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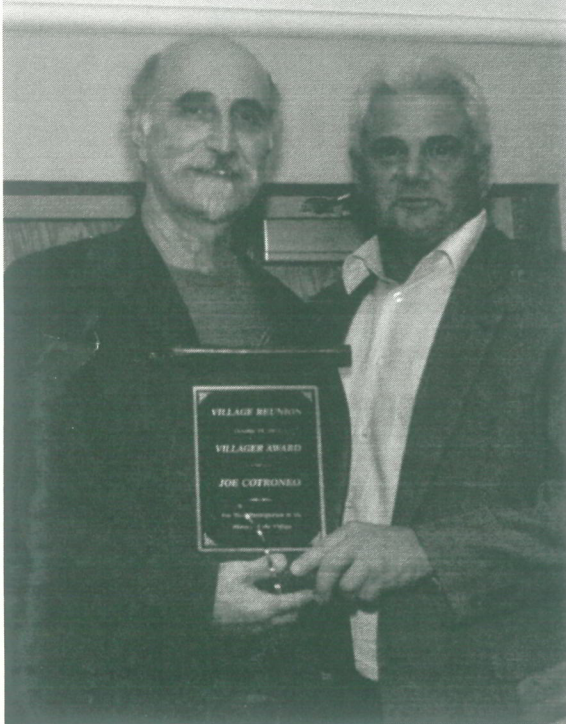
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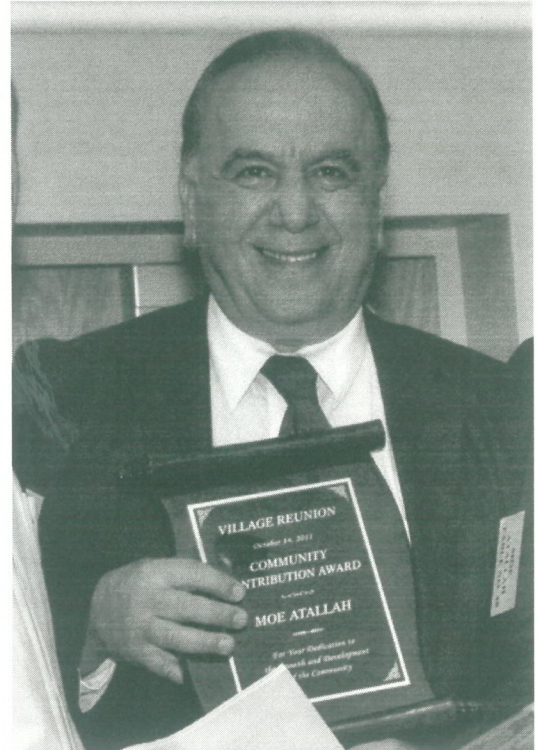
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# 2011 AWARD WINNERS



