

# Harrow man killed in house fire

BY FREE PRESS STAFF

**HARROW** – A 60-year-old man is dead from asphyxia due to smoke inhalation after a fire destroyed a Harrow farmhouse Aug. 30.

Members of the Essex Fire and Rescue Service, assisted by the Essex Police Service, arrived at the scene of the blaze at 1204 Gore Road around 10 p.m.

Essex Police Const. Gary Gamberta said firefighters found George McLean, 60, inside the home approximately half an hour later.

Gamberta said paramedics administered CPR and used a defibrillator on McLean before taking him to Leamington District Memorial Hospital where he was later pronounced dead. A post mortem was

done at Hotel Dieu-Grace Hospital in Windsor on Aug. 31.

“There’s no indication at this time that foul play was involved in causing the fire,” Gamberta said.

Essex Fire Chief Ed Pillon estimated the blaze caused around \$250,000 in damage to the home.

“The entire west portion of the main floor was totally engulfed when we got there,” Pillon said.

At this time, an investigation by the Ontario Fire Marshal’s office is still ongoing.



**THREE-CAR COLLISION** – Members of the Essex Fire and Rescue Service tend to the scene of a three-car collision at Highway 3 and Victoria Avenue in Essex around 2 p.m. on Aug. 31. Ontario Provincial Police Const. Lee Batte said the crash was caused by a driver failing to stop at a red light and rear-ending another vehicle, which smashed into the car in front of it. Police closed the intersection for half an hour and traffic was routed through downtown Essex. One person was sent to Leamington District Memorial Hospital, treated for minor injuries and later released. Careless driving charges are pending for one of the drivers, Batte said.

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## Poll workers to be hired for election

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The DRO counts the votes for the polling station and reports them to Marion on the date of the advance polls and on election day Nov. 14. Polls close at 8 p.m.

“By mid October each individual should receive a voter registration card and, if they don’t receive it, they should contact our office,”

Marion said.

Anyone not on the voter’s list available at the polling stations should bring with them proof of residency in Essex, such as a driver’s license, as well as proof of citizenship, such as a birth certificate or passport.

Anyone interested in working for the Town during the election should call the municipal office. Marion said a training ses-

sion will be scheduled a week before the election.

Marion does not expect any problems on the day of the advance polls or on election day.

“I was out the door at 10:30 p.m. last time,” Marion said. “I don’t anticipate any difficulties. Polls close at 8 p.m. on election day and tallies are done immediately thereafter.”

**Town of/Ville de Lakeshore**  
**SHAPE THE FUTURE OF YOUR TOWN**

The Town of Lakeshore invites the public to attend its next informal Public Open House relating to the new Official Plan, and review draft studies and master plans prepared by the Municipality’s various consultants.

**PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE:**  
**SEPTEMBER 18, 2006 from NOON to 8:00 p.m.**  
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**1303 COUNTY ROAD #22, EMERYVILLE**  
**Studies/ Master Plans to be discussed**

<p><b>Draft Official Plan Growth Concepts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A draft study detailing updated municipal information on population and employment growth, including identifying growth areas and strategies</li> </ul>	<p><b>Draft Transportation Master Plan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A draft study detailing transportation services and improvements for the municipality</li> </ul>
<p><b>Draft Water &amp; Sewer Master Plan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A draft study detailing water and wastewater to service both existing and future development for the municipality</li> </ul>	<p><b>Community Services Master Plan Study Commencement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Series of studies to include Recreation &amp; Leisure Services, Multi-Use Facility Requirements/Development, Heritage, Arts, &amp; Culture, and Tourism Development</li> </ul>

**Community Strategic Plan**

- A draft summary of the responses from the public and focus groups on the future vision and strategic direction for the Town.

The purpose of the Public Open House is to receive your input into the study(s), provide background on the draft studies, answer any questions you may have, and help further define and develop creative solutions to address the issues impacting your community.

Consultation with the public is a key component in this ongoing process. Information will be available and on display regarding each study. Those unable to attend either of the public open house and/or to get on to our mailing list please contact:

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You need space, plot or niche or crypt; opening/closing services; a grave liner (if you choose a casket arrangement) and should consider a marker of some sort.

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