

Forty-eight candles illuminated a beautiful birthday cake at the recent Charter meeting of the Lindsay Kiwanis Club. It was fitting that Past Governor of Kiwanis in the district of Ontario, Quebec, and the Maritimes, R. Ivan Moore, assumed the gavel for the event as he is a Charter member of

the Lindsay Club. Head table guests also included Dr. H. H. Sharpe, of Lindsay, a Charter member. Chairman Moore in welcoming a number of guests mentioned that 15 past presidents of the club were in attendance as well as five members of the Lindsay Key Club of the High School.

During the evening it was noted that Barrister T. H. Stinson was the Charter President and that he served for two years. Past Governor Walter Howell of Peterborough, was introduced by Past Lieut. Governor W. D. White. He reviewed the history of the Lindsay Club during his excellent talk, stating that the Lindsay Club was installed by the Peterborough Club — by the then Governor John Mc-

Kone— and that the present president of the Peterborough Club is J. McKone Jr.

History records that the two men who first brought Lindsay into the records were Past President Art Allin and Jack Deyell and the pre-birth actually took place in the smoking compartment of a Grand Trunk Railway coach as the two men were returning from a business trip to Toronto.

The club was launched on its long voyage at a dinner sponsored by the Peterborough Club which was held in what was then the Evening Post hall on William St. N. The Peterborough Club arrived on a special coach of the Grand Trunk and a parade led by a band marched from the depot to the hall, with banners and flags flying and noise-makers of all kinds echoing and re-echoing in the air. The blue and white colours of Kiwanis were much in evidence. Future meetings were held in the Arnold Hall over the Arnold garage on Kent St., when dinners were served by different church groups. Because of the problem of catering, the Club took another forward step by meeting in the Hotel Benson.

The Club dining room was along the west wall of the hotel, a section of the present Cottage Tea Room. At one time the Kiwanis Club provided the cutlery for club functions and also owned the piano, equipment which auto-

matically became the property of the Hotel Benson.

The Kiwanis Club has always had a reputation for club singing: loud, harmonious, and many times more noise than harmony!

There was a time when the Club sponsored a fine male chorus and later on, the Ki-

wanis quartet of Art Claxton, Percy Skitch, Ford Moynes and Hilton Manley, appeared before clubs in Kingston, Belleville, Peterborough, Cobourg, Oshawa, and Riverdale and East York Clubs in Toronto. This same Kiwanis chorus appeared at Kiwanis sponsored dinners at Woodville, Fen-

elon Falls, Bobcaygeon, Ome-
mee, Little Britain and Sea-
grave.

Big challenges taken on by
the club in connection with
service in the community in-
cluded the raising of some
\$50,000 to building extensions
to the Ross Memorial Hospi-
tal, building the Kiwanis
hockey arena, a wading pool
in Kawartha Park, toboggan
slides in Kawartha Park. spon-
soring a Kiwanis hut at the
Bowmanville Boys' Training
School, sponsoring the Santa
Claus Stocking Fund, planting
trees in the Memorial Park on
Lindsay St. S., supplying the
hospital with the first motor-
ized ambulance and contribut-
ing to grief stricken disaster
areas.

Several years ago the Lind-
say Club sponsored a Lindsay
advertising caravan which
toured parts of United States
boosting the Kawartha Lakes
as a tourist playground.

Above are listed a number
of projects which aided the
community in many avenues
of service, all of which speaks
well for the Club—not forget-
ting the Kiwanis theatrical
productions, dating back over
thirty years. The Kiwanis
motto of "We Build" has been
well exemplified.



Kiwanians Walter Howell and R. I. Moore Cut The Cake