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THE CONVERGED CITIZEN

Windsorites participate in Remembrance Day

Hailey Trealout
Citizen Staff Reporter

For the ninety-fourth year, during the eleventh month, on the eleventh day at the eleventh hour, people lined the streets and gathered at the Cenotaph as the military regiments marched down University Avenue.

Everyone stood and applauded as the various military units lined up, framing the Cenotaph grounds. At 11 a.m. a trumpet recited the Last Post, followed by a moment of silence and the laying of the wreaths.

One of the wreaths was placed by Theresa Charbonneau, mother of Cpl. Andrew Grenon on behalf of the Silver Cross Mothers.

"I was overwhelmed, I was pleased, the size of the crowd was unbelievable," said Charbonneau. "The citizens are so supportive and they are willing to show the veterans that they care and that they remember. Freedom isn't free. The youngest of children need to be taught that. Prior to Afghanistan, that lesson fell to the wayside. But because of Afghanistan and the present world conflicts, everybody needs to be aware, everybody



Photo by Hailey Trealout

A soldier bows on the steps of the Cenotaph for the Remembrance Day ceremony in Windsor Nov. 11.

needs to learn and everybody needs to renew their thanks."

Suzanne Romanko is a mother of two of the cadets who took part in the ceremony and said she was pleased with the outcome of the ceremony.

"The ceremony is important because we have to remember

what all the people before us went through so we can be here the way we are today," said Romanko. "The rights and freedoms that we all enjoy, we need to remember that every year. I get very emotional when I think about this because my son's father is

an ex military person himself. I want my sons to be able to let their children know that this is an important thing that we need to commemorate every year on November 11. I'm very proud of my sons for being a part of this every year."

The ceremony concluded with speeches by representatives of the Essex County District and a prayer.

Dan Marshall was one of the family supporters for his son who participated in the ceremony with the 31st Service Battalion. He said it was very heartwarming to see so many people come out and support the ceremony.

"You can never forget what these people do for us as far as keeping our independence and our freedom," said Marshall. "It's very easy to take these things for granted but like one of the speakers said, everyday on the news there is something said about terrorism and it's unfortunate but these people protect our borders and our freedom. To me, it's something that I don't forget, I have a family member involved who has served, so I can understand the impact that these people have to protect us. It was a beautiful ceremony, and a great day to be a Canadian."

Following the prayer, the serving members of Windsor's Reserve Regiments and the veterans continued their march past the dignitaries next to the Cenotaph while being applauded by supporters.

Windsor welcomes new company

Steve Anderson
Citizen Staff Reporter

Windsor is changing the face of its contribution to the auto industry by shifting its manufacturing outlook to one of technological involvement.

Mayor Eddie Francis officially welcomed Autodata Solutions and Executive Vice President Chris Wedermann

Nov. 5. Autodata Solutions is a company that provides consultation and technology services to auto manufacturers in North America, contributing in market analytics, product planning, vehicle configuration and overall marketing as well as aiding in social media and mobile applications for original equipment manufacturers or OEMs.

"We support the technology that OEMs use to sell and market their cars, the best examples are websites ... We also help them with some of the emerging technology, so think tablet, mobile, html5, think social media. Those are all emerging technologies that they need to incorporate into their strategies. We help them

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West End shooting

Stephen Anderson
Citizen Staff Reporter

Police are investigating a Nov. 15 shooting on Windsor's west Side.

Staff Sgt. Dan Shannon of the Criminal Investigations Department said police have

a suspect and believe the attacker and victim know each other.

The victim is a 32-year-old male who is in critical condition. Police have not released any more information in regards to the shooting while investigation is under way.

Reported gas leak at Holy Names



Photo by Mamdouh Elchami

A Union Gas employee checks for gas leaks at Holy Names Catholic High School Nov. 14.

Tom Morrison and Mamdouh Elchami
Citizen Staff Reporters

Students at Holy Names Catholic High School were sent home early because of a gas leak that reportedly started in the automotive wing of the school Nov. 14.

"We got a call about a natural gas smell around 12:30 p.m. We've been searching for it and we can't seem to find

anything right now," said Windsor Fire & Rescue Services District Chief Roland Maure at 1:30 p.m.

Maure said they had done multiple tests and would be bringing in a hazmat crew to check for leaks or chemical imbalances.

"We thought we had a gas leak. The fire department came to check out the school and the school is okay. The students have been dismissed

early," said Colleen Parent, a secretary for the school.

Abduljabbar Abdullahi, 18, was in accounting class when an announcement came over the PA system.

"We heard the vice-principal say code yellow and to exit the building," said Abdullahi. "They told us to gather our things and dismissed us."

Parent-teacher interviews scheduled for that night were still held.

Robberies in Windsor on the rise



Photo by Maureen Mariampillai

Karim Nash, 53, helps a customer on Oct. 21 at the Park Street West and Dougall Avenue convenience store where a robbery took place seven months ago.

Maureen Mariampillai
Citizen Staff Reporter

A Windsor Police Service Monthly Crime Statistics report shows an increase in robbery related crimes in Windsor.

Windsor police are reporting a 21 per cent increase for robberies and attempts in Windsor from May 2011 to May 2012.

Karim Nash, the 53-year-old manager of Low Price Convenience Store, said two

men came into his store on a Sunday afternoon, about six or seven months ago demanding money. One of the men was brandishing a hockey stick.

"Come on, give me your money!..." He tried to hit me

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The Fuzzy Muzzies

Kirsti Ridsdale
Citizen Staff Reporter

The month of November is dedicated to men growing out their mustaches to raise awareness of prostate cancer, the most common cancer in men.

The Fuzzy Muzzies group started in 2009 by some friends talking about growing their mustaches for fun. After doing some research they discovered people often do it to make a difference.

Caleb Denomme has been a member of the Fuzzy Muzzies since the group started. The foundation hits close to home for him because his uncle died of prostate cancer when he was young.

"Three years ago when the Fuzzy Muzzies started it just made sense for me to join," said Denomme. "My uncle died when I was very young and prostate cancer has always been an issue that's touched my family."

The group started off with 15 members and has now grown to 19. The group of friends, mainly from Essex County, are growing their stashes for Prostate Cancer Canada.

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with that as well," said Wedermann.

Autodata has 500 employees across North America, with offices in Los Angeles, Detroit and London, Ont. They will be opening their newest location in Windsor on Lauzon Parkway.

"It was the office that gave us the fastest get up and go, so we didn't have a lot of lease holds, it was for a telecommunications perspective it was well outfitted it required the least amount of work. As a getting started location it was the easiest get started offices," said Wedermann.

Wedermann is looking to hire 20 employees as soon as possible and expects to hire at least 40 more if all goes well. There will also be internship and co-op programs available to students looking for experience with the possibility of advancement and the opportunity to show what they're capable of.

"The roles that we're looking to fill here are very unique in that we're looking for software engineers we're looking for analysts ... Windsor ended up being a spot that had not

Fuzzy Muzzies president, Mike Dupuis, has been a member since day one and said their goal is to continue raising money.

"First year we raised \$3,868, second year \$8,744. My goal is to break past 10 grand this year," said Dupuis.

"The proceeds go to Prostate Cancer Canada which funds awareness and education, global action plan and Canadian male health network," said Dupuis.

The Fuzzy Muzzies sell t-shirts, bracelets and other merchandise, as well as hosting events which include car washes, benefit dinners and their first pub-crawl this year.

Carly Mayhew has been attending most of the events since the group formed.

"A lot of my friends are involved in the group so it's a social outing to support a cause," said Mayhew. "It's awesome to see everyone in a small town get together to raise money and it's amazing how supportive people are."

With help of the community backing and supporting the group, it motivates them to raise more money each year.

been explored very often, we did some preliminary recruiting and we're very impressed with what we've found," said Wedermann.

Mayor Eddie Francis said he agrees and believes this is a way to diversify the job market here in Windsor and expects this will benefit many of the younger individuals who may be looking for a career in the field of science and technology.

"If you're a University of Windsor student or if you're a St. Clair College grad, and you've been out there trying to get involved in the new industry, this is where you want to land. This is where you want to be. It's a cool and exciting place and they're doing great and exciting things," said Francis.

