Mariner's Museum. Renovations have been completed by a volunteer crew and you're encouraged to attend the numerous events planned as fundraisers this summer - Art in the Park, the Fish Fry, the Marine Auction and the Annual Mariners' Service. Admission to the Museum is by donation. It's a great place to take your visitors!

. to the dozen or so people who have volunteered their time to develop a fundraising plan to allow us to access $30,000 in provincial grant money through Superbuild to make improvements at the Ball/Fair/ Theatre Park. To get that much, we need to raise $10,000. Contact Brent Walker, Committee Chair, 476-5488, if you'd like to be carrying a lighter wallet or have an idea for fund raising.

. to the Recreation Committee who organized a great dance at The Shed on June 22 in support of the above. Watch for more dances this summer.

. to the group led by Brent Walker who developed a proposal for playground equipment at the same park using an allotment of $25,000 that resulted from the excellent work of the Ontario Works staff in getting clients into work placements. No fund raising needed from us which makes it even better!

. to Lucky Stars Productions who are putting on "Nurse Jane Goes to Hawaii" and "The Long Weekend" in July at Mount Tabor Playhouse. They have developed a project to raise money for capital improvements to Mount Tabor by "selling seats". For $100 you can get your name (or someone else's) on a plaque mounted on the arm of one of the theatre seats. Knowlton Hunter and Jennifer Warr of Lucky Stars were very active with the Bancroft Little Theatre before moving to the County and coordinated this same project there. If you are interested please contact them at 399-2984.

I call this column, "Municipally Yours". As I write this, it definitely feels like "Municipally Ours" - and that is a GREAT feeling! May it be a safe, happy and healthy summer for you and your loved ones...

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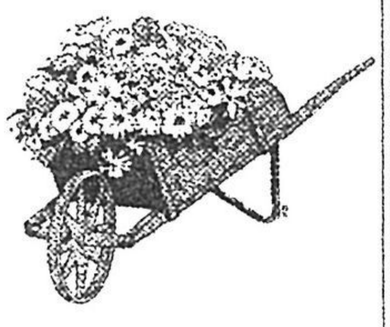

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