

Welcome to the

TOWN TIMES



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Message From The Mayor, Bob Sweet



2005 has been a very exciting and very active year in the Town of Petawawa. To begin with, we celebrated 100 years of military life in Petawawa. It is certainly impressive to look into the past and see the many changes in the Town and the Base over the past century. Not only has the "community" grown together, but also the Base has gone from a spattering of tents in the early 1900's to one of the largest bases in Canada. Congratulations to the many people involved in the 100th Anniversary celebrations - here's to the next 100!

I recently had the opportunity to visit our Soldiers and Civilians in Afghanistan. While I left here with a certain perception of what to expect, I was in for an amazing and eye opening experience. It is one thing to watch what is happening on television and another, entirely, to visit. I cannot express how proud I am of these men and women, with all that is going on, they are extremely professional and perform their duties in an exemplary fashion. Without a doubt, they make me proud to be Canadian. Keep up the great work!

The Town of Petawawa has also seen some major changes in its administration

this past year with the retirement of Bob Rantz, Chief Administrative Officer, Fire Chief Larry Charette and Betty Almon, Recreation Secretary. Bob, Larry and Betty had a combined total of 107 years of service to the Town. It goes without saying that they will be missed. On behalf of Council, staff and residents of the Town, best wishes on a long and healthy retirement. In return, we welcome and extend best wishes to Mitchell Stillman, Chief Administrative Officer, Steve Knott, Fire Chief and Line Laquerre, Recreation Secretary (both Mitch and Steve have been with the Town for many years, 17 and 30 respectively) In accordance with the Town's orga-

nizational and restructuring goals, certain positions have been revamped/created to ensure all facets of the Town run efficiently. Cyndy Phillips has recently joined the Town as Economic Development Coordinator. Cyndy has many years of experience in this field and has taken to the position with much enthusiasm. We also congratulate Daniel Scissons, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer for the Town. While Dan has been with the Town for many years, he will be assuming new duties and responsibilities that the title Deputy Clerk brings...good luck to all of you!

2005 has seen a great increase in residential and commercial growth, a trend

that seems to keep growing. Many new or existing businesses have either moved to the area or expanded to new locations. To date, the building department reports in excess of 60 new homes this year...with no end in sight. As well, the Town, together with CFB Petawawa, welcomes the Health Team at the new Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre, located at 12 Reichwald Crescent. In an ongoing effort to meet the needs for adequate family health care, this new facility is open to all residents of the Town/Base Petawawa who do not currently have a family physician. Due to the continuing high demand, the Town, together with CFB

Petawawa, hopes to procure a second clinic location in 2006.

Looking forward to 2006, some of Council's goals will be to develop a septage program that is suitable to this area, to continue with the construction of safe sidewalks in our community, to develop new zoning, noise and other necessary by-laws within the Town and to establish a Police Services Board. Of course, beautification of the Town will be ongoing, as tax dollars permit. These are but a few of the many new and ongoing projects that this term of Council wants to see to fruition.

In closing, I thank the many people in this community, young and old, who give freely of their time to volunteer. I recognize that there are

numerous organizations, churches and sports teams, to name a few, that could not possibly function without the support of volunteers. The residents of this community never fail to go above and beyond the call of duty to demonstrate just what a great Town we live in. Congratulations to all of you and keep up the excellent work!!

With the holiday season upon us, I wish you all a very safe and happy holiday and a healthy and prosperous New Year. As with many of you, I will be thinking of our many Soldiers and Civilians abroad and wishing a speedy return.

With best wishes,

Bob Sweet,
Mayor

Message From The Base Commander, LCol Dave Rundle



The year 2005 will certainly long be remembered as we celebrated the Centennial of CFB Petawawa. The Centennial celebration will certainly be the highlight of my tour as the Base Commander as it yet again confirmed that we are fortunate to live in a community which works together, has fun together and celebrates together. Our Centennial Home-Coming Weekend saw many past residents of the Base return

to take part in the many activities centered around the Canada Day celebrations. The Freedom of the City Parades in both Pembroke and Petawawa, the activities at the Millennium Trail, the opening of the Base Museum, the 100 Years of Pride Show and Fireworks and the Canadian Forces Day with a visit by the Governor General were certainly designed to mark a significant milestone in our history.

I would like to thank all those people who volunteered to make the Centennial celebrations such a huge success. Without the many volunteers, the weekend simply would not have been nearly as successful or nearly as much fun. I would also like to thank the local communities who contributed both financially and otherwise to this excellent event. The planning stage began in earnest about three years ago and our community partners were with us every step of the way. Again, many thanks go out to everyone who

helped to make this important event such a success.

As we look to the future, CFB Petawawa will continue to be very busy in the coming years. We will without a doubt continue to deploy troops in support of operations in Afghanistan as we have in the last few years as it does not appear as if there will be any change in Canada's commitment to this operation. In the past, the local communities have been very supportive of our military families left behind during periods of deployment. I thank the local communities for this past support and hope that it will continue in the future.

On the positive side, we expect that the number of troops stationed at CFB Petawawa will increase over the next few years. With the government announcing a 5000- member increase in the Canadian Forces, we expect that CFB Petawawa will see 600 to 700 more soldiers posted in over the next few years. This will certainly be good for the local economy as additional support in the form of housing, shopping and entertainment will be required for these troops.

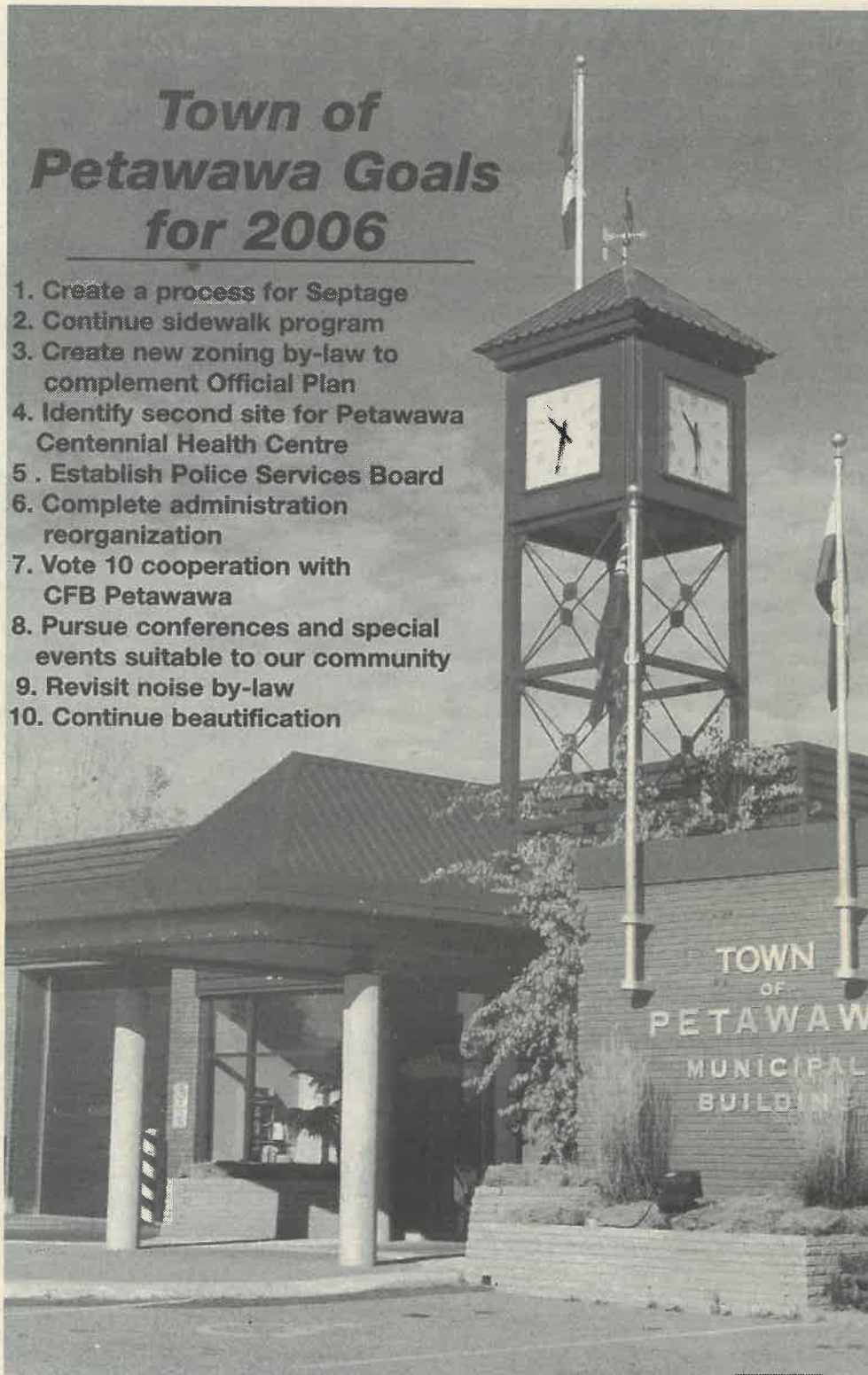
In summary, I wish to commend the local communities for their outstanding support during the Centennial celebrations. It was indeed heartwarming to see the outpouring of support that came out during the Home-Coming Weekend. I wish everyone a great Christmas and a very prosperous New Year.