Wedermann explained why Autodata Solutions had chosen Windsor, and what he expects from the automotive capital.

"Automotive experience is something that when you go into other geographies you don't find very often, so we take that for granted. But Windsor has a long tradition of automotive experience so we're certainly looking to tap into that."

Greater turnout for Amherstburg Remembrance Day



Photo By **Jolene Perron**

Essex MPP Taras Natyshak lays a wreath at the cenotaph in Kings Navy Yard Park Nov. 11 in memory of the soldiers who died in war.

Jolene Perron
Citizen Staff Reporter

Amherstburg citizens gathered in King's Navy Yard Park Nov. 11 to watch members of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 157 host their annual remembrance day ceremony.

Mayor Wayne Hurst took a moment during the ceremony to remark on the number of people in attendance. He said

Amherstburg always has a good turnout for Remembrance day.

"It speaks volumes as to who we are as Canadians," said Hurst.

The day began at 10:30 a.m. with a parade of Legion members and dignitaries marching down to the cenotaph at King's Navy Yard Park.

The names of the dead soldiers of World War I, World

War II and the Korean War were read by World War II veteran John White and wreaths were laid in front of the cenotaph.

Following the laying of wreaths, Sarah Watson, wife of MP Jeff Watson, spoke on her husband's behalf. He was attending a ceremony in Essex. Watson read a statement written by Prime Minister Stephen Harper which thanked the veterans for their sacrifices.

"On this day in such quiet places for the fallen and beside monuments for their sacrifice we gather in remembrance," said Watson. "It lies in each one of us to remember the dead as they were."

Essex MPP Taras Natyshak also spoke at the ceremony, remembering those who served in the war. Natyshak addressed the children in the crowd, telling them, "We remember and we learn."

"We have a living link to those who have served," said Natyshak. "Nothing brings a smile to the face of those who have served more than a child who is ready and eager to learn about sacrifices."

Legion Branch 157 president Dennis Purdie had the final words, reminding the public how they would not have their freedom if it weren't for the deceased and their sacrifices. He said they must be remembered so "we can all appreciate the standard of living we have in this country."

States legalize marijuana possession and sales

Richard Dawes
Citizen Staff Reporter

Colorado and Washington state have legalized the possession and sale of up to one ounce of marijuana for individuals 21-years-of-age and older.

With 54 per cent of voters saying yes to Amendment 64 in one state, and 55 per cent saying yes to Initiative Measure No. 502 in the other, Nov. 6 marked the end of pot prohibition according to state constitution for the first time in the United States.

Amendment 64 is a change to the Colorado state constitu-

tion regarding marijuana. The change to the document means that adults 21-years-of-age and older can possess and purchase up to an ounce of marijuana from regulated retailers. Public use is still not legal but adults can grow up to six plants at home. Around 1,860,000 people voted according to the Colorado Secretary of State's office.

I-502 is Washington's movement to also legalize possession and sale of up to an ounce of marijuana for adults ages 21 and up. A policy for "drugged driving" was set for the state's motorists as well, compared to the zero-toler-

ance approach previously in place.

Even though both initiatives passed on state level, marijuana is still considered a schedule one drug that has high potential for abuse and no recognized medical use according to the DEA. Therefore, it is still considered prohibited to use the drug and possess it according the United States federal government.

Medicinal marijuana is permitted in Canada under specific guidelines. The federal government has no plans to visit the issue of decriminalization according to Essex Conservative MP Jeff Watson.

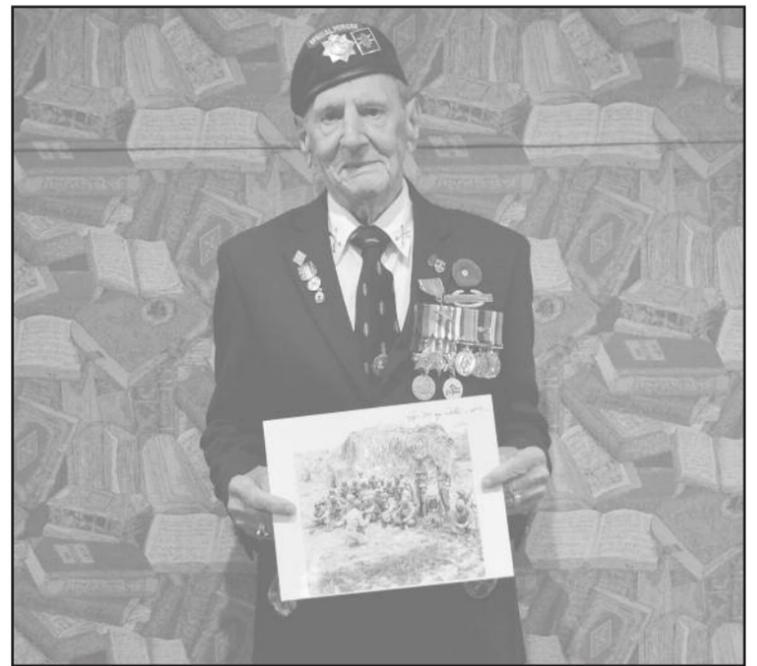


Photo by **Hailey Trealout**

Ralph Mayville holds a photo of himself and his fellow members of the First Special Service Force being briefed before a patrol, April 20, 1944 on Anzio beach-head, Italy.

Ralph Mayville gives thanks

Hailey Trealout
Citizen Staff Reporter

this year they didn't want to politicize it, so it may be done down here in Windsor next year."

Ralph Mayville is a WWII veteran who served in the Devil's Brigade, the first Special Service Force.

On September 24, Mayville was sent to the Spearhead reunion in Washington where he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, the highest honour that the American government can present. Before the trip, a fundraising campaign was held to help pay for the trip. After the Remembrance Day ceremony, Mayville's supporters attended a dinner at Branch 143 on Howard Avenue to be recognized for contributing to his trip.

Mike Timoshyk was the host for the event. He said the close community in Windsor was the big topic when they went up to Washington where the possibility of the next reunion being in Windsor was brought up.

"In September we've got lots of stuff going on, to commemorate the battle of Lake Erie. We have the tall ships coming up to Windsor," said Timoshyk. "What we want to do is try to dovetail the reunion along with all of these celebrations. e're going to plan on holding the Southern Ontario Military Muster on the water front so the city can see what's going on, so all these things tied together will bring historical interest to the city. It was an election unit, so

Armand Rock, 72, the Colour Guard Commander for Branch 594, has known Mayville for years through the legion. He received a copy of the Devil's Brigade emblem signed by Mayville for the Legion's contribution towards the Washington trip.

"It symbolises that we helped Ralph monetarily to get to Washington to meet his comrades," said Rock. "He's graciously given everyone who contributed to his trip a copy of their emblem. The original emblem is at our Legion because he was a member of our branch and he loaned it to us. We also have a German flag that they captured. We're very proud of Ralph."

One of the organizers for Mayville's fundraiser and the dinner was Cathy Moczko. She said it has been a long time since the Legion has been recognised for doing a free dinner for verterans.

"Since we have left over money from the donations of the community before we left for Washington, we have decided to put up this dinner," said Moczko. "So it is a lot better doing it this way in the Legion because every veteran belongs to a legion. On behalf of Ralph, we just have to think and remember the ones who were with him in the force, and to honour them."

U Windsor looks to end bullying



Photo by Sean Previl

Cameron Gray, left, paints Brian Khan's face for the NO H8 Campaign photoshoot on Nov. 14, at the University of Windsor.

Sean Previl

Citizen Staff Reporter

Students and staff at the University of Windsor want to end bullying by making people aware of what can result from bullying and what can be done to stop it.

The University of Windsor

Student Alliance held its first anti-bullying awareness week Nov. 12-16. The week featured several events including guest speakers, a poetry slam and workshops.

"We wanted to do something that helped spread the word of promoting that bullying is not okay," said Josh Paglione,

Student Life director for the UWSA.

Paglione said he tried to plan events that would reach out to people of all ages, including the NO H8 Campaign photoshoot and a workshop on cyber-bullying by the Windsor

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Ouellette Avenue a place for pedestrians?

