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Busy spring

Juniors planning exchange, dance

By Ruth Mason

The Halton Junior Farmers are looking forward to gaining new members in each of the three clubs this year.

The Junior Farmers organization offers many activities—bowling, field days, drama, debating, public speaking, curling, and music competitions such as choir, quartets, trios and folk singing.

If you are interested in meeting new friends from all over the province, all you have to do is pay \$1 to belong to the Junior Farmers Association of Ontario.

Those who wish to join the Acton club may contact Brian Bessey at 833-9752 or those in the Palermo area may call Murray Harris at 878-3878. For those wishing to join the Norval club, please contact Lorne Ellis at 878-6187, before May 1.

Girls or boys who are interested in getting into new activities and meeting new friends will be sure to enjoy Junior

Farmer work and any new members will be welcome.

Halton Junior Farmers County meeting was held in the Board Room of the Ontario Department of Agriculture on Wednesday, April 3 with Brian Bessey presiding. There was a good attendance from all three clubs.

A great many activities were announced and discussed for the future. Grey County Junior Farmers will be visiting Halton County on April 26, 27 and 28. One of the highlights of their visit will be a trip to Kitchener on Friday evening April 26 to the Country and Western Show featuring Webb Pierce and the Stoneman Family from 'Grand Ole Opry'. This show is being sponsored by the Wellington Junior Farmers. Anyone wishing tickets may contact Brian Bessey.

The annual Church Service will be held on Sunday, May 5 in Milton's Knox Presbyterian church at 7:30 p.m. It is hoped the speaker will be Albert Taylor

President of Ontario Junior Farmers.

The Halton Junior Farmers Choir will be supplying the music and new choir members would be welcome. Practices will be held at Knox Presbyterian Church on Monday evenings at 8:30 p.m. Special music will be provided also at the five-hour following the service.

On Saturday, May 4, the Junior Farmers are journeying to Preston to Lelure Lodge for the semi-formal. Tickets are available from the club president. It was also decided to hold the Junior Farmers Queen competition again this year.

A letter was received from Essex County Junior Farmers inviting the Halton Juniors to visit them in August.

Joy Hayward also read a recommendation that has been put forth by the Ontario Junior Farmers regarding the Guelph Field Day. It has been recommended that this Field Day be divided into three zone field days. The winners from each of the resulting six zone field days would then compete at the Provincial Field Day on a zone basis rather than on a County basis.

The Provincial Drama Festival will be held at War Memorial Hall, Guelph, on April 20 at 8:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

The Junior Farmers choir will be presenting an evening of music at the Hillsburgh Presbyterian Church anniversary service on Sunday, April 21 at 8 p.m.

The Halton County field day will be held on Saturday, May 25 at Acton High School and it is hoped there will be as many entries as possible in the track and field events and for the baseball games.

Murray Harris also announced that the Palermo Junior Farmers are holding a cuche at Fairview School on April 19 at 8:30 p.m. They will also present their play "The Income Tax," which placed second in the Zone Finals at Orangeville.

Careful cutting

Most farmers who use their own wood for fuel have finished cutting next winter's supply. However, there is still some firewood and cordwood being cut. Since the spring seeding is on the way, the woodcutting will be in a bit of a rush. This is when any job gets dangerous. When haste comes in, care usually goes out. So don't rush that chain saw. Be around for spring seeding.

CHURCHILL

S. E. Griffin reaches 98th birthday sunrise service, breakfast on Easter

By Mrs. R. McArthur

The community extends their congratulations to Mr. S. E. Griffin who celebrated his 98th birthday on Saturday, April 13. A number of friends called to congratulate him. Mr. Griffin is in fairly good health, is about daily and takes an interest in the activity in the community and surrounding areas.

Easter Service was well attended on Sunday morning. The Choir sang two anthems, Prince of Life and Christ Arose. Debby Swackhamer sang a solo Easter Sunday morning.

After the service the Clerk of Session Mr. Frank Freeman on behalf of the congregation and signed by elders, chairman of Stewards, trustees, president of United Church Women and representatives of Sunday School, presented Mr. S. E. Griffin with a birthday card. He has been a member of Churchill United Church for 75 years. Rev. Gordon Turner gave a suitable prayer for the occasion.

Around 110 attended a sunrise

service at 7 a.m. on the lawn of the town water tank at Churchill on Sunday morning.

Rev. Gordon Turner was in charge.

The service was of lessons and poetry. The brass quartette of Acton took part. Afterward the H-C served breakfast in the Church basement.

There will be no service at Churchill on Sunday, April 28, but Sunday School will be held at the regular time.

The congregation will be joining with Acton at the 10 a.m. service when the Padre of the Pubs Rev. Gordon Winch, B.A., B.D., will be guest speaker, topic, The Mission of the Church.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Turner and family on Good Friday were Mr. and Mrs. H. Julian and three children of Brighton.