**Villager Award**  
**JOE COTRONEO**  
(Presented by Tony Disipio)



**Community Contribution Award**  
**MOE ATALLAH**

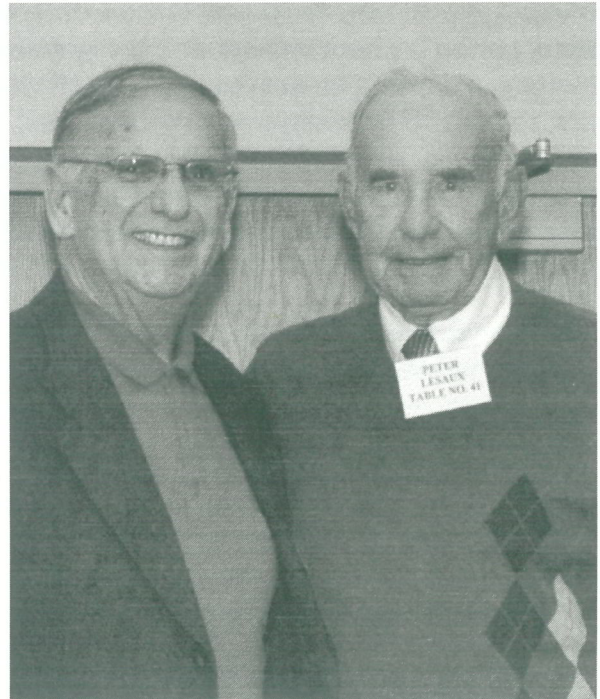


**Sportsman Award**  
**DENIS POTVIN**  
(Presented by Jim McAuley)

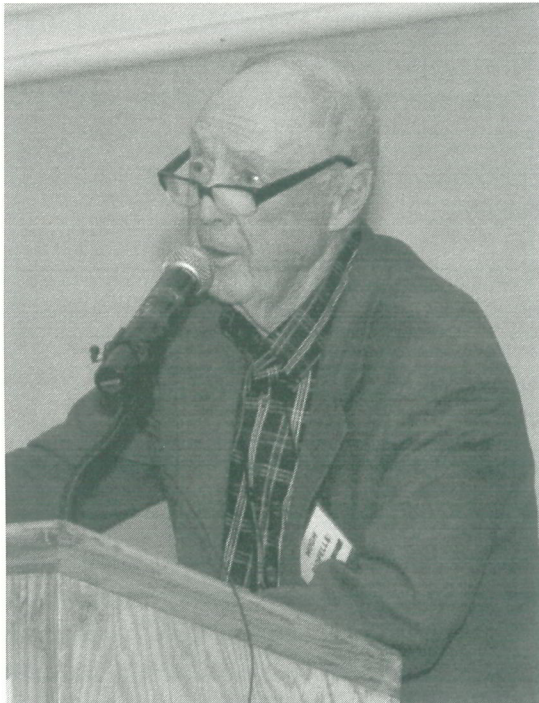
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**Village Athletic Award**  
**DANNY MONK**  
(Presented by Richard Calagoure)



**Special Presentation Award**  
**PETER LESAUX**  
(Presented by Richard Zito)



**2011 GUEST SPEAKER**  
**HUGH RIOPELLE**  
**"RIP"**

# FROM THE INSIDE TO THE OUTSIDE

## A Letter from Paddy Mitchell to Clint Mathews

Written June 26, 2003 from Leavenworth Penitentiary, Kansas.

Bonjour Clint,

Ca va, my friend. It's been a long time. What a pleasure to hear from you.

Yes, how could I not remember you. We go back to the '40s and '50s together. And don't feel bad about my sister Mary beating you up. I hope you haven't fretted about that all these years. She could beat me with one hand tied behind her back. Now, you might want to re-think about me getting the better of you. I haven't won many.

Boy-oh-boy! I wish now that I had taken a different path in life. Guess you could say I messed this one up! Man, I often lay here on my bunk at night and think back to my adolescence, wondering what the hell went wrong. I'd like to be able to attribute all this to some traumatic, unspeakable incident, like monstrous parents, sexual molestation, a crack on the head, maybe even lead in the paint in my bedroom, but I don't think of anything. None of that stuff ever happened to me. Gee, and you (Canadians) think I'm bad. You ought to hear what the Americans think about me. They think I am the incarnate of Jesse James, John Dillinger, and Willy Sutton combined. I try telling them that I'm not, that I'm really a nice guy with a kind heart that cries watching the evening news, but they won't buy that.

The reference to Charlie Fitzpatrick brought back some fond memories. I haven't thought about or heard his name mentioned in 40 years, but I remember him well. A nice guy who had a tough start in life. Poor as a church mouse. Tough as nails. Funny looking little guy. Ever hear from him? Dead or alive? Did he make anything of his life?

My brother Bobby (God rest his soul) sent me a copy of my "First Communion" class photo, and Roy Derouin sent me a copy of Bobby's. Some familiar names you'll remember; Mike Coughlan, Wally Pettapiece, Raymond Mayotte, Bill Holley, Terry McStravick, Lorne Wilson, Roy Davidson, Neil Campbell, Bobby Morris, Buddy Coleman. Were you in that photo? I think you were a year ahead of me at Our Lady's. And in Bobby's, Lorraine Sheridan, Ann Ray (Gary's sister), Gary Dunn, Brian Milloy, Bernie Boucher, George Dunnigan, Norm Mullen, Jim Lowell, Roy Derouin, Barry Jackson, Lenny Smith...A morbid thought, but I often wonder how many in those two photos are still alive.

And you spent a little time in the Philippines, did you? One needs to spend more than a couple of weeks there to get to understand their culture. Most Philipinos speak English, but they may as well be speaking Greek, because even though the words come out of their mouths in the English language, they often don't mean the same thing. I don't know whether I said that properly. What I'm trying to say is that even though my wife, Imelda, spoke English, and I spoke English, we were the quintessence of the Mars and Venus syndrome. Very much in love, but black was white and yes was no for the five years we were together. I hope you get to read the book I wrote some day. I describe the relationship full in that book. But I grew to love the people and their culture and the beauty of their islands.

I have a 14 year-old son from that union. His name is Richard Michael Weber. He's some boy!. We correspond and speak on the telephone. He's got my genes. He's heavy-set and "tall" for a Philipino. He's a superstar on the basketball court. Has some people telling him he has the potential to play professionally some day. Not NBA, but PBA (Philippine Basketball Association). Some days when I'm feeling sorry for myself and wish I had done things differently, chosen another path in life, I then think that had I, he wouldn't have come into existence. Then I catch myself, and have no regrets!