D.A. Rundle
Lieutenant Colonel
Base Commander
CFB Petawawa



Town of Petawawa Goals for 2006

1. Create a process for Septage
2. Continue sidewalk program
3. Create new zoning by-law to complement Official Plan
4. Identify second site for Petawawa Centennial Health Centre
5. Establish Police Services Board
6. Complete administration reorganization
7. Vote 10 cooperation with CFB Petawawa
8. Pursue conferences and special events suitable to our community
9. Revisit noise by-law
10. Continue beautification



TOWN TIMES EDITORS:

Content for the articles in this fourth edition of the *Town Times* have been solicited and collected by the ad hoc "Newspaper Committee", consisting of Mayor Sweet and Councilors Cy Steele and Ken Pleadwell. All errors in typing, numbering and counting are theirs and they apologize in advance for any proof-reading oversights.

As novice newspaper people, they continue to learn the vagaries of the fourth estate.

Once again, it is produced with the exceptional assistance, advice and courtesy of the staff at the *Petawawa Post*. All homes in the Town should have received this newspaper as distributed by the *Petawawa Post*. Additional copies are available at the Town offices on 1111 Victoria Street.

Publication cost per copy was 28 cents.

News From The Building Inspectors



Randy Mohns

**We keep on
growing and
growing and
growing...**



Richard Bechamp

BUILDING PERMIT SUMMARY to September 30, 2005

TYPE	NUMBER	VALUE	FEES
Single Family Dwelling	55	9,102,500.00	44,281.58
Single Family Dwelling Addition/Alteration	37	427,809.90	4,887.87
Single Family Dwelling Demolition	6	13,000.00	210.00
Commercial	1	800,000.00	6,387.77
Commercial Addition/ Alterations	9	646,500.00	3,889.82
	108	10,989,809.90	59,657.04
Remaining Permits	107	1,483,359.00	32,181.78
Totals	215	12,473,168.90	91,838.82

Proposed subdivisions approved or in draft approval:

Kramer (Murphy Road); Kramer (Schwanz Road); Morglan (Highland Park stages 1, 2 and 3)

Development Status:

1. Riverbrook (H&H) completed;
2. Ottis Group Mall completed;
3. Moncion Strip Mall completed

Property Standards:

Ongoing property standard concerns are slowly being brought into compliance.

Bill 124:

1. As of January 1, 2006, all plans required for building permits will be required to be prepared by a certified designer, unless the property owner is doing the construction and has prepared his own plans, which meet the Ontario Building Code requirements.

2. Certification Requirements

As of January 1, 2006, the building department will be certified to perform the following types of inspections and duties:

Richard Bechamp, C.B.O. certified Chief Building Official:

- house inspection; - HVAC house; - plumbing house; - on site sewage systems; and
- solid fuel burning appliances (WETT)

* currently submitting exam results to MMAH for registration.

** Small Building: Course October 31 – November 4 at Loyalist College in Bancroft.

Randy Mohns, certified Deputy Chief Building Official:

- house inspection; - HVAC house; - on site sewage systems; - small buildings; and
- solid fuel burning appliances (WETT)

• currently submitting exam results to MMAH for registration.

Ongoing Projects:

- updating Zoning By-law;
- finalizing swimming pool by-law;
- familiarization of County Mapping, CD OASIS, CD ROLL
- completion of study to confirm building permit fees to cover the expense of inspections and processing; and,
- updating of interactive *Ontario Building Code* courses required for certification.

Petawawa....A Leader in Waste Management

Did you know Petawawa is part of one of the most advanced waste management programs in Ontario?

The Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre (OVWRC) is a state of the art waste management facility located about 20 minutes from Petawawa and is comprised of a Material Recycling Facility (MRF), a Composting Facility, an Outdoor Composting Area (leaf and yard waste), a Construction and Demolition Site, a Household Hazardous Waste Depot and a Landfill Site.

The advanced waste management programs provided by the Municipality help support this facility. Residents can participate in an expanded recycling program (the blue box and yellow can), a curbside organics program, as well as household hazardous waste events in their community. The Town also provides additional curbside programs such as special leaf and yard waste collections and bulky item pick-ups in the spring and fall.

Recycling

Curbside audits show that 85% of Petawawa residents are using their blue box and yellow can. That material is delivered to the MRF, hand sorted and baled to be shipped away and turned into new things.

It's important that residents properly sort the material to ensure we are producing a quality product. Residents should always refer to their collection schedules (available from the Town office or through the OVWRC) to make sure that what they are placing in the recycling containers is acceptable.

For example:

- oil containers, even though they have a recycling symbol, cannot be recycled because of the oily residue. When empty, they must be placed in the regular garbage.
- A plastic toy truck is not recyclable even though it is plastic. Our end markets only want plastic food and beverage containers as well as other household products (i.e. shampoo bottles, dish detergent bottles, etc.)

A good rule of thumb is anything with a screw top (pop

bottles or peanut butter jar) or pop-off lid (ice cream containers and margarine containers) are acceptable.

Organics and Leaf and Yard Waste

The green cart is for organic material only, such as kitchen food waste and leaf and yard waste. Everything collected in the green carts is delivered to the composting facility, hand sorted to pick out the things that don't belong and turned into a Grade A compost that residents can purchase for their lawns and gardens.

The biggest contaminate for the organic material is plastics. Even the so-called "biodegradable" plastics are not acceptable in our composting program. Plastics of all kinds do not break down during the composting process and contaminate the end product. People have also tried to hide things like tires, regular garbage bags and paint cans in their green cart. This is unacceptable and is always a target during our curbside inspections.

Leaf and Yard Waste (L&YW) is also collected and turned into compost. During the spring and the fall there are special weeks for designated L&YW collection. L&YW is only collected in paper bags. For more details see the inside of your collection schedule.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Every year during the spring and summer, the OVWRC hosts mobile Household Hazardous Waste days in each of the partner communities. Residents can conveniently dispose of things like paint, propane tanks, sharps (packaged in a sealed, plastic bottle), batteries of all sizes and various other hazardous household products. A complete list can be found inside your collection schedule. HHW is also accepted at the OVWRC, all year, during regular operating hours. HHW is dangerous and can contaminate the environment as well as the people who may come in contact with it. It is your responsibility to properly dispose of that material.

Special Bulky Item Pick-Up

Every Spring and Fall, Petawawa has offered a curbside collection of bulky waste, including mattresses, old toys, carpet, broken window glass, appliances (fridges, stoves, freezers) and scrap metal. The exact details of the collection are found on your collection schedule and residents should always refer to it for more information.

Residents should keep in mind that there are certain items that are not acceptable including tires, hazardous waste, propane tanks, wood, shingles, drywall and other construction and demolition material. This material can be brought to the OVWRC and disposal fees do apply on some items.

Residents must also ensure they have the proper set-out date. Many people place the material out too early or too late. The material should only be placed out the Sunday night before your designated collection week. All this information can be found on your collection schedule or in advertising done in local newspapers closer to the collection dates.

In June 2005 the Centre was recognized by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities as being a Sustainable Community because of our waste management programs. Residents should be proud to live in such a forward thinking Municipality! You are assisting the Centre in achieving its' mission "To Walk Lightly on the Environment" and by participating in the advanced waste diversion program, the Town of Petawawa is helping the Centre reach its' 65% diversion goal as well as prolonging the life of the landfill.

For more information please visit www.ovwrc.com or call 613-735-7537.

Elizabeth Kenrick
Communications Supervisor
Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre
and
Councillor Tom Mohns
Committee Representative
Town of Petawawa



PROFILE:

TOWN OF PETAWAWA FIRE CHIEF STEVE KNOTT

Chief Knott has been with the Town of Petawawa Fire Department for 30 years. He was appointed Fire Chief in 2005, replacing outgoing Chief Larry Charette.

Chief Knott has past service as a firefighter and Captain with the former Village Fire Department as well as a firefighter, Deputy Fire Chief and Fire Chief of the former Township Fire Department.

