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Residences: 6,177



# FALLINGBROOK Newsletter

The Fallingbrook Newsletter is published for the residents of Fallingbrook by the Fallingbrook Community Association.

## Who's Who in Fallingbrook

by David Villeneuve

You probably saw Dave Johnson on television last summer during the Atlanta Olympics. He was head coach for Canada's Olympic swim team. Fallingbrook's Dave and Wendy Johnson have made swimming their lives since they were ten years old.

Dave Johnson is national coach at Swim Canada for high performance swimmers, responsible for coaching Canada's best swimmers. He has been head coach for Canada's international teams since 1978, at the Commonwealth Games, The Pan American Games, the World Championships, and at the Olympics.

Dave started swimming competitively at the age of ten until he was 21, competing in the 1971 World University Games and the Pan American Games. After graduating from McGill University he began coaching with the Pointe Claire Swim Club, and saw 5 of his swimmers win 5 gold medals at the 1978 Commonwealth Games. He then coached in Edmonton for the next 15 years, seeing 15 of his swimmers make Olympic teams in 1980, 84, 88, 92, as well as coaching Peter Szmidt to a world record in 1980. He then came to Ottawa to take the position of national coach with Swim Canada.

Wendy Johnson (née Wendy Quirk) also swam competitively between the ages of 10 and 21. She was a member of Canada's national swim team between 1974 and 1980. She competed in the 1974 Commonwealth Games, the 1978 Canada Games, the 1975 and 1979 Pan American Games, the 1975 and 1978 World Championships, and the 1976 and 1980 Olympics. In the 1978 Commonwealth Games, Wendy won gold medals in the 100 meter butterfly, the 400 freestyle relay and the 400 medley relay, as well as silver in the 200 meter freestyle and bronze in the 100 meter freestyle. In the 1978 World Championships she won a bronze medal in the 100 meter butterfly. In 1980 she set 10 national records.

In 1980 Wendy began her coaching career working with swimmers ranging from beginners up to national level over 12 years. After a three year break, Wendy is now getting back into coaching. She is currently with the GO Kingfish Swim Club, and can be seen at the Orleans Sportsplex working with many young swimmers from our community, some perhaps who may go on to become Olympic athletes like Wendy Johnson.

## Who Are Those Drivers, Anyway?

By David Villeneuve

Municipal Councillors receive many requests from residents demanding that stop signs be installed on their streets. We read letters to the editor, complaining about speeding drivers on residential streets. Schools are hiring crossing guards to help children get safely to school.

So who are these drivers that are risking the lives of our children? Are they construction workers, or teenagers? Are they people from outside our community? Pizza delivery vans? Taxis?

No. They are people who live right here in Fallingbrook, most with children of their own. Video recordings of traffic in front of Fallingbrook Community Elementary School reveal that many of the people who speed along Princess Louise Drive and run the stop sign are in fact parents dropping their children off at the school.

So why is it that we feel that we are driving safely, but that everyone else is recklessly endangering our children? It might be the difference between standing on the side of the road with your children versus being behind the wheel of the car. When we stand by the road, every car seems to be going too fast, and they aren't looking out for our children. But when we're driving the car ourselves, we feel that we are driving safely and prudently. When was the last time that you felt you were driving unsafely? You feel that it is okay to roll through that stop sign, or turn right at that red light without slowing, because you don't see any pedestrians. If there were pedestrians, you probably would stop, right?

I stood with OPP Constable Heather Crake as she watched the intersection in front of Fallingbrook School one morning. She says that many cars roll through without even coming close to stopping. I saw several cars roll through, then comically stop dead in the center of the intersection when they saw the OPP cruiser. They obviously knew that they should have stopped.

It's not just motorists we should be educating. Our children should be taught how to cross busy roads. They should be more assertive in showing that they intend to cross an intersection and that they expect motorists to stop at the stop sign while they cross. We've all seen children at intersections who could either be waiting for the cars to stop, or waiting there for a friend.

Next time you're driving in Fallingbrook, think like you're standing at the side of the road with your children, not like you're a motorist.

