

# Kinmount Gazette



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## Educating Kinmount

Education was a highly prized commodity in pioneer times as well as today. The first order of business in any pioneer community was the establishment of a school. Most of these early institutions of learning were one-room schools, containing grades 1 to 8. In the days before school buses, most students arrived by walking. The schools were sited so no child had to walk more than 5 miles to school. There must have been quite a few "snow days" when walking 5 miles for a young child was not possible! Thus a proliferation of one room schools houses at regular intervals was the norm.

The Kinmount area was the

home for 15 of these one-room schools. Each school was assigned a section number, usually by township although the geography of the Kinmount area led to a lot of "union schools". Each school section was managed by a board of trustees who hired the teacher, kept the finances & were responsible for the physical upkeep of the structure. A "school levy" was placed on the tax bill of each property within the school section. A typical farm in the Union Creek school section paid \$5.06 a year school levy in 1892! Often work, or goods in kind such as firewood, were accepted from the poorer ratepayers. The position of school trustee was a volunteer job, and often

trustees spent decades in selfless duty to higher education.

In pioneer times, large families were the norm, and the schools were always full. In later years, fewer children led to the closing of many one-room schools. The advent of school buses & better roads, made amalgamations common. Eventually the fabled one-room schools were phased out & the students concentrated in the main centres. The last of the one-room schools were closed in the 1960s and a new central school was built in Kinmount (1958). In 1992, the population of Kinmount school had fallen to the point where a large new central school  
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*"Loonie (referring to the coin) Auctioneer Doug Pearson in action at Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser. Thanks to Doug's talents, funds were raised, supporters entertained & community spirit amply demonstrated! Thanks to Doug & the Legion Auxiliary for a great night!"*



The Old School of Kinmount built circa 1905 stood at the junction of the Monck and Bobcaygeon Roads overlooking the village.





## Educating Kinmount *continued from page 1*

called Ridgewood Public School was built in Coboconk and students from the four “northern” schools of Victoria County were all bused there. The Kinmount School was sold to the Baptist congregation, and an era ended in the village of Kinmount.

*A list of fabled one-room schools in the area:*

- USS #1 Silver Lake
- USS #2 Union Creek
- USS #3 Kinmount village
- SS #12 White School Crego Lake Rd

- SS #6 Dongola (Somerville)
- SS #4 Swamp Lake School (Galway)
- SS #5 Ewan (Galway)
- SS #7 White Lake (Galway)
- USS #7 Furnace Falls
- SS #1 Fortescue (Cavendish)
- SS #3 Iron Mine School (Lutterworth)
- SS #2 Buller (Lutterworth)
- SS #6 Irondale (Snowdon)
- SS #2 Dutch Line (Snowdon)
- USS #4 Rock School (Bobcaygeon Road)

The venerable one-room school was often the only

public building in the settlements outside town. It hosted church services, concerts, meetings and suppers to name a few events. Despite what would be called today “primitive conditions”, many a learned scholar got their start in this humble institution.



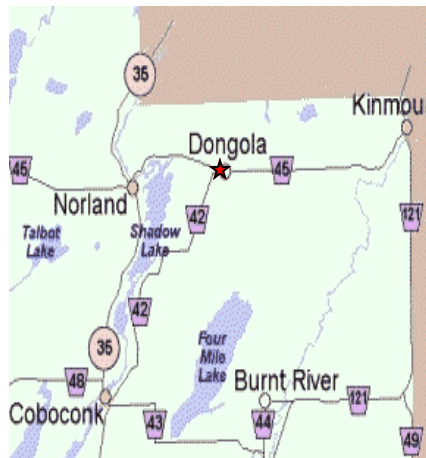

*The students and teachers of the Kinmount School in 1910. Note the lack of older boys. Many boys left school by age 14 to go to work and did not further their education.*

## Neighbours and Friends: Dongola ★

Dongola is situated where the Baseline Road meets the Monck Road, formerly Highway 503, now County Road 45. The Post office was granted around 1900, and the first postmaster was Thomas Argue. Previously the settlement was called “Argue’s”. Seeking a more romantic name, Dongola was chosen. Dongola is actually a town along the Nile River in Africa. It was a staging point for the British Army during the Sudanese campaigns of 1885 and especially 1898. The British army was ascending the Nile River into the Sudan and most of its supplies were being shipped by boat. The English general Wolsley had spent time in Canada and had been in charge during the Northwest or First Reil Rebellion. He was impressed with the abilities of Canadian voyageurs in handling small boats and canoes. Wolsley requested several hundred of these voyageurs be sent to help ascending the Nile.