Steve has extensive experience in firefighting, both as a volunteer with the Town and as a full time firefighter at CFB Petawawa, where he holds the position of Platoon Chief.

He is graduate of the Ontario Fire College in Fire Protection Technology as well as having completed the QL-3, QL-5, QL-6

courses at the Canadian Forces Fire Academy.

Chief Knott holds certificates in Level 1 Arson Investigation from the Ontario Fire College, Level II Arson Investigation from Acadia University as well as being a graduate of the Advanced Arson Investigation course from Algonquin College.

Steve and his wife Anne reside in the Town of Petawawa and take an active part in the community. For many years Steve was a volunteer member of the Petawawa Minor Hockey Association serving as President, the Ottawa Valley Minor Hockey Association, Ottawa District Minor Hockey Association in Ottawa as well as being a member of Petawawa Fundraising. Steve is currently on the Board of Directors of the Renfrew County Victim Crisis Assistance and Referral Service and sits on their Finance committee and the Direct Services committee. As well he is Chairperson of the Communications Committee for the Renfrew County Fire Chief's Association and a founding member of the Critical Incident Stress team for Fire Departments within the County.

Steve enjoys playing hockey as a member of the Petawawa Chiefs and the odd game of golf in his spare time.

Recreational and Open Air Burn Permit Process

1. Obtain a copy of By-Law #294/04 from either the municipal office or from the Town of Petawawa website.

2. Read the terms and conditions contained in the By-Law. If you require any clarification please call the Fire Department business line at 687-4759.

3. Fill out the appropriate permit application form complete with sketch including dimensions or attach pictures.

4. Submit the application to the Town Office at 1111 Victoria Street, Petawawa, ON, K8H 2E6.

5. Allow seven to 10 days for site inspection and application to be processed.

From the desk of Economic Development...



PROFILE:

Economic Development Coordinator, Cyndy Phillips

tourism, marketing and beautification for the town.

She is currently working on several projects to increase business and tourism in the community.

"Petawawa is currently the largest municipality in Renfrew County and growing every day," says Ms. Phillips, "and I am proud to be a part of this community at such an exciting economic time. The inherent attributes of this community, including its citizens, make it a wonderful place to promote to the rest of the world!"

Ms. Phillips is an honors graduate of the Business program at Algonquin College in the Ottawa Valley, and has been awarded the Certified Municipal Manager's designation from the Ontario Municipal Management Institute. This accreditation is based on expertise and experience in both the public and private sectors.

Ms. Phillips began her career in the field of restaurant management in the City of Ottawa. She joined the County of Renfrew's Economic Development

Services division in 2002, and worked on numerous projects including Business Retention and Expansion (BR&E), the OSTAR Jobs Creation program and the Ottawa Valley Materials Exchange.

Ms. Phillips' work as Client Services Officer for Enterprise Renfrew County afforded her the opportunity to work directly with clients on matters such as opening or expanding a business, business planning, marketing, human resources, export development, financing, etc.

Please feel free to contact Cyndy at (613) 687-5536, or by email at cphillips@petawawa.ca.

Here We Grow Again...

The Town of Petawawa welcomes all new businesses created or expanded in 2005, including:

- Canada Car Mart
- C&C Car Audio
- Edward Jones Investments
- First Choice Haircutters
- Highland Farms Country Auctions
- The Hawk's Nest & Sailor's Galley
- Liquidation World
- Michelle's School of Performing Arts
- Moncion Market Mall
- Movie Gallery
- Oggie Bag\$ Bulk Foods
- Rexall Pharma Plus
- Sid Landens Men's and Ladies Wear
- Pizza Pizza/Chicken Chicken

While there are undoubtedly businesses absent from this list, we support and thank all our local businesses for their excellence in service and quality. The local business community is a vital component lending to the outstanding quality of life we enjoy in Petawawa.

A year in the life of Petawawa's Parks and Recreation Department



makes way for a sitting area and a little area behind the arena has offered a small parking area expansion for programs.

Petawawa Fundraising contributed greatly to fencing the smash up area, four Little Johns for our many outdoor programs and is committed to seeing a new kitchen stove replacing the older model.

Off site, our students and staff worked hard keeping the Petawawa Point attractive, clean and full of energy. All the benches, tables and kiosks saw a sanding/paint/stain enhancement and 400 plus fire hydrants were successfully painted due to our waterfront staff.

A great partnership this year for six weeks saw four students from the Bonnechere Algonquin community participating in some or the entire project which also included cleaning and developing a small parkette at the corner of Victoria/Albert, brushing the Enchanted Forest park and painting the bleachers in the arena.

Projects still in the works

or nearing completion are a new composite play feature in Centennial Park (Catwalk), a yard light and a composite frog play feature for Civitan Playland Park at the Civic Centre and a face lift for the main entrance to the arena/main hall.

The Petawawa Horticultural Society has produced many achievements over the last number of years and should you speak to them on the street, please not only thank them for the fine community work they do, but encourage them and support their efforts during their spring sales and yearly events. The all - new Petawawa Heritage Society is off and running and in concert with the municipality has started a Heritage Village right here on the Civic Centre grounds.

It is a very fortunate community that is graced with such very diligent service groups, Petawawa Fundraising, the hundreds of sport volunteers, coaches and committed sponsors that allows Petawawa to excel so well...a staff of some 38 this past season produced the safe playing fields, the groomed ball fields and the

attractive grounds and facilities that makes us proud to host many wonderful events...seeing record crowds at Canada Day, successful events at Civic Centre Days, Options 2005, SHOWCASE 2005, the Renfrew County Science Fair, and the Airborne Reunion to name a few.

To those I have not mentioned, we also see and appreciate your contributions...the individuals that take the time to pick up someone else's litter, the concerned citizens that call about park damage or safety issues. You do make a difference. Our quality of life here in Petawawa is also about what's not here...poor

air quality, traffic jams and such...so to conclude...come on out and enjoy all Petawawa has to offer from ski trails and Molson Hill to groomed snowmobile trails, public ice skating, and our winter festival, Cabin Fever...

Mark Reinert
Facilities Manager



Petawawa Fundraising contributed greatly to fencing the smash up area; the Smash Up Derby is one of the most popular annual Civic Centre Days events, and upgrades to the site have made the event safer for spectators and drivers alike.

Petawawa Parks and Recreation Department has had another very successful spring/summer, seeing many capital projects started. Grassroots Sports Field #3 received its underground irrigation early in the year and a new water line supplied by the works department.

The arena facility has had installed a new "Lowe" ceiling to reduce energy costs and regain a brand new shiny look and the lobby and front foyer has received its new paint and upgrade. Four-hundred new chairs and 85 tables have been added to the main hall to give great service and enhancement for wedding and banquets. Tree removal from the library/tennis area



PROFILE:
Mitchell W. Stillman
Town Chief Administrative Officer

Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario and has attended a host of training programs.

Mr. Stillman began his career as the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Campbellford at the age of 24. After working 8 years in Campbellford, Ontario Mitch and his wife Patti (nee) Thrasher moved with their son Nick in 1988 to Petawawa Township, where Mitch was the Clerk-Treasurer Administrator. In 1997 the Township and Village of Petawawa amalgamated and Mitch was appointed the Deputy CAO/Clerk and held that position until his recent appointment of CAO.

Mr. Stillman feels that Petawawa has exhibited great growth over the past 18 years, and the potential to grow continues. As the coordinator of planning activities he has been deeply

involved in overseeing the orderly implementation of all residential, commercial and industrial development in the Town.

The key to Petawawa's success lies with the Mayor and Council who have put in place policies and procedures to allow growth in a progressive orderly fashion. They have created an environment that fosters growth and development while at the same time keeping the small town feel of the community.

The Town of Petawawa is blessed with dedicated, qualified employees in all areas. Their initiative in implementing Council policy along with providing useful recommendations in their area of specialty has allowed for a team approach to be successful in the community.

It would be remiss if the large group of dedicated volunteers, who fill in many

voids and make Petawawa a complete community, were not recognized. Their dedication makes Petawawa the envy of many municipalities.

The Town has a wonderful relationship with its largest partner, CFB Petawawa. The degree of communication and co-operation continues to grow. Initiatives such as regular Town/CFB liaison meetings have been key to this vibrant relationship continuing. In addition the Town co-operates in many joint ventures with our neighbouring municipalities. One example is the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre.

In order to keep up with all the regulatory, technical and administrative changes being dictated by senior levels of government, the Town administration has remained flexible and has kept up with all the changes. This makes it possible for senior staff to provide proper recommendations and advice to Council about the many implications facing local government today. This flexibility is accomplished by being involved in many municipal associations and continuing to train and take courses in order to remain current at all times. Council has been very supportive of its employees in this regard.

