



ACTON Y'S MEN'S CLUB is sponsoring a peanut drive to raise funds for the local Y and Wednesday night they started a door-to-door canvass. The drive continues until Saturday evening. On Saturday the Hi-Y Club will assist. Y's Men above are E. Breers, E. Messels, D. Copeland, M. Nellis, W. Dubois, F. Koch, R. McKeown, B. Wilson, E. Smith, M. Heppler and D. Dodgson. In case you have counted more heads than listed, the peanut man on the left is C. Rognavaldson and on the right, L. Doberthein. B. Foyers and L. Doberthein are the conveners for the drive.

Acton Lions Club Formed This Year To Stage Charter Night Tomorrow

The Acton Lions Club, first formed January 18, 1960, is staging its Charter Night tomorrow (Friday) night in the Legion auditorium. The club expects a large turnout of local and district residents as well as 250 Lions from all over southern Ontario.

Representatives from local service clubs will be in attendance as well as those Actonians who have been invited to attend the affair. Several draws have been planned for the evening and members are busy selling tickets. Club president G. A. Johnson this week pointed out the purposes and aims of the Lions Club. He urged everyone to participate in the club's activities.

Membership
The president first explained who and what the Lions are and the purpose of the organization. The members of Lions Clubs are selected from the community's leading business and professional men, industrialists, farmers, clergymen, educators, merchants and all others interested in the betterment of the community, the president stated. Members are pledged to help through Lionism those less fortunate than themselves.

Lionism is non-sectarian, he continued, yet it encourages religious observances and church loyalties. It is non-political, yet it inculcates a lively interest in governmental and civic affairs.

Special Shakespeare Showing by H. and S.

The Home and School Association's special showing of Henry V at the Roxy Theatre last Thursday evening proved something of a disappointment when few high school students took advantage of the offer.

About 30 parents and a host of public school children joined about a dozen high schoolers to watch Sir Laurence Olivier play the title role.

The showing of the film was not intended to raise money but to provide the opportunity of seeing the excellent production. (Henry V is not being studied this year.)

The purpose of a Lions club, Mr. Johnson explained, is to determine community needs and develop means of meeting them, either through its own efforts or in co-operation with other agencies. During the last fiscal year, Lions Clubs completed more than 180,000 separate, worthwhile community activities.

Lionism is an active and efficient medium, he stressed, for united community effort and enterprise. It is an outstanding force for national and world service, exerting tremendous influence for national welfare, international amity and peace, and human progress socially, culturally and economically. The prestige and importance of Lions' work in all fields of service endeavor is recognized throughout the entire world.

Mr. Johnson noted the motto of the Lions is, "We Serve".

Services Performed
The president, in continuing, explained the services performed by the organization as he pointed out the following:

The services which Lions perform vary with the needs of their communities. Practically from the start of the organization, Lions have been helping the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides. In the early days of Lionism, Lions Clubs concentrated on three activities: the furthering or betterment of the public school system, the development of adequate public health facilities, and elimination of slum conditions and poverty.

Mr. Johnson noted there are 10 suggested classifications for major activities which Lions Clubs may adopt: agriculture; boys and girls; citizenship and patriotism; civic improvement; community betterment; education; health and welfare; safety; sight conservation and work for the visually handicapped; United Nations.

Choose Own Activities
In conclusion, the president pointed out the following activities undertaken as projects of Lions Clubs.

Each Lions Club is free to choose the activities, he said, in

which it will engage and will always be found at work on activities which its members believe will best serve the interests of their local communities.

Typical of Lions Club activities in behalf of the community and its citizens are: promotion of portation facilities; city beautification; gardening and remodeling contests; clean-up, paint-up campaigns; school modernization; educational improvements; students' contests; children's safety; installation of playgrounds; recreational centres and community buildings; encouragement of school and municipal bands; dramatic classes, art contests and other cultural activities; obtaining new industries and commercial establishments for the community.