Many were recruited from Ontario & Quebec and plied their paddles on the Nile. Maybe one of these voyageurs was present in the Kinmount area, or maybe the name was selected from the newspapers. Regardless, a settlement in Somerville Township drew its name from a town on the Nile River in Egypt.

Next Week: Gelert!

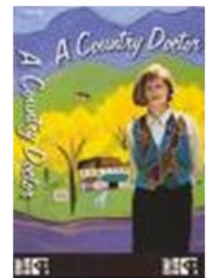
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## Cultural Corner

### The Drowning of Bill Dunbar

"Bill Dunbar"  
from the singing of Martin Sullivan, CD 2.3

**Précipite**  
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at you sym-pha-iz-ers, I pray you will draw near. It is of a drowning accident that you will shortly hear, It's the drowning of Bill Dunbar, a man you all knew well. He lived in a village called Kinmount where he ran a large hotel.

at you will understand, Kind hearted and obliging and a powerful, able man. It made no difference what you'd prefer, he would always treat you well. There was no danger of being insulted in Dunbar's big hotel.

at you will understand, Returning home all from the same he and Bob Cunningham. The night was dark, they lost their way, which grieves me to relate, They drove into Gannan's Narrows at the foot of Pigeon Lake.

It was in the dead of winter and the water piercing cold. Big Bill he fought hard for his life as I have heard them say, He threw his mitts out on the ice as a token where he lay. It was on a Tuesday evening they met with their fatal doom, And their bodies were not recovered till Thursday afternoon.

The people come from far and near when they heard that sad affair. Bill leaves the wife and one small child in sorrow, grief, and pain, Likewise his brothers and sisters in sorrow to remain. In meditation they are left which grieves them to the heart, That it should ever come that lot, that from them he'd depart.

Bill Dunbar in his younger days was foreman for Moson Boyd, And many the river he has rode, both narrow, deep, and wide. He never was known to send a man where danger did lie near, But he boldly took the lead himself without either dread or fear.

So I drop my pen, likewise include this sentimental song, Hoping to meet in that better land where partings they are few, Where we shall remain, old acquaintance to renew.

"Bill Dunbar"  
from the singing Martin Sullivan, CD 2.3

1. Come all you sympathizers, I pray you will draw near. It is of a drowning accident that you will shortly hear, It's the drowning of Bill Dunbar, a man you all knew well. He lived in a village called Kinmount where he ran a large hotel.
2. Big Bill he was a noble man as you will understand, Kind hearted and obliging and a powerful, able man. It made no difference what you'd prefer, he would always treat you well. There was no danger of being insulted in Dunbar's big hotel.
3. They drove down to attend the races as you will understand, Returning home all from the same he and Bob Cunningham. The night was dark, they lost their way, which grieves me to relate, They drove into Gannan's Narrows at the foot of Pigeon Lake.
4. Both men were drowned, which is hard to unfold, It was in the dead of winter and the water piercing cold. Big Bill he fought hard for his life as I have heard them say, He threw his mitts out on the ice as a token where he lay. It was on a Tuesday evening they met with their fatal doom, And their bodies were not recovered till Thursday afternoon.
5. They were taken home to Kinmount, large crowds did gather there, The people come from far and near when they heard that sad affair. Bill leaves the wife and one small child in sorrow, grief, and pain, Likewise his brothers and sisters in sorrow to remain. In meditation they are left which grieves them to the heart, That it should ever come that lot, that from them he'd depart.
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7. But he'd gone the road we all must go, let the time be short or long, So I drop my pen, likewise include this sentimental song, Hoping to meet in that better land where partings they are few, Where we shall remain, old acquaintance to renew.



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### INTERESTING FACT

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## The Story of the Great Flood: 1928

Situated perilously on the banks of the Burnt River, the village of Kinmount has always been prime territory for spring flooding. Strangely, the village has only flooded on 2 occasions in its 150 year history. In 1876 water inundated the Main Street. But by far the most newsworthy flood occurred on Easter weekend, 1928.