Petawawa's motto is "Dynamic by Nature". It is a fitting phrase that accurately describes the Town. As new CAO Mr. Stillman wishes to continue to build on the community's past successes by instituting the necessary policies and procedures to ensure the Town of Petawawa as a municipal government is as efficient, effective, modern and progressive as possible, while continuing to be financially responsible. Only in this way will our prosperity continue.

MPAC PROPERTY ASSESSMENT UPDATE

Submitted by Cecilia Buelow, Municipal Relations Representative, Municipal Property Assessment Corporation

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is responsible for providing timely and accurate assessed values and classifications of all property in Ontario.

We look at recent sales of similar properties to calculate an assessed value for residential, farm and most other classifications of property. Based on those sales, we determine an assessed value for a property. For the 2006 taxation year, we calculate the value as of January 1, 2005.

As a general rule, to find out if your assessed value is accurate, simply ask yourself if you could have sold your property for its assessed value on January 1, 2005. If the answer is yes, your assessed value is accurate.

If you don't agree, call us

Before we sent out this year's assessed values, we double checked them and have compared them to the real estate markets.

We want to make sure that the assessed value and classification of your property is accurate. If you don't think it is, call us.

We'll look at the value and tell you how we arrived at it.

If we've missed something or if an error has been made, we'll correct it right away.

More options

If you still don't agree with your assessed value or classification, you have two options:

First, you can file a Request for Reconsideration with us. There are forms involved that we can fax to you or that you can download from our web site at www.mpac.ca. We will review your assessed value and classification, compare it to other properties, and often, we'll come out and look at your property. There are no fees involved.

Second, you can decide to file an appeal with the Assessment Review Board (ARB). The Board is an independent tribunal established by the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General and there are some fees involved.

Watch for critical dates

If you do decide to appeal, make sure you keep deadlines in mind.

The deadline for filing a Request for Reconsideration with us is December 31, 2005.

The deadline for filing an appeal to the ARB is March 31, 2006.

If you have filed a Request for Reconsideration with us and we haven't been able to respond by early March, you may want to protect your right to appeal by filing with the ARB as well.

If we settle your Request for Reconsideration before the ARB hearing, you can get money for your filing fees back as long as certain criteria are met. For more information, visit the ARB's web site at www.arb.gov.on.ca.

A commitment to accuracy

Accurate assessments are the cornerstone of the property tax system in Ontario.

At MPAC, we're committed to getting it right.

Please don't hesitate to call us if you have any questions. We can be reached, toll free, at 1-866-296-MPAC (6722).

Are You In The Right Lane??

There have been a number of reports of driver confusion and very close encounters in the turn lanes at the corner of Doran Road and Petawawa Boulevard.

To prevent heart attacks (yours or others) and road rage:

If you're going west, make sure that you are in the left turning lane BEFORE the track crossing.

See the ARROWS in photo below and follow the directional arrows on the pavement.....



If you're going to Mohns Avenue or to the east, you must be in the right lane. Make sure you get into it, BEFORE the railway crossing- See the ARROW in the above picture and follow the directional arrows on the pavement.

STAY SAFE !!!



PROFILE: Dan Scissons, Town Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

As the Town's Treasurer/Deputy Clerk, Dan Scissons is responsible for coordinating the preparation, maintenance and monitoring of all financial, accounting and payroll records. It's a complex and challenging task, but one that the native of

Almonte, Ontario tackles with a positive and professional approach.

A graduate of the University of Western Ontario with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Dan started his career as a management trainee with the Township of Petawawa in

1991. He attained the designation of Accredited Municipal Clerk Treasurer in 1994 and was appointed to the position of Deputy Administrator the following year. After the amalgamation of Petawawa in 1997, Dan served as Assistant Treasurer before assuming the statutory role of Treasurer in 1999. On July 1, 2005, Dan's position was expanded to include the legislative responsibilities of the Deputy Clerk.

In his capacity as Treasurer/Deputy Clerk, Dan oversees the balancing of more than \$11 million in municipal budgets. He is responsible for ensuring that the billing of \$6 million worth of Town, County of Renfrew and education taxes, local improvements and area rates for waste management, water and sewer services is carried out according to provincial legislation. His department manages employee payroll and benefits programs, accounts payable and receivable and the corporation's banking services. Dan reports to Mitch Stillman, the Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk, and

assumes his responsibilities in his absence.

To ensure that he has access to the latest information pertinent to local government, Dan maintains active memberships in the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario, Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario and Association of Municipal Tax Collectors of Ontario. He has completed the Municipal Accounting and Finance Program, Municipal Tax Administration Program and the Employment Law and Human Resources Certificate Program for Municipalities.

Away from the Town Hall, Dan can be found supporting his family's pursuits on the soccer pitch. He enjoys his southern vacations and will no doubt rediscover his passion for tennis one day!

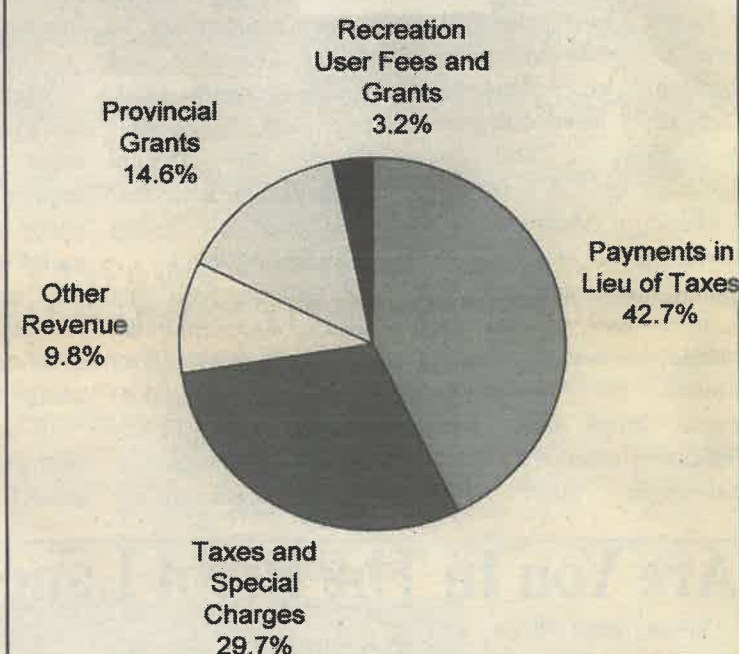
To contact Dan, call 687-5536 or e-mail dscissons@petawawa.ca.

2005 County of Renfrew Lower Tier Residential Taxation

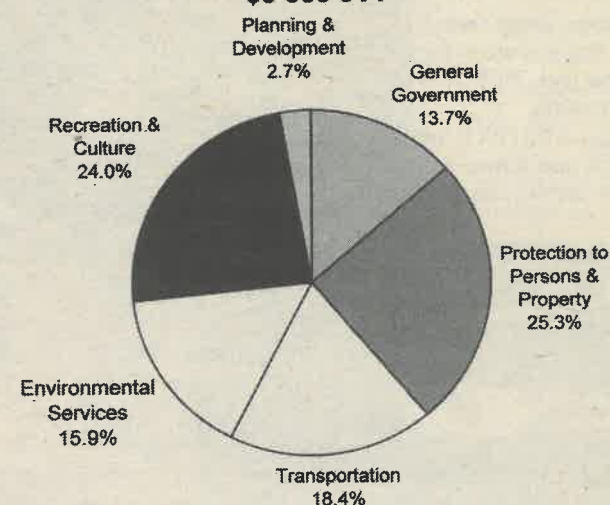
Ranking	Municipality	Residential/Farm	\$100,000 property
1	Head Clara and Maria Tp	0.00135707	\$136
2	Petawawa T	0.00300406	\$300
3	Brudenell Lyndoch & Raglan Tp	0.00345770	\$346
4	McNab-Braeside Tp	0.00354707	\$355
5	Greater Madawaska Tp	0.00358752	\$359
6	Laurentian Valley Tp	0.00365582	\$366
7	Admaston - Bromley Tp	0.00380190	\$380
8	Whitewater Region Tp	0.00439099	\$439
9	Horton Tp	0.00502292	\$502
10	Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards Tp	0.00665292	\$665
11	North Algona-Wilberforce Tp	0.00666129	\$666
12	Laurentian Hills T	0.00685464	\$685
13	Madawaska Valley Tp	0.00706013	\$706
14	Bonnechere Valley M	0.00755869	\$756
15	Amprior T	0.00876263	\$876
16	Renfrew T	0.00930775	\$931
17	Deep River T	0.01196389	\$1,196

Source: Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Online Property Tax Analysis System and County of Renfrew

2005 MUNICIPAL BUDGET REVENUES \$8 580 914



2005 MUNICIPAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES \$8 580 914



ADMINISTRATION AND COUNCIL IN A CAPSULE

How to contact the Town Officers:

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk - Mitch Stillman
Treasurer/Deputy Clerk - Dan Scissons
Deputy Treasurer - Lynn Vaillancourt
Tax Collector - Ann Bain
Secretary/Receptionist - Tina Spurrell
PHONE # FOR TOWN OFFICE - 687-5536

When are Council meetings held:

- Regular meetings of Council are held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month.
- If the Monday is a statutory holiday, the meeting is held on Tuesday
- Committee meetings are the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month.
- All meetings, unless otherwise advertised, begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Offices - 1111 Victoria Street.

