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The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall Visit Prince Edward County



South Marysburgh residents Robin Lauer, Judy Plomer and Marilyn Lauer watch Prince Charles while he visits County woodworker Emerson Pringle at the Wellington Farmers Market during a stop on the 2017 Royal Tour of Canada. Below, crowds line both sides of Wellington's Main Street in anticipation of The Royals' arrival. Their Royal Highnesses later enjoyed strawberry shortcake with members of Wellington United Church. (See also pages 14 and 15)



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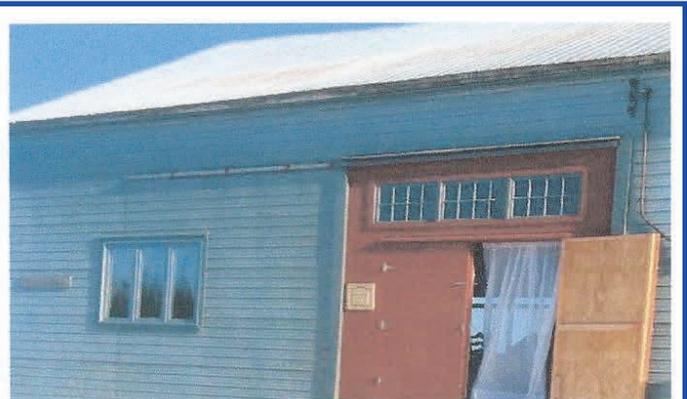
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Writers at all levels and of all ages are welcome to submit work for this anthology. Cressy Lakeside will offer editorial support to anybody who wants to enter but is unsure about preparation of a manuscript.

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Cressy Lakeside Books is a County-based publishing co-op. Publications are available at Books & Company, through the PEC library system, and various local outlets. Our aim is to support reading and writing in Prince Edward County. We plan to launch this anthology at the 2018 Author's Festival at Books & Company.

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- ◆ **Janna McCarthy** - 613.476.0240: for vendor enquiries;
- ◆ **Larry McDonald** - 613.210.0935: for parade participation and new rules for the 2017 parade;
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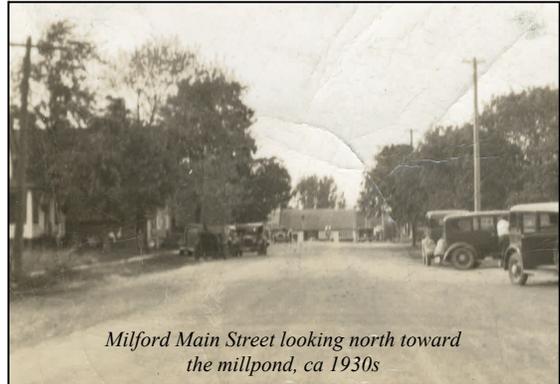
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What's going on at The Library

By Liz Zylstra

Friends of the Ann Farwell Library

"Use it or lose it" – we're all familiar with that expression, and it doesn't apply only to the French we learned in high school. Our Ann Farwell Library here in Milford is an enormous asset to our community, and it is vital that we maintain it.

Much thought has been invested in ways to make our libraries as relevant and as attractive as possible to the local population, with the introduction of new programs, increased availability of on-line holdings and ebooks, and innovative uses of library space for various clubs, organizations and talks.

Here in Milford, the Ann Farwell Library is following the same trend, with a number of clubs using the library (knitting club, French club, book club) and with our wonderfully innovative musical instrument library.

The mandate of the Friends of the Ann Farwell Library is to promote our library branch and to encourage new memberships. Did you know, for example, that weekend and summer residents of our community are welcome to become library members?

This year, the Friends are hoping to have an increased presence at the Milford Market and at the Milford Fair, which will take place this year on September 16th.

New members to the Friends of the Ann Farwell Library group are most welcome. The next meeting will take place at the library at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 11th. Come out and bring your ideas for getting the word out about how varied and exciting our Milford library is.

Gossip!

*Personal Notices, Announcements
& Random Notes*

If the CBC, CTV, BBC, Globe & Mail and Toronto Star can get one, so can The South Marysburgh Mirror.



The images of Prince Charles and Camilla's visit to the Wellington Market in this month's edition are as a result of The Mirror receiving media accreditation from the federal government

to cover the event. Apart from significant envy that The Mirror's cameras and lenses paled in comparison to the major media outlets, it was a fascinating once-in-a-lifetime experience to observe firsthand the interaction between the Royals, their large (in all ways) security detail and the media.