## Annual Fallingbrook Volunteer Awards

We seek nominations for the Fallingbrook Community Association's annual volunteer awards ceremony. Nominees should be residents of Fallingbrook who freely give their time to make our community a better place to live. In previous years we have given awards to people involved in sports organizations, Guides and Scouts, PTA's, community groups, etc.

Nominations should be given to David Villeneuve (837-0336). Details about the nominee's volunteer work should be included. The ceremony will take place in the spring of 1997, and is usually presided by the Mayor and municipal and regional councillors.

## Prix annuels de bénévoles

Encore cette année, l'Association communautaire Fallingbrook honorera les résidents qui ont contribué à notre communauté en donnant de leur temps à des activités bénévoles. Nous vous demandons de nous donner le nom d'une ou des personnes qui devraient être honorées, e.g., des individus qui ont contribué à des groupes sportifs, à des groupes communautaires ou à une école, etc.

Vous pouvez communiquer avec David Villeneuve au 837-0336 pour offrir vos suggestions.



**L'exécutif de l'Association communautaire  
Fallingbrook pour l'année 1996-1997**

**Fallingbrook Community Association  
1996-97 Executive List**

L'Association communautaire Fallingbrook aimerait vous souhaiter la bienvenue dans notre communauté. Nous invitons toute personne intéressée à assister à une de nos réunions. Les réunions ont habituellement lieu le dernier lundi du mois au centre Ray Friel.

The Fallingbrook Community Association would like to welcome you to the neighbourhood. The executive usually meets on the last Monday of the month at the Ray Friel Centre.

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**Voluntarism In the Township of Cumberland**

by Jim Elders

As a member of the committee examining user fees, I participated on a sub-committee which looked at voluntarism. The most important observation of the sub-committee was that voluntarism is active and most certainly alive in the Township today.

**What are Volunteers**

Firstly, volunteers are givers and participants who noted in a 1987 study that the top reason for volunteering was to help others (63%) and to help a cause one believes in (60%). Volunteers gave over 1 billion hours of their time in 1987.

The top 5 types of organizations who received help from volunteers across Canada in 1987 included:

Type of Organization (Canada 1987)	Volume Million Hours
Religious Organizations	202.50
Sport and Recreation	174.40
Education and Youth Development	131.60
Social Services	95.3
Health	86.6

Secondly, volunteers are producers which saw in 1987 an equivalent contribution of 616,000 full-time positions in Canada which equaled about 6.1% of the national labour force. The figures for Ontario were 210,675 full-time equivalent positions and 5.3% of the provincial labour force.

In a sample of volunteer organizations operating across the Township the group examining user fees was able to identify \$1,505,140 in annual expenditures of volunteer labour calculated using an estimate of 215,020 hours of volunteer labour multiplied by a modest wage rate of \$7.00 per hour. The largest provider of volunteer effort was the Cumberland Township Minor Hockey Association (\$554,673) followed by the Township Scouting groups (\$350,000), the Guiding movement (\$217,595) and the Cumberland United Soccer Committee (\$140,000). While the list of volunteer groups is not all inclusive it provides an insight into the scope and magnitude of volunteers who provide a positive impact on all residents within the Township.

The third component which defines a volunteer is that they are citizens who work together by (a) **building habits of heart** through the generation of

unique links between the donor and the recipient of the voluntary action. This requires mutual trust and give and take on the behalf of both parties. (b) Volunteers as citizens also aid in the **construction of their community** helping to solve problems facing their neighbours and themselves. (c) Volunteers are at the root of a **democratic society** due to their participation in community affairs they reinforce everyone's civic responsibility. (d) Volunteers **foster genuine partnerships** by conceiving, brokering and implementing problem-solving partnerships which are critical to society. (e) Volunteers **enable societal understanding** of complex societal issues which affect all citizens within a community especially among citizens who are different and those similar to ourselves.

A pure definition of a volunteer is one who reacts from an humanitarian impulse which is rooted in a "concern for others". From a recent study of the reasons given for volunteering the top 5 are presented in the following table.