Evan Mathias

Citizen Staff Reporter

Windsor city councilors would like to close Ouellette Avenue to all vehicle traffic and turn it into a pedestrian zone, but not everyone thinks it's a good idea.

The idea has been under discussion for a while but no decision has been made about the proposal.

"It deserves looking at, it's not a new idea, something that's been talked about for a lot of years, along creating a pedestrian based downtown," said Ward 8 councilor Bill Marra. "It's in a lot of other cities throughout North America, actually around the world."

Marra said a large factor contributing to the idea is the

movement of school campuses to the downtown core.

"St. Clair College has created a downtown campus, the University of Windsor is creating a downtown campus," said Marra. "The Windsor Star building going up at the intersection of University Avenue and Ouellette Avenue, it's creating a more conducive environment for just pedestrians."

Mara also said when the city closes Ouellette Avenue for festivals people love the experience and many vendors feel the same way.

However, Anis Serhan, owner of the Downtown Smoke Shop at the corner of University Avenue and Ouellette Avenue said he feels differently about the issue.

"I think it's a bad idea, people already complain that there's no parking, the way the system goes now people commute through cars," said Serhan. "It's not going to increase the traffic of people coming down here."

Marra said he believes most merchants would like the change and it creates a nice environment for people downtown. He said he would like to see it happen and wants to discuss the option of turning the downtown core into a more pedestrian friendly zone. He also said they should start small and see how people like the change.

"Maybe shut it down for a whole summer," said Marra. "Maybe do it a couple months at a time."



Photo by Sandee Nho

Steven Fletcher, Minister of State for Transportation, answers questions after his presentation at the University of Windsor Nov. 16.

Minister of Transport inspiring students

Sandee Nho

Citizen Staff Reporter

laughter as Fletcher joked about his political views.

"I remember being asked, 'Why would anyone vote for you?' My response was, 'I think the people would rather have someone paralyzed from the neck down, than the neck up.'"

Despite being rendered a quadriplegic more than 15 years ago, Steven Fletcher overcame his disability to become a member of the House of Commons and sit on the Cabinet of Canada.

In 1996, Fletcher was in a car accident with a moose that left him paralyzed from the neck down. Since then he has been involved in parliament, starting at the University of Manitoba when he was elected as Student President. In 2011 he was voted as the Minister of State for Transport in Canada. On Nov. 16, he visited the University of Windsor to share his path to being on parliament as well as discuss upcoming issues and goals of the Ministry of Transportation.

Graduating with an engineering degree and working in the mining industry, Fletcher had a previous dream he wanted to fulfill. His car accident with a moose changed his life as well as his dream.

"I had my education and lost everything else," said Fletcher. "So realizing that there aren't any wheelchair accessible gold mines around I went back to school and did my (masters). While I was there I got involved in student politics, which was an awesome experience."

Students attending the meeting were able to share some

Proposal 6, a national transit strategy and a high speed railway system in Canada was just a few of the points that were touched upon during the meeting. Allan Falkingham who is enrolled in personal training and fitness at the St. Clair Chatham campus, was just one of the students attending the presentation.

"He was able to answer all the questions thoroughly with the right amount of feedback. I was enthused and captivated by what he was saying the entire time."

University of Windsor history and political science student Jeff Adams said he was moved with how Fletcher described his path to becoming Minister of Transportation.

"For a cabinet minister even to be coming to Windsor is an important thing. It's not reported on very often. His personal story of getting into the car accident and then becoming a cabinet minister a decade later is nothing short but inspirational," said Adams.

Fletcher is planning on continuing his political career and his responsibilities at his greatest ability.

Students gather in support of Palestine



Photo by Adam D'Andrea

Members of the University of Windsor Palestinian Solidarity Group gather in the CAW Student Centre Nov. 15 to protest the recent Israel air strikes.

Adam D'Andrea
Citizen Staff Reporter

A group of university students are trying to educate and inform people about the Palestinian side of the Israel-Palestine conflict.

In light of the recent escalations in violence between Israel and Palestine, roughly 20 members of the University of Windsor Palestinian Solidarity Group gathered in the commons area of the CAW Student Centre Nov. 15 to protest Israel's military actions.

According to Mahmoud Shahwan, the PSG's vice president of communications, the goal is to raise awareness among his fellow students about the Palestinian side of the conflict. "What we're doing is getting signatures for petitions and so on and informing people

what's happening," said Shahwan. "The main thing we're doing is educating people."

Petitions circulated at the protest will be sent to NDP MPs Brian Masse and Joe Comartin to encourage them to condemn Israel's actions. By the end of the demonstration approximately 100 student signatures were collected.

The aerial assault that began Nov. 14 has been the largest Israeli military operation in Gaza since Operation Cast Lead, which lasted from December 2008 until January 2009. The air strikes began as a response to rockets fired by Palestinian militants. By Nov. 15 there were three Israelis and 19 Palestinians killed as a result of the air strikes, including Hamas military leader Ahmed al-Ja'abari. The reason stated for the operation is to destroy missile launching sites in Gaza.

PSG member Seher Ali said Canadians should take time to educate themselves on what's happening in Gaza even though it may be easy to ignore.

"International law as well as basic human compassion has no meaning if proximity to humanitarian crises is what increases empathy towards them," said Ali. "The PSG will continue distributing information and petitions, as the situation grows direr."

According to B'Tselem – The Israeli Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories, at least 6,617 Palestinians and 1,097 Israelis have been killed in conflict since Sept. 29, 2000. These figures are limited to those who were killed by members of the opposing nationality.

"It seems quite drastic and it seems like it's escalating quite quickly right now," said Shahwan. "We need elected officials to represent us."

From Nov. 19 to 23 the PSG will be hosting "A Child's View from Gaza" in the CAW Centre, an exhibit featuring art by young survivors of Operation Cast Lead.

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The "art" crowd very diverse

Jamie Adam
Citizen Staff Reporter

They can be cavernous or small and intimate. There can be many rooms or just one big room. There doesn't even have to be a room. They can feature pieces from many different people from around the world from all eras throughout history. All of them test a person's wisdom and perception. Can you guess what it is? If you said "art gallery," then you guessed correctly.

But what about the people inside of these buildings? Are they diverse like the galleries they inhabit, or are they a more specific demographic?

In Artspeak Gallery on Wyandotte Street, a number of different workshops and exhibitions take place. According to Michelle Souillere, the outreach coordinator for the gallery, the space can be rented out to anyone. There are exhibitors who have receptions who get their friends and family to come, bi-monthly writing workshops with Marty Gervais to attract a literary

crowd, a free professional dance class, a sketchbook night for amateur and professional artists to come together and sketch, professional development workshops for artists looking to develop their creative careers and there are even musicals and concerts.

Souillere puts it quite simply, "Our crowd is very diverse."

However, she admits, the diversity lies within the artistic community. Attracting the average Joe off the street is an entirely different task.

"The group of people that is hardest to get in here is the group that knows nothing about art," said Souillere. "I think it's very hard to start accessing arts and culture if you don't know where to start. It's all about making things that accessible for the larger community as well, not just for people that are already inside of the artistic community."

Artspeak Gallery has a booth at Art In The Park, Art By The River and other events such as Hocktoberfest, in the hopes of

luring the general public into the arts.

Local artist Jim Mroczkowski recently had a reception for his week-long exhibition in Artspeak Gallery. Looking around, one could easily notice the demographic the reception attracted – the middle aged and retired crowd. The only 20-something in attendance was an art student who was related to the artist.

Indeed, Souillere confirms a large percentage of the crowd attending an artist's reception is the artist's friends and family. Although professional artists will occasionally have exhibitions and attract potential buyers.

But Windsor is also home to a special kind of art gallery down by the river, one without walls. It's called the Odette Sculpture Garden Park and was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Odette and maintained by Windsor Parks and Recreation. It is a collection of over 30 pieces distributed along the Detroit River.

The sculpture garden attracts

a different crowd. Parents can bring their children to look at the sculptures and the scenery while enjoying a nice cardiovascular workout walking along the riverfront. Children can't ruin priceless works of art or worry about being too noisy like they would in an art gallery.