It was one thing to be in the attendance of Charles and Camilla but it was another to watch them work in very close quarters on a very humid day. As an accredited media outlet I received email after email about the schedule of their visit to PEC, preceded by their visit to Nunavut with Ottawa to follow for Canada Day. You'd be hard pressed to follow the same schedule AND be aware of local issues AND engage people in public events AND leave each one feeling they had experienced something well beyond expectations AND to not show one iota of fatigue.

The royal visit was a great day for Prince Edward County. Our mayor, Robert Quaiff, deserves a great deal of credit for realizing the impact the royal tour would have on the residents of the community we represent, and making it happen with our MP Neil Ellis.

For many of the staff of the Ontario government, the RCMP, and British security—all of whom were impressed by PEC—it was their first visit. All I spoke to are looking forward to returning in the future. But with their families, not with a royal.

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The Black Crick Chicks would like to send out a big **THANK YOU** to the South Marysburgh community for their generous support for 2017's Relay For Life held at the Picton Fairgrounds on June 16th. The Chicks walked their way to raising \$4200.00 dollars and the Picton event raised \$40,000.00 dollars to help support Cancer care programs in our community. So many of our family, friends and neighbors have been affected in one way or another by this terrible disease and we hope we can do our part in helping to fight back!



Chicks from left: Janet Keogh, Karen Keogh, Susan Creasy, Brenda Bond, Kathy Walker, Lael Bullock, Connie Allison-Goodwin, Karen Cowan, Annette Keogh, Jane Shannon, Amber Putman

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Not Something You See Every Day



Local beekeeper and Milford Market coordinator, Natalie Comeau, donned protective gear on June 17th to capture a swarm of wild bees that had been residing in a tree at the Milford Fairgrounds that were plotting a getaway. Instead,

they will be housed in their own hive and put to work out of harm's way.

'Come Alive Outside'

A shout out to Sarah Walker, executive director of Come Alive Outside, who last month gave a successful deputation to Toronto City Council seeking support to hold The Green Street Challenge in the city.



The Green Street Challenge creates the opportunity to celebrate the importance of outdoor, unstructured play by laying down sod and creating temporary parks on prominent streets in communities across North America. The 'greening' of a portion of Picton Main St. on Canada day was an example. In 2017, they are expanding the program to 10 communities in Canada, including an event in Toronto at Yonge and Bloor Streets, one of the city's busiest and trendiest intersections, also known as 'mink mile'.

Come Alive Outside is a non-profit organization that works closely with partners in the landscape profession (Scott Wentworth, in the case of Prince Edward County), as well as college horticulture and landscape architecture departments, in order to get people off the couch and back outside in communities across North America! Sarah and Scott were also involved in the planning and execution of the successful visit of Canada C3 in early June (see page 9).



In September, Sarah, the daughter of Walker Garage's Brent Walker, returns to school to undertake her PhD.

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Wednesday, August 9	Pork & Corn Roast
Saturday, September 30	Yard & Rummage Sale
Saturday, November 25	Christmas Bazaar & Tea

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Druella Acantha Malvina's Column

Gem for the month: Minds are like parachutes – they function well only when opened.

A cop was rushed into the operating room for an emergency appendectomy. The surgery went well but afterwards, he had a weird pulling sensation on his chest. Worried that something else might be wrong, he lifted his hospital gown to take a look.

Attached firmly to his chest hairs was a wide strip of tape. "Get well soon" was written on it and was signed, "The nurse you gave a ticket to this morning."

Q: Why does it take longer to run from second to third base than it takes to run from first base to second?

A: Because you have a short stop between second and third.

Life goes on, like it or not.

I pride myself that I look younger than my 59 years. I had a reality check when I brought my mother back to the nursing home after a visit with us. As I struggled with her suitcases, two elderly gentlemen held the door open for me.

"We hope you will be very happy here", one of them said to me.

I grew up in a non-musical family, so I restricted my singing to private places like the bathtub or the car. But one night I sang a lullaby to my nine-month-old baby. After the first verse, he sweetly looked into my eyes, removed the pacifier from his mouth and placed it in mine.

The members of a small country church took turns having their pastor over for dinner. At one meal, the pastor asked the family's small son what they'd be eating for dinner.

"Bizzard," the boy said.

"Bizzard?" the pastor asked, smiling. "What makes you think we're having bizzard?"

"Because Mom said, "We might as well have the old bizzard and get it over with."

The children begged for a hamster and made the usual fervent vows that they would look after it. They named it Danny.