Reasons for Volunteering for Sport, Fitness and Recreation (% rating reason as important) Ontario 1995	
Reason	Percent
Helping Others	78.4%
Contribute to Valuable Area	75.2%
Have Fun	68.9%
Promote Sports and Recreation	63.3%
Contribute where Family is Active	61.9%

Volunteering is a private "gift" and is grounded in individual choice through voluntary action. Public benefits are derived from these gifts and a financial value may be attached to this volunteer activity.

**Why Should the Cumberland Town Councilors and the Mayor Support the Volunteer Sector in the Township**

The volunteers in the Township are exercising pro-social behaviors by being active participants in Township activities without pay and often without recognition. It is essential to maintain the commitment of Township volunteers

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- George Blake, Editor

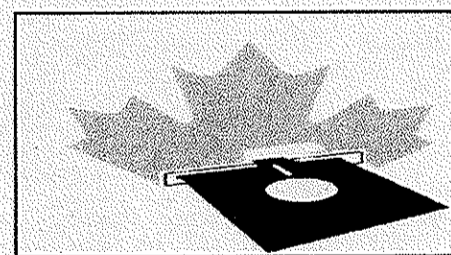
that those individuals entrusted with decision making powers show **loyalty** to these individuals by demonstrating their support, acknowledgment and recognition to help the volunteer sector by making a fair and just decision when approving the new Rental and Allocation policy. A change in government policy can influence and put undue pressures on the continued involvement of Township volunteers.

The volunteer sector in Cumberland is interconnected with the government sector, with increased fees for facilities this action will put extreme financial pressure on organizations who provide cost effective programming and will likely result in the abandonment or reduction in these activities. Subsequently, this will force the municipal government to provide these services or to explain to the voting public why services formerly offered by the volunteer sector, no longer exist. This will have a detrimental effect on the quality of life in the Township.

It is the belief of the Community User Fee Group that our facilities were built for our use, for the betterment of the community and that the Township has an obligation to make them accessible to everyone. The facilities should not become the private domain of the wealthy in the Township and access to these facilities should remain cost-effective to all user groups.

Volunteers are the heart of our community and the true ambassadors of good faith to all citizens throughout the Township. let us not impede their provision of effective programming into the future.

The ratio of voluntarism in the Township of Cumberland is among the highest in the region of Ottawa-Carleton, it is imperative that this tradition continues, to ensure a fruitful future for all residents of the Township. I would ask all residents of Fallingbrook and other members of the Township in agreement with my stated beliefs to express your concerns to the Mayor and all Councilors who represent the Township of Cumberland to protect the volunteer network into the future!



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## SECURITY AND SAFETY

by Ron Hamelin, vice-president  
Fallingbrook Community Association

Welcome to all new Fallingbrook residents. We attempt to set up forums and try to keep you informed on to what is happening in our community. One important topic in our community is safety and security. Fallingbrook offers you the many choices to help out. You can become a **BLOCK PARENT**, volunteer some of your time to **AUXILIARY POLICING**, you can become a **STREET CAPTAIN** for **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** or simply register your home with **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**. We all know the importance in safety and security for our families. Remember the **Fallingbrook Community Association** is there for you. We meet every third Monday of the month at the **Ray Friel Community Centre** at **8:00pm** and we would love to meet you. See you there.