One Tuesday in late October, Nancy Taylor was going for a stroll on an unusually warm and muggy afternoon. Cheerful and friendly, the not-quite senior citizen said she walks along the river whenever the weather is nice. She said she has been frequenting the riverfront nearly every day.

"It's great for walking. I like the scenery and I like how they put all this art stuff here that you can look at. It attracts people, they come and take pictures. I think the art is a good idea."

However, she said the last time she has been to an art gallery was over a decade ago.

A native Nova Scotian man living in China was taking in the scenery along the water-

front during a stopover in Windsor.

It's proof that the Odette Sculpture Park attracts a multitude of different people the art galleries in Windsor do not.

But what about the original query: do art galleries attract a certain crowd? They attract the artistic community almost exclusively. However, within the artistic community, there are literary artists, musicians, visual artists and dancers who get involved. Although it is a particular crowd, it is a very diverse one. As well, programs are out there to try and attract the general public and places like the Odette Sculpture Garden Park appeal to a different demographic. Yes, art galleries attract a certain crowd, but they do try to attract the general public as well.

Go to an art gallery and see the demographic for yourself. Maybe look at some art while you're there. Who knows – maybe you'll even become part of the artistic community yourself.

Holy Names move on to football semi-finals

Jamie Adam
Citizen Staff Reporter

The Holy Names Catholic High School senior football team moved on to the semi-finals after defeating the Sandwich Secondary School Sabres Nov. 8.

The Sabres were able to maintain the lead until the end of the third quarter when the Holy Names Knights turned the game around. In the final seconds of play, the Knights scored a touchdown to tie it with the extra point from the kick finishing off the game with a score of 17-16.

Knights head coach Rob McIntyre thanked Carson Ouellette for the win. Ouellette plays defensive back, running back and receiver.

“The kid played an unbelievable game,” said McIntyre.

“He was an outstanding player. Without him, we wouldn’t be practicing tomorrow.”

Ouellette scored off a 90 yard punt return and had a 70 yard interception.

“I thought I played pretty good,” said Ouellette. “I screwed up at the beginning but after that I felt like I had to redeem myself.”

He said he was pleased with the final drive because the team came together and stepped up their game. Ouellette, 17, said he plans on returning to high school for a fifth year to explore his options.

The Knights forfeited one game this season, won seven and lost in the finals. In the semi-final game the W.F. Herman Secondary School Green Griffins defeated the Knights with a final score of 35-27 on Nov. 15.

Vipers Rivalry Week



Photo by Irma Tremblay

Lasalle Vipers forward Dylan Denomme (18) congratulates team mate Scot Prier after their overtime win against the Chatham Maroons on Nov. 14 at the Vollmer Centre in Lasalle. The Vipers won the game 5-4.

Vipers defeat Maroons in OT

Evan Mathias
Citizen Staff Reporter

The Lasalle Vipers were on the winning end of a barn-burner with the Chatham Maroons Nov. 14 at the Vollmer Recreational Complex.

The Vipers battled back three times to finally win 5-4 in overtime.

After a very rough first period where 10 penalties were taken in total the Maroons held a one-goal lead. The second period saw much of the same style of rough play with the Maroons taking a 3-1 lead. Midway through the period Vipers goalie Taylor Speed made a big glove save on a break away which seemed to ignite his team. The Vipers stormed back to tie the game with two goals from forward Brendan McCann.

“I was looking to go play my game, see how much I can help out the team. I guess when I’m going, everyone’s going,” said McCann. “Gotta thank my teammates out there for getting me the puck right in the wheel house, it’s hard to miss those.”

The Vipers fell behind again early in the third period after Maroon’s forward and former Windsor Spitfire Brennan Feasey completed his hat-trick.

Once again the Vipers were up to the task and tied the game midway through the game when Eric Noel banged in a rebound from a shot by Vipers forward Dylan Denomme. Before the game Denomme was awarded as the Greater Ontario Junior Hockey League offensive player for the month of October.

“I’m having a good season I guess so far, but as long as we’re winning I don’t really care,” said Denomme.

As time wound down in the third period the score remained 4-4 and extra time was needed to find a winner.

Vipers defenseman Scott Prier walked into the high slot and found the back of the net under the pad of Maroons goalie Darien Ekblad just over four minutes into the extra frame.

Vipers coach Ryan Donally

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Ashley Davidson
Citizen Staff Reporter

The Lasalle Vipers came away with a win and a loss in their back-to-back rivalry games on Nov. 14 and Nov. 15.

The Vipers took on the first place Chatham Maroons at home on Nov. 14 and after an extra overtime period, they beat the Maroons 5-4. The next night they went to

Leamington to play the second place Flyers. They lost that game 5-2.

Both teams are rivals of the Vipers, mainly based on the fact that Chatham and Leamington are close in region and both teams are placed first and second in the league.

Head coach Ryan Donally said he was proud of the way the team played against their rivals, specifically when they

played the Maroon.

“The guys battled from the start of the game to the end of the game,” said Donally. “I guess whatever it took, 64 and half minutes for us to pull out that victory. The heart and the passion they showed from the drop of the puck on it was something that we can build on and build forward.”

Though it isn’t even halfway through the season, the team is

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Posa calls players-only meeting

Rob Benneian
Citizen Staff Reporter

The writing may as well have been on the wall.

After dropping three straight games to fall into eighth place in the Ontario Hockey League’s Western Conference, the Windsor Spitfires knew they were in trouble.

This was confirmed when general manager Warren Rychel told reporters changes would be coming for his floundering franchise.

After watching his team struggle through a week of hard practices, captain Saverio Posa recognized something

needed to be done. When Spits forward Chris Marchese approached him and said the confidence of the team had been shaken, Posa knew he needed to take action.

“I pulled the guys in for a player meeting and told them ‘These guys are willing to break up our family, we have to go out and make it hard for them to do that,’” Posa said.

The players-only meeting occurred behind closed doors Nov. 14 in the team locker room.

“I knew we had one more practice before game time (Nov. 15 against Saginaw) and I felt like a lot of the guys con-

fidence around the room was a little bit down, guys were a little uptight about the trade (rumours).”

The Spitfires responded with what Posa called a ‘good practice’ and after a sluggish first period against Saginaw they pulled away for a convincing 6-1 win. They chased Detroit Red Wings 2012 third round pick Jake Paterson from the Saginaw goal in the process.

“When we brought everybody into the room, they all gelled together well,” Posa said. “The passion, the family-oriented atmosphere that they have here was definitely shown.”



Saginaw Spirit forward Eric Locke has his shot blocked by Windsor forward Ben Johnson. Goaltender Jaroslav Pavelka positions himself to make the save while Spirit forward Nick Moutrey looks on Nov. 15 at the WFCU Centre. The Spits won 6-1.



Saginaw Spirit forward Justin Kea takes on shot on Spits goaltender Jaroslav Pavelka while Brady Vail dives to break up the play Nov. 15 at the WFCU Centre.



Windsor Spitfires goalie Jaroslav Pavelka makes one of his 27 saves Nov. 15 at the WFCU Centre.



Windsor Spitfires forward Kerby Rychel beats Spirit goalie Nikita Serebryakov as Saginaw's Jeremiah Addison and Marselis Subban look on Nov. 15 at the WFCU Centre.



Spitfires forward Josh Ho-Sang makes a pass in front of Saginaw Spirit goaltender Nikita Serebryakov Nov. 15 at the WFCU Centre.

