

### LEEDS & GRENVILLE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Composition of the 1986 Board

Chairman Dorothy Davies  
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Secretary K. Wayne Tompkins, Dir. of Ed.

Standing Committees  
(first named = Chairman)

#### Education

Mrs. Wyatt Mr. Davis, Emerton, Flood,  
Steady.

#### Property

Mr. McMullen, Barr, Canon Burns, Mr.  
Maxwell, Warren.

#### Finance

Mr. Barr, Davis, Emerton, Hartley,  
Tierney. Transportation

Mr. Hartley, Cook, Flood, McMullan,  
Mrs. Wing.

#### Policy

Mr. Burgess, Barr, Canon Burns, Mr.  
Tierney, Mrs. Wing.

#### Collective Bargaining

Mrs. Wing, Mr. Burgess, Cook, Maxwell,  
Steady, Warren.

The Board meets on the second and fourth  
Monday of the month.

Standing Committees meet:

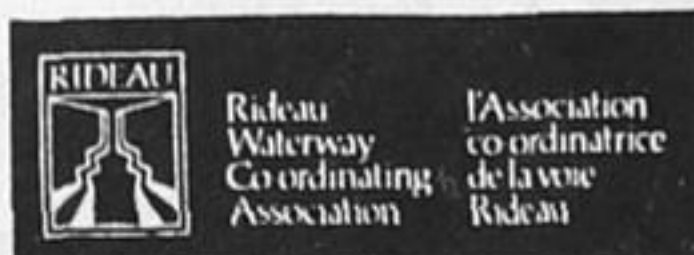
Education & Policy - First Tuesday  
Finance, Property, Transportation-Third Tues.  
Collective Bargaining - Call of the Chair

### VISITORS GUIDE TO THE RIDEAU

In 1985, the Rideau Waterway Coordinating Association, in cooperation with Parks Canada, produced 125,000 copies of a Calendar of Events for the Rideau Corridor. It was distributed free along the corridor as well as throughout Ontario, Quebec and the northeastern United States. As well, copies were sent to people requesting information about the Rideau Waterway. Reaction to the Calendar was better than anticipated. The Rideau Waterway Association is planning an expanded version for 1986. As well as events, the new publication will include some visitors services information.

In order to produce the "1986 Visitors Guide", the Association is requesting all organizations in Rideau corridor to advise us of known events for 1986. As well, we ask that organizations keep the Visitors Guide in mind as they plan further activities for the year and pass the new information along to us as quickly as practical.

The publishing deadline for the 1986 Visitors Guide has been set at January 31, 1986 in order to achieve maximum benefit. An events form is printed below and more forms may be obtained in the north Leeds area from Don Warren (359-5468) or Jane Monaghan (359-5108).



1986 Visitors Guide...Events Listing Insertion Form

Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: Name, address and telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide additional detail on the back. Use a separate sheet for each event.  
Please return this form to the Rideau Waterway Coordinating Association  
as soon as possible.

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the second and most common action is to imagine what you will do if one single store assistant gives less than perfect service!

Having made your selections, after checking to see: a) if all the parts are there, b) it or they have all the buttons in tact, or c) gone through every box to see if one is either cheaper or better than the 35 already opened; and being honest, you head to a "cash" counter. Have you tried to find one of these lately? They can be identified by an evergrowing mob of bodies, with elbows held at a dangerous angle, all thrusting a handful of money or plastic towards a central location, where, wearing a harried and somewhat terrified look, is a young sales clerk.

If you want to know what a rock star goes through when they are mobbed, work as a sales clerk in any of the major department stores which have instituted what I call the "cage" system—a small rotunda of counter, with about 6 cash registers encircling 2 or more clerks. Naturally the cash registers outnumber the clerks because a) they don't get a pay check and b) usually one or more cash registers are "out-of-order".

Can you believe that after working hard for our money, we will subject ourselves to the almost inhuman treatment to "give" it away!

With purchases made, and noting to "Keep all receipts" and "no exchanges until after December 31" hunger pangs take over. While surrounded by numerous "eateries" try and gain a place which will accommodate you, your bale of clothing and the amazing collection of bags and boxes (all bursting at the seams) that you have accumulated.

