

Photo by Natalie McMullen

Rhonda Lummiss first read J.D. Salinger's *The Catcher in the Rye* at age 15. She decided to write author J.D. Salinger, who had by then gained a reputation as a recluse. Two weeks later, he responded with a personalized letter, including his signature, which he did not give out freely. Rhonda keeps the letter in a safety deposit box.

## Salinger...

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Lummiss went on the show last July. She was offered \$10,000 and declined.

"I went into the process thinking, 'They'll have to make me an offer I can't refuse."

Before going on Four Rooms, Lummiss had contacted Kiely, preferring the letter go to an archive.

Kiely recalls it being a nice letter, but said the library prioritizes materials that are important to scholar-

The content is extremely important. If he's telling you things about what he's writing, thinking, feeling – anything revealing about this personal life, his philosophy, his fiction – that's all important."

Salinger's letter to Lummiss was

warm and personal, but focused only on her.

"You really are a friend of Holden's," he wrote.

As those from Salinger's generation pass away, Kiely expects more correspondences will be unearthed and sent his way.

Lummiss lost her mother on Nov. 15.

sell it," she said.
"Well, I am glad," she added em-

"I suppose I'm glad now I didn't

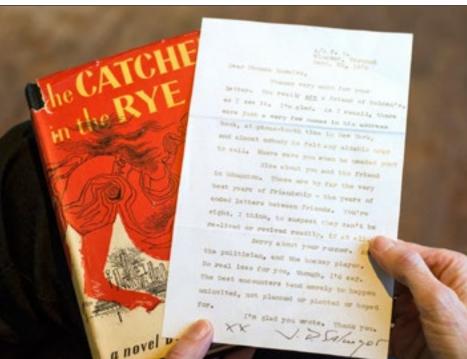
phatically.

Asked if she would make a similar gesture today to a beloved author, she paused for a few moments before responding.

"I don't think so. ... I'd be too guarded now."

Salinger's personal touch comes through again in his closing words, as he counsels Lummiss:

"The best encounters tend merely to happen. Not plotted, planned or hoped for."



## Tulips part of Lung Association campaign

Money raised goes to funding for lung disease research

**By Jessica Campbell** 

This Wednesday to Sunday, The Ontario Lung Association will be holding a Tulip Day Campaign throughout the province.

The Ontario Lung Association, in Belleville will be campaigning at various locations including Walmart, LCBO, Dewe's Independent Store, No Frills, Loyalist College and many more.

However, because of an unsuccessful

previous year, the Quinte Mall will not be holding the Tulip Day Campaign. Lola McMurter, Ontario Lung As-

Lola McMurter, Ontario Lung Association special events co-ordinator, describes the fundraisers.

"We have many different campaigns throughout the year, some more popular then others. But, they are all to raise money for the same thing. We try to raise money to fund lung disease research as well as other diseases."

This is the Ontario Lung Association's 17<sup>th</sup> annual provincial Tulip Day Campaign. There are eight community offices. The head office in Toronto participates in the same events during the same period of time.

Last year, the Tulip Day Campaign raised \$6,660 towards the lung association. McMurter said, so far this year, they already have three quarters of the tulips pre-ordered. They have raised \$6,795 so far.

Monday they will have received \$10,000 worth of tulips at the Association. The goal this year is \$10,000 McMurter has a good feeling they will reach this goal.

Everyone who helps out with selling the tulips is a volunteer of the lung association. But when they come to Loyalist College, it will all be student volunteers who need volunteer hours for their programs.

"I really want to thank Loyalist College for letting us hold the Tulip Day campaign at the school this week and a big thanks to the students who will be helping out with the campaign," said McMurter.

If you are interested in ordering tulips, but you cannot make it to any of the locations, you can order online at www.tulipsday.ca

## Belleville Bulls lose game...again

By Duncan Cairns-Brenner

The Belleville Bulls lost to the Kingston Frontenacs 5-2, leaving them last in the league.

The Frontenacs beat the Bulls 10-2 the night before.

The crowd was loud and proud, chatting, singing, and whistling for their home team. Excitement was high when the Bulls first hit the ice. Still reeling from the previous night's defeat, redemption was on fans' minds.

Early in the first period things started to look dark for the Bulls, when Frontenacs centre Darcy Greenaway managed to slip the puck past Bulls goalie Charlie Graham off the rebound from fellow Frontenac Michael Moffat.

Twenty-nine seconds later Frontenacs centre Ryan Kujawinski scored, leaving Graham sprawled on the ice. He had let in two goals in the first 5.5 minutes of the game.

Kujawinski scored his second goal of the night later in the first period, leaving the Bulls trailing by three goals going into the second period.

Bulls fans' hopes for their team's comeback were starting to shake when Greenaway scored again, bringing the Frontenacs to a commanding 4-2 lead.



Photo by Duncan Cairns-Bren

Kingston Frontenac defencemen Loren Ulett, 14, avoids Belleville Bulls defencemen Mark Raycroft, 22, during a game Saturday at the Yardman Arena. The Frontenac's beat the Bulls 5-2, making it their second victory over the Bulls in two days. The Bulls are in last place.

The game, already rough, came to head in the middle of the second period when Bulls defenceman Adam Bignell and Frontenacs left-winger Lawson Crouse squared off. The two men, roughly the same size and weight, fought till their gloves were down and their helmets were skidding across the ice. The crowd roared, egging on Bignell.

Finally, nearing the end of the second period, the Bulls found a break when left-winger Michael Cramarossa scored the team's first goal of the game. This was bittersweet for fans, as six seconds later Frontenacs centre Sam Bennett scored again to make it 5-1.

The Bulls outshot the Frontenacs in the second and third periods, which paid off when Bulls centre David Tomasek scored the team's final goal of the night at the start of the third period.

The win put the Frontenacs firmly into third place in the Eastern Conference, trailing the leading Oshawa Generals, followed by the Sudbury Wolves. While propelling the Frontenacs, Saturday's loss put the Bulls firmly in last place in the league, having won only 19 of their 56 games this season.

The Bulls face off with the Oshawa Generals Wednesday, March 3, at 7:05 p.m. at Belleville's Yardmen Arena.

## Hydro rates...

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After the smart meters came the proposal to increase distribution rates. Now that people can see how they're being charged for hydro, the Ontario Energy Board is in-

creasing the hydro delivery charge.

According to Vanda Wall, communications advisor of the Ontario Energy Board, the rate increase application has

been before the board for a few months.

"As the application was approved as filed, the delivery line of the bill will increase by about \$1.30 per month for a

typical consumer using 800 kWh per month," said Wall.

"Rates are expected to rise over the next four years."

Taylor Hermiston asked people at Loyalist College the following question:

What are you giving up for Lent?



Jessica d'Amboise, second-year year chemical engineering, "I would probably give up sweets. I am addicted to chocolate, so I'd give up that."



Alisha Peeters, firstyear fitness and health promotions, "I'd give up junk food, mostly chips and Coke, to have a healthier diet and actually eat the healthy food I buy."



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hassle."

Brent Bibeau, second-year environmental technology, "I going to give up smoking because I find that I drink too much of

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Alexis Donovan, second-year accounting, "I'm going to give up smoking because it is terrible for me."

Kyle Richer, first-year protection, security, investigation, "I'll give up music because it is very antisocial for me because



of where I am from."

Issac Salaam,
second-year motive
power service and
management,
"Movies in general.
It wastes a lot of my
time."