

Organize next week

"Involvement" is new 4-H theme

By Jim Jenkins

The 4-H members in the 1969 Halton Clubs will be urged to become more involved in the club program. The marking system employed in previous years will be altered in some clubs in order that more

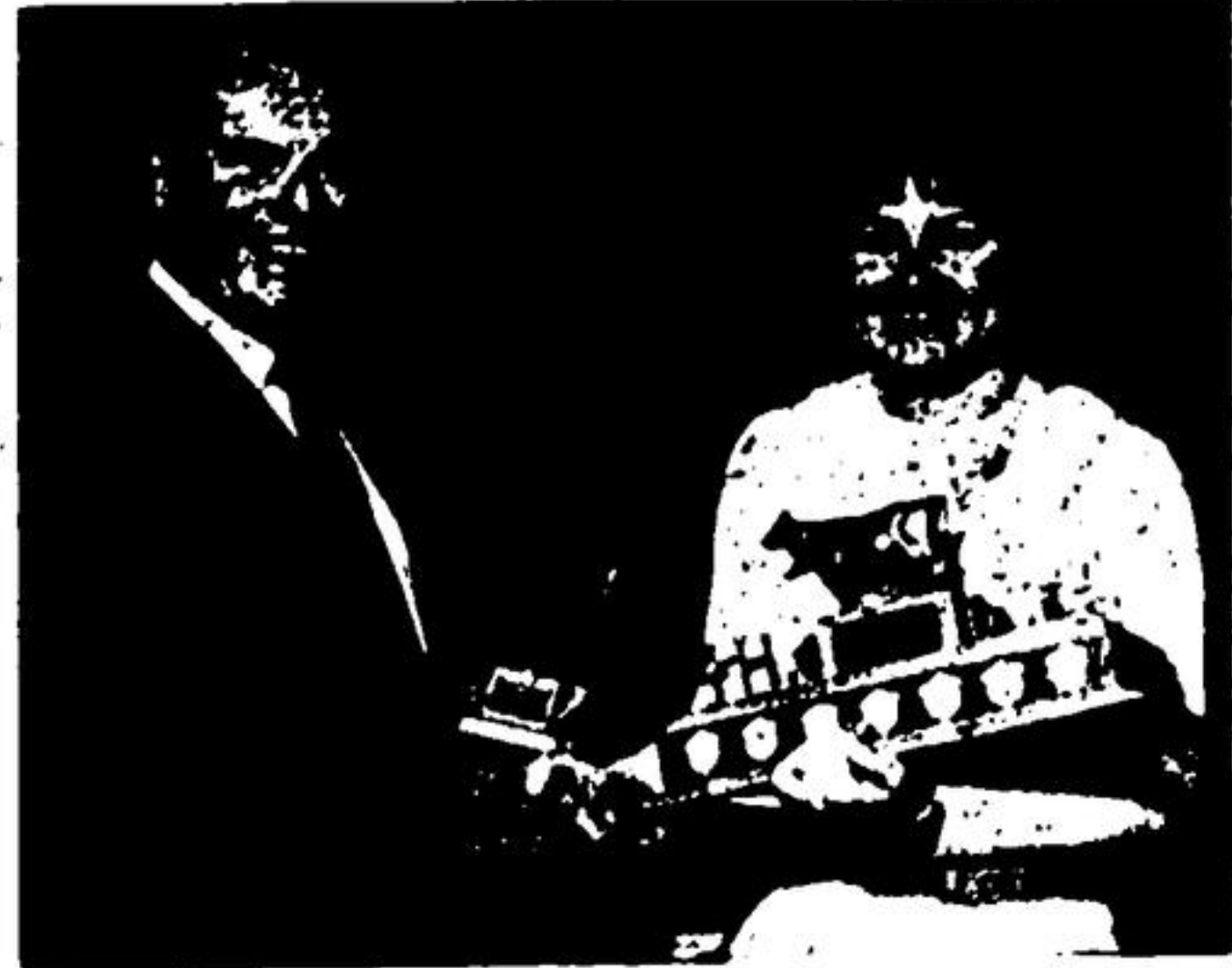
emphasis may be placed on the leadership aspects of the program. In some instances members will be asked to take part in presenting much of the 4-H lesson. Another change this year sees urban youth being invited to participate in the 4-H program.

Programs such as the Halton 4-H Conservation Club may interest several.

The organization meeting for the Halton 4-H Corn Club, Halton 4-H Forage Club, Halton 4-H Strawberry Club, Halton 4-H Beef Calf Club, Halton 4-H Holstein Calf Club, Halton 4-H Jersey-Guernsey-Ayrshire Calf Club, Halton 4-H Tractor Club, and the Halton 4-H Conservation Club will be held at the Boyne Community Centre on Wednesday, March 19 at 1:30 p.m.