Even at the best of times, I have decided that food bars in shopping centres must have the highest priced real estate in the Plaza as approximately 2 square feet is allocated to each "patron". If you insist on eating, then be prepared to suffer. If, like me, you head for the nearest exit, praying all the way that you can remember which door you came in, and where you parked the car (it used to be easy to locate a vehicle, by selecting an unusual colour when purchasing...bet you never knew that was how car colours were selected in the "old days") you will at least be on the way to sanity a little sooner.

Dodge-em car all the way home and then...what a relief, the exit sign for Elgin where the personal touch means a store clerk's assistance not being squashed and pushed out of shape!

Every year, I try to not have to go to the city from about mid-October till after January 6...but every year, I seem to fail in my resolve. It's too bad we can't have circulating Shopping Centres, bringing into each of our small communities those goods and services not readily available. I know one thing...our local merchants wouldn't subject us to the traumas we tolerate in the city.

Back to the point... "O Come All Ye Faithful" and the shopping centre syndrome...If you must go, go with a smile...it's amazing how catching it can be. Very rarely will some-one stampede you out of the way while you are wearing a smile. They may actually think you are insane and give you a wide berth! Talk to strangers, especially in the line up (or crush) at the cash registers. With one item clutched in your hand, standing behind a person with half the store to check through, a few words (pleasant ones) may just be the touch to persuade her/him to let you go first. It is against the rules to then pull umpteen other items out from various hiding places...or write a cheque which needs seventeen pieces of I.D.

What I am trying to say is: Take the Christmas Spirit with you, spread it around or before many more Christmases have passed, the cartoon mentioned earlier will become a reality.

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### RIDEAU REVIEW

Doctor, Doctor by Peter Flanders - Dr. Flanders presents his memoirs written in the style of James Herriot's veterinary stories. He suffers from wanderlust and accepts short-term contracts to work in such far flung places as Labrador, Iran and Indonesia. Gently humorous, easy reading.

BS

Hardball by Doug Horning - Loren Swift, a tough private investigator, intends to retire from his dangerous and demanding job, but instead he becomes enmeshed in a friend's problems. Murder, kidnapping and drugs follow in this exciting and fast moving mystery.

BS

The Canadians by Andrew Malcolm - A warm and loving look at Canada, written in 1984 by an American journalist with deeply embedded roots. Having travelled the length and breadth of the land, he is awed by its immensity and growth potential, impressed by its growing maturity, but not sure that we have the necessary confidence, cohesion and political acuity to emerge as a major force. Certain new directions being taken by our present government should be of interest to the author.

JR

Blessings in Disguise by Alec Guinness Witty memoirs from the pen of Sir Alec Guinness, his obscure beginnings, religious persuasion, wartime experiences and above all his acting career. Modestly told with amusing anecdotes about other stage celebrities and writers, and from behind-the-scenes at Stratford, Ont. 1983.

JR

A Compass Error by Sybille Bedford-1968 A sophisticated book about the complex personal relationships of a worldly European family; about Contanza, the favourite of the gods, her mother Anna, and daughter, seventeen year old Flavia, who made and must pay for the "compass error".

JR

The Common Years by Jilly Cooper - This author is well known for her love of flora and fauna, especially her dogs. For ten years she lived on the edge of Putney Common which joins Barnes Common to form one of the many life-saving green spaces in London, England. Fragments of her diaries of those years present lyrical pictures of trees, wild plants and birds. Through all the seasons, as she walks her dogs and children on the commons, she records crisp views of neighbours, fellow dog walkers and their pets. Hard to put this book down once you start to read it.

BS

A growing collection of books of interest to many people is our Virago Press selection. We have editions from Virago's Modern Classics, New Fiction and New Non-Fiction. Virago Press was founded in 1976 by three women in London, England. Their aim was "to publish books that illuminated the lives, history and literature of women, to balance the prevailing view that there are very few serious or good female writers of any kind".

Authors that have been forgotten, that were often never given the recognition they deserved are having their works republished under the Virago banner. Interesting and fascinating writers such as: Vera Brittain, Miles Franklin, Mary Webb, M.J. Farrell to name but a few.

The name Virago was chosen because of its original meaning, "an heroic woman" and because it was an attention getting word.

Well-bound, these are quality paper-backs, elegant in appearance with dark green covers featuring reproductions of paintings on the front cover. The books are a delight to look at, to hold and to read; an excellent example of the contribution women have made and are making to our culture.