

## Recreation board proposes pennies to play in park pool

It will cost one dollar for the season or 10¢ a splash to use the park wading pool on Saturday and Sunday afternoons this summer, it was decided at Monday night's meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

Chairman, J.H. Goy explained the move was not to make money but rather for control. "We have to pay a supervisor to be on duty at all times." In the past the guard has been paid out of the playground funds, but this year it was decided to try to have the pool pay for itself, leaving more money to be spent on supplies and activities.

If the weather is warm enough and the demand high, the pool may be opened during the evenings, as well.

Chairman Goy remarked facetiously, "That's the equivalent of two and a half hours. With the beer strike on, the kids can afford to go swimming."

The board passed a motion allowing group picnics in Prospect Park on Sundays and holidays with a minimum of 10 tables at a cost of one dollar a table.

It was felt that with the limited number of tables in the park, reservations by individuals or small groups under 10 tables would not be fair to the majority of park users. If the park draws large enough crowds, more tables

may be purchased this summer to add to the 42 now in use.

Vice-Chairman Brendan Ahorne was instructed by the board to investigate the cost of installing a higher fence along the edge of the park to prevent children from trampling on neighboring flower beds. Complaints had been made to board members about the children making a certain portion of the present fence a regular short-cut into the park area.

Don Price gave a report on the playground which will have its registration next Tuesday. He listed supplies bought and the events planned for the six-week period, and displayed the new blue and gold jackets recently purchased for each of the playground supervisors. He said he hoped that every member of the board would visit the playground sometime in the summer just to "see if it is worthwhile."

Chairman Goy replied, "Well, it better be worthwhile, or the board will be wearing those fancy jackets."

Harold Townsley requested a motion to put up signs preventing motor vehicles, particularly motorcycles from entering the park grounds during playground hours. "Why put up a sign," piped Chairman Goy. "Anybody riding a motorcycle wouldn't be able to see it through the dark glasses."

I think you should put up a chain."

The motion was carried. Mr. Townsley discussed the various activities in the arena this summer. He reported that the roller skating twice a week has been averaging from \$30 to \$40 profit. Plans have been made to have a live local group come in on Saturday nights for a dance following the roller skating.

Lacrosse has yet to put a profit for the arena but the board is confident that in another year they will get something out of it. A bid to get moved in the arena has fallen face first because advertising would be impossible. An attempt to bring in wrestling has also failed. However, Townsley was instructed to write to the Athletic Commission for Ontario in an attempt to bring in "Something we've never had before."

It was reported that due to the dredging, the beach has lost six to eight feet of sand area. Some of the grass is being removed to enlarge the beach. In the past five weeks, 120 cars have passed through the park gates to use the beach and picnic area.

Mr. Townsley announced that a dance will be held in the arena July 19, with a group called The San Francisco Haze. "It drew 3500 kids in Guelph recently," he boasted. "I'm not saying we're going to get 3500, but it would be nice if we got 600 out."

"The kids are really on to this soul type music," he explained. "I don't doubt it with a name like that," replied a somewhat disbelieving board member.

In missing over long range plans for the future, the board discussed the possibility of having a continuous park all around Fairy Lake. The board would like control of the reclaimed land resulting from the dredging by Elizabeth Drive.

Earl Masalos mentioned the possibility of the town selling the land to private interests. Mr. Masalos was instructed to keep plugging for more park land, particularly a park entrance adjoining the creek to highway #7. The board agreed that they would be prepared to give up the present entrance if the new one came about.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Townsley have been authorized to attend a convention Aug. 18-21 in London, being sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Association of Canada.

## OSPRINGE

## Church anniversary, bus trips graduation banquet in report

By Mrs. D.G. Robertson

Mr. Oral Evans and son Peter of Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. M. Hutchison and sons, Toronto; and Miss Nellie Aitken, Erin were Sunday guests with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Aitken.

Mr. G. Grundy and Nancy; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grundy and David; Mr. and Mrs. George A. Grundy; Mrs. Murray McKittrick and family attended the Park-Waito reunion on Sunday at Mono Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hopkinson of Newwood visited on Sunday with Mrs. T. Fibus and Doris. Mrs. Murray McKittrick entertained a number of ladies Tuesday evening at a jewelry demonstration. Following the display by Mrs. Audrey Hillon, the hostess assisted by Mrs. Marlene Harber served refreshments, and a special time was enjoyed.

Miss Beverly Bruce, nurse-in-training at Toronto Western Hospital was home for the weekend. Students at the local Public school are enjoying the annual educational bus trips. Various places of interest are being visited by the different grades, among which are, the Fire Station and Police building; the Waterfowl park, Guelph; Niagara Falls; Casa Loma, Toronto, and Midland.

