

Gravelridge reports that its main source of funds is an annual Open Air Frolic. They hold two "free" parties each year, with cards for adults, games for children and refreshments. Each member may bring her husband and children and another couple.

Milverton Junior Institute (probably in co-operation with the Junior Farmers), cleaned up the Milverton Park and made signs for it.

Avonton made a study of a neighboring county Health Unit, then passed a resolution asking for a Health Unit for their own county and had two members present this to the County Council.

Carlingford: "At our annual At Home Supper we try to have a program of interest to all ages. This year the first grade children put on a square dance; the young people had a kangaroo court and there was a Limbo dance contest for all ages.

Kirkton is planning to work with the township in cleaning up an old neglected cemetery.

Barwick gave \$50 to the Chamber of Commerce with the specification that it be used to improve the skating rink for children. Good lighting was installed and guide lines marked for hockey.

Chapple has a community hall where they have weekly picture shows during the summer. They have an annual picnic and they find this is usually the only time of the year when all the people of the community get together.

Snake River sponsored a family night skating party at the community rink for the people of two school sections.

We have evidence that old-time neighboring is still with us in this note from **Braeside:** "A practical nurse who is now aged and ill was given a load of wood when she was in a financial emergency."

Dalston held a community skating party, inviting in another community.

Harvie Settlement: "In our community we have a mother with an incurable illness. The thirteen-year-old girl of the family has been mother to three younger children for the past two years, as well as attending school. Each week one of our members took in baking to help ease the burden of this girl. We also have a boy who lost a leg in an accident and we try to help him with things to work with."

Northbrook helped two families who had been in car accidents. For one woman who had to be in the hospital for five months they bought a radio.

Many branches report sponsoring safety poster competitions for school children. **Mitchell Square** had a very practical poster competition on "Safety on a Bicycle."

Severn bridge maintains a library for the community. It has also paid for and equipped

a hall where weekly community euchre parties were held last winter. The hall is available for the use of other organizations for suppers and socials, too.

Vasey bought school books for a girl starting to high school who could not buy them herself.

Alliston reports: "We have paid off a \$5,000 mortgage in just over two years for the extension of our building." (There are no particulars to say whether this is a Women's Institute Hall or a community centre or just what it is. Ed.) The branch has also pledged \$1,000 to pay for a private room in the building of the new hospital. Something else that this Institute has done is to install a special "In Memoriam" shelf in the library for books suitable to be placed there in memory of deceased members.

Belle Ewart put a clock in the community hall.

Bradford has members serving on various community bodies—two help once a month in the York county hospital Women's Auxiliary Gift Shop; others help regularly in the booth at the community centre; and they take their turn with other groups entertaining at the County Manor for senior citizens.

Coulson's Hill, at their party for residents of the County Home, had old time dancing, recitations, a sing song, gifts and lunch.

Clearview reports: "Due largely to the efforts of our Institute we now have fire-fighting equipment and trained volunteer firemen in Sunnidale township. (See item about this in Home and Country, Fall 1962; page 37. Ed.)"

Cloverlea had a roll call answered by each member contributing an article for a child in the new school for retarded children.

In November more than 400 members of the York County 4-H Clubs were guests of the Downtown Kiwanis Club of Toronto. Two members of the 4-H Homemaking Clubs, Gail McTaggart from Kleinburg and Lynne Hillary from Aurora were presented with awards for their outstanding participation in 4-H Homemaking Club work. Miss Austra Janitis, Home Economist for York and Ontario Counties (left) is presenting the awards.

