

## Business of the Year Nomination

On Wednesday, October 6 members of Chevron's staff attended the First Annual Business of the Year luncheon at the Grenville Snowmobile Club. Chevron was one of the five local businesses nominated for this year's award. Nominations were based on longevity, history, innovation and community involvement. Along with Chevron, the nominees included Steve Polite Sand and Gravel, Selleck Mechanical, P.F. Donnelly Construction and Finucan General Store. This year's award went to Jim and Betty Finucan of Finucan General Store in North Augusta.



From left to right: Steve Polite, Harry Selleck, Darren Ross, Paul Donnelly, Jim and Betty Finucan.

*Congratulations to Jim and Betty!*

### What's been said?

"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf's a flower."

-Albert Camus



## What's so funny?



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## Grand Opening

### Iroquois Plaza celebrates official grand opening.

September 18th marked the official grand opening of the Iroquois Plaza. The day was full of celebrations all over the town including a farmers market, face painting, magic shows, musical entertainment, square dancing, Junkyard Symphony show and a historical display. Chevron Construction had a float in the 38-vehicle parade that went down the streets of Iroquois and ended at the plaza where the ribbon cutting ceremony was held. At the ceremony Jim Annable unveiled an anchor that was donated by Chevron Construction. The anchor was recovered from the west side of Canada Island, near Morrisburg, by Dave Bigelow. It is from a sailing vessel believed to be of the late 1800's vintage. The stock (the bar at the top) was not bent to aid in its setting in the bottom. The anchor is in remarkable condition. All of the original locks for the stock are still in place, as well as the square head nails used to lock it in place. In addition, the original rode (rope) is still fastened to its ring.



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Iroquois Plaza.

Chevron began the revitalization of the plaza early last summer, finishing up in the fall. This was the first renovation on the plaza since it opened in 1959. It was one of the first shopping plaza's built in Canada. The project included adding a new canopy, electrical, sidewalks, courtyard, signs and parking lot lines. Because there were so many merchants involved with the project, a representative was chosen. Jeff Beaupre from Beaupre Jewellers sat in on all of the jobsite meetings along with representatives from South Dundas Township and members of the Chevron construction team.



East end of Plaza.

Courtyard.

Anchor and plaque donated by Chevron Construction.

## Building Permits

The value of building permits in Canada increased 15.3% to \$6.6 billion in September, following two months of declines. This gain was a result of increases in both the residential and non-residential sectors.

In the non-residential sector, municipalities issued permits worth \$2.7 billion, up 26.7%, following a 24.2% decline in August. September's increase came mostly from higher construction intentions for commercial buildings in Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia.

The total value of building permits increased in five provinces, led by Ontario, British Columbia and Quebec.

In the commercial component, municipalities issued permits worth \$1.5 billion in September, a 37.8% in-

crease following two monthly declines. The increase was due mainly to construction intentions for office buildings in Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia.

In the institutional component, the value of permits increased 23.4% to \$858 million. The gain was largely attributable to higher construction intentions for medical facilities and religious buildings in Ontario, which was enough to offset decreases in seven provinces.

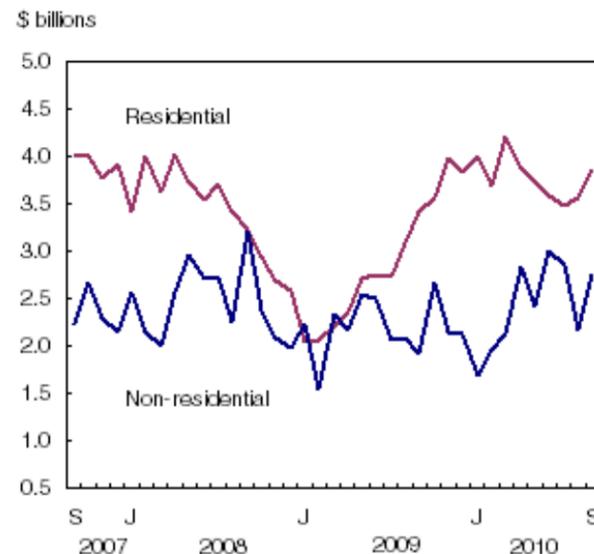
In the industrial component, the value of permits edged up 0.3% to \$375 million. An increase in the value of permits for manufacturing plants in five provinces offset declines in intentions for utilities and transportation buildings in eight provinces.

Courtesy of Statistics Canada

Total value of permits



Residential and non-residential sectors



## Going Green

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## Test your "smarts"

1) When was the last Canadian \$1 bill printed?

- a) 1996
- b) 1987
- c) 1989
- d) 1991

2) When was the last Canadian 25-cent bill made?

- a) 1990
- b) 1923
- c) 1935
- d) 1941

3) When did printing cease on the last Canadian \$2 bill?

- a) 1996
- b) 1998
- c) 1992
- d) 1995

4) When was the last \$1000 bill printed in Canada?

- a) 1985
- b) 1999
- c) 2000
- d) 2002

5) When was the last Canadian \$4-bill issued?

- a) 1902
- b) 1915
- c) 1895
- d) 1897

For the answers please refer to our website at: [www.chevronconstruction.com](http://www.chevronconstruction.com)



## Safety First

### Winter Driving Basics

#### Stopping Distances

In winter driving conditions, it takes all vehicles longer to stop on snow-covered roads. Below, the winter tire and all-season stopping distance comparison graphic is based on stopping in a straight line from a speed of 50 km/h.



\* Fournier L., Comparative Evaluation of Performance of All-Season tires and Winter tires. Ministry of Transportation, Quebec, 2002.

You should not use your cruise control on wet, snowy or icy pavement. If your car skids or hydroplanes, cruise control will cause your car to continue to accelerate, reducing your reaction time and the ability to control your vehicle.

#### Spacing

It takes longer to stop on a slippery road. It's important to leave plenty of space between you and the vehicle ahead. A guide to safe spacing under normal driving conditions is the two-second rule.

Two-second rule:

1. Pick a marker on the road ahead, such as a road sign or telephone pole.
2. When the rear of the vehicle ahead passes the marker, count "one thousand and one, one thousand and two".
3. When the front of your vehicle reaches the marker, stop counting. If you reach the marker before you count "one thousand and two," you are following too closely.

In winter, and especially during poor weather conditions, double the two-second rule.