Two months later, as was expected, Mom found herself responsible for cleaning and feeding the creature. She finally reached her limit and found a new home for it.

The children took the news quite well but one remarked, "He's been around here a long time – we'll miss him."

"Yes," Mom replied, "but he's too much work for one person and I'm that one person."

Another child offered, "Well, maybe if he wouldn't eat so much and wasn't so messy, we could keep him."

But Mom was firm. "It's time to take Danny to his new home. Go and get his cage."

Suddenly the children began to cry and in tearful outrage shouted, "Danny? We thought you said Daddy!"

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"Imagine A 60' Dock"

The ceremonial ribbon cutting to celebrate the Black River Cheese Company's new dock was hampered by the fact that the high water level of Lake Ontario prevented the dock from being installed. Nonetheless, Mayor Robert Quaiff, Black River Cheese Company manager, Cindy Menzies, and representatives from Gay Lea Foods took matters in hand and cut the ribbon in front of where the dock will be located eventually.



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Canada C3 Visits PEC



Canada C3 sits anchored in Picton Bay during the first stop of its 150-day voyage around Canada. Below, the welcoming reception for C3 crew and participants held at the Yacht Club. Here, expedition leader, Geoff Green, addresses the invited audience about the objectives of the voyage. Pictured with him from the front left are two members of the welcoming committee; Peter Lockyer; Sarah Walker and Scott Wentworth of Come Alive Outside; and Chief R. Donald Maracle of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte.



Bottom left and above, Canada C3 expedition leader, Geoff Green, holds "Paddle To The Sea" used in the making of the 1966 NFB documentary of the same name, and accompanying the expedition at the request of its owner.

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Milford Friendship Circle

Brenda Minaker welcomed the Circle ladies at her home on Thurs. June 1, at 1:30 p.m.

President Margaret opened with her usual witticism – Friends don't actually lie for each other but they put down a very good smoke screen.

Brenda, being a farmer's wife, had this appropriate thought: Rain, rain go away. 'Cause farmers have to make hay.

Six members answered roll call by telling of a silly song.

Our meagre finances were reported. A card was signed by all for Floral's 105th birthday.

Marg had a reading about a father looking forward to the birth of his son instead of which he got a daughter. Lucky man!

Brenda entertained us with some Newfie sayings and a poem about the "house" behind the house.

The ladies enjoyed the lunch prepared by Brenda and, of course, a good chin wag also. Alice thanked our hostess on behalf of the ladies.

Ladies of U.C.W. and Friendship Circle please note: There will be no regular meetings in July and August.

Floral's 105th



Family and friends gathered on the afternoon of June 4th at South Bay United Church hall to celebrate Milford resident Floral Minaker's 105th birthday. Visitors enjoyed refreshments and shared stories of Floral's extraordinary life. She also received birthday greetings from numerous dignitaries including the queen, Prime Minister Trudeau and Mayor Robert Quaiff.



VICKI'S YOGA OUTDOOR SUMMER TENT STUDIO 2017 SUMMER SCHEDULE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Saturday
10-11 am Sandbanks Winery Wellington (Only \$10.00)	8:00-9:30 am Gentle Yoga	8:00-9:30 am Gentle Yoga	6:30-8:00 am Advanced	9:00-10:30 Gentle Yoga
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3:30-5:00 pm Advanced	-----	-----	12:30-2:00 pm Advanced	11:30-1:00 pm Advanced
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Life In The Past

Nelson Hicks' Journals
July 1927

Transcribed by Sarah Moran Collier

Fri. 1 - Mirt Floral Royden Wrex and I all went to Wellington took Kathleen from Picton with us It was a lovely day quite hot.

Sat. 2 - Cultivated Potatoes and corn After supper Mirt and I went over to Picton after Kathleen

Sun. 3 - Mirt and I went up to Arthur McCrimmons the wolf gang were there. Mirt had her hair Bobbed last week.

Mon. 4 - I went over to Picton took a veal calf over sold it to Chown.

Tue. 5 - Drew in hay all the after noon

Wed. 6 - finished the hay in the Flats 12 loads altogether.

Thu. 7 - Help Davis Duetta sow peas in the after noon. had another rain last night.

Fri. 8 - helped Davis draw peas in the fore noon. After noon plowed a peace of ground for Buckwheat on the Flats.

Sat. 9 - Rex and I hoed corn. Royden finished fitting up the B. Wheat ground.

Sun. 10 - Lloyd and Luis came out to Donal Thompson. Kathleen came home with him. We all went around to church.