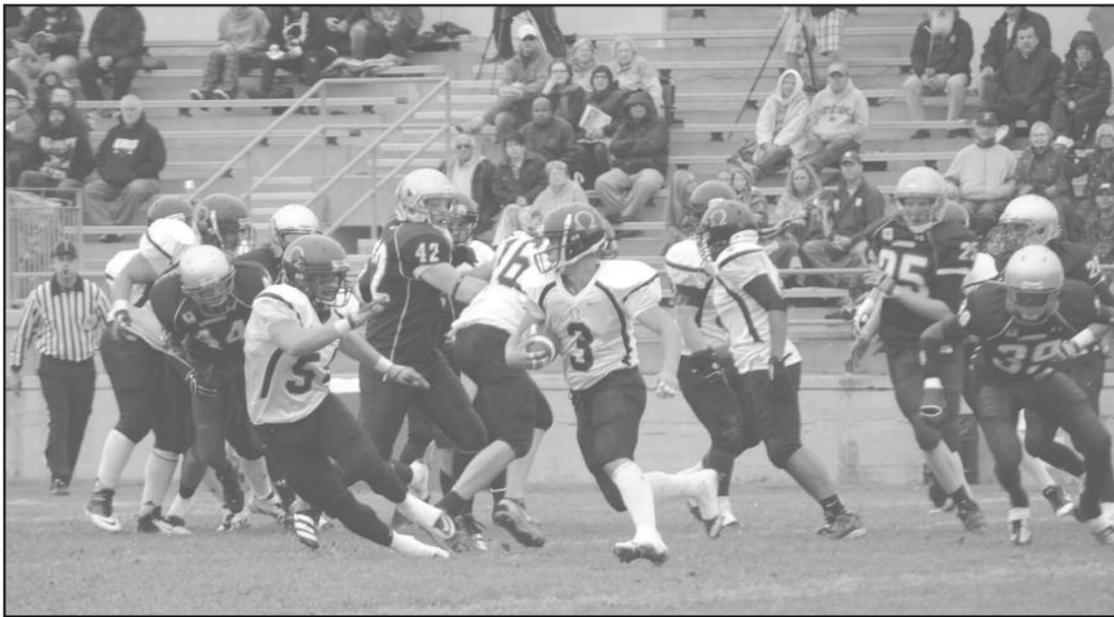


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AKO Fratmen punt returner James Drew (3) runs around the London Beefeeders in the Fratmen's last home game of the season on Sept. 22. It was also Drew's last home game as a football player for the Fratmen.

Football in the off-season

Ashley Davidson
Citizen Staff Reporter

Local post-secondary football players are officially in the off-season.

Though the NFL is one of the only professional sports on television right now, the football season for local athletes is over. This means they are prepping for the upcoming season, or taking the time to reflect on the season that just ended.

The off-season is bittersweet for most athletes, but it gives them a chance to evaluate their skills and improve on them before the next year.

Athletes need to shift their main focus from their sport to other things and Kyle Tyo, a third year wide receiver for the University of Windsor Lancers football team, said even though the focus changes, the sport is still always there.

"In season you're almost

entirely focused on your sport," said Tyo. "The only shift is you begin to concentrate more on school to make sure you get those grades to come back next season. Even then you're still always thinking about football and training."

Tyo said his coach recommends the players take a little bit of time to relax before they start training for the next season, but some players want to get to training right away. Anthony McDonald is one of those athletes.

"In the off-season you start to pick up where you left off before the season, so start training more, working more and things like that," said McDonald. "Time is valuable and every day counts in a progression so immediately after a season ends I'm right in the gym."

McDonald was a linebacker for the AKO Fratmen this year

and next year will be playing for the Sir Wilfred Laurier Golden Hawks. He said he hopes to improve for when he moves to a more competitive football league.

"This off-season I want to be bigger, faster and stronger while looking at technique development," said McDonald.

Fellow Fratmen James Drew said this off-season will be especially hard for him because it was his last year playing football.

"When the season finishes, of course you're going to miss it," said Drew. "You miss the hard work that you put in during the season, you miss the bond you get with the guys day in and day out, and you miss knowing you have something to do every day instead of just sitting around and doing nothing."

For these football players, the off-season will last until the spring of 2013.

Avoiding concussions in hockey

Kenton Wolfe
Citizen Staff Reporter

Now that's using your head.

The age-old proverb seems to be a contentious topic in hockey, as never before has an epidemic affected the sport so violently. Concussions and brain injuries have stricken the hockey world with a vicious blow which has ended the careers of players of all ages and skill levels.



The likes of all-star defenceman Chris Pronger and centre Marc Savard have just recently had their careers end due to their post-concussion syndrome, while all-time greats like Eric Lindros, Pat Lafontaine and Scott Stevens are still feeling the effects of their career-ending head injuries. Perhaps the most alarming concussion of all is Pittsburgh Penguins superstar Sidney Crosby, who is widely regarded as the greatest hockey player in the world. Though Crosby returned after a year-long hiatus, the hockey world watches him anxiously, knowing that his career is still in jeopardy.

So how does the hockey community fight back at the monster which is taking the careers of beloved NHL stars? Can taking preemptive measures protect your noggin from unwanted impairment? Though concussions will never be completely unavoidable, following these guides may protect your brain.

Choose the right equipment

Though the high-end gear may not always be in your price range, choosing the correct equipment should be the top-priority of any hockey player. Kyle St. Louis, an equipment salesman and

employee of Perani's Hockey World, stressed correct fitting equipment.

"Your stuff has to fit. Some equipment is definitely better than others for avoiding concussions," said St. Louis. "The Bauer Re-Akt helmet is the leader in concussion prevention."

St. Louis's suggestion doesn't come without warrant. Bauer Hockey has invested several resources into what it calls the "helmet revolution." The company has setup a website in promotion of their new innovation. They describe their product as "a study of the science behind sports concussions has led to the development of a revolutionary hockey helmet that exceeds current testing standards and addresses a broader spectrum of potential threats, including rotational force, high energy and low energy impacts."

Though scientific advances have improved the technology behind helmets, it still may not be enough.

"There's no such thing as a concussion-proof helmet," said St. Louis.

Changing your game

A player's on-ice awareness has as much to do with avoiding concussion as equipment. Though every hockey player is told to play without fear, minding your surroundings on the ice can save your cranium.

Windsor Spitfires centre Jordan Maletta missed most of his 2011-12 season with a concussion, which he blamed on a lack of preparation.

"You have to be ready for hits," said Maletta. "There are some guys who are taking runs at you. I know last year was a shock because I was playing against men, and wasn't prepared to take a lot of those hits. Now I think I'm a lot better at it."

By combining the new technologies of better head protection and better awareness on the ice, concussions can be evaded. Though head injuries cannot be prevented entirely, using your head can help in the avoidance of them.

St. Clair's deGroot wins National Cross Country gold

Brett Hedges
Citizen Staff Reporter

When Andrew deGroot crossed the finish line Nov. 10 after winning the Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association National Cross Country Running Championships in Champlain, Quebec he had only one feeling.

"Relief," said deGroot, who blew away the field by a margin of victory of more than 45 seconds. "I knew I was going

to win. I just had to get to the finish line."

After getting sick during his race and finishing with a disappointing silver medal at the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association in Sault Ste. Marie three weeks prior, deGroot was determined to win at the national championships.

"I was a lot more mentally and physically ready than anybody else," said deGroot, who is a first year interior design student. "After a long training season, to finally get a nation-

al championship win is huge. It feels awesome."

Now deGroot is part of an elite group of St. Clair College athletes to win national championships. That group currently stands at four with the 2012 men's baseball team being the most recent.

"It feels pretty big. I didn't know I was only the fourth national champion until after the race when (St. Clair College Athletic Coordinator)

Spits weekend recap

Mitchell Brandner
Citizen Staff Reporter

A weekend that started off well for the Windsor Spitfires ended with two heartbreaking losses.

The Spitfires began their three-game set with a much needed victory over the Saginaw Spirit Nov. 15. After losing three straight games, Windsor rebounded with a six-goal outburst. Spitfires forward Kerby Rychel had five points and Patrick Sieloff landed one of his patented crushing hits as the Spits beat the Spirit 6-1. Sieloff's hit seemed to fire the Spitfires up as they netted three goals after it occurred late in the second period.

"You don't want to take (hitting) out of his game, because that's the way he has to play," said Spitfires head coach Bob Boughner. "He is a game changer when his physical play is there."

Windsor goaltender Jaroslav Pavelka made 27 saves, many of which came while the score was still close, for his ninth win of the season.

"I think we have to give (Pavelka) a lot of credit for keeping us in it when we were

sloppy," said Boughner. "He made some big saves. Things could've been a lot different."

Kerby Rychel is gaining confidence and the chemistry between he and rookie Josh Ho-Sang is allowing them to put up big points lately.

"We're starting to make things happen out there, which is good," said Rychel. "He's a skilled player and I think I have pretty good finish. I think as we go along here we're going to be pretty dangerous."

