

# Passed Red Cross course one day and saved a man's life the next



**PATRICIA ASHBY**  
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**BELLEVILLE** — One day after completing a Red Cross lifesaving course, Patricia Ashby of Castleton used that training to save a life.

Elmer Ward, 73, of Warrensville, Ohio, had suffered a heart attack in August, 1976, while fishing on Sharbot Lake and Mrs. Ashby successfully revived him.

She was presented with the St. John Ambulance Association award on the weekend by Deputy - commissioner K. W. Grice of the Ontario Provincial Police.

"We'd spent the summer doing this Red Cross swimming program," she said after the ceremony at Ontario Provincial Police District 9 headquarters here. "It was quite coincidental."

Mrs. Ashby had enrolled with sons, Stephen and Andrew, now 11 and 6, and daughter, Lynn, now 9. That day, the family was visiting her parents, Ernest and Isabel Evernden, at their Sharbot Lake home.

Mrs. Ashby was preparing a cup of tea for her parents. "We'd just arrived a few minutes before," said Mrs. Ashby. "We heard a dog barking and the kids said someone down below on the water was in trouble."

The 'trouble' was a fire on board a small craft. Mr. Ward and Larry Pringle, 15, of Garfield Heights, Ohio, had been fishing and the outboard motor caught fire. Unable to extinguish the flames, the two fishermen jumped into the water and Mr. Ward subsequently had a heart attack.

Larry Pringle managed to pull his unconscious partner the 75 to 100 feet from the boat to the shore, where Mrs. Ashby helped pull the heart attack victim out of the water onto a

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dock. She immediately applied mouth - to - mouth resuscitation, reviving Mr. Ward. He was taken to Perth Hospital where he recovered.

Mrs. Ashby never heard from the man again and has never been called upon to practice her training. "It happened so quickly," she said. "You really don't have time to think."

Her husband, Noel, who attended the ceremonies, was in northern Manitoba at the time. He hasn't taken a lifesaving program.

Mrs. Ashby's award reads: "Patricia Ashby, who by means of a practical knowledge of first aid, successfully administered mouth - to - mouth resuscitation to a 73 - year - old man who had been pulled from Sharbot Lake, Ontario, on 20 August, 1976."

Castleton, where the Ashbys reside, is north of Colborne.

the borrowing of certain sums of money from the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Colborne to meet the current expenditures of the

Township of Cramahe for the Year 1970 be read a first, second, and third time. Carried. Sealed and No. 1222.

By-Law No. 1223 was duly passed to establish a Public Library in the Township of Cramahe.

Moved by Oliver - McComb: That the following accounts be paid. Carried. D Dingwall, stamps, \$72.00; Wm. Allchurch, Hall, 36.60; Geo. McDonald, Hall, 33.60; Township of Percy, Fires, 250.00; Don Tucker, Dog Catcher, 13.00; Self's Printing Service, 98.55; Ontario Hydro, Hall 40.45, Park 8.25, 48.68; Bell Telephone, Hall, 9.13; Mortgage Financing Service overpaid 1970 taxes rec. Polley 5.45; Road Accounts, 40782.86.

Council Adjourned to meet the first Friday in September at 1:30 p.m.

## AT COUNCIL

1970

Cramahe Council met in the Council chamber, Castleton August 7 at 1:30 p.m.

Members present, Reeve J.F. Cochrane, Deputy Reeve Harold Bedford, Councillors Alex McComb and H.S. Oliver.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

A delegation from the Orange Lodge and Cottage Owners addressed the Council regarding conditions at the Little Lake, such as pollution, toilet facilities, etc.

Moved by McComb - Bedford: That the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Cramahe recommends that the Minister of Municipal Affairs consent to the sale of land being part of Lot 15, Concession 5 as more particularly described in schedule attached hereto by Lawrence Mutton to David Mutton. Carried.

Moved by Oliver - McComb: That a supplementary By-Law for

# Around Castleton

with Joyce Buchegger

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Quote: "We spend our years as a tale that is told...So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."

The excitement of the holiday season has died down, the young people are back in school and everyone seems to have gotten settled back into their normal routine. Also the cold weather and snow caused most of us to be content to stay indoors this past week so there's not a great deal of news.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dove and Melanie visited Mrs. Dove's brother, Dr. Claude Bergeron, in Quebec City over New Years.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Quinton and family were in Sunderland and Cannington over the New Year's holiday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Stan Durward and Mr. and Mrs. G. Duclos.

Bob and Sheila Rusk had Sheila's mother, Mrs. L. Hart of Kingston visit them for a few days. Also, Rev. W. Cox and family called on the Rusks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Hollawell of Newtonville and Mr. and Mrs. James Nelson, Cannington, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rusk.

The Story Hour will resume this

Wednesday morning at 9:45 a.m. with all three and four year olds invited to meet at the Town Hall.

Stamp Club will resume Thursday at 4 p.m. at the home of the leader, Mrs. Margaret McKague.

Fifteen ladies met in the Sunday School rooms at 2 p.m. last Thursday for the January meeting of the UCW. Mrs. E. Gaudaur was in charge of the worship which centered on thoughts for the new year. Mrs. J. Bailey read the scriptures from St. John 14 and Romans 8, followed by a poem by Mrs. W. Graham.

Following the business session, Mrs. H. Allen led the program with explanation and description as to where the church's Mission and Service funds were used. Several ladies read interesting accounts of the assistance given to medical work in seven hospitals in outlying areas in Canada, ministry among the deaf, help to the native people and ethnic minorities, in the inner city, half-way houses, the courts and other needy areas. It was noted that three-quarters of the total amount is spent in Canada.

Lunch was served by Mrs. C. Haynes and Mrs. C. Inglis.