### FALLINGBROOK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH STATISTICS FOR 1996

Street	Auto Theft	Auto Theft Misc.	Auto Damage	Assault	B & E Theft	B & E Attempt	Vandal
Adencliff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Apollo Way	0	2	0	0	0	1	0
Beauregard	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
Boake	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Briarfield	1	3	4	0	1	1	1
Brissac Way	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Brome	0	1	4	0	2	0	0
Brookridge	0	1	0	0	3	0	0
Cabaret	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Canemore	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Canotia	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Caserta	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Cézanne	0	1	3	0	1	1	0
Chantal	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Charlemagne	3	0	0	0	1	0	0
Cheevers	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Chenier	0	1	2	0	0	1	0
Clearcrest	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Cookshire	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Deancourt	0	1	2	0	2	3	1
Delia	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Des Cornifères	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Diane	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Fallingbrook	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
Falwyn	0	1	0	0	2	0	0
Farmbrook	2	0	2	0	3	1	0
Gardenway	1	0	1	1	0	0	5
Hauteview	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoskins	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Innes	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lalande	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Lawney	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Levac	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Marinoff Way	1	2	2	0	1	3	0
Marsella	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mathieu	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Merkley	1	0	3	0	0	0	5
Montcrest	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Montresor	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Northampton	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Northlands	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Norview	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Oaklawn	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orford	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
Papillon	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
P. Louise	0	0	2	0	0	1	3
Proulx	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rongemont	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Shawinigan	0	0	3	0	1	0	0
Sheenboro	0	3	1	0	5	0	0
Sidney	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Stellar	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sunland	0	2	0	0	1	0	0
Taché	2	0	3	0	1	0	0
Talcy	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Tenth Line	2	0	5	0	28	0	9
Thicket	0	1	2	0	1	0	0
Tourelle	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Valade	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Watters	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Yorkmills	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total	23	33	56	1	70	16	31

## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

by Ron Hamelin

Welcome to all new street captains to a program that has already helped stop a break and enter and solve 10 prior break ins in Orleans. All it took was one of our neighbourhood watch member to call the police and report suspicious activity at a home and wham, the two minors were caught and admitted to the prior thefts. Good work! see, that's all it takes to put a stop to crime in our neighbourhood.

Welcome to Roger Lapointe as co-chairperson for Gardenway Sector C. Roger has many new ideas to help with Neighbourhood Watch.

Here are the statistics for 1996. We are still looking for street captains, if you want to contribute some of your time or register your home I can be reached at 834-8600

## Update on the Amalgamation to Ottawa-Carleton Regional Police

Meeting with Brian Ford at the COPPS Committee;

On Thursday evening October 17, 1996 at the Fire Hall on Charlemagne, Mr. Brian Ford, Chief of Police for the Regional Carleton Police Service was in attendance to help educate concerned residents about the amalgamation in 1998 to the Regional Carleton Police Services replacing the Ontario Provincial Police in Cumberland Township. Also in attendance were several representatives for the community such as Local Community Associations representatives, Councillor Frank Dugal, Councillor Dave Lewis, Regional Councillors Herb Kreling and Robert Van den Ham, several Police Officers from the OPP, and a few residents. Mr. Ford identified that the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Police Services set out a vision and a mission of which to guide safety and security throughout all communities.

The amalgamation from Ontario Provincial Police to Regional Policing will commence a transition period in the Fall of 1997 with the OPP until the full take-over on January 5th 1998. There are no expected delays. The Regional Police Services will operate with 38 police officers, the same numbers utilized by our OPP in previous years. The Regional Police Service are not at this time seeking new Officers and hope that the police officers transferring from the OPP will be a majority and should the requirement for new officers be needed, they will adjust accordingly. Mr. Ford noted that there was never a ban on hiring, there was just no need to hire with all Departments downsizing and that just this year 60 new officers were hired to replace retiring and transferring Police Officers. Mr. Ford mentioned that his office anticipates that 100-125 new recruits will be hired next year due to increasing retirees and fully anticipates a 2% turn over annually for the next few years. Mr. Ford reassured everyone concerned that crime prevention programs such as: **Auto Stop, Bicycle Registration, Crime Fax, Neighbourhood Watch, Block Parent and other programs** presently being offered will continue as long as the need in the community continues.

At this point, both Union's have worked very hard together to rectify small details in the offered packages to the OPP with one main topic of discussion "PENSIONS" from which Mr. Ford has said that it is minor details at this point and should be finalized this coming fall.

The Ottawa-Carleton Regional Police Services are building an Eastern District Headquarters and are seriously considering Cumberland Township as a probable site.

## 4th Orleans (Fallingbrook) Scout Group

by Jim Elders, Group Chairman  
4th Orleans (Fallingbrook) Scout Group

I am extremely happy to report that the 1996/97 year has started with a successful boom!!! Registration is up 13.39% and our youth are energized and ready to go. We have 123 boys and girls registered in Beavers (youth aged 5 to 7), 59 members registered in Cubs (youth aged 8 to 10), 18 members registered in Scouts (youth generally aged 11 to 14 with an option to continue to 16) and 10 members registered in Venturers (youth aged 14 to 17). In addition, we have 61 adult members who work (play?) as Section leaders and members of the Group Committee.