I love to write, Clint. I'm getting pretty good at it. (Don't judge my ability by my letters.) Actually, I'm not really a good writer at all; I'm a good re-writer! Everything I write, other than letters, I have to rewrite three, four, five times to get things right. But when I get them right, I've been told they are good! And I have so much life experience that I could scribble away for the next 50 years and not run out of things to write about. I've written two full-length books and dozens of short stories and a ZILLION letters and essays and newspaper bits and a forward to a book and some magazine articles...I wish now I had listened to Miss Fleury and Sister Alfreda and all the others who tried to teach me how to read, write, spell, and use proper grammar and punctuation. I've always got my nose in dictionaries, thesaurus and English grammar books, checking my spelling and whether I'm using the proper word, and whether a place needs a comma, a period, or a semi-colon. If I had paid attention to what my teachers were saying instead of fantasizing about getting into Maureen -----'s pants, I wouldn't have to waste half my time looking things up.

I'm in real good health! I've taken pretty good care of myself through the years. I got hooked on exercise while in Millhaven in the mid-seventies and haven't missed getting me some, almost daily, since. I quit smoking and eating meat in the early '80s. I kept my weight regulated and eat plenty of fruit and vegetables and loads of vitamins. If I've made it through all those years of craziness until today (which coincidentally is my 61<sup>st</sup> birthday), chances are good I'll live another 25 or 30 years. So who knows, with a break or some good luck, I may make a mark as a writer!

Take care, Clint. Would love to hear from you again if you can find the time. Give Red a big hug for me!

God Bless You!!

Patrick

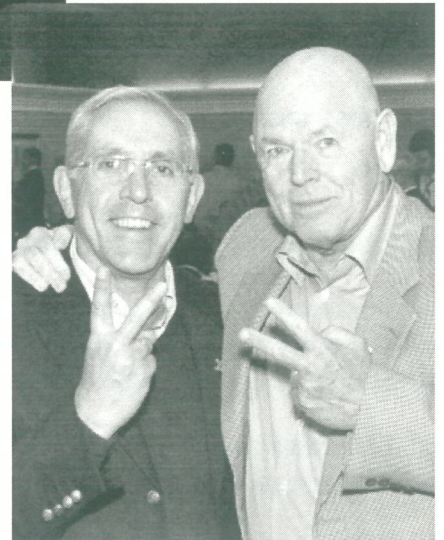
P.S. I remember your lovely wife when she worked for Ray Sally. Are you still with her? If so, say "Hi."

Just one more short anecdote: When Red McDermott wrote and sent a photograph, the first thing I did upon opening the letter – before reading it – was look at the photo. And I said to myself, "Gee whiz, Red's father is still alive and looks good." It was a photo of Red and his wife!

NOTE: Paddy passed away at Federal Medical Center, Butner, North Carolina, on January 14, 2007. He was 64 years of age.



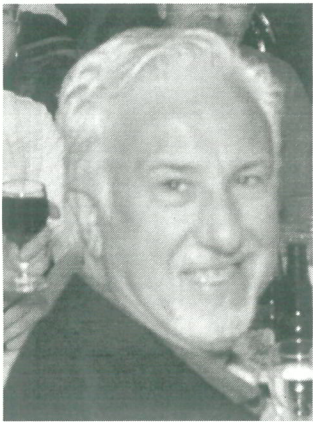
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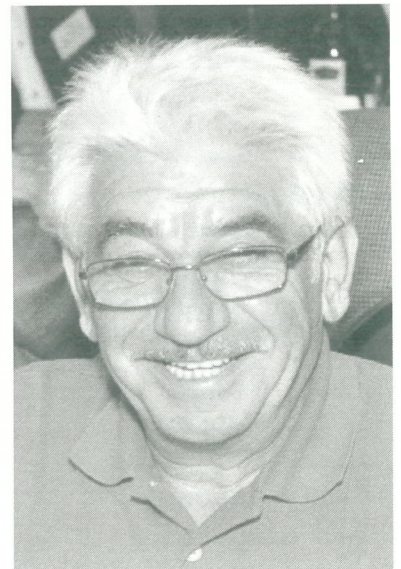


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# A N N U A L    A W A R D    W I N N E R S

## COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION AWARD

Awarded to an individual or group in recognition of his/their dedication to the growth and development of our community.

1979 Hugh Riopelle Sr.	1989 Joe Sandulo	2001 Garry Guzzo
1979 Sam Macli	1990 Roy Lafleur	2002 Nello Bortolotti
1980 Charles Ladas	1991 Jim McAuley	2003 Max Keeping
1980 Walter Strelbisky	1992 Ottawa-Nepean Canadians Sports Club	2004 Ed Champagne
1981 Ed Daugherty	1993 John Denofrio	2005 Al Albania
1981 Ev Tremblay	1994 Chris Finnerty	2006 Glen Richardson
1982 Les Newman	1995 Howard Darwin	2007 Tom Cavanagh
1984 Ernie Leighton	1996 Keith Brown	2008 Dave Smith
1986 Tom Coughlan	1997 Italo Tiezzi	2009 Joe Cama
1986 Jack Snow	1998 Jim Durrell	2010 Ken Grant
1987 John Mangione	1999 George Drummond	2011 Moe Atallah
1988 George Maxwell	2000 Ottawa St. Anthony Italia Soccer Club	

## VILLAGER AWARD

Awarded to an individual in recognition of his participation in the history of The Village.