A quick thaw aided by heavy rains released the spring flood all at once, but it was the log drive that was the main culprit. Each winter, countless logs were piled beside the Burnt River & its tributaries in anticipation of the spring freshet. The sudden runoff floated these logs prematurely. The logs were swept downstream until they found a barrier, in this case the Kinmount dam. The logs simply piled up against the dam and fortified by debris of all sorts (including several farmers haystacks!), raised the level of the dam by several feet.

Water flooded the Main Street and other low-lying points like the rail station. Enterprising Kinmountians demonstrated their lumberjack skills by "poling" logs right into the stores! One resident calmly "rode" his log into Hopkins & Marks store, made his purchase and poled his log home. That's how true lumberjacks shopped!

Water flooded the railway station, climbing to the bottom of the fire-box on the big waiting room stove. The trains kept coming into town with the passengers climbing from the carriages into waiting boats to be ferried to high ground. The IB&O railway line was not so fortunate: the rails literally floated from their bed closing the line. Debris of all sorts blocked the tracks.

Wilf Hancock ferried the stranded Anglican minister back to

Kinmount by canoe! (That took skill!) Somehow they floated over Furnace Falls without noticing! A railway car filled with 50 pound bags of salt was parked behind the Hopkins & Marks store. When the flood ended, all that remained was a pile of wet sacks. That was the only day in history when the Burnt River was salt water!

Finally the pressure was too much on the Kinmount dam and it broke. Another casualty was the old grist mill, located on the east side of the dam & used for the power plant. Tons of debris & rampaging water were sent cascading down the Burnt River. Kinmount residents were only too happy to share their resources with the communities downstream. The Great Flood was over!





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## Legends of the Kinmount Shoe Trees

Kinmount is famous for its Shoe Trees. They have sprouted from time to time at different locations around the village. The first Shoe Tree sprouted on Highway 503 east of town, towards Furnace Falls. Climate change destroyed these shoe trees, but they reappeared on the Monck Road just west of the village. The original shoe tree was planted by Bill Boland, who carried the seeds from his home in Wallaceburg in Southwestern Ontario. The legend of the Shoe Tree is a native Canadian story shrouded in the mists of time. To the natives, attaching a pair of moccasins or shoes to these trees brought good luck. Different people attach different styles of shoes as can be seen by the variety of footwear on the trees. Not all items of footwear make in on the tree, some landing on fence posts, hydro lines and nearby trees.

### Continuing the Tradition

The girls of the 1<sup>st</sup> Kinmount Unit had an unusual outing last spring when we went for a walk to visit a mystical,

magical, whimsical and jolly creation. Since brownies are based on “magical little people”, our visit seemed to tie in with that theme. This man made peculiar oddity, located on the property of Susan Dier, one of our guiders, brought forth many smiles. Already in existence when Susan purchased the property, our unit decided to join in on the fun, adding to the lustre of the home for castaway soles, for we were visiting a flourishing, forever in bloom Shoe Tree.

Found across Canada and worldwide, shoes of old cast high to the sky to catch on a limb. The best way to find one is by luck, chance, or word of mouth. A curious roadside attraction, many capture its image against silhouetted skies.

The girls of our unit each brought along some old shoes to fling on the tree. Before our visit, I researched Shoe Tress on the internet and found there are as many legends lurking behind the ritual as there are Shoe Trees. However, we chose to make wishes when hanging our

shoes. The girls had fun using their imaginations to make up stories about the owners of some of the shoes already on the tree.

We decided the Shoe Tree was a unique tourist attraction that saved ever-shrinking landfills but we had many questions about the origin of Shoe Trees. When did they begin? Where did the idea sprout? Who dreamt up the roots of this tradition? We wondered how that first pair of shoes triggered a shoe-tossing cascade. Stumped, we queried why people are com-

pelled to contribute. Perhaps we will never know the sole reason.

Answers seem shrouded in mystery, lost in oblivion...but we concluded that clearly; Shoe Trees symbolize embodiment of immense human spirit; people leading, following, creating, bonding, soles intertwined.

Heralding the sublime memory of leaving our mark in time, we dared to become part of enchanting folklore...After all, who knows what miracles may happen?