Members must be 12 years of age by Jan. 1, 1969, and may not reach their 21st birthday before Dec. 31, 1969. Those interested in joining the Halton 4-H Conservation Club must be 16 by Jan. 1 of this year, and those joining the Halton 4-H Tractor Club are to be 14 by Jan. 1 of this year.

The organization meeting for the Acton 4-H Calf Club, and the Acton 4-H Forage Club, will be held at the Acton Community Centre at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 19.



HALTON'S OUTSTANDING senior 4-H club member in 1968 was Verna Thompson of Milton, shown receiving the J. E. Whitlock memorial trophy presented by David Boyd, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Kingsway Kiwanis Club. This year's 4-H program will be organized next week.

Stanley tells fair boards update their annual shows

A plea for the updating of Ontario's fall fairs was delivered in a speech to the annual convention of Ontario Agricultural Societies recently by Halton's Agricultural Representative Henry J. Stanley.

Mr. Stanley noted the time has come "to do some futuristic thinking, to change some of your fair activities, to find novel solutions to old ideas", as he addressed the annual convention.

Included in the areas requiring some re-assessment and new blood was the entertainment aspect. He suggested the abolition of costly and usually brief horse racing in favor of a changing annual program. The prize list, it was noted, receives the attention of livestock breeders mainly because of the advertising with the prize money merely covering pocket expenses.

It was noted a cutback of the variety of classes, simultaneous with an increase in the prize money for each category, would encourage breeders to enter higher-quality livestock in more suitable displays.

Although fair boards' treatment of 4-H work has been perhaps the most properly-operated division, the representative noted the concept of 4-H clubs is changing, and their participation in local fairs will have to change as a result.

Other areas requiring investigation, Mr. Stanley suggested, are the show ring, vegetable categories (where obsolete varieties are still accepted and encouraged for display), reduction of emphasis on livestock type in favor of performance, and encouraging commercial and educational exhibits.



PAUL STEWART of Hornby was named Halton's outstanding first year 4-H member last year. This is an annual award to recognize significant achievements of beginners in the 4-H movement.

McNabb third

John V. McNabb of Georgetown was tied for third place with Canadian Guernsey President Peter Kristoff of Cloverdale, B.C., with 119 points each in the recent Guernsey All Canadian Judging Contest.

Mr. McNabb is a former first-prize winner in the competition, which includes judging classes of cattle from their pictures appearing in the Guernsey Journal.

Presentation held at Ballinafad hall

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Sprowl and Mr. James Jessemann were honored by friends, neighbors and relatives of the communities of Dublin, Bannockburn and Erin on Friday evening, March 7 at Ballinafad Community hall. Mr. and Mrs. Sprowl have recently sold their farm on the Third Line east of Acton where they have lived all their married life.

Harvey Kirkwood was chairman for the evening and presided over a progressive culture and program of musical numbers by Vern Denny, Mary Lou Brown, Linda Linham and Gordon McDonald and a reading by Mrs. Stanley Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Sprowl and Mr. Jessemann were called forward and Mrs. Walter Linham read an address which was followed by the presentation of gifts of an end table, T.V. tables, lamp, smoker and a wallet to Mr. Jessemann.

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Clear minor irregularities Nassagaweya zoning by-law

Only final Ontario Municipal Board approval is left before Nassagaweya's lengthy bout with the Township Zoning By-law quietens.

The original by-law submitted to the Provincial authorities for approval clashed in some areas with the Official Plan, and was uncertainly worded in others.

Council was forced to submit the by-laws, including these irregularities for approval, before the O.M.B. suggested amendments could be re-submitted; since any other procedure would have resulted in attempts to amend a by-law which did not exist officially.

The original was approved by the O.M.B. in October, with suggestions for changes; and the

amendments later re-submitted. At the council meeting of Tuesday evening, March 4, the new By-law 11-69, which is an improved and clarified By-law 11-67, was given its three readings and sent to the Municipal Board for approval.

Nassagaweya Zoning administrator S. W. Savage noted the amendments were mainly clarifications of points already laid out in the original by-law, or Official Plan, or both.

Canada's oldest house, built in 1637, has a roof of partly wooden shingles, partly tin, and the front and back of the house are plastered. It is in Silley P.O., near Quebec City.

EBENEZER

Mark Day of Prayer at Campbell home

By Mrs. Ross McLean

Mrs. Moffat and Mrs. McLean were the conveners for the March meeting of the Ebenezer U.C.W. The topic was Stewardship, with special reference to the use of time. The roll call was answered with a verse containing the word, "neighbour." The hostess was Mrs. Henry and lunch was served by Mrs. Young and Mrs. Cliff Nicholson.