1979 Sam Palef	1989 Alex Cameron	2001 Oliver Medaglia
1980 Aggie Lafleur	1990 Joe Pilon	2002 Joe Guzzo
1981 Frank Concordia	1991 Andy Lombardo	2003 Ron Gervais
1982 Bill Chinkiwsky	1992 Peter Andrusek	2004 Ken Burrows
1982 Skipper Disipio	1993 Joe Pugliese	2005 John Mastrangelo
1983 Jimmy MacMillan	1994 Alex Lafleur	2006 Dominic Delle Palme
1984 Mike Andrusek	1995 Joe Adamo	2007 Saro Panuccio
1984 Ralph Cameron	1996 Spike Girotte	2008 Sam Pugliese
1985 Alex Sauvé	1997 Red Gorman	2009 Joe Bozzi
1986 Len Concordia	1998 Red Wellington	2010 Jim McConnery
1987 Frank Costantini	1999 John Licari	2011 Joe Cotroneo
1988 Chappie Carmanico	2000 Don Romani	

## SPORTSMAN AWARD

Awarded to an individual in recognition of his outstanding athletic excellence.

1981 Patsy Guzzo	1993 Billy Watson	2003 Bobby Copp
1984 Tony Licari	1994 Jake Dunlap	2004 Billy Russell
1986 Bill Cowley	1995 Ed Hatoum	2005 Cliff Neill
1987 Howard Riopelle	1996 Larry Regan	2006 John Fripp
1988 Conny Brown	1997 Eddie MacCabe	2007 Marcel Legris
1989 Bill Dineen	1998 Hugh Riopelle, Jr.	2008 Greg Fagan
1990 Lorne Watters	1999 Lude Check	2009 Brian Kilrea
1990 Frank Chiarelli	2000 Ab Renaud	2010 Clayton Kenny
1991 Lally Lalonde	2001 Don Holtby	2011 Denis Potvin
1992 Bob Simpson	2002 Darcy Boucher	

## SPECIAL PRESENTATION AWARD

Awarded to an individual, or group, in recognition of his/their achievements and leadership.

1979 Ierullo Family	1990 Joe Imbesi	2001 Martin Defalco
1981 Fred (Pinky) Mitchell	1991 Earl Stinson	2002 Bob Chiarelli
1982 Gale Kerwin	1992 Licari Family	2003 Mike Leclair
1983 Prescott Hotel	1993 Gervais Family	2004 Ron Barbaro
1984 Clint Jourdain	1994 Patafie Family	2005 Luigi Mion
1984 St. Anthony's Church	1995 Timpson Family	2006 Johnson (Welding) Family
1985 Provost Family	1996 Sal Pantalone	2007 Galla Family
1986 Chiarelli Brothers	1997 Leclair Family	2008 Bill Tomlinson
1987 Purcell Brothers	1998 Phil Murray	2009 Paul Casagrande
1988 Zito Family	1999 Mangione Family	2010 Peter Chiarelli
1989 Charles Strang	2000 Lorne Kelly	2011 Peter Lesaux

## VILLAGE ATHLETIC AWARD

Awarded to an individual from The Village in recognition of his athletic achievement and high Village ideals.

1982 Edgar Blondin	1992 Rudy Costantini	2002 Fred (Pinky) Mitchell
1983 Nooky Pilon	1993 Paul Ventura	2003 Wayne Hughes
1983 Toby Dinardo	1994 Wally Swords	2004 Bobby Ransom
1985 Andy Nezan	1995 Gordie Pantalone	2005 Joe (JoJo) Licari
1986 Fred Hughes	1996 Santo Imbesi	2006 Dom Disipio
1987 Joe Asquini	1997 Roydon Kealey	2007 Eddie Rose
1988 Leo Blondin	1998 Art Dinardo	2008 George House
1989 Les Pilon	1999 Ed Nicholson	2009 Conrad Kozak
1990 John Kozak	2000 Hubie Garneau	2010 Roger Hunter
1991 Harvey Creppin	2001 Gord Ventura	2011 Danny Monk

## WE REMEMBER THEM

The following gentlemen, who have been honoured by our reunion, passed away since our last meeting:

Joe Zito, a member of the Zito Family, 1988 Special Presentation Award winners, passed away on November 5, 2011.

Lally Lalonde, our 1991 Sportsman Award winner, passed away on June 17, 2012.

Luigi Mion, our 2005 Special Presentation Award winner, passed away on June 26, 2012.

