

# Golden Age club report recalls activities, friendliness

The fifth annual report of Acton Golden Age Club has been submitted for publication by Mrs. Elsie Reed.

I wish to respectfully present a concise report of the Golden Age Club activities for the past year.

91 members paid their dues but I am sorry to report the death of four former members, all of whom had served on committees in the past—Mr. Jim Loutfat, Mrs. Josie Kenner, Mr. Norman Matthews and Mr. John Ford. Mr. Ford had been a dependable and valued maintenance man as long as he was.

The families of the deceased members were each sent a plant, and Officers and members paid their last respects, usually in a body, at the funeral home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Haigraue celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary, also Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright, and were each given a plant. All couples married over 40 years were honoured on June 18 with a special program and lunch complete with a beautifully decorated anniversary cake, and were presented with a corsage.

On July 16 the secretary was presented with a gift of a beautiful pair of Heritage pillow cases in appreciation of her work as secretary and press reporter.

Funds were raised by quiltings, two small draws, one for a box of groceries, one for a pretty apron. There were also some donations received.

The Rhythm Band, besides helping with the entertainment at the meetings, entertained the residents of Milton Manor, at the Zone Rally Nov. 14 in Brampton, and at Georgetown Horticultural Society's Christmas Party, Dec. 11. For the latter effort they were sent a nice cheque in appreciation.

Mrs. John Cosar and Mrs. Don Reed attended as delegates the 10th annual convention of United Senior Citizens of Ont. Incorporated, held in Lutheran University, Aug 26 and 27 and brought back interesting and informative reports.

The Club executive attended a meeting of zone 13 Executive, at Bronte, May 10, to help plan for the annual zone picnic which

was held in Hidden Valley Park, Aldershot June 20. Also a zone Executive meeting in Burlington Oct. 15th to help arrange for the zone Rally held in Brampton Nov. 14.

A bus trip was taken to Hamilton to Dundurn Castle and various other points of interest, and another north through Orillia, Bracebridge, Bals etc. on Oct. 1 to see the autumn beauty of the woods. These trips were thoroughly enjoyed.

The annual picnic was held at Gormac Lake on Aug. 17 and the annual Christmas Dinner was held Dec. 3 in the Luxton Hall with the Anglican Church ladies catering. All of these activities were well attended.

Miss Annie Atkins continued to do an excellent job as card convener, remembering the sick and bereaved and many shut-ins.

Robt. Warne was appointed representative to the Canadian Bible Society.

The afternoon games and evening programs have created a great deal of interest and enjoyment. Special items on the Evening Programs included a visit from Mayor Doby, who spoke on Senior Citizens Housing. Master, Stephen Van Fleet who won the Public speaking contest in North Halton gave his speech for us Mar. 19. The Choralists also graciously gave of their time and talents to sing for the club.

Under the leadership of R. L. Davidson and the co-operation of the officers and members it has been a successful, busy useful and happy year.

May 1969 be as successful, and may we never forget to be friendly and kind.



GRADE 2 demonstrated the lively limbo for their part in the pre-opera performance. (Staff Photo).

## \$73,700 to Acton in grants from gov't.

Grants totalling \$73,700 will be paid to Acton in lieu of taxes on provincial and federal properties, according to a report from the County Assessor filed with County Council last week.

The federal grant in lieu of taxes on the post office in Acton is \$45,375 and on the L.C.B.O. store in Acton \$28,325 from the province.

The total grants to Halton municipalities on Ontario government properties is \$2,076,248. Burlington receives the largest single amount at \$1,401,703 of which \$893,068 comes from the H.E.P.C. of Ontario.

Federal government properties pay a total of \$989,586 with Oakville receiving the largest single amount of \$633,425, of which \$324,975 is on the Department of National Defense property. A further \$220,850 is on the post office property there.

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## Mrs. George Fryer heads club 'food favorites' planned for March

A very pleasant evening was spent on Tuesday of last week when about 40 members of the Golden Age Club met in Luxton Hall. Mrs. Fryer, president, welcomed the members and visitors.

The annual report showed a busy and successful year under the leadership of R. L. Davidson. Mrs. Miller was M.C. for the

program, opening with all standing to sing "O Canada". Mrs. Bella-Maye Rozelle sang a couple of solos appropriate to Valentine time. Mrs. Bradshaw accompanied her on the piano. Mrs. Max Milne gave a couple of good readings in her usual pleasing manner.

Bingo was played with Mrs. Davidson calling the numbers

and Mrs. McAuley and Mrs. Cosar giving out the prizes. Two cushion tops were on display. Tickets will be sold on these and the draw made at a later meeting.

Mrs. Shultis and Mrs. Milne will be entertainment committee for March and April. A bountiful and sumptuous pot luck supper is being planned for March 18 when everyone brings their favorite food. It will be arranged in Smorgasbord style and each will help himself to a choice of good things. Supper will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a program following. A good crowd is expected.

The list of officers for 1969: president, R.L. Davidson; first vice-pres. George Fryer; second vice-pres. R. L. Davidson; secretary Mrs. Don Reed; assistant secretary Mrs. John Cosar; treasurer Mrs. Jack Cosar; assistant treasurer Mrs. Cam Winn; card convener Miss Annie Atkins; maintenance Mr. Marshall, Mr. Cosar, Mr. Fuller, Mr. R.L. Davidson.

