Inkerman Canada Post

Inkerman's post office is changing from a corporate office to a private retail outlet, but it's a move which will improve service according to Canada Post's Laszlo Szabo.

A retail outlet in Inkerman will increase the hours of service because postal services will be available when the business is open, he adds. The Inkerman office, currently located in the Inkerman General Store, is contracted for 24 hours a week as a corporate office.

But Cauvier says services located in the Inkerman General Store are already available during all store business hours despite the 24-hour a week contract.

Retail businesses are paid on commission, says Retail Network Officer Mike Page. The dealer will receive 16.5- per-cent on the sale of items such as stamps. For services that require pick up at the post office such as registered mail, the dealer will receive a flat rate of 25 cents per piece in addition to the commission.

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Mountain musings

by Shirley Mills

As part of the Canada Day celebrations in South Mountain, the draw sponsored by the Mountain Lions Club was held. The winner of the satellite dish was Dan Xatruch from Rockland. The second prize of $250 went to Jeffrey Lee of Perth and the third prize winner of $100 was Ian Woods of Orleans.

Coming up on Sat., July 20 is the annual beef barbecue which is held in Hallville. This event is sponsored by the Lions Club and members will begin serving at 4pm, with a dance to follow. Tickets are now available from any member of the Mountain Lions or by calling Dick Blaine at 989-2963.

The Mountain Township fairgrounds will be the scene of wild action on July 21. And when you think about it, there has been a wide variety of activities held there, either in the Ag Hall or on the fairgrounds. Inside there might be dances, dinners, talent shows, art displays or bingos, while on the grounds we have been entertained by tractor pulls, horse racing, demolition derbies, the fall fairs. But now the Agricultural Society is co-sponsoring a fairly new sport. On July 21, beginning at noon, there will be snowmobile grass drags. This event is also sponsored by the Mountain Trail Blazers and promises to be an exciting spectacle. If you are interested in participating, contact Dwight or Debbie Harper at 989-2472 for entry forms.

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For a change of pace, how about an old fashioned hymn sing? Such an event will be held at St. Peter's Anglican Church in South Mountain on Sunday evening, July 21 at 7:30pm. Garth Hampson, an ex-RCMP officer, will lead the singing which will include good, old-time hymns and a few gospel numbers. Light refreshments will be served and although there is no admission charge, a freewill offering will be taken.

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Most of us read the new rules and regulations concerning garbage pickup in Mountain Township which appeared in last week's Press. However, let's simplify this for the average homeowner.

Garbage pickup will take place on Wednesdays for the whole township. This begins on Wed., Aug. 7. Each household can put out up to eight bags per week, but please have them at the edge of the driveway/road by 7:30am. The truck will go along concession roads, even "dead-end" ones, but as we understand it, if the house is back in a long laneway or on an accession road, the garbage should be brought to the concession road. It is hoped to handle recycled materials at some time in the future, but this will take place when the "new" system has settled.

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It is with regret that the Mountain and District Lions Club has announced that, as of Aug. 1, it will no longer be collecting pop cans for recycling. This project has been in operation for over two years and CHEO, the recipient of the proceeds, has greatly benefitted. Now, however, it is involving a great many man-hours to handle and in addition, some of the pop manufacturers have switched to steel cans (from aluminum) with a very low purchase rate. The Lions Club has therefore decided to discontinue this project.

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The Mountain Lions Club recently wound up the year's activities at a special Ladies' Night. This does not mean, however, that the Lions or other active groups in Mountain — the IOOF and the Agricultural Society — have stopped working. There were all the events of Canada Day, there will be a barbecue and dance in Hallville plus snowmobile grass drags both later in July and, naturally, the South Mountain Fair.

Another activity which is very quietly ongoing is the collection of pop cans for recycling which the Mountain Lions have dealt with for a couple of years. The proceeds go to CHEO and, without fanfare, over $3,000 was donated from this source over the last few months. This is a worthy cause and one which many people would support.

However, now a note to the Lions Club. With new regulations coming into effect at the township dump, would it be possible to have other drop-off points for these cans? We could let people know through this column.

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Greg and Heather Erwin and Dennis and Marie Puddy organized a private New Year's Eve party at which $250 was collected. This money was donated to the Mountain Township Fire Department. This was most appreciated and thanks go to

Have you noticed the new crop some farmers seem to have? Giant marshmallows! We've seen these in the corners of a few fields. Oh we know they are simply bales of hay neatly wrapped in plastic but take a look at them. The white plastic is shiny, there is a slight indentation at the top and not a wisp of hay is showing — just like giant marshmallows.

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Inkerman's Shirley Mills, a 1981 graduate of Algonquin College with 10 years experience as a library technician in Ottawa, Morewood and Winchester is excited about the new challenge of heading up the Metcalfe Library. With a great passion for books the avid reader claims she has read at least a million, her favorite being fiction.

"I'm a book-a-holic", she admits and favors Dick Francis owning 23 of his novels.

With a keen memory of what she reads, Mills regrets her family will no longer play Trivial Pursuit with her because they can't stump her very often.

"I could never go past a book store without going in," she comments, "so my husband is grateful to see me in a library where I can borrow books because he couldn't afford to keep me much longer."

Mills was a freelance writer and editor of a newspaper in Ottawa. Moving to this area, she became involved with *The Winchester Press* as a part-time typesetter and proofreader and for the past 2 years she has written the *Mountain Musings* column.

Recently she compiled the historic facts surrounding the Inkerman church and wrote a book for their 100th anniversary and is doing the same for South Mountain.

One may detect a trace of Scottish accent from this new librarian in spite of her effort to

Shirley Mills.

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