How to obtain minutes of meetings:

Minutes are posted on the town's website www.petawawa.ca.

How to appear before Council:

Advise the Clerk in writing by noon (12 p.m.) on the Thursday prior to the Council meeting. A general description of the reason for appearing should be indicated.

Who Do I call if I have questions about Garbage and Re-Cycling?

Any questions should be directed to the Town Offices at 687-5536 and NOT the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre. Please call immediately if there is a problem on collection day. Once the trucks are out of the Town limits, they will not return until the next collection days.

Petawawa Heritage Society



Another year—2005—is quickly coming to a close. It is now time for the Petawawa Heritage Society to express its appreciation to its members and to the public for their monetary support and hands-on assistance over the past year. So many have taken an active part in our varied activities, particularly in the first stage of our main project - the Heritage Village in Petawawa.

The 100th anniversary celebrations at CFB Petawawa proved to be a unique opportunity for us to meet and greet the public on numerous occasions and to proudly display some of the artifacts donated to the Heritage Society by local residents. The first display was staged at the Petawawa Library where we joined forces with the Royal Canadian Legion to set out military memorabilia, i.e. photos, artifacts, Korean War medals and a private collection of the Devil's Brigade. Photos donated by the Ross family lined the wall and took the public on a trip back in time.

CFB's centennial celebrations afforded us the opportunity to put together a time capsule. As a Heritage Society we were well aware of the importance of cataloguing our history in great detail with memorabilia that will tell the story to the fullest when the capsule is opened 100 years from now. We realize that the exact site of a building, as well as business names and operators are important factors in history.

We collected photos of all the businesses, municipal buildings, bridges, recreational property, the Petawawa and Ottawa Rivers, and older homes in the Town of Petawawa, as well as pictures of the Mayor and Council, the Town flag, the Town's logo, and miscellaneous items, such as pins and pens. All these, along with coins, stamps and newspapers of the day, were placed in the time capsule which will lie in the sealed tank on Highway 17, to be opened 100 years from now. Lois Hopkins and Ann McIntyre were in charge of this project; each included a short note in the capsule addressed to those who open it, bidding them "Hello from the Petawawa Heritage Society of 2005".

Cabin Fever provided another opportunity to display some of the artifacts from our collection. We included some unidentified items and were greatly pleased when a few senior citizens recognized these artifacts and shared their knowledge and stories about them.

We ventured to participate in the success of Show Case 2005 and Civic Centre Days which gave the public dual opportunities to view some of our newly acquired artifacts and photos of the area.

Our running capital for the year was realized at our very successful 3rd Annual Golf Tournament which was held at Twin Rivers Golf Course. A special vote of appreciation is due to the local merchants who participated in this event and to those who donated prizes for the golfers. Thank you!

In conjunction with CFB's 100th anniversary celebrations, the Petawawa Museum invited us to enter a display depicting the history of the Town of Petawawa. We accepted the challenge and put together some story

boards with photo artifacts and text. This project, which was accepted warmly by the community, qualified for a grant from the Trillium Foundation. The opening of the Museum took place on 1 July 2005 with many dignitaries on hand, including the Governor General of Canada, who viewed our display and gleaned a little more knowledge of the history of Petawawa.

In the background, our main project - the Heritage Village - was waiting for funding from Renfrew County Futures Development Corporation to move SS#3 school from Black Bay to the Heritage Village site on Civic Centre Road. Once the grant was awarded, we had only five weeks to clear a spot on the property and move the school. With the help of 2 CER and the volunteers from the Heritage Society, we completed the move with three days to spare. This endeavour would not have been successful without the help of the Engineers, volunteers, local businesses and residents of the community who jumped right in and helped to make the first phase of our dream come true.

The plans for Heritage Village as a whole are still in progress. We hope to get the rest of the land on the site cleared in the Spring. Once this is achieved, we will move a barn to the site to be used as the Blacksmith Shop. After this is completed, plans for a house and a train station will rise on our agenda.

The first "Petawawa Heritage Festival" was held in September 2005 and was great fun. All those who set up displays at their own expense, and Neil McGuire from Chapeau who helped with the horse and wagon train from Pembroke to Petawawa, are to be commended for their participation, which contributed greatly to the success of the

Moving the Eichstgedt SS#3 Schoolhouse



Festival. We plan to make next year's Festival bigger and better, and therefore challenge participants to plan their displays early and get their horses and wagons ready.

The Town of Petawawa was fortunate to have the opportunity to host the Ontario Archaeological Society Symposium 2005 - "Partners to the Past Making Connections in the Ottawa River Valley" — held from 3 - 6 November 2005 at the Petawawa Civic Centre. Three members of our Society had the opportunity to attend this wonderful learning platform which passed on valuable information to us about the retrieval

and preservation of artifacts. It also showed us the importance of forming partnerships with other museums, societies and the First Nation. The research that was shared was very valuable to our Society; we look forward to maintaining our partnership with both the Archaeological Society and the Ontario Heritage Foundation.

The final touches to the first photo album published by the Petawawa Heritage Society have now been completed and the album is ready for sale. Copies can be purchased at the Petawawa Library.

On behalf of the Petawawa Heritage Society, I would like to thank those res-

idents of the Town of Petawawa who have generously donated photos and artifacts over the past year and those who have supported our projects through their monetary contributions or active participation. You have made it possible for the Petawawa Heritage Society to achieve the first phase of Heritage Village and have set the pace for the completion of this project. Your continued contributions - be they monetary or active participation - will see our dream come true as we merge our past with our future. Thanks to all.

Ann McIntyre
President
Petawawa Heritage Society

SMOKE ALARMS

- Most fire deaths occur in homes where there are no working smoke alarms.
- Most fatal fires occur at night when people are asleep. Often victims never wake up. A working smoke alarm will detect smoke and sound an alarm to alert you, giving you precious time to escape.
- Test your smoke alarm regularly. Every week, test your smoke alarm using the test button.
- Change your clock, change your battery. We change our clocks each spring and fall so this is a good time to change your smoke alarm batteries, too.
- Smoke alarms don't last forever. Smoke alarms do wear out, so if you think your alarms are more than 10 years old, replace them with new ones.
- Plan your escape. Know two ways out. Have a pre-arranged meeting place outside. Stay out. Regularly practice your fire escape plan.



News from By-law Enforcement/Animal Control



Dave Newton, By-law Enforcement/Animal Control

ANIMAL CONTROL BY-LAWS

The Animal Control By-law is a by-law to prohibit the running at large of all dogs and cats in the Town of Petawawa, for imposing a licensing fee on the owners of dogs and cats, for enforcing and regulating dogs and cats found running at large and for other matters related to animals.

When off premises, all dogs and cats must be wearing their current dog/cat tags, be on a leash no longer than 1.8 metres long and under the control of a responsible person.

Every dog or cat owner must remove any excrement left by their animal on any property other than the owner's personal property. It is recommended that residents clean up the excrement on their property on a regular basis, if not immediately.

All dogs and cats must be licensed. Everyone living within the Town limits must register their dog(s) and cat(s) and purchase an annual dog/cat tag on or before March 31st each year.

The 2006 dog and cat licences/tags are now available at the Municipal Offices.

PARKING BY-LAWS

While some Town roads have specific parking and stopping regulations posted on signs, there are some regulations that are applied town wide and are listed as follows:

Unless otherwise posted, parking is not permitted:

- * within 1.5 metres of an entrance to a driveway
- * within 3 metres of a fire hydrant
- * within 10 metres of an intersection
- * more than 15 centimetres from a curb

Parking is not permitted in the following locations:

- * on or overhanging a sidewalk or curb
- * in a manner obstructing traffic
- * facing the wrong direction on a roadway
- * on private property without the property owner's consent
- * on municipal property without authorization

Winter parking restrictions (15 November to 31 March):

- * no parking on any street from 1:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.;
- * at any time when accumulated snow fall exceeds or is expected to exceed 5 centimetres;
- * during any snow removal or clearing operation.

