

# Independent Shorts

Tennis season is over in St. Marys but, for those interested in playing racquet sports over the winter, there's the St. Marys Badminton Club. The recreational group meets Wednesdays from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the big gym at St. Marys DCVI. It operates on a drop-in basis, and the cost is \$30 for the season, which includes a racquet, birdie and goggles. Anyone interested is invited to come out one night to try for free.

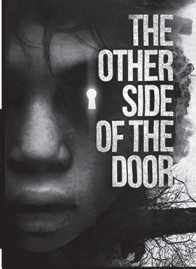
There are two more opportunities to meet local wildlife photographer Herman Veenendaal and learn more about his pursuits at the St. Marys Station Studios and Gallery. The Meet the Artist events are scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 25 and Tuesday, Nov. 8, beginning at 7:00 pm. Veenendaal's exhibit, "Birds of St. Marys and Vicinity" has been held over until Nov. 12. The Gallery hours are Tuesday to Saturday, 10:00 am to 4:30 pm. For more information, contact Cameron Porteous at 416-523-8899.

Last week's paper featured a baseball fact box that contained the claim that Bill Phillips became the first Canadian in the Major Leagues when he debuted for Cleveland in 1879. Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame director of operations Scott Crawford has since informed the Independent that is an out-dated fact. Historians now agree that honour actually goes to Port Hope, Ontario native Bob Addy (1842-1910), who played 25 games at second base for the National Association's Rockford Forest Citys in 1871

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## Business of the Week St. Marys Office Solutions Inc.

By Dan Rankin

Our Business of the Week is also one of the newest businesses in town, St. Marys Office Solutions Inc., which offers a wide range of office supplies and services, and is located at 26 Water Street South.

Since 2005, owner Rose Glavin-Pullman has operated South Huron Office Solutions in Exeter. She branched out into Perth County with St. Marys Office Solutions, which opened on Oct. 3. "There are a lot of businesses here in town and we feel like there is a need for us to be here," she said. "It's just a really pretty town. We really like it and we like the sense of community when we're here."

And she aims to support the office-related needs of the whole community, from those simply interested in photocopying a document or picking up some more printer toner, to larger companies looking to redesign their office from the floor up.

"With our office products, we carry all the major brands, including Avery, 3M, and Swingline," she said. "We also have our Office Pro brand, our O.P. products. That's a value-added line and there

are lots of options available there."

Other items for sale in store include all major brands of ink and toner cartridges, cleaning and breakroom supplies, label makers and computer accessories and much more.

As for their furniture, "we can come into your office, measure it up, and help you design it, whether you need four new work spaces, or if you're just doing one office and need a chair and filing cabinet" she said. "Then we can source the product and put your office together for you, installing it and everything. Our products are made in Canada, through Global Furniture Group out of Toronto."

At their print centre, they offer services such as, "photocopying – black-and-white and colour – scanning, faxing, laminating, binding," she said. "We also do printing and graphic design work. We can print business cards, cheques, letterhead, name badges, custom stamps, basically anything you can think of, we can do that here."

St. Marys Office Solutions can also help you with your signage needs, whether indoor or outdoor, and made



from materials ranging from corrugated to metal.

"We like to think that we can help companies with pretty much all of their day-to-day needs, no matter how minute it is," she said.

From their website, ShopOfficeSolutions.ca, customers can make online orders and either pick them up in the store or, with commercial accounts, their orders can be delivered. "We would be happy to set you up with a username and password to get you up and running with online ordering," she said. "Please email us at info@smos.ca with your contact information and we will do

that for you promptly." St. Marys Office Solutions offers bulk discounts on everyday office copy paper. "Please email us about those discounts," she said. "Delivery is available at no charge for paper."

The business is currently looking to hire a St. Marys-based employee, Glavin-Pullman added.

For more information, find "Office Solutions St. Marys" on Facebook, or call 226-661-1840.

St. Marys Office Solutions Inc. is open Monday to Friday from 9:30 am to 5:30 pm.

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