Ebenezer ladies joined Nassagaweya ladies in observing the World Day of Prayer, which was held at the home of Mrs. Grant Campbell. Mrs. Joyce Beaton was the speaker and Mrs. Hayward favored with a solo.

At the Sunday service, the Junior Choir sang, "Let all the world—in every corner—sing." Paula Kitching sang a solo, "My Jesus I love Thee."

Mr. Finley based his sermon on the Beatitudes. In Bible times, the teacher sat when he taught. The sermon is a collection of different teachings. The Beatitudes are the heart of Jesus' teachings. There is joy when a person realizes the purity of his soul. Peter went out and wept bitterly. His tears had a

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\$50,000 Issue
Nassagaweya Zoning Administrator S. W. Savage reports five building permits were issued for structures with a total value of \$50,000 during February. They included two residences with a total value of \$33,000, and three alterations with a combined value of \$17,000.

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Free Press Farm Page

Dufferin dairymen enjoy visit here

The Dufferin County Dairy Farmers' Association recently spent a whole day touring farms in Halton County, and about 55 arrived in two buses to see the farm operations of Howard Tarzwell, Claude F. Pickett, H. Craig Reid and Brock Harris.

Dufferin agricultural representative Bruce Matheson and D.F.A. president Louis Little of Shelburne arranged the trip. Halton fieldman Joe Snyder of Elmira and Grey County's dairy fieldman Dave Dixon accompanied the group. Frank D. MacIntyre, editor of the Dundalk Herald, joined the tour and wrote a lengthy story in his paper on how the local farms impressed the visitors.

Scotch Block W. I. served a roast beef dinner at Ligny Hall at noon and Mr. MacIntyre remarked Halton must be "the most pie-ous and hospitable community, for some of the hungry farmers went back for second and third helpings as the pies were exceptionally good and the ladies coaxed them, saying they wanted the pies eaten up."

The farmers were impressed with a new single storey barn housing 78 Holsteins at the Tarzwell farm. At Pickett's they saw the fine show herd which includes a number of Thorneia daughters, the Royal's 1968

grand champion cow, the All Canadian four-year-old in 1967, the dam of a \$150,000 bull, and a cow recently purchased for \$40,000.

The name "Plumbroke Farm" intrigued the visitors and owner Craig Reid explained he tried to register the name as "Glencain" but it was already in use and as he was short of money at the time, decided on the unusual "Plumbroke" name. His cows average 15,000 lbs. of milk per year and his tile drainage system and high hay and corn yields made an impression.

Two farms operated by Brock Harris and his son Murray were the last to be visited. Mr. Harris explained the advantages of forming a limited company and showed them his dairy-feedlot operation.

"It proved to be a day of education as well as pleasure, with the dairy farmers comparing notes and ideas with one another on how they carry on their farm operations making mental notes of how other farmers are facing up to the changes in the dairy industry—and all the time wondering what their next steps should be in meeting the economic challenges with which this important industry is faced," wrote the editor.

4-H members

Do you, as a farm parent, have a 4-H boy or girl in your family? Did you ever stop to realize that these young people are the potential leaders of your farming community, or even our future provincial or national leaders? At least they will be, if you help to keep them alive.

So your responsibilities to your family may extend far beyond this family circle.

Hospital requests grant

Esqueping council took no action on a request from the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital for a grant for a proposed \$1,780,000 expansion program.

The hospital has received O.H.S.C. approval for a \$1 million addition along with renovation and modernization of the existing buildings. In a letter to Esqueping council, the hospital administrator cited the rapid growth of the area and the attendant pressures on the hospital for expansion plans.

Tenders, the hospital board hopes, will be called in the early summer for the project of which two-thirds or \$1,070,000 will be financed by the Ontario government and \$186,000 by the county, leaving \$524,000 to be raised.

The hospital board despaired of raising this amount in the two communities so requested a grant. They estimated 6,000 township residents used the hospital, a figure council considered exorbitant.

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Rockwood tax hike for garbage collection

A special levy of six mills will be added to the regular 15 mill rate by Rockwood village trustees. The reason for the increase is the trustees' earlier decision to discontinue garbage contracting and handle disposal arrangements themselves.

The Board of Trustees had a late meeting to resolve the problem of budget. The purchase of necessary equipment for the garbage disposal is the main reason for the temporary hike in tax.

A similar levy was made several years ago to finance renovations at the town hall.

Other business conducted by trustees included unlawful dumping of garbage and the problem of dogs running at large. Letters of warning were instructed to be sent.

Because of the Ontario Hydro strike, trustees learned installation of the new luminaires on the village main streets may be delayed some time.

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