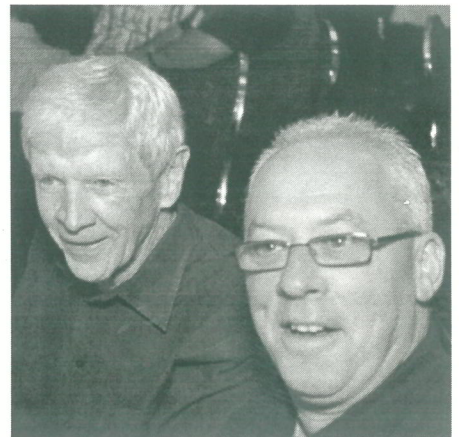
Marcel Legris, our 2007 Sportsman Award winner, passed away on July 9, 2012.

We also recall with fondness others who have attended our function and are no longer with us. Rest in peace, fellas.

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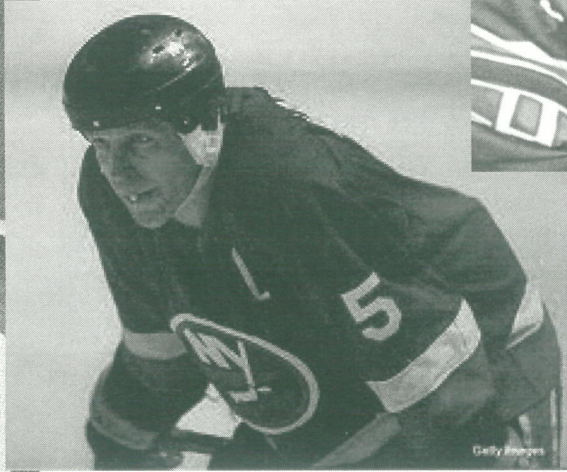
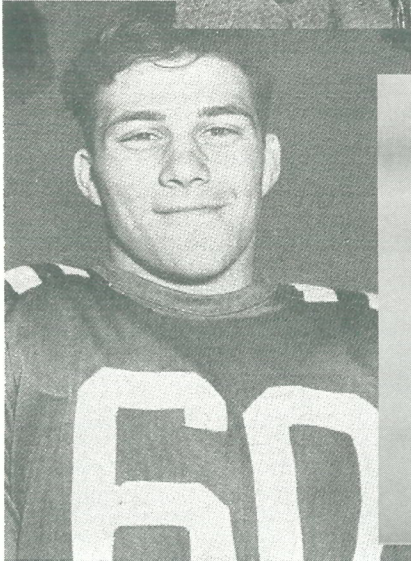
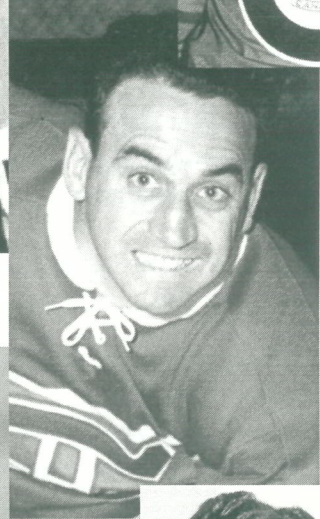
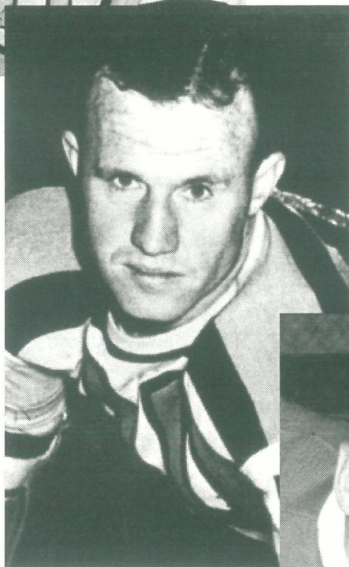
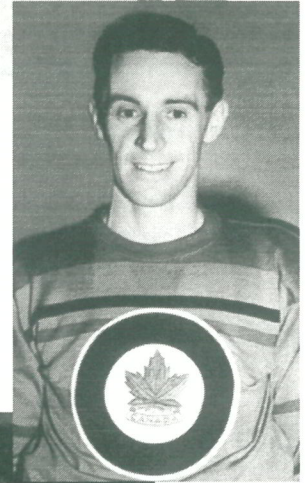