*The Shoe Trees on County Road 45*



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## Deliverance *author unknown*

June 16, 1952, a sense of excitement was invading the usual quite and routine life in our little one-room school, S. S. #5 Somerville, the little insulbrick school located at the end of Wurthy Rumney's laneway. Geraniums bloomed in the window boxes hanging from each of the six windows. The windows were open wide, the lower sections raised to the maximum and the top sections lowered as well to allow the maximum of a cross-breeze to pass through the classroom. Pesky flies and honeybees buzzed lazily in and out of these windows. It was lunchtime. We had eaten our sandwiches, which had been wrapped in the waxed paper outer wrappers from Trent Valley Read Company. The girls were playing "kitten in the corner" on the cement front platform of the

school. Some of the boys were playing hide and seek. The favourite hiding spot was in the cool and tangled jungle of bamboo that grew in the corner of the yard beside the outhouse. Others took turns winging on the rope swing suspended from the branch of the maple tree. Ina, the only student in grade 8, was helping Miss MacCadem in the school. They were preparing a party lunch for the students of S. S. 36 Somerville, the neighbouring school 5 miles up the road in Dongola. We were not used to visitors. Our community was small and closely-knit. Most of us were cousins. We had known each other all our lives and we didn't know these guests. We were not sure why they were coming. We had not invited them.

Later that afternoon, 7 young people came to the door. They were as uncomfortable as we were. Miss MacCadem, our teacher and Mrs. Hopkins their teacher tried to get us to socialize with each other. All I can remember is it did not work well. An awkward and heavy silence hung over us as we all sat in our seats and avoided looking at each other. The programme of games that was planned was a disaster. No one wanted to play games. I do remember that one of the visitors spilled her drink all over my desk. The sticky syrup seeped down onto my books inside my desk, destroying some beyond salvage. After what seemed an eternity, these children left. We children heaved a collective sigh of relief; life would get back

to normal we thought. The next day we were told that the two schools would be amalgamated in September. Since the enrolment at Dongola was 7 students and our enrolment was 6 students, we would be transported the five miles up the road to Dongola. We were devastated. How could we ever enjoy our summer holidays knowing that we would be leaving the comfort and security of our little school and would be entering a new and foreign community five miles up the road from home?



*Even the rain couldn't dampen the spirits of the participants at Kinmount's official 150th Anniversary Celebration.*

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## Local Sites: The Icelandic Memorial

Monday, July 31st, 2000 was the date for the unveiling of the new sculpture dedicated to the first large group of Icelandic settlers to arrive in Canada.

These 352 people settled briefly in Kinmount, Ontario before moving and founding New Iceland in Gimli, Manitoba.

With the creation of the sculpture, this connection to Kinmount was restored. It was an Icelandic National League initiative, carried out by the Icelandic Canadian Club of Toronto. The statue represents the spirit of the settlers, carved in limestone by Gudrum Sigurseinsdottir Girgis. It sits on a base designed by Bill Hurst, an ICCT architect, and described in plaques created by Ontario Heritage in

English, French and Icelandic languages.

The monument "In the Presence of a Soul", commemorates the first large group of emigrants to Canada from Iceland in 1874. Over 350 Icelanders settled in Kinmount, Ontario with great hopes in their hearts only to face hardship and a tragic loss of 26 children. In the spring of 1875, these unfortunate people lost their work, had to leave the area and their children behind in un-marked graves around the railroad area.



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# Kinmount Kids' Corner

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## Did You Know?

During pioneer times, school was held in a settler's home, the general store or village church before a schoolhouse was built. The parents had to build the school, pay the teacher and buy school materials. The first schoolhouses were simple log cabins with a big box stove in the middle. The students sat on two or three rows of benches and worked at a big table. The floor was dirt and the windows were covered with greased paper instead of glass. Rags were stuffed in the cracks in the walls to keep out the cold.



## School Days History

Students from Ridgewood Public School dressed as pioneers to read the following excerpts about pioneer life at Kinmount's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary kick off:

**Rules for Teachers 1872**  
read by Alayha Crego & Taylor Smith

Teachers each day will fill lamps, clean chimneys and trim wicks.

Each teacher will bring a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the day's session.

Make your pens carefully. You may whittle nibs to the individual tastes of the pupils.

Men teachers may take one evening each week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if they go to Church regularly.

After ten hours in school the teachers should spend their remaining time reading the Bible or other good books.

Women teachers who marry or engage in uncomely conduct will be dismissed.

Every teacher should lay aside from each pay a goodly sum of his earnings for his benefit during his declining years so that he will not become a burden on society.

Any teacher who smokes, uses liquor in any form, frequents pool or public halls, or gets shaved in a barbershop, will give good reason to suspect his worth, intentions,

integrity and honesty.

