

District governor installs officers of Lions Club

District governor Howard Stewart of Streetsville officially installed the 1967-68 officers of Acton Lions Club at their regular dinner meeting Monday at the Station Hotel.

Incoming president Vic Bristow accepted the gavel from the district governor in the short but impressive ceremony which involved almost all members of the club. Each officer took the oath of office individually.

The district governor gave a short talk to Acton Lions and pins were presented by immediate past president Dave Hunter. The new Lion Chief gave a brief acceptance speech.

A sing-song led by Lion Ray Evelan was highlighted by Lion

Al Lauder's solo of the French national anthem in French after all had sung it in English. "Remember it from my high school days," admitted Lion Al.

Lions decided to donate \$30 to the Acton Minor Baseball Association and heard a report on the steer barbecue they'll hold at the fair from Lion Neil Miller. Saltfleet Lions and a Brampton man were to be contacted regarding equipment.

Secretary Bob Hall reported on the fish fry at Fort Dover which he attended with Barry Stewart.

Following rejection of a plan to send students to Expo, Lions are looking for a centennial project.



DISTRICT GOVERNOR Howard Stewart of Streetsville inducted officers of Acton Lions at their dinner meeting Monday. Here he congratulates incoming president Vic Bristow. New treasurer Tom Manes is on the left, president Dave Hunter and secretary Bob Hall are on the right. Standing, Lion Tamer Gerry

Lamarche, Tail Twister Peter Papillon, 1st vice-president Murray Harrison, third vice-president Neil Miller and director Al Lauder. Missing were second vice John Griefeneder and Hartley Coles.

(Staff Photo)

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Personals

Mrs. Jim Louttit is a patient in Guelph General Hospital.

Mrs. Chas. Cutts is a patient in Guelph General Hospital for a thorough check-up.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Marshall Jr., Ricky and Randy, are holidaying in Nova Scotia.

Miss Anne Watson and David Watson are visiting relatives in Montreal and seeing Expo.

Mrs. Wilfred Coles is visiting with her granddaughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Barry McKeon in Mount Clemens, Mich.

Mrs. Wes Fountain is a patient in Guelph General Hospital. Everyone wishes her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Park, Cathy and Steven of Petrolia visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Landsborough and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Barbeau of Leaside visited with her mother, Mrs. George Benton, and Birns of Acton on the weekend.

Newcomers to Acton from Georgetown are Mr. and Mrs. S. Kiss and baby, who are living at 52 Victoria St. Mr. Kiss is employed in Brampton.

A family from England, Mr. and Mrs. M. Davis and three children are living now at 88 Churchill Road S. Mr. Davis works at Douglas Aircraft.

Mrs. George Benton of Acton, Mr. J. J. Birns of Cooksville, Miss Aileen Birns, Mr. Van Enders of Buffalo spent several days recently at Expo.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lawrence have moved from Rockwood to 75 Cook St., Acton, with their two children. Mr. Lawrence is employed at Northern Electric.

New residents at 341 Westcott Road are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Betteley and family. They moved to town from Brampton, and Mr. Betteley commutes to work at Kleinfelt Engineering there.

BALLINAFAD

Over 40 attend W.I. meeting

The June meeting of Ballinafad W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. Martin who graciously opened her home and invited the ladies of the community to come. Forty or more spent a very enjoyable afternoon together.

The meeting opened with the usual opening ode and the Mary Stewart Collect. Mrs. Smith, president, presiding, roll call was answered with "what I consider an outstanding achievement of the women's W.I. throughout the years". Mrs. Roy Swindhurst, public relations convenor, took over. Mrs. Jamieson prepared the motto but was unable to attend. Mrs. Given read it for her, "no one is sick enough to be without a neighbor". Mrs. R. McEnery gave current events.

Mrs. Jesse McEnery gave a very interesting talk on the work of the W.I. throughout the years. Meeting closed with the Queen and W.I. grace.

A very sociable time was spent over the tea cups. Mrs. S. G. Bennett and Mrs. Brigadier Wallace poured tea. Mrs. McEnery thanked the hostesses for a very pleasant afternoon, also all those taking part, making it a very interesting meeting.

Mrs. Newman had the misfortune to break her arm. Mr. Glen Campbell was able to return to his home following a stay in hospital where he underwent surgery. Mr. and Mrs. Cam McEnery visited with Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Williams at Cooksville on Saturday.

Their silver wedding anniversary was celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. Mansell Nellis Saturday night, when a large crowd of their friends gathered at Brookville hall for a surprise party. Their neighbors, employees, Square Dance Club members and Y's Men were among the many who enjoyed the evening together, bringing congratulations and gifts to the well-known couple.