The Annual Graduation banquet was held Friday evening at the school for the 27 pupils of Grade 8. Following the dinner a short program of speeches was held, concluding with a dance.

Bryan Robertson, Montreal was home for the weekend with his parents D.G. and Mrs. Robertson. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hanna, now Marlene Fuller, on the arrival of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart McKinnon are entertaining the McKinnon-Thomson reunion at their home on Sunday afternoon.

Nora Stubbington and Barbara Moore, participated in the piano recital given by the pupils of Mrs. Gordon Harris A.R.T.C. at her home on the highway on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Howard spent the weekend in Guelph and attended the class reunion at the University of Guelph. Rev. Denis Gibson of Tweeds-

multir Presbyterian, Oranville, was guest speaker at the local Knox Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning, for the 70th anniversary service.

The church was filled with members and former members and friends, who enjoyed the fellowship and fellowship together.

Two numbers by the Junior Choir, and a duet by Brenda

Bruce and Linda McKenzie added to the service. The music was under the direction of the organist Mrs. Norman McKenzie.

The morning service at Burns Church, Erin, was cancelled to allow them to worship at Ospringe.

Mr. and Mrs. William Webb, Guelph Township, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dan Winter, Townville.

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## Elderly couple harassed by malicious pranks - OPP

A week of varied activity, a week of great activity, a week of thieves, of drinkers, accidents, injuries and damage: that is the week it was from June 16 to June 22, 1968. A week when the six man Acton C.P.P. force, while working 240 hours and patrolling 785 miles, were called upon to lay criminal, liquor and traffic charges, the majority against local people. Incomplete investigations being pursued now will no doubt see additional charges pressed.

The 15 complaints recorded during our reporting period, some of which were involved in the previously mentioned charges, included one theft where the goods were recovered during the execution of a search warrant, one break and enter in the Lakoview Subdivision, one disturbance at a local hotel and 11 miscellaneous requests for assistance.

Four motor vehicle accidents investigated revealed six cars and a motorcycle damaged to an extent of \$4780., while five of the persons involved sustained injuries. Infractions such as Falling to Stop, Careless Driving and Speeding were found to have contributed greatly to the causes. The driver responsible for the faulty driving in each incident will be summoned before the traffic courts.

Other traffic statistics compiled show six traffic citations issued, 11 drivers warned for less serious violations and one vehicle checked with regards to roadworthiness.

Magistrate's Court at Milton, Ontario, on June 17, saw the majority of Acton cases recommended to a later date, but one person chose to proceed and was convicted under the Highway Traffic Act. He paid fines and costs totalling \$28. for causing his vehicle to make unnecessary noise.

In a recent C.P.P. press release we spoke of sadists at

work injuring and maiming small animals. We spoke of how appalling we found this type of complaint.

Well, of late, we have noticed an increase in yet another type of complaint we feel is just as bad.

Elderly people, elderly women particularly, alone, with no one to protect them. Elderly women easily frightened because of their vulnerability. Elderly women being harassed and yes, frightened by thoughtless youths, or perhaps some older than that. Windows broken, doors banged and smashed, rocks slammed against house sides: these are but a few of the malicious pranks our senior citizens experience.

Is it your son or daughter? Is it your son or daughter? Is it your son or daughter?

Parents, you and your children will be old some day. Will you or they react favorably to such pranks? Won't you and they be just a little frightened too?

Teach your children now, to respect our senior citizens; their age, their safety, privacy and property.

Let it be said here, and known now, that anyone found engaging in this rank type of activity will be dealt with to the very extent of the law. We will not tolerate cruelty.

**\$800 worth of stolen goods found**

A search warrant was executed by Acton police as a result of a complaint, and \$800 worth of goods stolen from an Acton plant was recovered and taken to the police office on Friday.

The investigation is continuing and there are reports of further thefts.

## June: month for weddings Golden Agers recall theirs

June being the traditional month for weddings, the Golden Age Club honored their members who had been married over 40 years, at last week's night meeting. Ten couples were honored. Unfortunately Mr. Winn and Mr. Vickers were not well enough to be present, and Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Rolston and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hargrave, who have celebrated their Golden Weddings, were not able to be present.

Mrs. Bradshaw played the Wedding March. The celebrants were ushered up to the platform to receive congratulations and to be presented with corsages and boutonnières. The Free Press photographer arrived and with quiet efficiency soon had a picture of the group.

Miss Dorothy Simmons sang "I Love you Truly" accompanied by Miss Joan McLean.

