

RIDEAU CENTENNIAL SCHOOL - PORTLAND

Parent's Night - Wed. Nov. 9th - 7.30

How is spelling taught today?
We are trying a new programme at the Grade 7 level and Mr. McCuen is going to explain what the programme is, how it differs from the old programme and how parents can become involved in their child's learning.

We hope that all parents will be able to attend as spelling is such an important skill and effects every child's success.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ELECTION

The ballots were counted under the supervision of Mrs. Fran Brown, the retiring chairman of the Committee. Our congratulations to the winners, Mr. Pat McManus, Mr. Jim Vanderschuit, and Mrs. Judy Pattinson. They will join Mrs. Olga Baker, Mrs. Joan Hutchison, Mrs. Marlene Gratton, and Mrs. Diane Haskins who are serving the second year of their term, and Mr. T. Molloy and Mr. W. McCuen who are the teacher representatives.

Our first meeting was held at the school on October 13. All interested parents were invited to attend as observers.

Mrs. Hutchison will act as chairman for the coming year with Mrs. Haskins as vice-chairman. Mrs. Pattinson is secretary and in charge of publicity.

Mrs. Gratton gave a report on the school lunch program and askad for more volunteer help. Various plans were discussed for field trips and outdoor activities for the school.

The next meeting of the committee will be at R.C.S. at 7.30 p.m. Wed. November 23rd, and all parents are invited to attend as observers.

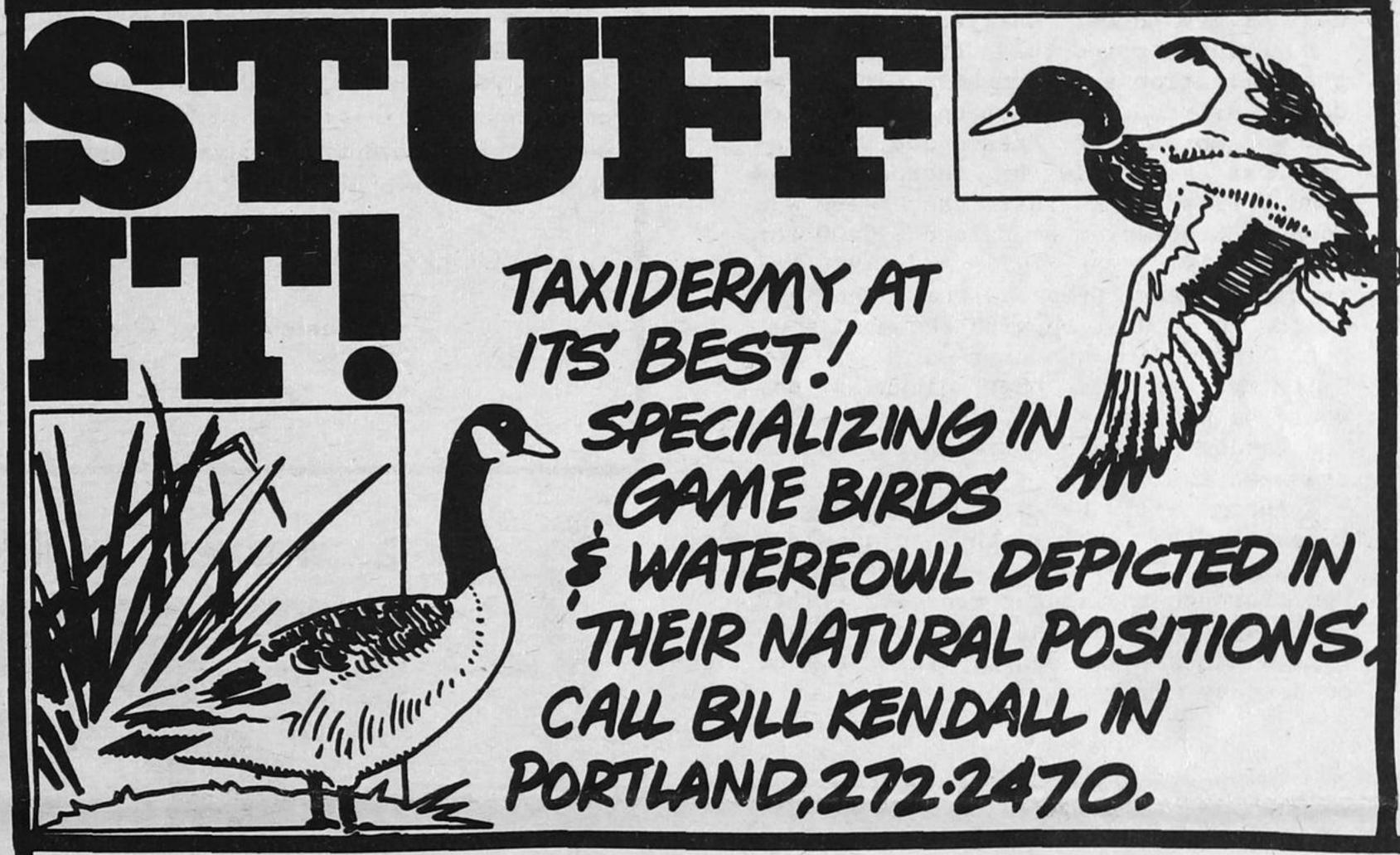
For those parents who are interested in how School Committee Executives function, I would draw your attention to the excellent article in the October issue of the North Leeds Lantern.

P.A. Days - The two days in Sept. were very successful. The Resource People involved ran an excellent

programme and our own curriculum is now being modified as a result of what we learned.

On Wed. Oct. 26, all schools in Leeds and Grenville are combining for a P.A. Day. Experts in various fields are being brought in by the teacher federations from all over Ontario and several states. Because of the cooperation of the secondary and the elementary teachers, such areas as French, Physical Education, and Guidance will be dealt with in depth.

Parents Night - Mr.Boyd was disappointed that more parents were not able to attend what proved to be a most educational and entertaining evening. Superintendent McNeill and his team gave us a great deal of information and motivated some very interesting discussions.



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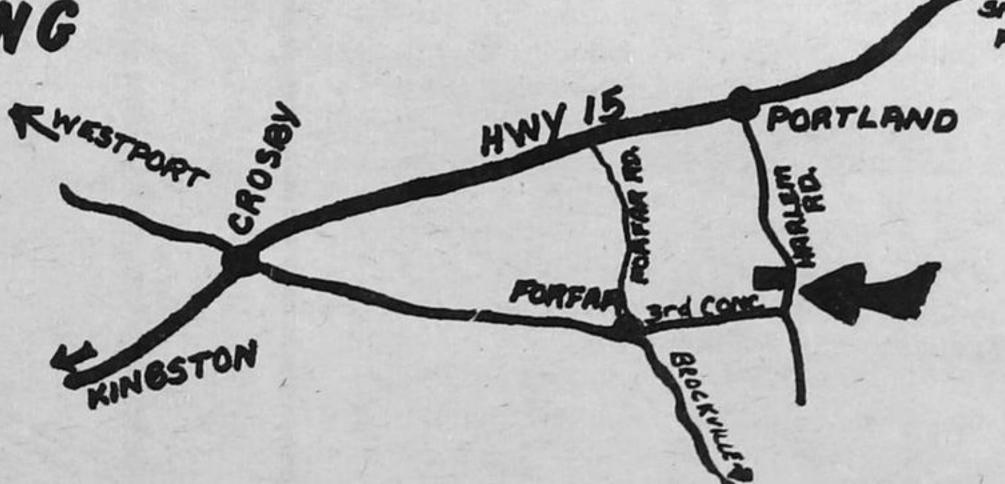
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