# OCTOBER AND OUR SPORTSMAN AWARD WINNERS

## OCTOBER

- 1, 1944 In the opening game of the best-of-five Intercity Softball League finals, Gallas blanked Hull Hiscos. **Patsy Guzzo** (1981) played centre field and **Bill Cowley** (1986), first base, for Gallas.
- 2, 1920 **Ab Renaud** (2000), 1948 Winter Olympics hockey gold-medal winner, born at Ottawa, Ontario.
- 2, 1999 Canterbury Arena was renamed **Brian Kilrea** (2009) Arena to honour the winningest coach in Canadian Junior hockey.
- 6, 1951 Ottawa Rough Riders 25 Montreal Alouettes 13 at Lansdowne Park. **Bob Simpson** (1992) returned an interception 95 yards for a touchdown.
- 9, 1970 Niagara Falls Flyers defeated the Ottawa 67's, 7-5, before 2,005 at Niagara Falls. **Denis Potvin** (2011) scored a goal for the 67's. Ottawa's record was 1-2-1.
- 10, 1953 Hamilton Tiger Cubs defeated Barrie Flyers, 3-2, at Hamilton in Hamilton's debut in the OHA Jr. A League. **Brian Kilrea** scored the tying goal in the third period to send the game into overtime. He then assisted on Cummy Burton's winner at 3:08 of extra time.
- 11, 1953 Ottawa Senators defeated Montreal Royals, 3-1 before 5,928 at the Montreal Forum in Quebec Hockey League action. **Howard Riopelle** (1987) scored a goal for Ottawa. The Senators' record was 2-0-0
- 11, 1979 **Denis Potvin** was named Captain of the New York Islanders. He remained the Captain until October 8, 1987.
- 12, 1969 Ottawa 67's handled the Niagara Falls Flyers, 10-3, before 5,346 at the Civic Centre. **Denis Potvin** scored one of 67's goals.
- 12, 1970 Ottawa 67's shutout Niagara Falls Flyers, 6-0, before 6,404 at the Civic Centre. **Denis Potvin** scored a goal.
- 14, 1950 North Bay Black Hawks defeated Ottawa RCAF Flyers, 8-3, at North Bay in Eastern Canada Senior Hockey League play. **Tony Licari** (1984) scored a goal for the Flyers.
- 14, 1950 Ottawa Senators edged Chicoutimi Sagueneens, 2-1, in the opening game of the Quebec Senior Hockey League season at the Auditorium. **Bobby Copp** (2003) assisted on Stan Warecki's goal.
- 14, 1967 **Brian Kilrea** scored the Los Angeles Kings' first goal at 3:20 of the second period in a 4-2 decision over the Philadelphia Flyers. He also scored an empty-net goal to sew up the victory.
- 14, 1978 **Denis Potvin** set a record for the three fastest goals by a defenceman, 3:21, against the Toronto Maple Leafs' Mike Palmateer. The Leafs won the game, however, 10-7, over the Islanders.
- 17, 1971 Ottawa 67's defeated Hamilton Red Wings, 7-2, in front of 4,362 at the Civic Centre. **Denis Potvin** netted a pair of goals.
- 17, 1991 Windsor Spitfires defeated the Ottawa 67's, 7-5, at the Windsor Arena. **Brian Kilrea** was discharged from the Civic Hospital after doctors found his kidney stones had shrunk considerably and surgery would not be necessary. He boarded a plane to London and bussed it to Windsor for the game.
- 18, 1947 Ottawa Senators 5 Quebec Aces 2 in the opening game of the Quebec Senior Hockey League season at the Auditorium before 6,500. The Senators trailed 2-0 in the game. Rookie **Larry Regan** (1996) scored a natural hat trick.
- 20, 1951 Ottawa Rough Riders 32 Hamilton Tiger-Cats 16 at Hamilton. **Bob Simpson** caught a touchdown pass from Tom O'Malley.





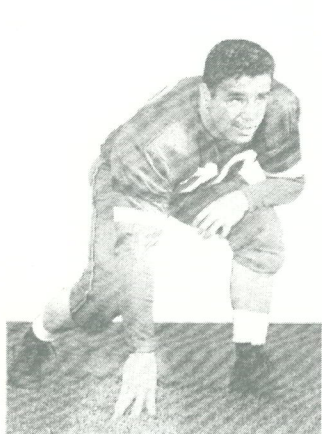
BOB SIMPSON

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# OCTOBER AND OUR SPORTSMAN AWARD WINNERS