CONTACT NUMBERS FOR ANIMAL ISSUES:

Animal Control (Town of Petawawa) - 687-8438 or 639-0211

Renfrew Health Unit (to report dead birds, animal bites to humans, etc) - 735-8654

O.S.P.C.A. (animal control at CFB Petawawa including North and South PMQ sites, animal abuse or duress) - 588-4508

Valley Animal Shelter (to look for lost or found dogs and cats) - 732-4891

Bear Wise Program (to report bear problems) - 1-866-514-2327

SILVER THREADS

All seniors aged 55 and over in the communities of Renfrew County are welcome to join this Club, which is situated in the Lion's Hall at 1163 Victoria Street.

Weekly activities are scheduled, including aerobics, bingo, bridge, euchre and craft classes.

There are also several special events throughout the year such as dinners, a Remembrance Day service, a Christmas Concert with the Legion Band, day trips, and teas. Membership and activities fees are nominal.

For more information, call the Club (687-6574) or Marianne Holman (687-5150)

Crime Prevention: A Year Round Theme



Staff Sergeant Hurteau

The Officers at the Upper Ottawa Valley Detachment of the OPP would like to remind you to think about crime prevention year round, whether it involves your vehicle, residence, business or cottage/hunt camps.

REMEMBER:

- Vehicles that are left unattended should always be locked up and or have valuables removed
- Keep the grass cut in the summer, and the yard snow plowed in the winter
- Pick up your mail regularly and cancel the paper if you will be away
- Property such as bicycles, boats, ATV's and snowmobiles should either be placed out of site or secured, and garage doors kept closed, so passing motorists do not see your valuables
- Remove tools that could assist the criminals in breaking into or damaging your property.
- Do you have working locks on your windows, doors, and garages
- Criminals do not like to work in places that they could easily be seen.
- Outside lighting, both front and back is a wise investment as are timers programmed to turn on your lights and radio.
- It is important to create the impression that your home or other property is lived in even when it's not.

Check out all our releases at www.crimealerts.net

PETAWAWA COMMUNITY POLICING COMMITTEE

The motto of the committee is - Crime Prevention Through Community Involvement. This very active civilian group of interested citizens works closely with the OPP to promote a safe and crime free community.

Through a variety of programmes, the committee encourages residents of all ages to become aware of ways to promote their own safety, and ultimately their quality of life.

Persons interested in joining this committee should contact president Bob Howell at 687-1632.



Bank of Canada
Department of
Banking Operations
Senior Analyst Marie
Terrien shows Town
of Petawawa
Councillor Cy Steele
one of the many anti-
counterfeiting security
features on the
Canadian \$50 bank
note. Each year, the
Petawawa
Community Policing
Committee, in cooper-
ation with the Town
of Petawawa and the
Upper Ottawa Valley
Detachment of the
Ontario Provincial
Police host a Business
Crime Prevention
Luncheon; last year's
focus was on counter-
feiting.

www.petawawa.ca

Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre

Opened on July 2, the Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre, named to honour the 100th anniversary of CFB Petawawa, is currently providing primary health care to residents of the Town of Petawawa.

Application to become one of the Ministry of Health's first Family Health Teams was made by the Board of Directors of the Health Centre in February and it was one of the first fifty-two Family Health Teams approved for funding by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. The Business Plan to obtain funding is in its final stages of preparation.

Family Health Teams reflect the Ministry's new approach to health care provision and are built on four main pillars -

i) Staff working in Teams where patients/clients are part of the team and are involved in making decisions about their own health care

ii) Improved sharing of information amongst health care providers through the

use of new tools including electronic health records and diagnostic instruments, iii) Ensuring that there is ready access to the right services when and where they are needed; and

iv) A holistic approach to wellness that encompasses chronic disease prevention and management and encourages support for self care - in other words, keeping us well rather than treating us after we've become sick.

Staffed by physicians, Nurse Practitioners and midwives, the Health Centre has seen almost 800 patients since opening.

The Board is encouraged by the excellent and very positive comments received regarding the quality of care and the patient-centred focus of the Centre's staff by those people who have had the opportunity to attend the Centre.

Under-serviced for more than twenty years, our Board was convinced that the need for health care was great and the number of visits so far is proving our assumption correct.

Already at the point of having outgrown our space, the Board is investigating a location for a second site in the Town.

The Health Centre is designed to eventually offer care to all residents of the Town of Petawawa. However, shortage of physicians has necessitated the need to give priority first to people who have no family physician, children and pregnant women. As soon as funding is approved and as soon as we can hire more physicians, it is our plan to open the doors to everyone in Petawawa and area who needs health care.

Not to be confused with a walk-in clinic, the Health Centre, which is located at 12 Reichwald Crescent in Petawawa is currently open four days per week and an appointment is necessary at all times.

Monday and Friday -
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday -
8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Hours of operation will be increased as more funding for staffing is

received and the eventual aim is to have health care

available in some form on a 24/7 basis.

For an appointment or

more information about the Health Centre, please call 588-4888.



Debbie Newman was the first person to be seen at the Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre on July 19; here she receives an examination from Nurse Practitioner De-Ann Sheppard. Since the centre officially opened on July 19, 2005, more than 800 clients have come through its doors for primary health care and other related services.

CO - The Invisible Danger

WHAT IS CO ?

- CO is a colourless, odourless, tasteless, non-irritating gas.
- Slightly lighter than air with a vapour density of .98.
- Because warm air rises, CO rises with it. For example, CO would rise with the warm air from a furnace or water heater.
- Once emitted, air cools to room temperature, and the CO disperses evenly throughout the room.

WHERE DOES CO COME FROM

- CO is a by-product of the incomplete combustion, present whenever fossil fuel is burned.

CO can be produced by:

- Blocked chimney
- Corroded or disconnected flue pipes
- Engine exhaust (lawn mower, snow blower, generator)
- Charcoal barbecues in or near enclosed areas (can produce up to 200 ppm of CO)
- Fireplace

- Furnace (gas or oil)
- Cracked heat exchanger or flue
- Wood burning stove
- Water heater
- Portable heaters (kerosene, propane)
- Running vehicle in attached garage (even if front door is open)

In properly vented homes, free from appliance malfunctions, air pressure fluctuations or airway blockages, CO will most likely be safely vented to the outside.

WHY IS CO SO DANGEROUS?

- Approximately 200 deaths in Canada per year are caused by CO poisoning, and over 1,500 people are seriously injured due to exposure to dangerous levels of the deadly gas, according to the Canada Safety Council.
- It can kill before its presence is known.
- Human body does not build up an immunity to CO.
- CO is highly toxic.
- Virtually undetectable without special instruments.

- Symptoms mimic the flu.
- Babies, young children, the elderly, and those with respiratory problems are at even greater risk.
- Very little public education.

SYMPTOMS OF CO POISONING

CO poisoning can cause the following symptoms:

Mild Exposure:

- Slight headache, nausea, vomiting, fatigue (often described as flu-like symptoms)

Medium Exposure:

- Severe, throbbing headache, drowsiness, confusion, fast heart rate

Extreme Exposure:

- Unconsciousness, convulsions, heart and lung failure, brain damage, and death

OPERATING PRINCIPALS OF CO DETECTORS

CO detectors are designed to:

- Continuously monitor indoor air.
- Detect the presence of CO.
- Activate before CO reaches unsafe concentrations.

Generally, CO detectors use one of two

technologies:

- A sensor employing a chemical reaction (Battery-powered).
- A semiconductor sensor (Plug-in).

CO detectors are specific to CO, and DO NOT REPLACE SMOKE ALARMS.

If the CO alarm sounds the occupants should immediately determine if anyone is feeling sick.

If YES:

- Evacuate everyone from the home & account for everyone.
- Never re-enter the home until the problem has been corrected.
- Call 9-1-1 for the fire department from outside the home.

If NO:

- Press the test / reset button.
- Call the fire department if the detector continues to sound.

In both situations above it will help the fire department determine the presence of CO if the residence has not been ventilated prior to their arrival.

If you have any additional questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact your fire department.

YOUR PETAWAWA PUBLIC LIBRARY



Carol Goldsmith
Chief Librarian, CEO

Oct 4, 2004 the Petawawa Public Library opened its doors on the newly completed building to the public. It was a wonderful time. Everyone was pleased with the changes made to their library. We had a few items that needed work but the staff worked hard to make sure the patrons did not go without the usual excellent service.