The year started with a Group campfire which saw most of the members involved in the presentation of a skit, cheer or singing of a song

Most members were also involved in Apple Day, our major fundraising event which was held in October at the Fallingbrook Mall. Members of our Troop and Venturer Company participated in the Civitan Food Drive which I am told filled almost 3 semi-trailers loads of donated food for needy families across the Ottawa-Carleton region. Several Sections are looking at adopting a nature trail and have already helped out by picking up litter which is scattered on these trails even before officially taking over responsibility for a trail.

It is unfortunate but I must close on a sad note. The Township of Cumberland approved its new rental policy thus eliminating the traditional free access Scouting and Guiding have had to township facilities.

## FALLHARD SKATE PARK

by Ron Hamelin

Just a quick comment about our Associations first year for the **SKATEBOARD PARK**. Awesome beginning to a project no one expected to work. There are many people to thank for it's success. First, Cumberland Township for allowing us to occupy the Fallingbrook Outdoor Rink at no cost and providing us with a sign. On the financial side of things, we received many donations from the following people and send them our most gracious thank you. Dr. Paul A. Jacobsen for his generous contribution of \$500, Michel Dalcourt, a local resident and private businessman who felt it was time to have such a location and our very first donation of \$100, Mayor Brian Coburn, Councillor Frank Dugal, Councillor Dave Lewis, The Travers Family, The Burke Family, Melanie Levesque, Patricia Gillis, Nicholas Therien, Neil Severy and Len Michaud and last but not least Lynn Hamelin who did a lot of last minute running for the skate park. With your help we survived and proved others wrong. Donations for next year are welcome.

## Fallingbrook's Canada Day 1996 A Super Success!

by Paul Pelletier, Chairman  
Fallingbrook Canada Day Committee

July 1st seems long gone now - the children are back in school and thoughts of winter activities dominate our leisure time. Nevertheless this is our first newsletter since our last Canada Day bash and we have a lot of people to thank. First of all let me thank all of you who came out and participated in the **ninth Fallingbrook Canada Day Celebration** at the Ray Friel Centre. Given the political climate last spring and summer, the Canada Day Committee felt it especially important to have a top notch party to celebrate the country and our community's place in it. By all accounts you and your families had a pretty good time!

The weather cooperated beautifully again this year - clear blue skies, sunny but not too hot. Our new attractions were big hits. The **children's T-shirt contest** drew close to 100 participants in three age categories and, as a result, judges selected a terrific piece of artwork that will be used on Fallingbrook's next Canada Day's official T-shirt. Al Ellis, president of the Cumberland United Soccer Club, helped in a huge way by organising the first **Under-11 Boys and Girls Soccer Tournament**. Over 150 players from 10 different House League teams enthusiastically participated in this very successful and well-run event. We and Al hope the tournament, whose idea evolved from 1995's Cumberland Cobra exhibition match, will become a regular event. A third new venue was the very popular **Flea Market**. We had a nice blend of 40 amateur and not-so-amateur vendors selling a wide variety of goods. We will do it again next year, so if you are interested in setting up a table or two, watch the community newspapers in the spring. The most comical new event was the **Adult Tricycle Races** sponsored by Fat Albert's and held in the beer garden. The contestants, good sports all, and the much amused audience demanded we retain this noble sporting competition. Well...Ok.