Miss June Swackhamer spent the weekend with Grade 12 of Erin High school on a trip to Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Winters of Toronto spent Good Friday at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swackhamer of R. R. 2, Acton and Mrs. C. B. Swackhamer of Ottawa visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Griffin.

Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Storey and family of Orillia spent the Easter weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W.J. McDonald and Gordon.

Mrs. S. W. McDonald, Miss Margaret McDonald of Streetsville, Ontario, Mrs. F. A. Williamson of Galt also called at the same home.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kerr and Mr. and Mrs. Murray McMillan of Calster Centre spent the weekend at their cottage at Fenelon Falls.

Friends were pleased to hear that Miss Linda Damm was able to return home from Guelph Hospital after her accident. Her friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swackhamer, Kathy and Debbie, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Swackhamer at Georgetown.

Mr. Christopher Freeman of Stroud, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Peers and son Christopher of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Freeman, Lyle and Gordon of Rockwood, Mrs. Allen Skeoch of Port Credit and Mrs. A. Skeoch of Toronto visited on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freeman.

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Sayers and Mrs. C. B. Swackhamer of Ottawa spent the holiday weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swackhamer and family and visited other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bennett of Ancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Burns, Nancy and Andrea of Karlike, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thomas, Cindy and Johnnie of Huntsville; Mr. and Mrs. Harley Pell and daughter Irene of Oakville; Miss Ruth Taylor of Horby and Mr. Robert Burns of Port Credit spent Easter Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Williamson and Mrs. Annie Burns.

Friends were sorry to hear that little Julian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Turner is a patient in the General Hospital, Guelph, with his crop. Friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Griffin, Mrs. Tressa Keeler of Erin and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davidson visited on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thompson.

Eramosa Junior Farmers win zone drama festival

The Wellington entry of "Brothers In Arms" by Merrill Denisson, presented by the Eramosa Junior Farmers, was victorious at the Junior Farmer Zone Drama Festival held in Orangeville Town Hall.

The Wellington case consists of Ruth Freure, R. R. 3, Rockwood; Bruce Miller, R. R. 1, Rockwood; John Gordon, R. R. 5, Rockwood; and Terry Bullock, R. R. 3, Orton. The Director is Mrs. Ben Hosking.

Best actor and actress awards were announced as follows: Best Actress: Ruth Freure, Wellington. Runner-up Gwon Kovachick, Halton. Best Actor: John Gordon, Wellington. Runner-up, Murray Harris, Halton.

The Wellington play will represent the Zone at the Provincial competition to be held at the University of Guelph on Saturday evening, April 20.

4-H club discusses variety of berries

President Rosemary Booth conducted the first meeting of the Halton 4-H Strawberry Club at the Agricultural office in Milton on April 4. Club leaders "Chuck" Warner, Bill Wilson, and Pete McCarthy were in attendance.

Secretary Mary Anderson took the roll call, and Rosemary Booth led a discussion on parliamentary procedure. Mr. Warner informed the members of the club's projects for the year.

The various varieties of strawberries were explained by Pete McCarthy. This year, important topics will be given by the members, rather than the leaders," explained Mr. Warner. Mr. Warner continued with a discussion on safety with chemicals, and the dangers of their misuse.

Appoint reps to Health Unit

The three Provincial Representatives to the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Health Unit are well known in the area that is to be served.

A. W. Beattie, of Elora, has served as Chairman of the Wellington-Dufferin Unit for some years. Mr. Beattie is a former warden of Wellington County.

Dollis Everson, of Orangeville, Ontario, has had years of experience in municipal politics, and was warden of Dufferin County.

R. B. Freure, of Guelph, served for many years in municipal politics, and is well known in Guelph and the County of Wellington.

The appointments come as a result of the far-reaching reorganization of public health services that has been under way in Ontario.

At the last Session of the Legislature, it was announced that the Province would be divided into 29 districts for public health purposes. These enlarged Districts are designed to provide a more complete preventive health care service to effect better administration and better programs in keeping with modern needs and knowledge.

To assist municipalities in the upgrading of their preventive health services, the Province provides 75 per cent grants for approved programs as compared with 50 per cent formerly provided for County Health Units.

The Health Board, and three representatives have been appointed to the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Unit; one from Wellington County, one from Dufferin County and one from the City of Guelph.



JOHN DUNFORD, formerly assistant Agricultural Representative in Langton County, has joined the Halton and Peel offices of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food, as Assistant Ag. Rep. for the two counties. He will work from the Brampton office, and cover both counties. Raised on a farm in Peterborough County, John was active in 4-H and Junior Farmer work and graduated from O.A.C. in 1966. (Staff Photo)

Explains management

W. Hoey hosts sheep club

By Doug Garthouse

The Halton 4-H Sheep Club met on Tuesday, April 2 at the farm of W. A. Hoey, Moffat. The president of the club, Lois Hunter, officially opened the meeting and conducted the business. Janet Hunter, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting.