In the past year we have seen the membership of the library continue to grow and an increase in programs for all. With the addition of the Rotary Room we have provided a place for the community to meet, hold seminars, and display many aspects of art. We also have seen the launch of One Book One Community with the book "Another place at the table" by Mary Cook being chosen to be read by as many people as possible. Some of our guest speakers in the Rotary Room have been Mary Cook, Peter Hessel, Steve Evans and our own John Childs. Thank you; to all the people who contributed so kindly to the fund raising for this wonderful room, it is showing signs of becoming a real hub of culture.

There were a number of fund raisers that went on in 2004 and 2005 that helped in providing new furniture, more computers, listening stations, and lap tops for use in library. One of these fund raisers was the 50/50 draw, tickets were sold for \$50.00 and this entitled everyone a chance at winning \$1500.00 in the first draw and \$250.00 in each of the following draws the best part being that you could win

more than once as the tickets were returned to the bin after each draw. Our winners were: Belinda Sawyer (\$1500.00), Ann Bain, Veronica Watt, Kathi Snell, Stephen Maisey, Janet Chow, Betty Almon-Felhaber, Richard Rycroft, Kim Dayman, Marilyn Braun, Bruce & Bernice Westgarth, Pauline & Lorne Wilson, Robert Lang, N. Patterson & J. Cummings, Bob French, Christopher Needham, Terry Behnke, Hugh Schooley, Hans Collmorgen, Jodi Sauve, Charles Lang, Jeannette Melancon, Norman Gentner, and Gilbert Lemay were all \$250.00 winners.

The other large fundraiser was a Duck Race. The tickets were \$5.00 per duck and the ducks were released over the bridge on Canada Day. It was a fun event. The profits from the fundraisers have been put to good use in the library.

2005 has been a busy year of growing and learning. We have increased our computers adding two more in the adult area and two in the children's library. There are also areas in the library for anyone to plug in their own laptop computers. The library provides a variety of programs for students or adults to use on the computer including many sites for research. The staff will provide assistance on the computers as time permits. Be sure and ask about some of the interesting items that have been added such as Electric Library and e-books. A staff member will explain how these programs may help you.

We are looking forward to 2006 as another busy year. One of our projects will be a garden outside the library that people will be able to access and enjoy on warm sunny days. Also, we hope to see more adult interest programs developed for the library.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES Children's Story time:

This is a registered program for 3-5 year olds and runs every Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 10-11 a.m. The programs

run from Oct. - Dec. and Feb. - Apr. Children enjoy theme related stories, songs, finger plays and simple crafts.

Reading Buddies:

This program will endeavour to team a child with a student for 1 hour a week at the library. All students who would be willing to take part in this program and provide help to a younger child please call Mrs. Janet Coulas - 687-2227 ext. 22.

Class Visits:

We are happy to receive visits from pre-school groups and elementary classes through to grade 8. We will assist in anyway we can, stories, research, tours, book talks. Contact the Children's Librarian, Janet Coulas - 687-2227 ext. 22 to book your visit in advance.

Future Programs:

Be sure to watch for other programs happening in the children's area, Craft Days, Writing Programs, and Reading Programs such as Silver Birch and Red Maple

WHAT YOUR LIBRARY HAS FOR YOU:

INTERLIBRARY LOANS: Patrons are able to request books not held at our library by filling out an interlibrary loan request form. We are able to search databases throughout Ontario including Toronto Reference and the Ottawa Public Library. Also if a book is not found in Ontario we will search further but it may incur a cost. Should this happen the patron would always be advised first of the cost and at that time may cancel their request.

FORMS: You will find forms for Reserves, Interlibrary loans, and Suggestions to purchase on our web page - www.petawawapubliclibrary.ca

INTERNET SERVICE: The library offers Internet

computers for public use. This service is available to everyone even non library members, just phone and book a time. It is free but we do require identification and there is a charge for printing material.

LARGE PRINT BOOKS:

The library has many large print books from our own collection and also from the pool collection of the Southern Ontario Library Service

LOCAL HISTORY MATERIAL:

The Petawawa Public Library has a large collection of material dealing with local history. Some items may be borrowed.

AUDIOVISUAL

Talking Books: Traveling far? Stop in at the library and take a look at our talking book collection. These are professionally recorded books-on-tape and they make a trip go by in no time. We also have talking books for children.

NEW: Now available Talking Books on CD.

Videos: The Library is pleased to be able to offer to the public a large assortment of videos. Children's, How to's, Classics, Documentaries.

DVDS: The library is now offering a growing collection of DVDs.

CDs: Drop in and see our growing musical collection of CD's. We have music for everyone, from Classical to Rock. Also sit and listen to music at the two listening stations in the library.

CD-ROM's:

Now available a wide selection of games for all ages. There are CD-ROM's for learning to read and cooking for children to Home Design for adults.

Sick Kits: Little one not feeling great and they are bored. Drop in and pick up one of our Sick Kits. These kits contain different items of entertainment from books to videos to toys. Each one is different and they may be borrowed for a week at a time.

TB COMBO: Taking a trip with little ones? Here is the answer Tapes and Books. Let them read along or look at pictures while listening. Three

week borrowing period.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE COLLECTION

Through donations the Petawawa Library has been able to maintain a collection of German Books for both children and adults. These books are of great interest to our German-Canadian population.

Did you know?

Membership at the Petawawa Library is free and renewable every two years. Anyone living outside the Petawawa area is welcome to use the library and pay the non-resident fee of \$25.00 per year

Lost cards may be replaced for a cost of \$5.00

Rotary Room: Available for meetings, seminars, displays, small parties etc. For details on renting this room contact C. Goldsmith (613) 687-2227 ext. 21

Borrowing times

Books - 3 weeks
High demand books - 1 week
Videos - 3 days no renewal
Non-Fiction videos - three weeks (same as books)
CD's & CD-Roms - one week no renewal
TB Combo (Tape & Book) - 3 weeks
Videos/CDs/CD-Roms - five per family

Late Fees

Overdue fines are:
Books, mags, etc. 10 cents/day
Maximum fine \$5.00
Videos \$1.00/day
Maximum fines \$10.00
CD'S & CD-ROM's 50 cents/day
Maximum fine \$5.00
TB Combo (Tape & Book) 50 cents/day
Maximum fines \$10.00



Town of Petawawa Fire Department

The Town of Petawawa Fire Department consists of forty two dedicated individuals who are committed to providing the highest level of service possible for the residents of their Town. From fire suppression, be it structural, bush or a chimney fire to auto extrication or a public assist call or a fire prevention inspection or education presentations

these firefighters are ready and willing to do whatever it takes to provide a safer community for all of us to enjoy. The strength of the Fire Department has been and continues to be the dedication and commitment of those individuals who join for the service of others.

Numerous hours spent at our new training facility located in the Public Works

compound, enable the firefighters to hone their skills and to practice new techniques. Firefighters must be ready for anything and everything once they respond to an incident. The fire ground cannot be used as a training ground which makes it imperative that the training be based on realistic fire ground scenarios. The ability to easily manipulate the internal layout of our training structure enables the department to facilitate broader skill building through the simulation of hazards such as attic or basement fires, proper ventilation techniques including the use of positive pressure ventilation to the regular one or two level residential home.

This year the Petawawa Fire Department has implemented a three year replacement program for the protective clothing used by the firefighters. The majority of existing bunker gear and helmets have come to the end of their life expectancy and a phased in replacement schedule will ensure adequate protection for the firefighters for years to come. This commitment by Council to ensure that the health and safety of the firefighters is paramount and is

critical both to the firefighters and the people we serve.

Plans are currently in progress for the Town of Petawawa to begin the process of obtaining a Certificate of Compliance from the Ontario Fire Marshall's Office. The Town of Petawawa Fire Department is proud of the level of service that it provides to its residents and in keeping with a proactive approach we welcome any recommendations for improving the effectiveness of those services.

Having recently completed an extremely busy Fire Prevention Week that saw firefighter visits and fire drills to all schools in the Town as well as displays and talks to residents, the focus now reverts back to our smoke alarm program. Firefighters continue to go door to door in certain designated areas of the Town each year checking smoke alarms in residential houses and apartments. The Fire department would like to thank the residents of Petawawa for assisting us with this program. (See smoke alarm information, page 7).

Address Signs

A reminder that all residences should have a clearly



Captain Peter Moss displays the new protective clothing (Bunker Gear), helmet and thermal imaging camera, just some of the essential equipment required to ensure the safety and well being of our firefighters and those they serve and protect.

TOWN OF PETAWAWA

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Under the Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2001, all municipalities of 10,000 residents or more must have an Accessibility Advisory Committee to advise council on how to make the municipality more accessible to people with disabilities.