Rockwood Man Wins Blanket At Fair Euchre

Acton Agricultural Society held their annual spring euchre in Stewarttown Hall on Friday evening.

President Lloyd McEnery welcomed the large crowd present and made the presentations of prizes. Winners of euchre prizes were Mrs. McClean, ladies' first and Mrs. R. I. Davidson, second; men's first, Fred Kentner Sr. and Mr. Bousfield from Milton second. Lindsay Ferguson, R.R. 2, Rockwood, was the winner of the lucky draw for a rose wool blanket. Beryl McEnery, the president's little daughter drew the winning ticket and Mrs. Wm. Thompson, president of the ladies' division, presented the blanket.

The committee in charge of this successful event was Lloyd McEnery, Mrs. W. Swackhamer Mrs. Wm. Thompson and Mrs. Ralph Dobny.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Child's Home Training Vital In Preparation for Future

The Editor
Acton Free Press.
Sir:

This is in answer to "Sincerely Concerned": You do not wait till a child reaches grade 7, 8 and then decide to have him or her start their training to make university. Oh no. It is a much harder and longer training than that my friend. It starts when the child is very young and the parent teaches the child the alphabet and to educate the child's mind further you read to them and help them to choose good books and to sit and read quietly.

Ask for Homework
As they progress through public school ask your child's teacher for homework even if it's only half an hour each night, sit with your child and see he does his homework regularly not just before tests and examination time. This trains them to study longer when the time comes and when they reach grades 7, 8 and 8 a parent should know by the child's marks if he will make high school, never mind university, and whether your child will be a leader or just follow the crowd. This my friend begins right in your own home.

At High School
High school. Between the ages of 12 and 14 years of age a child should enter high school. This is where his early training will prove if the discipline he has had from childhood has developed character. The high school student has too many distractions from what they are sent to school for. To be educated, that is what high schools are for.

It is an easy way out for any boy or girl who does not like

French, Latin, Math, Algebra, Geography, History, English Comp, English Lit, to know that during one afternoon of that week there is going to be a ball game and they can close their books and go to the game for a dime. If they have not a dime they can have credit and still go. This is bad breeding and starts a student to lose his independence, it becomes a very bad habit and an easy way out for a student to have and to get out of school work in school time.

Must Discipline Self
The student who disciplines himself or herself and stays to study is called unsociable and not a good mixer. That is where students and teachers are wrong. The student who disciplines himself now to learn and further his education will reap a richer, fuller life socially later in life, but not too late to enjoy it with all its rewards.

Be proud of this type of student now. Don't wait till they finish university. Teacher's College, O.A.C., Osgoode Hall and then slap it all over the front page of the Acton Free Press, so and so was educated at Acton High School.

What they do not say is the miserable existence this type of student had to go through at Acton High School because they would not go the way of all flesh. These students are our Country's leaders of tomorrow.

There is the student who is doing very well till he or she reaches grades 10, 11, 12, then they fall by the wayside to become a social success and then

they regret it for the rest of their lives. I know only too well we must have the ordinary worker but also we must have leaders amongst our own people. Canadians and British peoples for this great and glorious country. The clever students, encourage them in every way it is possible. Through that you will encourage the others to follow.

Likes Competition
This type of student likes nothing better than competition. Quietly they admire another student who gives them a run for their academic standing.

There are good teachers in all Acton schools, our teachers are human beings, and sometimes they too need a little guidance. Keep the ball games for after school and for those who wish to go. Those Friday night dances till 12 a.m. are too late for school

children for that is always what we should keep in mind, they are our children even if they think they are adults! If anything goes wrong it comes right back to the parents and how they were brought up. Replace the dance hops by educating their minds, by producing plays like Macbeth, The Merchant of Venice etc. and I am sure the high school would see many parents come to see these plays performed.

—A young, old-fashioned mother.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Errett Suter are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Rose Suter, to Thomas Fredrick Tolton, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Tolton, Eden Mills. The wedding is to take place June 4 at the Presbyterian Church in Acton.

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