Henry Stanley, Halton Agricultural Representative, discussed new business, including the recent notice on lamb deficiency payments.

Mr. Hoey explained his commercial operation including feeding, breeding and housing programs. He explained the management of his flock which includes Suffolks, Western ewes, and Karakul. The Karakul is an unusual breed of sheep in Ontario and very interesting.

Joe Willmott played an active part in the program, and Mr. Stanley discussed and demonstrated the qualities of a good showman.

Mr. Hoey showed a typical Karakul fleece to the members and explained the market he has obtained for these fleeces.

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Egg producers nix marketing vote is 79-9

By Henry J. Stanley Agricultural Representative

Halton egg producers voted against the proposed changes in the egg and fowl plan by a great majority. Of the 88 people voting April 9 and April 10, only nine were in favor.

The proposed changes were to an agency-type plan, with eggs to be marketed on a quota basis, and with the Egg and Fowl Producers Marketing Board having the power to direct and control the marketing of eggs and fowl.

Thus, Halton County egg producers wish to maintain the marketing of eggs on a personal basis.

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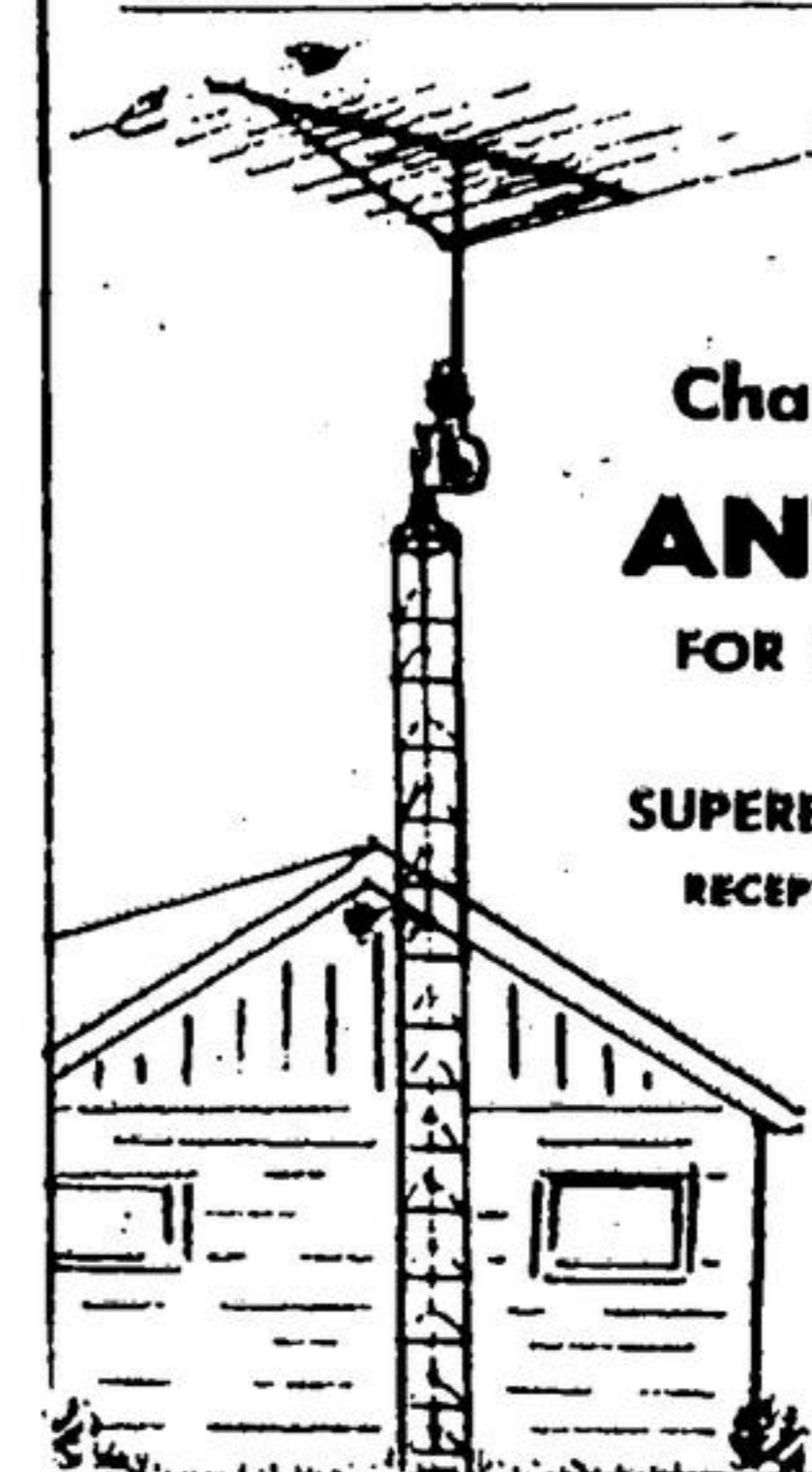
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