They were dangerous against Saginaw as they combined for a total of seven points.

The joy from the win against Saginaw didn't last for long as the Spits lost a tough game to the Barrie Colts Nov. 17. With Windsor trying to protect a 5-3 lead with minutes to go, Barrie struck twice in a span of 1:13 and then once more in overtime to secure the victory.

Kerby Rychel stayed hot as he scored his fifteenth goal of the season and added an assist while line mate Josh Ho-Sang scored his fifth of the season. Top NHL prospect Mark Scheifele scored the winner for the Colts. The goal was his sixteenth of the season.

The heartbreak continued

with a 1-0 loss at the hands of the Owen Sound Attack. The only goal came on a penalty shot late in the third period after Spits forward Brady Vail covered the puck with his hand in the crease. Attack forward Cameron Brace made no mistake putting the puck past Windsor goalie Jordan DeKort.

Before snapping their losing streak against the Saginaw Spirit, general manager Warren Rychel hinted at upcoming moves in a Windsor Star article. Spits captain Saverio Posa had called a players meeting to try and bring the team together and fix any underlying issues.

"I pulled the guys in for a players meeting and I told them that these guys are willing to break up our family and we have to go out and make it hard for them to do that," said Posa. "I felt like a lot of (the) guys' confidence around the room was a little bit down and everyone was a little uptight about the trades and stuff."

For the second time in eight days the Spitfires will look to snap their losing streak against the Saginaw Spirit Nov. 23 at the WFCU Centre.



Photo by **Brett Hedges**

St. Clair College's Andrew deGroot wears his gold medal won at the CCAA Cross Country Running National Championships in Champlain St Lambert, Que. Nov.10. He is also holding his CCAA All-Canadian award as well as his CCAA 1st team all-star award.

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Ted (Beale) told me," said deGroot, who was a Canadian Interuniversity Sports All-Canadian in cross country for the University of Windsor in 2011. "It's a pretty big honour to be only the fourth to ever win a national title."

Beale used simple terms to describe deGroot's performance at the CCAA National Cross Country Championships.

"He's a beast," said Beale. "I've never seen a runner with that much talent and determination."

Next on the list for deGroot is the Canadian Championships in Vancouver, where we will be representing his club team the Newmarket Huskies. If deGroot finishes well in Vancouver he could represent Canada at international cross country events in 2013.

"I have a chance to make Team Canada for cross country and compete in Jamaica at the NACAC championships

(which would have competitors from North America, Central America and the Caribbean) and in Poland for World Cross Country Championships," said deGroot.

In high school deGroot missed out twice on making the Canadian Junior National Cross Country team and also didn't qualify for the World Junior Cross Country Championships by a small margin. He keeps those disappointments in the back of his mind and uses them as fuel during competition.

"It's a big motivator for me," said deGroot of his missed chances. "There will be some Olympic runners who will be on the (national) team so it would be an awesome experience to meet them and get some training tips."

With two more years left in his program, the expectations are sky-high for deGroot and the St. Clair cross country team.

"Hopefully I can bring two more national championships to St. Clair," said deGroot.

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wasn't allowed to be behind the bench for the game due to a suspension. He said it was a completely different perspective of the game. Donally also said he liked what his team did to get the win.

"Huge win, the guys battled from the start of the game to the end of the game," said Donally. "I think we sacrificed a little bit more than Chatham did tonight."

Donally said winning games against local teams always feels a bit better.

"I love it, I mean at the end

of the year two points is two points but playing a team that's 15 and five on the season, those wins are huge," said Donally.

McCann said as a player, it was not difficult to motivate himself to play well against the Maroons.

"Playing Chatham or Leamington are always big games. We could be ranked one, two, three in the standings or we could be the bottom three. Either way everyone gets up for those games, you wanna win those games. Always."

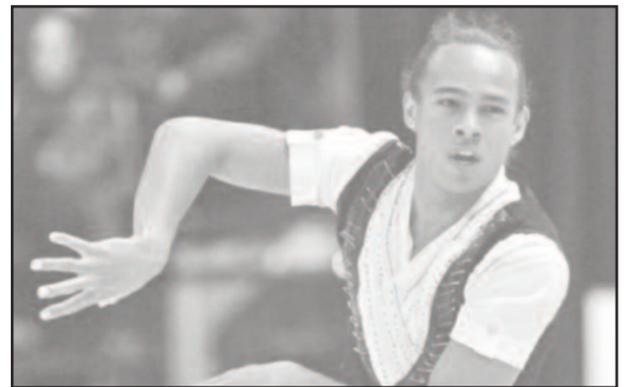
POLICE BLOTTER

Rob Benneian
Citizen Staff Reporter

In a 24-hour period spanning Nov. 14-15, Windsor Police Service:

- answered 306 emergency 911 calls
- responded to 82 calls requiring police attendance
- issued 49 tickets for provincial offences
- arrested and lodged 18 prisoners

The prisoners include a 30-year-old male arrested on four counts of assault, one count of assault with a weapon and two counts of threats and a 37-year-old woman for assault. The charges stemmed from an altercation in the 800 block of Bruce Avenue between the two arrested parties, a 16-year-old female and a 21-year-old male. The injuries suffered by the four victims, including two witnesses who came to the aid of the younger pair, are non-life threatening.



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Where's the bar?



Photo by James Zimmerman

Construction continues on the building that once held the Palace Cinemas. The space will become the next home to the Windsor Star as part of a redevelopment project in the downtown core.

James Zimmerman
Citizen Staff Reporter

Here Comes Honey Boo Boo, *Toddlers & Tiaras*, and *Cake Boss* are part of The Learning Channel's recent line-up of TV series. For a network that once rivalled the Discovery Channel on education, it seems as though TLC has done away with trying to advance and educate the masses and is now focused on ratings boosters. Watching TLC's 90 second promo clip of *Here Comes Honey Boo Boo* is evi-

dence of that.

"We're at an interesting crossroads with regards to culture," said University of Windsor Drama and Education director Lionel Walsh. "We live in a time where everyone's connected to everyone else. Yes this includes the 'lesser evolved.' Thus we're trying to find a balance of culture and new technology."

The Discovery Channel and TLC once stood side-by-side as educational programming channels, both taking very

unique approaches that worked well in each case. While entertainment value has changed, Discovery has a way of entertaining and educating. This is evident in shows like *Mythbusters*, *How It's Made*, and *Dirty Jobs*. While not every program offers the same level of education versus entertainment value, Discovery is viewed by many as the de-facto mix of education and entertainment.

"Discovery is by far, in my opinion, the higher quality channel in terms of program-

ming," said Windsorite Derek Simpson, 23. "TLC has entered a dark descent when it comes to the proverbial bar and rapid decline in the quality of their programming."

Windsor has a long running history with arts, theatre and cinema. With recent changes in technology and the availability of alternative entertainment many Windsorites are debating the survival of cinemas and live theatre as it relates to culture. While many citizens are regular patrons, theatres in the city have suffered financially. The Capitol Theatre and Arts Theatre and the Palace Cinema in downtown Windsor have been the centre of several debates and have both seen their doors close for a period of time.

Capitol ownership was handed over to the Windsor Symphony Orchestra. With it came an approximate \$2 million repair bill that includes improvements to the roof, stage and technical riggings. Some WSO subscribers have been raising concerns about the limited number and condition of the theatre's seating which many feel should have been repaired a decade ago. Walsh said the reasons behind the Capitol's financial problems have been two-fold.

"The city is connected to the symphony, it's connected with the art gallery but it's not connected with any theatre," said Walsh. "There are no butts in the seats. Many go to the the-

atre because they know someone in the show and not for the show itself."

The Palace ended a 91-year run that started with the classic D.W. Griffith silent film, *Way Down East* and ended with the more recent *Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows*, *Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol* and *Chipmunks: Chipwrecked*. Popular critic aggregator rating website Rotten Tomatoes scores *Way Down East* a 90 per cent versus 60 per cent, 94 per cent and 13 per cent for *Sherlock, MI: Ghost Protocol* and *the Chipmunks* respectively. While not entirely accurate, it does offer some anecdotal evidence into the decline of culturally good movies.

