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the Village of Newcastle and District*

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Something To Be Proud Of!

Thanks to the hard work of Mr. Ron Hope, a Federal Government Program and local support from several local organizations, Newcastle is going to have a beautiful new Parkette in its downtown core.

Ready in time for this Fall Festival, the park, dubbed the Millennium Parkette will boast, a steel framed Gazebo, a water fountain, intricate interlocking stonework, new shrubbery and much more.

Mr. Hope heard about the government's "Millennium Program" which was providing one-time funding in the year 2000 for special projects. There were miles of red tape to sift through to prove that this venture met the strict criteria to qualify for this money, which amounted to \$44,000. The project had to be something that was permanent and could be enjoyed by the entire community. The result is the Millennium Parkette.

Other funding came from the Municipality, the Lion's Club, the Hall board and the Chamber of Commerce, among others.

Come out and see the work in



photo courtesy of the Orono Weekly Times

Lions Brenton Rickard and Dick Lovekin help BIA President Ron Hope turn the sod at the park.

in progress and then come out again to the Fall Festival to see the final product.

Congratulations everyone, especially Mr. Ron Hope, for your foresight, dedication and hard-work in turning this dream into a reality for the Village of Newcastle. Bravo!

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Spotlight:

Dun-Rite Services



Is your home or business ready for a facelift? You don't have the time or the expertise to do it yourself? Then you should call Dun-Rite Services.

This 10 year old Newcastle company is owned and operated by Raymond Francey. They provide many interior decorating services, such as,

painting, including commercial spraying for large areas, wall papering and trim installation. Do you want some fancy flooring for the entrance to your home or business? Raymond can help you select and then install for you, beautiful slate, ceramic or marble floor for that elegant look.

No job is too small or too big (one of their clients is Canadian Tire). Dun-Rite Services provides free estimates with no obligation. As well, sometimes a little advice goes a long way before a job is started.

Customer satisfaction is the number one goal of Dun-Rite Services and references are available upon request.

So, if you need a job done, why not have it Dun-Rite? Raymond can be reached on his cell phone at (905) 259-7299.

Focus:

Newcastle Family Connection

Do you have a child under 10 years of age? Would you and your child like to have an opportunity for personal growth and enrichment? Would you like to meet new families and have some fun at the same time?

Then the Newcastle Family Connection (NFC) is for you. Now in its tenth year, NFC offers several fun-filled and interactive programs.

Firstly, there is the Drop-In Play Group for children six years and under. This program offers a change of setting - away from home - where adults and children can socialize and play together under the supervision of a professional Early Childhood Educator. Many different toys are available, as well as an arts and crafts centre. Snacks are included for children. The Drop-in is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-12 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. and runs from September through June. It is located in the Town Hall (south-east corner of the building on the main floor).

Secondly, NFC has a fantastic program

to combat "childhood toy boredom". It is called the Toy/Resource Lending library. This service offers a great way to allow a child to try out a toy before the parent decides to purchase it - or simply offer the child the chance to enjoy the novelty of a new toy for up to two weeks at a time.

Thirdly, NFC offers a Recreational Dance Program on Thursday and Saturday mornings. There are classes in ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop and musical theatre. For more information phone Dawn at 987-9965.

Fourthly, there are numerous Skills Workshops and programs, including parenting, first aid and CPR for adults. A baby-sitting course is offered for young teens.

Memberships are available at a low cost. Anyone wishing to participate for whom the membership fee is a hardship will be accommodated.

For more information call 987-7767 or contact Lisa Flower at 987-5545.

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President's Message

Welcome to another issue of About the Town.

Newcastle continues to grow and grow. The Chamber of Commerce welcomes our new neighbours in the Port of Newcastle, and the Village of Newcastle subdivisions. We invite you to attend our annual Fall Festival, being held October 7th. See the insert for more details.

We have several new businesses in town who are featured in this issue. They appreciate your support. Remember, when you shop locally, businesses will thrive and therefore survive. This saves you precious time, from having to drive into Bowmanville, Oshawa or Toronto, and saves you money, on expensive gasoline.

Remember to come out to our third annual Yuk - Yuk's night. All proceeds go to the Millennium Parkette.

At this time I would like to thank all of our dedicated volunteers who have worked so hard for our community. Without them, events like the Fall Festival would not be a reality. Keep up the good work.

Read on to find out more "About the Town". See you at the Fall Festival.

Sincerely,

Hans Verkruijsen.

Membership Has Its Privileges

Do you own a Newcastle and area business, or for that matter, a non-Newcastle business that has many clients in this area? If you do, then you should consider the many benefits of joining this growing and dynamic group.

For over 25 years, this organization has been serving the community by promoting community spirit and business development. Besides providing networking opportunities through our over 100 member companies, the Chamber provides a host of other services. They consist of inclusion on our web-site, a listing in our business directory which goes out to all residences in our area, access to an affordable group insurance plan, and of course exposure in this newsletter.

The Chamber is also responsible for organizing the biggest Newcastle event of the year, the Newcastle Fall Festival slated for October 7th this year.

If you are interested in being part of our group contact John Clark at 987-9900. Remember, just the American Express Card, membership has its privileges.