## OCTOBER

- 20, 1960 Ottawa Rough Riders 38 Toronto Argonauts 1 at Lansdowne Park. It was **Bob Simpson** Day in the city.
- 20, 1970 Ottawa 67's 7 Oshawa Generals 2 at Oshawa in the first game of the season. **Denis Potvin** scored three goals.
- 21, 1934 **Brian Kilrea** born at Ottawa, Ontario.
- 21, 1950 Ottawa Senators 7 Valleyfield Braves 2 in Quebec Senior Hockey League play at the Auditorium. **Larry Regan** recorded a hat trick. Linemate **Hugh Riopelle** (1998) picked up two assists.
- 24, 1943 **Lude Check** (1999), Ottawa Senators left winger from 1945-46 to 1950-51, signed as a free agent by the Montreal Canadiens.
- 24, 1945 **Lude Check** loaned to the Ottawa Senators by the Montreal Canadiens with Jim McFadden as compensation for the signing of Mike McMahon.
- 25, 1944 **Lude Check** loaned to the Chicago Black Hawks by Montreal Canadiens for cash.
- 25, 1968 **Denis Potvin**, Hockey Hall of Fame member, scored his first junior goal as a member of the Ottawa 67's in an exhibition game played at Regina against the Regina Pats of the Saskatchewan Amateur Junior Hockey League.
- 25, 1970 Ottawa 67's downed Oshawa Generals, 5-4, before 1,821 at Oshawa. **Denis Potvin** scored a goal for Ottawa.
- 27, 1945 Ottawa Senators 3 Quebec Aces 1 in the opener of the Quebec Senior Hockey League season. **Lude Check** scored two goals.
- 27, 1951 Ottawa Rough Riders 13 Hamilton Tiger-Cats 9 at Lansdowne Park. **Jake Dunlap** (1994) blocked a punt and Pete Karpuk fell on the ball in the end zone for the winning touchdown after the Riders trailed, 9-8, in the fourth quarter.
- 27, 1973 **Denis Potvin** scored his first NHL goal as the New York Islanders defeated the New York Rangers for the first time, 3-2.
- 29, 1953 **Denis Potvin** born at Hull, Quebec.
- 30, 1975 Gatineau Olympiques of the Ottawa and District Senior Hockey League announced the signing of **Lally Lalonde** (1991) as their new Head Coach.





## ST. AGNES

### 1959 SEPARATE SCHOOL TOUCH FOOTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: ROSS NOLAN, SAL ----, FERN SCERVINO, WAYNE MEDALGIA, ROB QUINN, ANTHONY PANTUSO AND DANNY PROULX.

BACK ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: TONY CUCCARO, ROCKY DISIPIO, JOE FOTIA, AL ALBANIA, MR. PATENAUD, SISTER MARY IDA, REMO SANTILLI, LEO PHILIPPE, JOE ZINNI AND JOE FATIMA.

# THE VILLAGE

THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO COUNCILLOR HOLMES IS SELF-EXPLANATORY:

379 Preston Street  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1S 4N1  
December 5, 2011

Dear Ms Holmes

This letter is to express our extreme disappointment at the slight you have directed at our area with regard to your support in carrying out "le/the Village" signage along a portion of Bank Street in the Somerset Street area. At the very least, we thought you would have advised the people in the Bank Street/Somerset Street vicinity who wished to name the area "The Village", that there has been "The Village" for many, many years along the Preston Street area.

We are completely surprised by your lack of knowledge of the history of your own ward. We would think that someone, who has been a Councillor at the City and Regional levels for approximately 30 years, would be aware of this fact.

According to the distribution of the various wards in the city, Somerset Ward runs right along Preston Street from Carling Avenue to the Ottawa River as well as the adjoining streets and avenues.

How could you not be aware that this large portion of your ward has been called The Village for an extremely long period of time?

As a matter of fact, it is ironic that when Joseph Zito's obituary appeared in the Tuesday, November 8, 2011 edition of the *Ottawa Citizen*--the same day that the newspaper's front page had a photograph of the "le/the Village" signage--his family chose to include in his obit, the following: "Born and raised in Ottawa in "The Village", Joseph was the loving and greatly loved husband of Pauline (Bertrand) for over 61 years of marriage."

Although you were representing the ward at the time, to educate you on this matter, we are attaching a copy of a declaration from former City of Ottawa Mayor Bob Chiarelli. As you will notice, the Mayor declared October 17, 2003, as Village Reunion Day.

You will note:

"the "Village" is a neighbourhood rich in the history and heritage of Ottawa; and "The Village", known also as "Little Italy", was home to many Italian families, as well as Francophones, Anglophones and families with origins in many countries; and "The Village" endowed itself with a culture of mutual support, family values, sports activities and community leadership; and 25 years ago, with vision and foresight, a voluntary ad hoc committee of Villagers initiated the first "Village Reunion" dinner and social evening to celebrate "The Village" experience and to annually recognize the accomplishments of Villagers; and each "Village Reunion" has been an occasion of fun, celebration, good humour, good jokes, bad jokes, unprintable jokes, and tall tales."

Also enclosed is a copy of our programme from this year's Village Reunion to improve your knowledge of the history of our area. You will note that it was the 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Reunion held on October 14. Since the construction of the Ottawa St. Anthony Italia Soccer Club Banquet Hall, our reunion has taken place in The Village.

Yours truly,

2011 VILLAGE REUNION COMMITTEE.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE REPLY RECEIVED FROM COUNCILLOR HOLMES:

January 24, 2012

Dear Members of the Village Reunion Committee,

Thank you for your letter regarding the recently designated GLBT Village on Bank Street and the update on your own activities.