The closure of the Palace and a switch in ownership of the Capitol marks a point of evolution and change to Windsor, its live entertainment sector and its culture. To ensure survival, many say changes need to be made in order to bring patrons to the door and buy tickets. The loss of the Palace affected many citizens and efforts are being made to save the Capitol from a similar fate.

The question still remains: is culture dying? The overall consensus would lead one to say, "Yes, it is." But are we redefining what culture is to us as a society or are we just lowering the bar to ensure everyone is included in our constantly connected world?

How to survive the NHL Lockout

Ashley Davidson
Citizen Staff Reporter

The air is cold, the stands are empty. The ice is clean and fresh, not a mark on it. In a place where it is usually impossible to hear yourself think, it is silent. Is it the death of the 2012-13 NHL season, or is it just a serious injury?

The lockout became official at midnight Sept. 16, when the collective bargaining agreement expired and the owners and the National Hockey League Players' Association did not come to a new agreement.

For the time being, there is no NHL. For hockey fans, that may sound like the end of the

world. A lockout has happened before and will most likely happen again. Many people are missing the 2012-13 NHL season already. Here's how you can survive the NHL lockout.

Canadian Hockey League

CHL games offer an opportunity for fans to see players who have been drafted to the NHL as well. Five of the Windsor Spitfires were drafted in the 2012 draft: Brady Vail, Michael Clarke, Ben Johnson, Pat Sieloff and Nick Ebert. Fans have the chance to see them and get to know them before the NHL returns.

It is possible that hockey fans may be grieving the

hockey season already, but CHL games could help with that.

"It is difficult to singularly label the fans' experiences as 'grief,'" said Barat Wolfe, who teaches and conducts research with the University of Windsor Psychology department. "I believe there may be a multitude of emotions fans are experiencing - anger, confusion, sadness, etc. Depending on how long the lockout continues, however, it is possible that fans will grieve the loss of a season or part of one."

There are two ways of coping: problem focused coping and emotion focused coping. Wolfe said she believes that

emotion focused coping will be the main way fans try to deal with this grief.

"This might include finding ways to distract ourselves from missing the NHL, like going to Ontario Hockey League games, or watching Kontinental Hockey League games," said Wolfe. "I think people will largely deal with their emotions in this way and it's likely much more productive to help you get through the lockout."

Other Sports

Hockey is not the only sport out there. Football runs for almost the same duration as hockey, and though there aren't as many games each week the average football

game runs three to four hours.

Windsor also has a wide variety of university and college sports going on all year long. Why not take the time to support local teams?

Play Games

NHL 13 is one of the most recent video game from EA Sports. It came out on September 11 and since then hockey fans have been playing the NHL season electronically instead of watching it. With new graphics and the new true performance skating plus many other new features, it is one way fans can cope with the lockout.

Dealing with the lockout is no easy feat, but not impossible. Good luck, hockey fans.

Exploring Christianity

Chanel Beckford
Citizen Staff Reporter

There are many Christian denominations, but which belief is right?

Sara Ferede, 21, is an Ethiopian Orthodox and said she believes denominations are necessary because it gives people something to believe in. The Orthodox faith believes in God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit - the trinity. They believe God is the Lord of the universe.

"I don't think there are cons. The pros are the Lord will love you unconditionally and is forgiving if you ask for forgiveness," she said.

Ferede said she does not believe in any other religion other than Christianity because various religions are conflicting and contradicting. She said she will remain an Orthodox because she agrees with the doctrine.

Cameron Glenn, 24, has been a Pentecostal non-denominational member for over 20 years. Pentecostalism emphasizes the gifts of the Holy Spirit which include speaking in tongues, the gift of miracles, prophecy and teaching, word of knowledge, discernment, faith and word of wisdom. Glenn said it is necessary to separate the Christian faith from non-

Christian faiths, but having many denominations divides the Christianity and deteriorates its effectiveness.

Glenn said all denominations share an underlying belief which is Jesus Christ, God created Heaven and Earth and there is a place where their souls will rest after death. He said there are many differences in Christianity because of pride and religious tradition.

"We will find that Christ never intended the church to be divided by denominations, but for us all to be equal and operate in unity fully benefiting from the blessings, power, and benefits associated with such oneness," said Glenn.

Greg Yantzi has been a Mennonite pastor in Harrow for 12 years. Yantzi said a Mennonite is an individual who strongly believes in peace and justice. He said Jesus is concerned with the well-being of people. Because of this belief Mennonites do a lot of work within the community.

He said once a person comes to their own conviction of faith, they will be baptized on their own will. Yantzi said this is what differentiates Catholicism from Mennonites.

Yantzi said the Bible is used as a guide but the mind is used as their own rationale for life. He said he does not focus on

the faults or sins of others but focuses on the grace and mercy of God.

Unlike Glenn where he believes Heaven is a literal place of eternity. Yantzi said the concept of heaven was based on written stories centuries ago. He said he does not think it is helpful to act out of fear that there is a hell since it has only been written years ago.

According to the Center for the Study of Global Christianity at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, there are relatively 41,000 Christian denominations in the world.

As stated on www.lifeway.com, many pastors who are associated with denominations believe it is important to be a part of one. However, according to Life Way Research the majority of Protestant pastors believe the concernment of being in a denomination will decrease. This survey was conducted in 2010 and consisted of 900 Protestant pastors. Fifty seven per cent of pastors strongly agree in having numerous denominations, 27 per cent agree somewhat, 9 per cent somewhat disagree and 14 per cent strongly disagree. Sixty two per cent believe identifying with denominations will lessen over the next 10 years.

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with the stick, but I go back so the stick hits the (counter)," said Nash. "So I grab the stick from him, push him back, but I see the other guy, so they come two against one. It's hard (for) me."

The men came in the store about 15 minutes after he opened the store at 12 p.m. wearing scarves over their faces so only their eyes and noses could be seen.

"So I left the hockey stick in his hand and I push the alarm for the police... and then they fled. They didn't take anything. They didn't hurt me. But I don't let them to get anything," said Nash.

Although Nash was able to avoid injury and property loss, Sgt. Pamela Muzino does not recommend fighting back.

"I am happy that the situation ended well for the store

clerk... However, I would not recommend this type of response. Robbers want your money or property and they want it quickly," said Mizuno. "Do not risk your life, another person's life or risk suffering personal injury for property."

Mizuno said through email correspondence robberies from January until the end of September stand at 164.

Nash said the man holding the hockey stick looked familiar to him and was apprehended soon after the incident took place. The man was sentenced to six months in jail and is no longer allowed to go into the Park Street West and Dougall Avenue convenience store, nor is he allowed to come within the vicinity of the area.

"Believe me. After that I believe that I am more confident," said Nash. "More confident because, you know, when you have experience with (incidents), next time you

know what you're going to do for those people."

For police officers to stay vigilant, Mizuno said all robberies are recorded in the records database and all officers can access the information. Patrol officers use the information to make themselves aware of the incidents occurring in their patrol areas.

Mizuno said there is open communication among the service's investigations unit, investigative analysis branch and patrol. This includes the use of reports, bulletins, BOLO also known as be on look out notices and investigative video files. This ensures that trends, similar patterns and suspects are identified.

According to Mizuno, criminals look for opportunity and the weakest targets when it comes to people and places so she says stay alert and report suspicious behavior when you see it.

Calories in, calories out

Meagan Deschamps
Citizen Staff Reporter

pressure, sleep problems, seizures and death.

Dr. Michael Belisle, a pharmacist at Hunter Pharmacy, said if you are going to take weight loss supplements it should be by prescription.

"Anything that is sold without a prescription is coming from outside North America," said Belisle. "And then you have to worry about if it's the real thing and if it is the real thing then you need to figure out if there is anything in there that shouldn't be there."

Kathy Verardi has lost 85 pounds on the Weight Watchers Points Plus program since January 2011 and is now a leader at the Lesperance Road location. She believes in losing weight the healthy way on your own or with programs like Weight Watchers.

"It's important for people to realize just how much being overweight or obese can affect their day-to-day life," said Verardi. "It's also important for people to create healthy habits while losing weight. Taking pills doesn't install that knowledge."