The teacher who performs his labours faithfully and without fault for five years will be given an increase of 25 cents per week in his pay providing the Board of Education approves.

**A Student's Life**  
read by Cameryn Shaw

The following list describes some of the daily activities that took place in the one-room school.

If you misbehave in class, you

must wear a dunce cap  
"Make you manners" to your teacher every morning  
Help with routine chores such as cleaning the blackboards  
Study the three R's, history, geography and other subjects  
Write neatly with quill pens and ink  
Begin school when the bell rings  
Learn lessons with children of all ages in one classroom  
Take a morning and afternoon recess break  
Play games such as hide and seek, leap frog, or dodge ball during breaks

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## The Hot Stove Leak by Lynne Kilby

Hope you enjoy your stay at the Hot Stove Leak and just to clarify the column name (in case some of you didn't "get it") back in the old days when folks met, they gathered around a hot stove as they shared (leaked) information with each other. That being said, please remember to contact me at (705) 488-2919 or [lynne.kilby@sympatico.ca](mailto:lynne.kilby@sympatico.ca) whenever kindled by something that strikes you as "leakworthy" and I'll make sure to leak your info "hot off the press"!

After some consideration, the Kinmount Anniversary Committee decided to continue distribution of the Kinmount Gazette through Canada Post. Issues will also be available at local retail outlets and on the web at [Kinmount.ca](http://Kinmount.ca). Now in its initial stages, the website already has a gallery of images from our proud history. Make sure to check it out!

### COMMUNITY SPIRIT ALIVE & WELL

Demonstrating true Kinmount pride, a host of hearty people defied the weather to honour Kinmount at its official 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ceremony April 1. Throughout heavy rainfall during the entire ceremony, strong community spirit shone brightly, clearly not dampened by the elements. After sharing a few insights, Chairman of the Anniversary Committee, Guy Scott, introduced dig-

nitaries from Canada Post, Mayor of City of Kawartha Lakes, Ric McGee, Deputy-Reeve Madeline Pearson of Galway, Cavendish & Harvey and several area councillors.

One of the heart-warming highlights of the day featured participation from the younger generation. This was made possible thanks to J & K Devitt Services of Bobcaygeon, who donated a bus to transport students from Ridgewood Public School in Coboconk. Grade 3 students, who have been studying pioneer life, led in the singing of O Canada. Dressed in period attire, students told of school life back in pioneer times. Several girls from Kinmount Sparks, Brownies, Guides & Pathfinders shared their "What I Like About Kinmount" stories. Following my reading of the Ballad of Kinmount, the girls led the crowd in singing Happy Birthday while proudly displaying a banner they created especially for the occasion.

The ceremony included an official ribbon cutting by postmaster Sandy Cole, refreshments, cake, music, decorations, ribbons, flags, balloons and of course, distri-

bution of the first issue of the Kinmount Gazette! After the ceremony, members of the Model Railroad Club & Museum provided the children with a most fitting treat – the chance to view the Model Railroad!

### UNIQUE GEM ON OUR DOORSTEP

Did you know about 3,000 people from across the province and beyond visit Kinmount Model Railroad & Museum yearly? How long has it been since you checked out this unique display of our heritage, a gem on our doorstep?

In the 1980's, members of the club researched old photos and used microscopic details to create a scale-operating model of the Victoria Line right down to buildings, bridges and rail yards, as they were circa 1925. The Victoria Line ran from Kinmount to Haliburton.

For several years, the display was showcased in a tent at Kinmount Fairgrounds. Then in the mid 90's, with financial assistance from Kinmount Lions Club, the display relo-

cated to its current location in the restored Kinmount Railway Station. In early 2000, the model became dormant due to lack of volunteers to run and maintain it. About 4 years ago, a group of volunteers from outside the immediate Kinmount area upgraded the attraction and now man the admission by donation display on weekends from Victoria Day Weekend through to Thanksgiving.

Believe it or not, the club has no members directly from Kinmount! The group welcomes new volunteers and invites anyone interested in preserving the history of our area to give even just a few hours of their time. For further information, contact Cliff Veary at 878-5541 or drop by the station beginning Victoria Day Weekend.

### KINMOUNT CONNECTION DINNER & AUCTION A HUGE SUCCESS

Townfolk and friends once again turned out in droves displaying tremendous support for this sold out event!

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## The Hot Stove Leak cont...

