

Patchwork: West Potsdam Area News

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It's Thursday again and the weatherman has warned of severe snow and winter weather. So far parts of the east are digging out and we got a little snow during late afternoon. By morning I'll know if all the fellows who mounted plows will be happy. "Plowing change" has been slow so far this winter.

The firemen's bowling tournament was held last weekend at the Waddington Lanes. A fun thing happened. When tickets for a drawing were sold a man said he never wins anything and put his dog's name, Ralph, on the ticket. You guessed it, Ralph won. The Ralph story spread around the alley and when it was all over three dogs won items. Honest, ask Ardie Richardson who told me about the drawing going "to the dogs." Winners in the tournament were: Waddington-team 2 took first place, Waddington-team 3 took second place, Norfolk took 3rd place and Potsdam was 4th. Wayne Santamano took the high triple and high single award with a 666 and a 234. Wayne's dog Elmo also won a drawing.

Sue, Bullerfield and Darlene... interested in horses. At one meeting Andy Burnett taught knot tying. Their Christmas party had the club skating at Pine Street Arena and a pizza party at Sergi's to exchange gifts. Their drawing was very successful with Nancy Stone of Madrid winning a savings bond from St. Lawrence National Bank; Diane Fuller won a large pizza from Pizza Hut and Shirley LaBarge won a tool box from Kinney Drugs. At another meeting Dr. Bartlett was the

Sandstone Senior Citizens

BY MILLIE GILMORE
Sandstone Senior Citizens' business meeting and birthday party will be at 2 p.m. Feb. 2 in the Midtown Apartments community room. Ice cream, cake and beverages will be served. Members having birthdays in February are especially invited to attend as they may win a prize.

Our covered dish dinner Jan. 24 was poorly attended as it was cold, icy and some folks were sick.

Office for the Aging advisory board will meet in Canton on Feb. 11. All advisors will receive notice on the meeting's location.

St. Lawrence County Council of Senior Citizens will meet at 9:30 a.m. Feb. 12 in Midtown Apartments community room. Let's hope the weather is nice.

I picked up a copy of the Potsdam Nursing Home newsletter for January in the lobby of Midtown. It is very nice. People can learn their activities and possibly go and visit.

Ruth Wilcox at the nursing home is also an early member of Sandstone Senior Citizens Club. Happy 91st birthday, Ruth. Ruth played piano for our meetings and was a very active member.

Happy Valentine's Day to everyone.

Beginners

JOSHUA ALLEN SHIMMEL, was born Jan. 9, 1987, to Jennifer Lynn Shimmel, R.D. 1, Moira.
EMILY EUNICE GOUGHARY, was born Jan. 9, 1987, to Patrick Bartholomew Gouchary and Debra Jean Ray, R.D. 3, Canton.
WHITNEY LYNN BESAW, was born Jan. 10, 1987, to Randy James Besaw and Dorothy Lois Jarvis, 193 Chamberlain Rd., Massena.
BRITNEY NICHOLE RICHARDS, was born Jan. 13, 1987, to Malcom Resart Richards and Pamela Joyce Philbrick, 15 Cherry St., Potsdam.
BRANDON MICHAEL SATHER, was born Jan. 13, 1987, to Annette Marie Sather, R.D. 1, Potsdam.
BRANDON JOSEPH WALLACE, was born Jan. 14, 1987, to Ronald Philip Wallace and Lynaya Marie Duprey, 307 C. Lakeshore Dr., Nowood.
MATTHEW ROY CLOTHIER, was born Jan. 14, 1987, to Romie Daniel Clothier and Lisa Kay Baxter, R.D. 4, Potsdam.
DANI ELIZABETH JACOT, was born Jan. 14, 1987, to Andre' Joseph Jacot and Stacie Marie Kelley, P.O. Box 575, Parishville.
KIMBERLY LANE PHELIX, was born Jan. 18, 1987, to Daniel Nelson Phelix and Shauna Mary Gering, R.D., North Lawrence.
FARAZ RABAH CHOWDHURY, was born Jan. 9, 1987, to Showkat Jahan Chowdhury and Tamara Saleh, Racquette Acres, Potsdam.

speaker. Their next meeting will be at the Madrid Library with Dick Healey the speaker. His subject is how and why one puts shoes on a horse. Since the meeting is in the library he won't be bringing his horse with him.

Ardie Richardson held her annual housewares party Monday evening in her home. Brenda Perry was the demonstrator. It was a fun gathering with some good laughs. It started when someone asked Ardie what her bird's name was. Her parakeet was busy checking the folks out and singing to show off. The bird's name is "Bird."

Coincidences are fun. This week three different people mentioned wringer washing machines. Since more than half of our population wasn't born when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, I'm certain more than half of the population knows nothing of the fun of doing laundry with a wringer washer. I even have a wooden washtub and a hand wringer stashed away and I am a believer of the modern automatic washer. 'Cause if anyone recalls a finger in the wringer or popping buttons as the wringer slowly squeezed the water from a garment—or how about the water being pulled into the wringer through the pulley that squirting water was great fun. Anyone recall putting blueing in the rinse water for whites?

Answering machines I never cared for. Don't like talking to a machine. Yet I put one on my list of goodies to purchase when I win the

50 Attend PTSA Meeting

Despite harsh wintery weather, over 50 people attended the Potsdam Central PTSA meeting at the AAK Middle School on Jan. 22 to hear school Superintendent Gary Snell and panel of fifth and sixth grade teachers and principals of the elementary and middle schools discuss the possibility of moving the fifth grade to the middle school.