Mrs. Shoemaker gave appropriate readings and Mrs. Max Milne also gave a couple of well-received readings.

A quartet consisting of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davidson, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McEnery sang "When you and I were young Maggie" and "Juanita". The Rhythm Band gave several numbers suitable for the occasion. Mr. Davidson led in a sing-song with Mrs. Bradshaw at the piano.

A decorated anniversary cake featured the table where the honored guests were seated for lunch. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mc-

Enery, who with 56 years, were the longest married, cut the cake.

Mr. Davidson, on behalf of the host table, thanked the Committee for their kindness in putting on the lovely evening. Mr. McEnery also expressed thanks for the wonderful complete surprise.

What then could be more fitting than singing "Auld Lang Syne" and "Blow to the Top that Binds" before departing for home?

## Chairs stolen

Four wrought iron chairs, valued at a total of \$35, were stolen from the model home on Elmore Dr. The theft was reported to Acton OPP by James Ryder, of the construction company, when discovered June 20.

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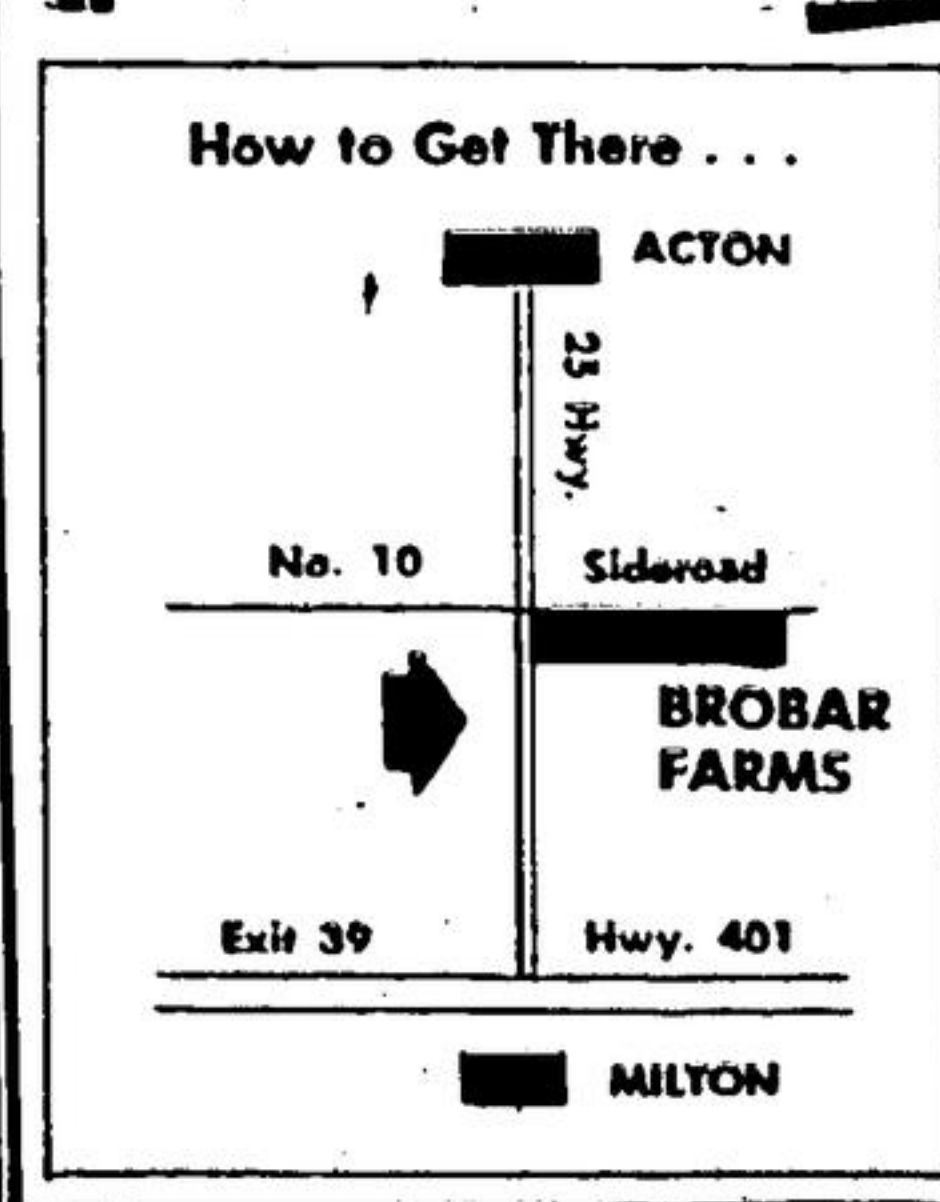
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