Thanks to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441, amusing auctioneer Doug Pearson and the generous donations of prizes, the evening was pure enjoyment, even if you didn't win a prize! Approximately \$2,000 was raised to aid in supporting this publication. Way to go Kinmount!

### THANKS TO KINMOUNT LIONS

The 27 girls of the 1<sup>st</sup> Kinmount Unit of Sparks, Brownies Guides & Pathfinders wish to express their appreciation to Kinmount Lions Club for their donation of \$500.00 to aid in funding their annual camping trip. The girls will camp with about 30 other units at an "Arab Region Camp Challenge" at Emily Provincial Park, May 22-24. This is an awesome opportunity for local girls to share in fun and fellowship. As well, the girls gain insight into other countries and cultures through hands on activities.

Although each girl will pay a portion of the cost, the total

amount of money required to cover campsite fees, programming, food, equipment, craft supplies and transportation could prove too much of a financial stretch for many of the girls' families, resulting in girls missing out. Thanks to Kinmount Lions, each girl is ensured the opportunity to participate in this event at a reasonable cost!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

April 25 - **Kinmount Committee for Planning & Economic Development** hosts their **Annual Dinner Auction** at Galway Hall. For tickets or info, call 488-2687.

April 25 - **Ridgewood Public School Bottle Drive Fund-raiser** – Help the kids get new playground equipment by **donating your bottles**: Please place beer bottles/cans, wine & liquor bottles at your curb by 11:00 a.m. for pick up by 2:00 p.m. (within town limits only). You may also drop off bottles throughout the day at Kinmount LCBO parking lot or on Monday April 27 at Ridgewood during school hours. Thanks in ad-

vance for your support!

May 2 - **Kinmount Annual Pitch-In Day**: Here's another chance to show town pride during our anniversary year. Come join in the spirit to give Kinmount a spring facelift! The community is invited to meet at Kinmount Railway Station at 9:00 a.m., choose a route, get supplies and help give Kinmount a spring makeover! Refreshments served on completion.

May 9 - **Kinmount Public Library** offers a special Saturday walk-in craft featuring a **Mother's Day theme**.

### ONGOING ACTIVITIES

**Ontario Early Years Mobile Outreach Program**: Full pre-school program at Kinmount Community Centre, Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Call 324-7900 for info.

**Sparks, Brownies, Guides & Pathfinders**: Girls meet Monday nights for fun & adventure from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Kinmount Community

Centre. For information, call 488-2919.

**Seniors Cards**: Pot luck lunch at 12:30 p.m. on Mondays followed by bid euchre at 1:00 p.m. and euchre Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. upstairs at the Royal Canadian Legion.

**Exercise Classes for "49 & holding"** at Kinmount Community Centre. Drop in Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Contact Janet at 488-2630 for info.

**Kinmount Playschool**: Enjoy crafts, snack, story and playtime. Wednesday mornings 10:00 a.m. - noon at Kinmount Community Centre. Call 488-1362 for more info.

**Kinmount Public Library**: Preschool Storytime and Craft *every* Thursday at 10:30 a.m.





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## Spot the Shot



Each week we will feature a photo from the Kinmount Area. We challenge you to identify the spot.

Submissions of photos welcome. Please submit to the editor via email with a detailed description of the spot you have captured.

Last week's Spot the Shot: The Old Jailhouse (Township of Somerville Office)

## From the Editor's Desk

A huge thank-you to everyone who supported or attended our Kick-off events at the Post Office & the Loonie auction. Kinmountians really showed their community spirit! Thanks to Glen Weiler for capturing the event on film. We have included some of his images from the Post Office Party. If you noticed the new wooden Sesquicentennial signs at the entrances to town, Glen & Terry Simpson did a great job! If you have any stories/photos/information you would like to share in the Gazette, please feel free to pass it along. If we have made any errors or you have something to add to any of our stories, feel free to contact us. The Gazette is always looking for new material.

The staff at the Kinmount Gazette hope you enjoyed edition #1. Who are the "staff" you ask? Jane Austin is the set-up person, Lynne Kilby and Guy Scott are your writers and Yvette Brauer is responsible for the finance and advertising. And the Kinmount 150 Committee members were amazing in their support & assistance. And the whole exercise wouldn't be possible without the support of the Kinmount Planning & Economic Development Committee. And what's coming up in the next issues? Let's just say we have "lots" to write about in Kinmount.

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