Following the presentation and considerable discussion many people took advantage of Snell's and Middle School Principal Loconti's invitation to tour facilities at the school.

The Potsdam Central PTSA would like to thank Snell and his panel of Mike Loconti, Jim Water-

son, John Charlebois, Sue Stacy, Jane Jones, Steve Connelly, Sandy Tomalty, Fred Serfis, Mary Ann Caryl and Kathy Londraville for discussing their study with the group.

The PTSA especially want to thank Miss Susan Dodds of the National Honor Society for caring for several active children in the babysitting area.

The PTSA will sponsor an information meeting regarding the proposed \$2.8 million renovation project for Potsdam Central School on Feb. 5 at 7 p.m. at the AAK Middle School. Babysitting and refreshments will be available. All citizens to attend.

Wednesday evening Bonnie and I and Helen Grant got much more

Caregivers Course Offered In Massena

MASSENA — Massena will be the first community to offer an informal caregivers course, according to AEIOU officials. This curriculum was developed by the State Office for the Aging to help those currently involved in a caregiving role with an elderly person. It also will aid family members or neighbors who are potential caregivers at some future time. The course will benefit those people who want to learn more about themselves, their peers, and the aging process.

The course starts Feb. 5 at the Massena Junior High School Room 112. Fee is \$15. To register contact the AEIOU office at 769-8422.

Wilder Elected To TASC Office

Harold W. Wilder, president of Canton Federal Savings and Loan Association, Canton, has been elected a director and chairman of Thrift Associations Service Corporation (TASCO), the multi-purpose real estate service corporation owned by 58 New York State savings institutions.

TASCO stockholders also elected four other individuals to serve as directors of the organization and a slate of officers to serve for the 1986-87 term.

TASCO, which was founded in 1970, enables individual savings institutions to pool resources to finance large-scale income property real estate projects. The organization has a long-standing commitment to providing financing for low and moderate-income housing, and it has provided more than \$250 million in single-family home loans in the past two years.

Wilder succeeds Kenneth J. Abt, president of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Middletown, who served as TASCO chairman for one year.

Mayfield News

Mabel Stevens has her first great-granddaughter. The baby's parents are Michele and Rod Truax who live in Glens Falls.

We hope that all our ill residents, including Mary L. St. Dennis and Gordon Daby, are feeling much better.

Our next covered dish supper will be at 5:30 p.m. on Jan. 28.

Alma LaPointe attended the St. Lawrence County American Legion meeting in Lisbon recently.

done with more helping hands from Lee Pierce and Rosemary Sanford and Kathy Mulkin. Men continued on with work in the addition working on partitions. And at the far end of the building a farmers group held a meeting complete with a slide program. And Thursday morning there was more activity. Bill Grant was doing chores in the addition and the breadman made his delivery and much more. By noon it was alive with activity. Workers Bonnie and I, Kathy Mulkin, Helen Grant, Rosemary Sanford, David Wright, Randy Merrick, Ron Tierman, Matt Stone, Lee Pierce and Charlie Bates were in complete control of a soup and sandwich luncheon.

Landmark Genetics offers artificial insemination services. I don't happen to have a cow I'd like to breed and perhaps that is best. Because as I glanced through the "Outstanding Traits" column which is one of a great many columns that describe the sires, I couldn't decide if I wanted to use 11H2325 Strickler M GM GAMBLER which is "Strong, fancy, wide rumps, udders" or 11H1479 Lekker Vallant ROYALTY which is "Protein, frame, test placement," or any other of the many I could select from.

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I believe I found an error in a recipe I was scanning. It is one of Pierre Gerardaux and it is for L'Escargot Bourguignon. It calls for 18 snails, 14 lbs. softened butter and 1 Tbs. mixed Provencal herbs. Interesting, I thought. I wasn't going to try the recipe, I was simply wondering how and what goes into something with such a fancy name. The instructions tell me to mix the butter and herbs together and put it with the snails in a snail dish and bake for five minutes. With 14 pound of melted butter that has to be some snail dish.

The firemen's broomball team was in action again Sunday evening playing Madrid at Pine Street Arena. I'm told the game was a cliffhanger. John Waite scored early in the game for West Potsdam. Madrid got on the board to tie it up and in the last two seconds of the game Madrid put another ball away to take the win.

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high with snow and that was that. He changed his mind and has decided to stay in. He went back to the woodstove and settled back down. It could be a snow day for kids and teachers and for sure those with plows will be picking up some change.

Gamble Named To Advisory Board

CANTON — Richard W. Gamble of Carthage has been named to the advisory board of the St. Lawrence National Bank's Carthage office, according to an announcement made by LeRoy E. Hansen, president and chief executive officer.

Gamble graduated from Carthage Central School in 1961. Following graduation, he attended Mohawk Valley Community College in Utica.

In 1962, he joined Gamble Distributors, the family-owned business, as an outside salesman. He was promoted to parts manager in 1964 and became president of the company in 1982 upon the retirement of his father, Warren G. Gamble. Richard Gamble is the third generation of the family in Gamble Distributors.



GIFT TO KATIE — Officers of the Potsdam Business and Professional Women's Club (BPW) present a check to Katie Tyler, center, to help defray the cost of her recent trip to China to participate in international competition. At left is BPW President Shirley Metcalf and at right is Pennie Wilhelm, the club's treasurer. (Ron Robertson photo)

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