Mon. 11 - Sowed some B. Wheat in the Flats. Quite a warm day.

Tue. 12 - Royden and I helped Davis Duetta finish his peas. After dinner I cultivated corn

Wed. 13 - Mirt and I. Geo. Collier and. Cal. went up to Salmon Point to a fish Dinner a lovely day but very warm.

Thu. 14 - Quite a rough storm last night with a little rain. finished hoeing the corn to day

Fri. 15 - We have had a big rain to day

Sat. 16 - Mirt and I went over to Picton after Dinner Kathleen came home with us.

Sun. 17 - Lloyd. and a bunch from Belleville and Picton were down for a picnic in the little woods. they had a big time although it rain some.

Mon. 18 - Rex and I went over to Picton took over some grain to get ground. Quite a nice day

Tue. 19 - I started to cut hay back not very good.

Wed. 20 - Finished cutting the Hay back. raked and cock it up. Charlie Worth and wife Mr. Fralick and Kathleen came out for the after noon.

Thu. 21 - Royden helped Geo. Huggins Wrex and I worked at the potatoes and corn

Fri. 22 - Rained most all the day along about Six O'clock Audrey Smith and Mr. Tellow came home from Toronito for a little Vacation.

Sat. 23 - Ian and Audrey want over after Kathleen

Sun. 24 - Mirt Floral Wrex and I went over to Sam Lones had a fine Visit.

Mon. 25 - Ian and Audrey took Kathleen over to Picton I cut the Rye on the Flats. Rye was very good this year

Wed. 27 - Mirt Ian. Audrey Kathleen and I went up to the Sand Banks. It was a fine day and we had a nice time Kathleen came home with us.

Fri. 29 - I cut the oats on the Flats they were very good this year Wrex and Floral helped set them up.

Sat. 30 - I cut some grass hay over on Ken Johnson. Ian and Audrey started for their home at Toronto after Dinner Lloyd and Luis came down fetched Kathleen home

Sun. 31 - We went around the church Kathleen not feeling very good and stayed home.

Sarah's Research Notes Insight, Information & Anecdotes About Nelson Hicks' Journal Entries

Mirt becomes a thoroughly modern woman and has her hair bobbed (June 3), joining the flappers of her era. As a publication of the time wrote: "To bob or not to bob – that is the question that is causing more argument, more acrimonious discussion in this country today than any other, with the possible exception of prohibition. It interests all classes and sexes.

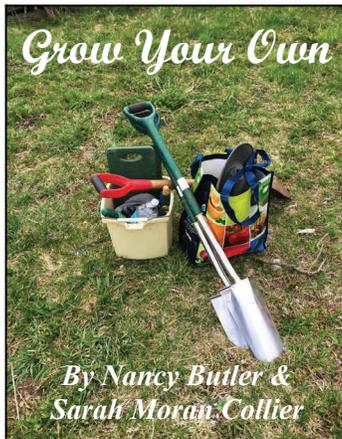


"The emancipated – those who have had their hair bobbed – have coined a term for those who have not – 'horse and buggy'."

"It is an incentive to crime!" declared one newspaper. "It's a result of the war and falling morals," stated another.

Nelson, quite wisely, does not offer an opinion.

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This edition of “*Grow Your Own*” features South Marysburgh resident Buffy Carruthers. We visited Buffy in her garden just outside Milford, to ask about her approach to gardening. She describes herself as a “casual gardener,” and explained that while she tends her garden as often as she can, she

accepts that weeds and insects will thrive alongside her vegetables. One of Buffy’s gardens takes up much of her front yard: lettuces, herbs, garlic and onion share space with beautiful alliums and graceful (largely untrimmed) boxwood bushes. Her back garden is cut out of a hay field, so to subdue the always-encroaching grass Buffy puts down heavy black plastic sheeting (recycled lumber wrap from Evans Lumber) and lots of straw.

I was initially deceived by the somewhat makeshift appearance of this back garden, assuming it consisted mostly of the tomato plants – sixty-five in total - at its centre. Then Buffy started naming the other vegetables growing alongside the tomatoes: peppers (several varieties), eggplant, garlic, rhubarb, asparagus, peas, green beans, potatoes, zucchini, squash, kale, arugula, cilantro, lettuces, leeks, onions, catnip. I’m sure we missed a few. How can someone who describes themselves as a “casual gardener” pull all this off? Buffy is undeniably one of those people who gets a lot done, seemingly effortlessly. But she was quick to say (several times) that the success of her garden is due to the work



of a group consisting of friends and acquaintances from across the county. This “work group” has been gathering for fifteen years, and while its members occasionally change, its routine has remained consistent: a morning of intensive work, followed by a delicious organic lunch supplied by the beneficiary of the group’s labour. Buffy does the planning and upkeep of her garden, but it’s

thanks to this work group that it gets put in every year, and thoroughly weeded at least a few times over the growing season. Buffy singled out South Marysburgh residents Alice Mennacher (of Blizzmax Art Gallery), Margie Korman (of Half Moon Bay Winery) and Bay Woodyard (of Honey Pie Hives and Herbals) as instrumental in sustaining her garden over the years.