Under a physician's direction, dietary supplements can safely but expensively provide the quick weight loss people desire. But as history has shown, using supplements on your own can lead to immediate and long-term health issues.

The desire for quick weight loss pills dates back to the 1800s when women would eat tapeworms in the hope of losing weight. However, eating tapeworms also caused malnutrition, severe anemia and death.

The positive side of diet pills is that they attain their purpose of losing weight fast.

But Rolf Gatrall, a retired clinician, said weight loss supplements aren't necessary.

"Weight loss follows a calories in, calories out rule," said Gatrall. "Supplements are very expensive and there isn't a medical proven benefit to using them with the exception of a few prescription methods."

"Without a reduction in daily calories the weight returns just as quickly as it was lost."

Diet supplements work by speeding up the central nervous system and are not considered to be addictive because they do not produce the same compulsive drug-seeking behavior that can be found with cocaine, heroin and alcohol.

However, long-term use or over consumption could cause harm to your body. In some cases doctors have found the thickening of heart valves, irregular heart rate, high blood

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looking towards the playoffs. Their goal is to make it in the top four spots for the post-season.

Donally said winning against a rival makes the win that much sweeter, especially when the rival is the first place team in the league.

"I love it," said Donally. "At the end of the year, two points is two points, but playing against a team that is 15-5 in the season, those wins are huge. We gave them a point, but those two points are enormous."

Dylan Denomme was named Jr. B Western Conference offensive player of the month in October. He had two assists

against the Maroons and one assist against the Flyers.

"It's always a rough, intense game when we play Chatham or Leamington and I'm expecting the same thing tomorrow," said Denomme after the win against the Maroons.

An intense game against Leamington was something Brendan McCann said he was also expecting on Nov 15.

"Playing Chatham and Leamington are always big games. We could be ranked one, two or three in the standings or we could be bottom three. Either way everyone gets up for those games," said McCann. "You want to win those games. Always."

Windsor looks Beyond EDM



Photo by **Maciejka Gorzelnik**

Richie Hawtin, left, is presented keys to the city by Mayor Eddie Francis, right, Nov. 7 at the University of Windsor's Ambassador Auditorium. The presentation took place prior to Hawtin's CNTRL: Beyond EDM lecture.

Maciejka Gorzelnik
Citizen Staff Reporter

Electronic music history was made in Windsor Nov. 7 when a local techno pioneer was presented with ceremonial keys to the city.

Richie Hawtin, also known as Plastikman grew up in LaSalle and began his career in the early 90s with the Detroit techno scene. Best

known for his minimal beats, he has travelled and performed at clubs worldwide while working towards advancing the genre. Mayor Eddie Francis presented the keys to Hawtin.

"In addition to being the world's best DJ and the most technologically advanced artist in electronic music," said Francis, "Richie Hawtin is being recognized by the city

for his continued efforts in advancing art and music with a new generation both here and abroad."

Music in general has historically been about pushing boundaries. In the 50s, rock and roll emerged to mixed reviews. While some people embraced and loved it, others hated it. The same happened in the late 60s with heavy metal and every musical genre thereafter. It can take time for new styles to break through and it doesn't happen overnight. Electronic dance music is currently in that process.

Hawtin, along with DJs Loco Dice, Ean Golden, Carl Craig and Eddie "Flashin" Fowlkes stopped in Windsor as a part of the CNTRL: Beyond EDM educational music tour. Hawtin summed up the event in three words – educate, inspire, entertain.

"I don't think my music is mainstream or should be mainstream. I wouldn't want it to be," said Hawtin. "But I do think there's a lot of people out there who appreciate what I do as a DJ."

Even though the turnout was small in comparison to other tour stops, only filling approximately half of the University

of Windsor's Ambassador Auditorium, the event was well received. Independent public relations representative Sophia Rose was in attendance and said it was the "most interesting and fun" lecture she had attended.

"The panelists actually put into action via the technology present what they were talking about," said Rose. "They were willing to share personal opinions and experiences with the audience through their own discussions and when answering questions."

Also in the audience was University of Windsor graduate assistant Ritwick Gupta. He said the lecture accomplished what it set out to do but Windsor still has a long way to go.

"People who had no clue about EDM got a lot of info about how it started, progressed and mutated to get to its current form," said Gupta. "(In Windsor), there is a bunch of people who are passionate about it but it should be more supported than it is. We have a market for \$3 vodka shots, not EDM."

Local DJ Justin James is in the process of being signed to Hawtin's Minus label. James said being from Windsor and

the proximity to Detroit has helped him along the way but the key is to keep innovating and not settle for mediocrity.

"This is techno. It's technology. It's about pushing forward," said James. "Creativity is contagious. People don't have to like (electronic music) but they shouldn't deny its existence."

The Boom Boom Room located in the 300 block of Ouellette Avenue has been at the centre of Windsor's electronic music scene and celebrated its seventh anniversary in conjunction with CNTRL. All panelists performed live sets following the lecture and co-owner of BBR Remo Agostino said the event was a great success.

"This city is home to so many fantastic artists that go unrecognized. With the help of Richie and others in the city we look forward to the return of the arts scene here in Windsor in a big way," said Agostino. "The Boom Boom Room since 2005 has been proud to be a part of the ongoing heritage of downtown Windsor and we thank everyone for their continued support. It's going to be difficult to top year seven."

Mudpuppy Gallery hosts seventh Beat Night

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Local poets, musicians and story tellers gathered at the Downtown Espresso in Amherstburg Nov. 10 to contribute to the Mudpuppy Gallery's seventh Beat Night.

Professionals and amateurs stood at the podium in front of 50 listeners to perform original pieces.

Rob Tymec was the host of the Beat Night. He said he remembers his first time in front of an audience and could relate to the new locals that came to perform.

"We've all been there, and we love watching that terrified demeanor the first couple times, then slowly but surely you get a little bit more comfortable with it. Whether you go spoken word or just straight poetry, it's a gorgeous process and it's a growth

experience," said Tymec. "So much of what we see is artificial these days, so when you do something sincere like (Beat Night) it sort of shines. That's what is drawing more and more people to this place. It's just packed to the gills for the last couple times because people talk about this experience. How different and unique it is. It's almost like we're a beacon."

Michelle Wilson, 58, has been writing since she was 14 and starting participating in Beat Night last year. She said writing is a way of describing a memory with personal meaning.

"It is an expression of what you're feeling," said Wilson. "I think that's basically what writing is to most of the people who write. They may express it in different ways, sort of just like the things that fall out of your head."

Some of the writers have been published for their poems and short stories.

Judy Ouelette Bezaire has been writing for 20 years and is working on a fictional novel based on the local history. She said Beat Night is a great experience for aspiring writers.

"It's an amazing form for writers to be able to read their work. It's very warm, supportive and a lot of fun. It's a great place to hear your own voice in your writing," said Bezaire. "That's really important. Writing is such a solitary art form, you do it on your own all the time, lots of times you're in your own head. It's a great way to hear your voice and to see how people respond to your work so that's really important."

The next Beat Night will be Jan. 26 at the Downtown Espresso.

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Police Service.

"Bullying doesn't stop in high school, right," said Paglione. "It continues on, college, university, workplace."

A fourth year student at the university, Lauren Soul, said she has a personal tie to the week and is volunteering because of that connection.

"I've been bullied my entire life and I will do everything within my power to help it end and to spread the message that you can survive it," said Soul.

Soul said she hopes people will take away information that can help themselves or their friends who may be suffering from bullying.

"They'll learn that there are resources out there, that there are services out there to help them," said Soul. "It does get better and they can survive it."

One of the students who has been attending the anti-bullying events said the response from the Windsor community

is enlightening.

"It was really interesting to see how people from different places and different backgrounds, they all had a story to tell," said Brian Khan, a third year student studying digital journalism and communications, media and film. "It's really interesting to see how they were all affected by bullying and how they dealt with it."

Khan said reaching out is the best way to help.

"There's friends and people always willing to help always willing to help you, you just need to reach out and you will solve your problem," said Khan.

According to the Canadian Institute of Health Research, 38 per cent of males and 30 per cent of females report they experienced bullying in their school years. Paglione said anti-bullying weeks can raise awareness about the prevalence of bullying.

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