### Health Unit to quit

## Must do own plumbing inspections

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1, it was reported at Halton County Council last week.

In a report of the Halton Board of Health the action was noted and Reeve A. Ledwith asked why the Halton Unit was discontinuing this service.

Reeve W. Hoey, chairman of the Board, reviewed the unit is not required to supply this service and it is interfering with the work of the Unit's inspectors who are required to work in environmental sanitation. He stressed the inspectors would continue to be interested in such things as septic tank installations and lagoon systems. "If we keep up the plumbing inspections, the

other work will suffer."

Reeve Ledwith suggested the Unit had served well on the inspection program and while he realized it was difficult to obtain staff, he observed it would be difficult to organize separate municipal staffs to carry the work.

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### OBITUARY

## John Clarkson Dennis was farmer, carpenter

A well-known farmer and carpenter, John Clarkson Dennis of 20 Willow St., Acton, passed away in Guelph General Hospital on February 20. Mr. Dennis had been in failing health for the past several months.

Funeral service was held at the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home on Monday afternoon, February 24, conducted by the Rev. A. H. McKenzie and interment was in Fairview cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Alex McPhedran, N. Armstrong, Charles Davidson, Ray Thompson, Ross Swackhamer and Earl Lambert; honorary pallbearers were G. S. Matthews, James J. McGladrey, Donald McLean, R. L. Davidson, J. A. Robinson, A. M. Macpherson and Wilmer Watkins.

Mr. Dennis was born March 9, 1894, in Nassagaweya township, son of Emily Lamb and William J. Dennis. He and the former

Laura I. MacDonald were married November 28, 1925, and farmed on Lot 1, concession 6, Eramosa township until they moved to 20 Willow St. in 1948. Mr. Dennis was employed with J. B. MacKenzie and Son for almost five years after leaving the farm. Then he worked as a carpenter in many homes and business places in Acton and district for many years.

He was a member of Acton Agricultural Society board for several years while health permitted. He was a member of Knox Presbyterian church.

He is survived by his wife, sisters Mrs. Arnold B. Marshall (Edith) of Guelph and Mrs. A. Fryer (Kathleen) Acton, and was predeceased by two sisters, Mrs. Melvin E. Burns (Margaret) Acton and Mrs. Cyril Knight (Hazel), Palmerston.

Sympathy is especially extended to Mrs. Dennis, whose sister Miss Margaret MacDonald passed away in December.

## Eramosa twp. council makes appointments

Eramosa township dog licences are now available at the Rockwood town hall, Turner's general store at Eden Mills, at the clerk's office and from dog controller George Martin. It was announced at the last meeting of township council. The dog licence deadline may be extended from June 15 to June 30.

Council felt tender prices for supplying 15,000 yards of gravel were too high. New tenders are to be requested.

A request from building inspector Joe Benham to have the building by-law amended to conform with the National Building Code and the National Standards Act will be studied by the clerk and building inspector.

Council made the following appointments: Committee of adjustment H. W. Cargo, chairman, three years; Elmer McConnell, two years;

Charlie Wheeler, one year; Lloyd Hindley, secretary.

Midwestern Ontario Development Association—Reeve Cameron Lush and Councillor Warren Parkinson. Councillors McPhedran and Milne will serve on the tourist council.

Guelph and Suburban Planning Board—Reeve Lush, 1969; H. W. Cargo, two years; John Benham, three years.

Pound-keepers are Ben Hosking, Eden Mills; John Hamilton, Everton; Howard Smith, Oustic, and Delmer Peart, Eramosa.

Fence viewers are Cecil Leslie, Charles Gordon, Stan McMillan and Alex McPhedran.

Livestock valuations are Lorne Allan and Alex McPhedran. Road expenditure by-laws for \$83,000 and \$6,500 supplementary were passed. Both are subject to Department of Highways approval.

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### EDEN MILLS

## Missionary Society Ladies Aid meet

By Mrs. R. Wright  
The Women's Missionary Society and Ladies' Aid monthly meetings were hosted Monday by Mrs. Anna Wilson. Mrs. G. MacDougall opened the W.M.S. with a Hymn followed by Scripture reading. The Devotions were taken by Mrs. E. Barden. Roll call was answered with a Valentine verse. Minutes and treasurers' reports were given. The ladies were reminded of the World's Day of Prayer and leaders appointed. Mrs. Joan Chamberlain and Mrs. R. Wright. Mrs. Beryl Wright opened the Ladies' Aid with a poem "A Parent's Prayer". Minutes and treasurers' reports were heard and several thank you notes and

invitations were read. It was decided to cancel the supper in March owing to repairs to the church, and a Rummage and Bake Sale instead at the Gilbertson home. Program followed were readings by Mrs. Anna Wilson and Beryl Wright. A contest conducted by Mrs. MacDougall was won by Mrs. D. R. Sinclair. Mrs. J. Gilbertson thanked the lunch committee and all those taking part. A social half hour followed. About seven couples from the village, with their skidoo motored to Doe Lake for an enjoyable weekend. Crows are plentiful around the village. I wonder if Spring is around the corner.

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