Buffy has been gardening in South Marysburgh for twenty-eight years. Before moving to Milford she was a food writer for the *Globe and Mail*, and she told us her interest in gardening stems from a passion for good food. When I asked her if she had any general thoughts on her approach, she said she gardens in order to eat, and that there is NO COMPARISON between store bought vegetables and homegrown. She also said she wasn’t much of a gardener when she first came to South Marysburgh, but has become a much better one over time. She’s still learning, mostly from friends but also from her daughter, Jessica, who has always been a gardener, a grower.

Buffy appreciates the pleasures of growing her own vegetables and the money this saves her. Over time, Buffy’s approach to gardening has changed only in that she knows better now what she enjoys and uses most in her own cooking. About the variety of produce she grows, Buffy says “I grow things I really use, not fanciful types, mainly sauce tomatoes ... I grow more potatoes and onions, more straight forward organic vegetables.”

Buffy describes her garden as imperfect, as always needing more time and tending than she can give it. This is because for her, being in the studio is as important as being in the garden. She devotes time to both throughout spring and summer, preparing work for County art shows and working in the garden. So she is *both* an accomplished and prolific painter and printmaker *and* a Milford Fair prize-winning vegetable grower.



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Entomophagy

By George Underhill

Entomophagy was an unfamiliar term to me, too, and it means the act of eating bugs. It is said that bug eating is better for the environment because it's a rich source of protein and takes little resources. I can buy that, but I find the idea of chomping down on crickets or grasshoppers kind of repulsive. When I was a kid, Dickie Burns ate a worm but that was on a dare and he was a little strange anyway.

People all over the world eat insects, but we don't in North America. Forecasters say we will, though. After all, a few years ago we wouldn't have thought of eating raw fish. Now there are restaurants that serve only sushi. We eat shrimps, crabs and lobsters, and while they are technically not insects, they're close.

If you look on the Internet, you'll find all kinds of businesses that sell bugs for you to eat. You can buy bacon & cheese giant waterbugs, curried crickets, BBQ mealworms, and many others. They still look like bugs, though. What doesn't look like bugs is flour made of crickets or mealworms. They're finely ground up so you can't recognize them as insects. I think I could eat something made of insect flour.

In fact, we do eat insects though we don't know it. There is an abundance of insect parts in spinach, broccoli and other vegetables. In processed foods as well, there are all kinds of insect parts but you can't find them because they're all ground up and cooked. Think of cupcakes for example. How many cockroaches crawl into the flour or the mix before it's cooked up? I don't know, but you can bet the answer isn't none.

I was working in a restaurant in New Hampshire when one of the diners let out a startled scream. In her salad was a live tomato worm. If you don't know what they look like, they are about the size of a child's little finger, they are green, hairless and soft with a big horn on their posterior. It was alive and crawling. I don't blame her for being repulsed.

There must be lots of bugs around. I see robins on the lawn walking around, and every few steps lunging down to grab an unseen bug. There must be thousands of bugs sashaying around in the grass. There must be some way to harvest them for us to eat.

There are farmers who occasionally (in the few hours when they're not busy) read these articles. Perhaps you should research insect farming. At least you could kill them (read "harvest" here) without having second thoughts. I'm just saying.

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The ladies met at the church hall at 12 noon to enjoy a bountiful pot luck lunch. President Sandra opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with our theme hymn, purpose and Lord's Prayer.

Eight members answered roll call with memories of their fathers.

Alice Miller's devotional was about the role God expects fathers to play in family life.

Jan volunteered to deliver our gift donations to Alternatives for Women.

Twenty-seven sick calls were made. Collection was gathered and dedicated. Two members celebrated anniversaries this month. Cards were sent to members in the community.

Treasurer Joyce reviewed our finances. We will give a donation to the vacation bible school if it is held again this summer.

Brenda's program had many suggestions on improving and maintaining our health.

Our meeting closed with our U.C.W. prayer.