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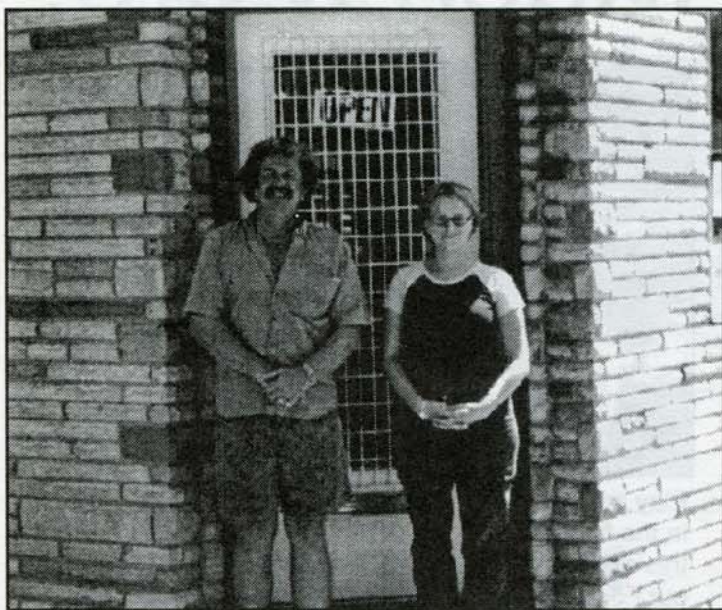
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Newcastle Antenna and Satellite



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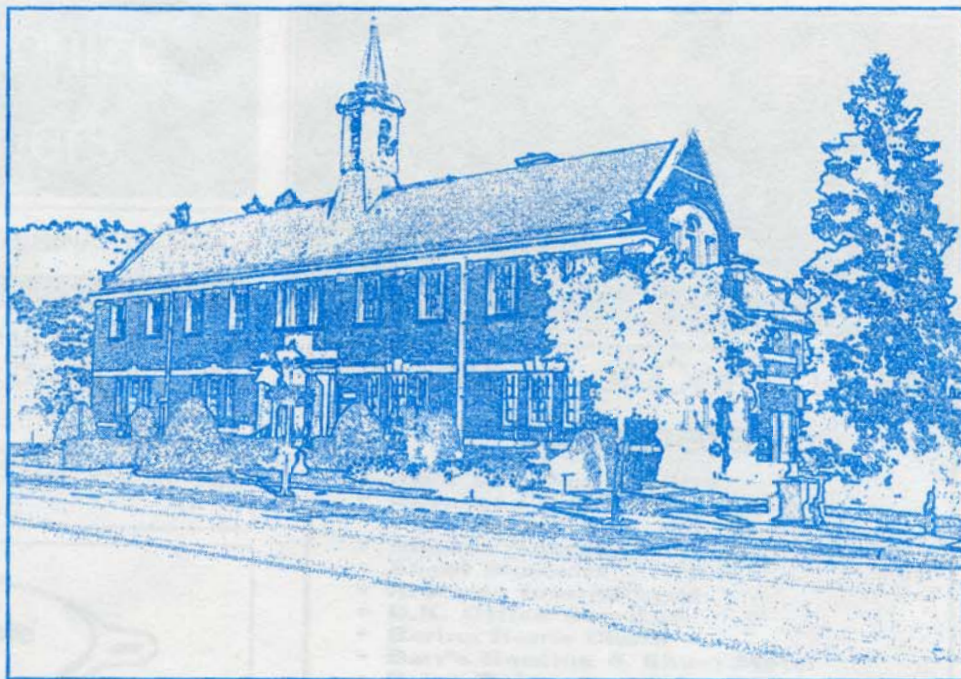
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8:00 am - Knights of Columbus
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Breakfast

8:00 am - Lions Walk for Dog
-11:00 am Guides

9:00 am - Craft and Gift Market
Opens

9:30 am - Official Opening of
Fall Festival

10:00 am - "Down on the Corner
Gang"

11:00 am - BIA Bed Race

11:30 am - Ganaraska Country
Cloggers

12:00 pm - Mark Quin Martial
Arts

12:45 pm - Newcastle Family
Connection Dancers

1:00 pm -All Day, off and on, and
at Yak Yaks, Music with
Brian and Betty Anne!

2:00- -Teddy Bear Clinic & Draw
3:00 pm at Massey House

7:30 pm -Yak-Yaks!!!

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Chamber Welcomes 100th Member



Congratulations to the Newcastle Garage for becoming the 100th member of the Newcastle and District Chamber of Commerce. The Board of Directors would like to thank co-owners, George Hale and Joe Forget, for helping us reach this milestone.

George and Joe, both licensed, have been operating the Newcastle Garage for 2 years now. They have extensive previous experience at other locations in the Durham Region. This full service garage offers everything from simple oil changes to complete engine replacement and everything in between. They work on all cars, new and not so new.

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Security will be a must to hold back the screaming mobs of adoring fans when the Clarington Fire Fighters will be on hand to autograph copies of their wildly successful Calendar. This will be taking place during the Fall Festival in front of the Newcastle Card and Gift Shop. The time is to be determined.

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