For more information about our committee, please call Cy Steele at 687-4338.

Petawawa Housing Corporation's Riverview Apartments

The Riverview Apartments are located at 1145 Victoria Street. Specifically rented to seniors only, the complex houses those persons age 60 and up.

Each apartment has a full bathroom, living room, kitchen, bedroom, linen storage and a full pantry. A walk-out balcony complements each apartment.

A common Recreation Room and washers and dryers are available to all tenants. Parking is available and the well maintained grounds make the complex an attractive address.

If you are interested in seeing the complex or know anyone who would like to choose a home environment without the worries or problems associated with maintenance, please contact the custodian, Mr. Greg Currie at the residence.

Rental housing applications can be picked up at the Town offices at 1111 Victoria Street.

From the Office of Public Works

SNOWPLOWING

With the season's first snowfall behind us, it is the commencement of Public Work's busy season. While we ponder the beauty of the crisp white snow, the gang at Public Works are working hard, sometimes around the clock, to ensure our roads and public areas are safe. The following are a few reminders to help make their job easier:

1. ensure your greencart and other garbage/recycling containers are placed well away from the road (side of snowbank furthest from the road) to prevent them being hit by the plows. The plow drivers need to maintain a certain degree of speed to ensure proper snow removal. They cannot be stopping to move containers away from the side of the road.

2. do not shovel or blow snow or ice onto sidewalk or roadway;

3. do not shovel or blow snow or ice in the area of fire hydrants. Hydrants must be kept clear and visible at all times, with nothing obstructing their access.

Please remember that it takes 5 crews approximately 6 hours to plow 130 kms of roadway and 55 km of sidewalk within the Town and North and South Townsites. Salting or sanding takes about 3 hours.

FROZEN WATER SERVICE POLICY

Public Works hours are 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Should staff be called out to a frozen water service call outside of these hours, a labour charge could apply. Please familiarize yourself with this policy and others on our website at www.petawawa.ca



visible address number easily recognizable for

responding fire department apparatus and personnel. 9-1-1 signs should be clear of snow banks during the upcoming winter season. Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Green Carts & Ashes :

Last year ashes deposited into the green recycling carts resulted in the ignition of three separate structure fires within the Town.

So far in 2005 and very early into the heating season the Fire Department has responded to one structure fire incident caused by improper disposal of ashes into a green cart.

Residents are asked not to put ashes into the green recycling carts.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ...

Q: Where do I get an OHIP card?

A: An OHIP card is available by calling 1-888-376-5197

Q: What is the population of the Town?

A: 15,500 (North Townsite: 4,279, South Townsite: 1,842, Town: 9,379)

Q: What is the phone number for my MP and MPP

A: Cheryl Gallant, MP: 732-4404

John Yakabuskie, MPP: 735-6627

Q: Who can I call to discuss the Town drinking water in my neighbourhood?

A: OCWA (Ontario Clean Water Agency): 687-2141. For inquiries related to other or well-supplied water, contact the Renfrew County & District Health Unit at 735-8666

Q: My street light is burnt out or doesn't work. How do I report this?

A: Report any street light outages to municipal staff. You will need to provide the pole number and location of the pole.

Q: Who do I contact regarding social assistance / welfare?

A: Ontario Works, 141 Lake Street, Pembroke, Ontario, K8A 5L8. Tel: 732-2601

Q: I am a new resident. Where can I get a blue box?

A: Blue boxes may be obtained from the Town of Petawawa municipal office. The fee is \$6.00 per box (blue boxes are meant to be kept by the purchaser).

Q: When will my garbage be picked up in the event of a holiday?

A: With the exception of Christmas and New Year's days, garbage pickup does not alter on holidays. Any changes are published in all local papers leading up to the holiday season.

Q: What are the hours of the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre?

A: At present, the hours are Mon - Fri 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Sat. 7:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Q: How do I dispose of a large item such as a stove, fridge, washing machine, etc.?

A: At present, these items may be disposed of at the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre located on Woito Station

Road in the Township of Laurentian Valley. (Take B-Line Road south from Highway 417 and turn right on Woito Station Road - plenty of signage). Tipping fees will be applied at the site.

Q: Does the Town recognize special wedding anniversaries or birthdays?

A: The Town recognizes Petawawa residents celebrating 50th, 55th, and 60th wedding anniversaries and or 90th, 95th and 100th + birthdays with a certificate from the Mayor's office. Requests for recognition should be forwarded, in writing, to the municipal office at least 3 weeks prior to the event.

Q: Can we take wedding pictures at Centennial Park?

A: With pleasure. No permits or fees are necessary but a policy of first come - first served is in effect. For more information, please contact the Petawawa Civic Centre.

Q: Where can I get a passport?

A: Passport applications may be obtained on line, or from most travel agencies. To expedite processing, you may drop your completed application off at your local member of parliament's office (Cheryl Gallant). Applications are usually processed and returned within 10 days. However, since the events of September 11th, processing takes between 20 - 25 days. In the event of an emergency, please include a copy of your travel itinerary (airline tickets, etcetera). Hand deliver your application in an unsealed envelope to the local constituency office.

Q: Do I have to get my cat or dog registered?

A: Yes - according to By-Law # 174/2001. Dog and Cat licenses may be obtained from the municipal office or through the Animal Control Officer at 639 - 0211.

Fees BEFORE April 1st, are as follows:

Sterilized dog: \$15.00

Unsterilized dog: \$20.00

Sterilized cat: \$5.00

Unsterilized cat: \$10.00

Proof of rabies vaccine is required.

Q: Who is responsible for picking up after dogs?

A: The Animal Control By-Law states that dog owners or their handler are responsible for cleaning up after their dog. The fine for a first offence is \$65.00.

Q: How quickly will my street be sanded or plowed after a snowfall?

A: During or after a snowfall, major roads and collector routes are cleared first to ensure that emergency vehicles like fire trucks and ambulances can travel safely. All other Town roads are cleared and or salted within 24 hours of a snowfall. With heavy snowfalls or successive storms, the timing may have to be extended depending on the severity of the snowfall. If you require more information, please contact the Public works Department at 687-2692.

Q: Where can I get information about starting a small business?

A: The Economic Development office would be pleased to assist you. Please call the Town Office at 687- 5536.

Q: What is the address of the Town Municipal Offices?

A: The Town of Petawawa, 1111 Victoria Street, Petawawa, Ontario K8H 2E6.

Open Mon - Fri 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Telephone - 613 -687-5536

Q: Where do I get a marriage license?

A: City of Pembroke or Town of Deep River Municipal Offices.

Q: Where do I get applications for a birth certificate, SIN Number, CPP or Passport?

A: Town of Petawawa municipal office.

Q: Where do I find a Commissioner of Oaths?

A: The Town of Petawawa presently has 4 employees who can act as Commissioners of Oaths.

Q: Is there a fee to have a document commissioned?

A: No.

Q: Where do I find a Notary Public?

A: Only lawyers in the Province of Ontario are Notary Publics.

Q: Can I pay my property taxes on-line?

A: Yes. They are payable through telephone banking with the following financial institutions: Bank of Montreal, C.S. Co-Op, Northern Credit Union, RBC Royal Bank, Scotia Bank and TD Canada Trust.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Please Dial 9-1-1 for EMERGENCIES requiring POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE

Town Offices - 687-5536; FAX - 687-5973;
e-mail: email@petawawa.ca (Administration, Building Official,
By-Law Officer, Animal Control, Economic Development)
Fire Hall - 687-8000 or 687-4759 (Non- Emergency)
O.P.P. Office -735-0188 (Non -emergency)
Public Works - 687-2692
Public Works After Hours Emergency - 732-3525
Civic Centre - 687-5678
Library - 687-2227
Water Plant - 687-7512
Sewage Treatment Plant - 687-2141

Canada Post Office - 687-5934
Humane Society - 588-4508
Assessment Office (MPAC) - 1-866-296-6722
Renfrew County and District Health Unit - 735-8666
TELEHEALTH ONTARIO -1-866-797-0000
Waste Recovery Centre - 735-7537
Dundonald Hall - 687-4500
Silver Dart Twin Arenas - 687-5511 -Ext . 6999
South Side Community Centre - 687-2104
Rec Plex Centre- CFB Petawawa - 687-2932

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor Bob Sweet - 687 - 5837
Deputy - Mayor Ed Chow - 687 - 5723
Councillor Tom Mohns - 687 - 2072
Councillor Ken Pleadwell - 687 - 4950
Councillor Treena Lemay - 687 - 4434
Councillor Bill Ramsey - 687 - 1933
Councillor Cy Steele - 687 - 4338