Coming events to be catered.

Wed. Sept. 20 – lunch for U.C.W. fall rally.

Thurs. Sept. 28 – lunch for car rally at noon.

The 2017 Royal Tour of Canada Visits the Wellington Market



Clockwise from the top left: The Duchess of Cornwall visits Milford's 'L'Atelier du Presbytere'; His Royal Highness Prince Charles talks to Aaron Armstrong, owner of the Blue Wheelbarrow Farm in Bloomfield; Their Royal Highnesses, joined by Premier Kathleen Wynne, stop for strawberry shortcake at the Wellington United Church display; Prince Charles talks to former mayor Leo Finnegan.



Prince Charles talks to Lynn Pickering on his way to the motorcade. Below, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, Elizabeth Dowdeswell with Chief R. Donald Maracle and her aide.



Prince Charles shortly after his arrival. Below, The Duchess of Cornwall stops at a market vendors display.



South Marysburgh Bridge Challenge

Black River is challenging Milford to determine which community has the most beautiful bridge. The Black River Bridge has flower boxes and is yarn bombed. Milford, can you top that?

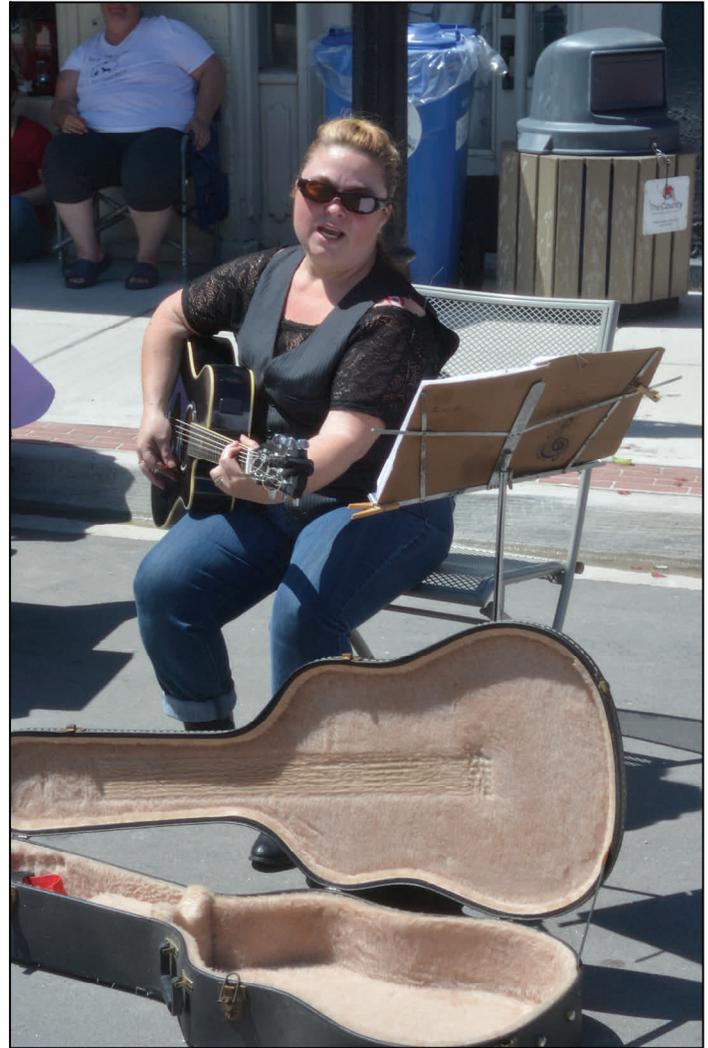
Each community will pick a point person who will choose a Prince Edward County charity and ask for pledges of \$10 or more (the money will be collected later). A panel of judges will score the two bridges on various criteria and select a winner. The money collected by both point people will go to the winner's charity.

The point person for Black River is Conrad Biernacki and his chosen charity is the newly established Black River Community Bursary that will be awarded annually to a deserving Prince Edward Collegiate Institute graduate attending a post secondary institution.

Pledges can be emailed to BlackRiverBB@gmail.com. Milford has yet to take up the challenge to decorate their bridge, and to identify their point person and charity.

The winner will be awarded the South Marysburgh Bridge Challenge Trophy, soon to be known as the much-coveted "Swan Trophy". Judging will take place during the last week of August and the winner will be announced at the Milford Fall Fair.

Canada Day in Picton



South Marysburgh residents Ril Giles busking on Main Street and, below, Irv Collier in his vintage Willys Jeep



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