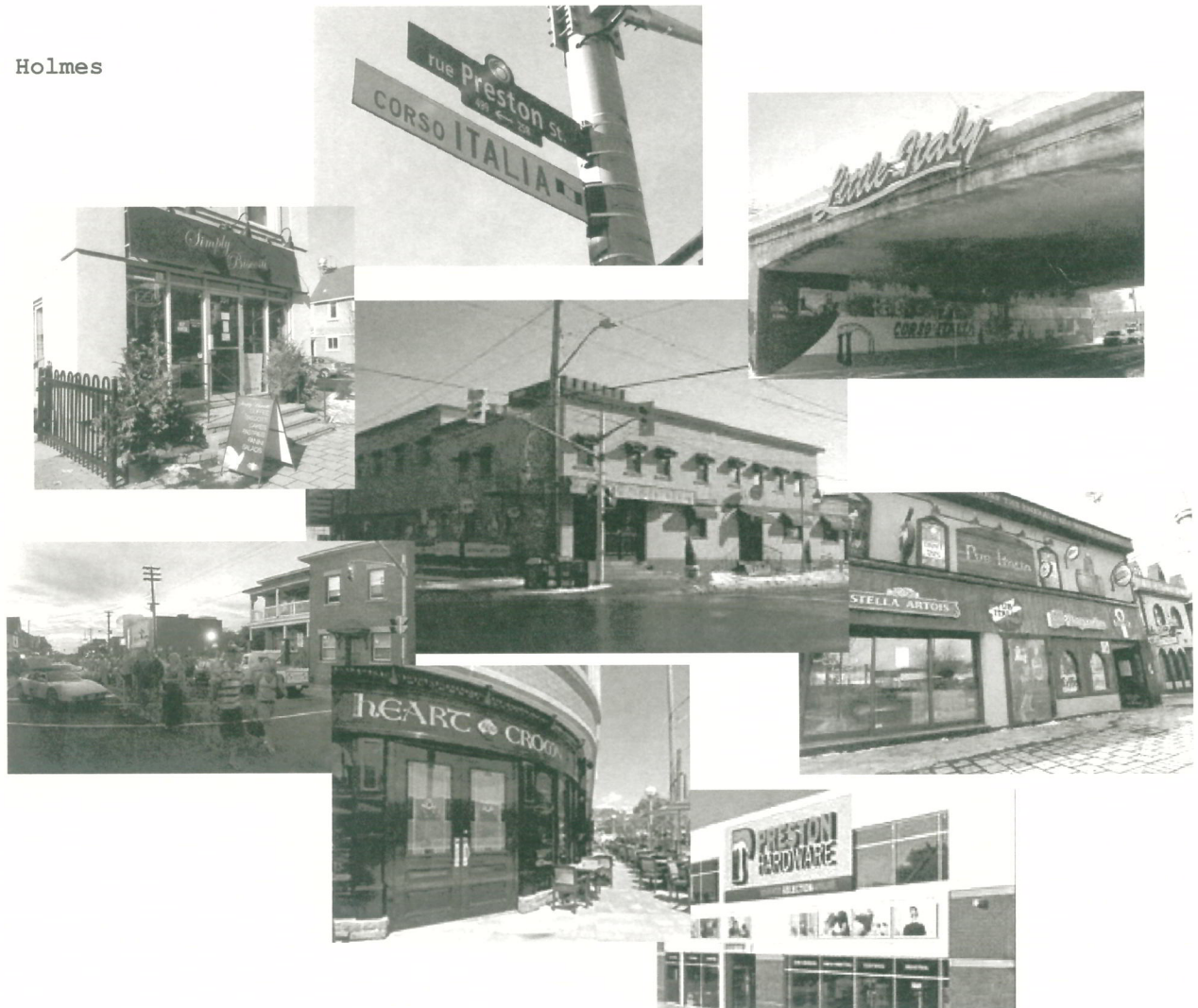
We are fortunate to have such a rich history in Little Italy, and that our residents of Italian descent feel such a connection to the village. It is a vibrant neighbourhood, and the City benefits from your celebrating and promoting your community.

As I am sure you are aware, Ottawa is made up of many villages, with 26 identified rural villages in our Official Plan. There are also urban communities including Rockliffe (sic) (that was a stand-alone village until 2001), Westboro and Britannia Villages. It is of great benefit to the local neighbourhood and business community that people identify with their village, which contributes to a healthier and more vital city.

Please do keep me updated on your events and activities.

Best regards,

Diane Holmes



**THE COMMITTEE IS ALWAYS EAGER TO HEAR  
YOUR COMPLIMENTS OR DISAPPOINTMENTS.**

**IF YOU HAVE HAD A CHANGE OF ADDRESS,  
OR ARE NEW TO OUR GATHERING,  
PLEASE LET A COMMITTEE MEMBER KNOW OF YOUR  
NEW LOCATION OR ADDRESS.**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT  
[www.villagereunion.com](http://www.villagereunion.com)**

**SEE YOU ONE YEAR FROM NOW ON  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2013**

**PROGRAMME CREATED BY  
JIM MC AULEY**