Pictured above is **Johanne Labelle** (from the Cumberland Township Community Resource Centre) accepting a cheque for \$400 (which represents the proceeds from last year's Canada Day Flea Market) from **George Blake** (representing the Fallingbrook Community Association)

The afternoon's activities were highlighted by the keen participation of the younger set. Many proudly entered their furry, fluffy, cuddly friends in our **Pet Contest**. Pet Food Plus staff presented prizes donated from their store. Subway staff did likewise when selecting the top entries in the **Decorated Bike Contest**. All the participants worked very hard and creatively so that we could all enjoy their patriotic displays. The **Children's Olympics**, now a nine year old event in Fallingbrook, drew a great crowd of youngsters to thoroughly enjoy a variety of fun and often zany events in which everyone gets a prize. Especially nice to see was the fact that some previous years' participants were now teenage volunteer helpers. The under 1's had their very own special venue - it was great to cheer them on in the **baby crawling contests!** For the older generation, we felt fortunate to once again have singer impersonator comedian James Kirkham perform at the **beer garden**. He is practically family now as this was his fifth year with us. The Beer Garden itself was organised and run very efficiently by the Gloucester Sports Club who donated all their tips to the Patriot Defence Fund. To beat the heat, many took advantage of the Ray Friel Centre's offering of a **half price swim** and some pleasure **skating**. To quench our thirsts, we thank Ault Foods for providing 1000 free cartons of lemonade. We kept them on ice in the Ray Friel arena and distributed them throughout the afternoon to the young athletes participating in the Olympics and soccer tournament and also to the dozens of volunteers. As a traditional treat, together with Cumberland councillors Frank Dugal and Dave Lewis, Regional Councillor Herb Kreling, Federal Liberal MP Eugène Bellemare, we served about 600 pieces of **Canada Day cake**.

Throughout the day thousands enjoyed the rides and amusements setup by **Homeniuk Amusements**. The regular attractions such as Mystical Magic, martial arts demonstrations and Food Court (by Lone Star Café and Bearbrook Farms) were well received. Where else could you roll with the waves, glide on the ice, eat from one of our two 5 foot Canada Cakes and ride a ferris wheel in the same afternoon?



An estimated over 15,000 of you surrounded the Ray Friel Centre to enjoy the evening portion with the **band FIZZ** and the **fireworks**. Robin Moir, the band's Juno nominee, sang her freshly released bilingual "One Canada - Un Canada". Robin was followed by Regional Chairman Peter Clark, Cumberland Mayor Brian Coburn and Regional Councillor Herb Kreling who spoke about the importance of the day and thanked the volunteers. A couple of minutes before the 10:15 scheduled start of the fireworks, Fallingbrook School's own Jocelyne MacDonald, a grade 8 teacher with a beautiful voice, sang Oh Canada. As Jocelyne finished her moving rendition, our skies lit up with over 20 minutes of special effects from the same company that lights up Parliament Hill.

We of the Fallingbrook Canada Day committee hope you truly enjoyed your day with us. And now for some richly deserved accolades:

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**These community organizations helped in a big way:**

Gloucester Sports Club;  
St. John's Ambulance;  
Salvation Army;  
Cumberland Fire Department;  
Rockland detachment of the OPP;  
Cumberland Resource Centre for collecting canned goods for the Cumberland Food Bank;  
Bond Jiu Jitsu Dojo for demonstrating their martial art;  
the guys from the 4th Orléans Venturers for helping with parking control; and  
the girls from the 40th Orléans Pathfinders for brightening the children's smiles with creative face painting.

**So many individuals** generously contributed their time this year that they are too numerous to mention. Volunteers of all ages helped with the site setup, the Children's Olympics, soccer tournament, parking control, photography, face painting, selling of light sticks and the dreaded "site cleanup". A huge thanks to this group that is instrumental in making the day the fun community spirited success it is.

It is with profound gratitude that I also salute my fellow volunteers of the Fallingbrook Canada Day Committee: (in alphabetical order) George Blake, Barry Bowden, Séan Crossan, Jocelyne Holmes, Debbie Parent, David Villeneuve and Elaine Wilson. They are the core backbone of your Canada Day celebration. They are a terrific group of devoted, hard working and enthusiastic cando'ers. Together, we look forward to a new round of ideas and activities and, especially, to see you all again next year.

## Community Garage Sale Saturday May 11, 1997

Our spring garage sale has become an institution in Orleans. This year's sale is scheduled for **Saturday May 11**, rain or shine. People from all across the region now look forward to it.

This past September we tried our very first fall community garage sale. While the weather didn't cooperate, vendors we spoke with seemed to be satisfied with the number of customers. Your input as to whether we should do one again next fall is sought.