Marian Luxton, daughter of Mrs. Luxton of Fergus and formerly of Acton, and the late Rev. W. G. Luxton, was among the graduates at convocation exercises at the University of Western Ontario on June 2, when she received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. She is a graduate of the Nightingale School of Nursing, Toronto, and will be on the staff of the Oxford County public health unit.

There were 1,560 women together at dinner at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto... and it was noisy! Almost all the members of the University Women's Club of Milton and Acton attended the special centenary dinner of University Women, and heard the guest speaker, Secretary of State the Hon. Judy Lamarche. Mrs. Dwight Engel of Orillia joined the Acton and Milton group.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Miller, 177 Longfield Road, entertained after the graduation of their daughter Nancy from St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Guelph, last week. Among those attending were Mrs. Alexander Smith, Dartmouth, N.S., Mr. and Mrs. Herb Miller, Schumacker, Ont., grand parents; Mr. and Mrs. Doug Gage, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hayes, Oshawa; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Miller, West Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Myles, Rexdale; Miss Rosemary Francis, Georgetown; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lumley, Goderich and Gordon Forsyth, Guelph.



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Local News Items

—Surveyors are working on Highway 25.

—Fencing is up around the entrance of the new Glenlea park.

—There will be 67 teachers on the staff of Georgetown high school next fall.

—Topas Ranch and Advertising Specialties has opened an office in the former hydro office.

—The Baptist-Sunday School picnic on Saturday was driven from Terra Cotta park back to the church by rain.

—Notice in the news this week that one group answered their roll call by naming the Fathers of Confederation. Just try it, and see how far you get!

—Scouts, Cubs, Guides and Brownies are planning their centennial camp day in the park July 8.

—Public school children will be out for the summer holidays on Thursday afternoon, June 29.

—Edie Hopkins spoke to the Rotary Club Tuesday about her trip to Ottawa and Expo, sponsored by Rotary clubs.

—The steam heat of the past week brought out the blooms and vegetables are growing like weeds in home gardens. The rain was a boon to farmers.

—Herman Freuler's Hymn to Canada is to be repeated on the television show Hymn Sing this Sunday afternoon. The entire program is to be all-Canadian.

—There was a Ukrainian centennial spring festival at the Ukrainian youth camp last Sunday, attended by between four and 5,000. Pictures and story next week.

—There were plenty of picnickers in the park on the weekend. Swimming was in murky water, since the rains had carried mud down the streams into the lake.

—People driving to work at 6:30 this morning couldn't believe why the town was so busy. It was the 80 high school students, escorted by families, on their way to the morning commuter train.

Office secretary on the phone: "He's out to lunch now, but he won't be gone long... nobody took him!"

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Observe patronal festival at St. Alban's on Sunday

This Sunday, June 18, the Parish of St. Alban is keeping its Patronal Festival which is the Feast Day of the saint after whom the church is named. Strictly speaking the feast day doesn't fall until June 22, but the feeling among parishioners of St. Alban is that with holidays beginning to set in it would be better to keep the feast as early as possible. Alban is a colorful figure in the calendar of Saints and some of the color is due to the imagination of the early historians of saints.

When St. Augustine arrived in Britain in the early part of the seventh century he found to his surprise, and dismay it should be added, that there were signs of a primitive form of Christianity already present in the country. These were the signs of what historians now describe as "Celtic Christianity".

When Hadrian built his protective wall across Britain earlier in 117 A.D. there were probably Christians among the Romans and slaves then living in Britain. Tertullian, a great writer of the primitive Christian Church, in an article against the Jews, in the year 208, mentions that there were Christians in Britain already. So the history of Christianity in Britain goes back even to that period when the New Testament scriptures were still being written! (John's Gospel may not have been written until nearly the middle of the second century).

While Christianity was still in its infancy it was persecuted by several Roman Emperors. Under Decian the martyrdom of Christians spread across Europe and into Britain. Scholars dispute the actual year of Alban's martyrdom, but one school maintains he died under the fist of Decian in mid third century.

He was beheaded outside the city of Verulam in mistake for a Christian priest pursued by the Roman authorities. While the priest was given shelter at Alban's home, Alban was converted to the Christian Faith. As the Roman military police approached Alban stated that the priest change clothes with him, and so was taken by mistake. Refusing to renounce his new found faith he was ordered executed by the angry governor when the error had been disclosed.

Following a special celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m. this Sunday, during which, under Mrs. Oakes' direction the choir will sing "Send out thy Light", the congregation plans a pot luck lunch on the church grounds. Tea and coffee will be served by the Parish Guild and "dinner music" will be piped out of the hall. It is hoped that many parishioners will take a couple of hours off this afternoon to meet together in fellowship and to meet new parishioners.

At convention

The Town and Village Convention was held Friday and Saturday in Tilbury, and Acton delegates attending included Mayor Les Duby, Reeve Bert Hinton, councillors Bob Drinkwater and Ted Tyler Jr. Some were accompanied by their wives.

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