

Senior Citizens picnic draws 37 from Acton

There always has to be a first time for everything, they say, and this year was the first time zone 13 Senior Citizens annual picnic was rained out of its chosen locale.

The picnic is held annually during the third week of June which is officially proclaimed by the Ontario government as Senior Citizen week in Ontario. This year Hidden Valley Park was chosen as the site for the picnic and many plans and preparations were made for June 15. Some years the day has been uncomfortable cool but on Wednesday the rain descended as this area was feeling the effects of Hurricane Agnes.

However the president Mr. Covert anticipated unfavorable weather and made previous arrangements to hold the gathering in the Burlington Arena on New St. adjoining the Senior Citizens Recreation Centre and the buses and cars that went to the park were routed to the arena. Though all would have preferred a warm sunny day in the park in the traditional picnic fashion everyone was comfortable and dry in the arena, and were officially welcomed by Mr. Covert.

William Follows, president, said Grace before lunch and later introduced Mrs. Ella Foster, a member of Burlington Council who

graciously and kindly represented the mayor.

Win prizes and contests were run off with a minimum of confusion and maximum of fun. Each was responsible for a contest and Acton Golden Age Club did its share and were unusually lucky in winning prizes and draws, especially the lucky couple, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McHenry. Mrs. McHenry won a special prize

donated by the Hamilton Club and Robert won a cash prize in the draw, as did Mrs. Earl Lovell, and Bob Davidson. Mrs. Madeline a prize in ladies' kicking off shoes; Jack Connor, Mrs. a kicking off shoes; Mrs. Wanda and Mrs. Fuller, getting acquainted, Mrs. Head treasurer and Mrs. Helen J. Cook, were among the winners.

Acton Club was attended those with the highest attendance with

their own kind of it although the general attendance was down owing to the rainy weather.

A new club from Brampton was welcomed to the zone. All the zone members were new this year and did a wonderful job in spite of difficulties.

The members thoroughly enjoyed meeting old friends and looking over each other and will be looking forward to the zone rally in the fall.



OLD FRIENDSHIPS WERE RENEWED, the church overflowed into the annex and a happy social time was observed over strawberries and cream at St. Alban's Church Sunday after the special anniversary services at the 10.30 a.m. Eucharist. Members of the parish donned centennial dresses and frock coats, bowlers and stovepipe hats to mark the occasion which was slightly marred by unfavorable weather. But the spirit of the day banished all the blues. While Joe Petric played tunes on his accordion, parishioners and friends of St. Alban's exchanged information in the parish hall and a few of the more venturesome went outside with their strawberries when weather started to clear.

In long dresses were Mrs. Dave Hunter, top left and Mrs. John Creasey Sr. below. Top right sidesmen Harold Denny and Ted Pratt welcome visitors Mr. and Mrs. Ted Blunn, former parishioners, now of Guelph, while the Rev. Laurie Doby looks on, centre. Dave Hunter minds his little girl while Reeve Frank Oakes takes strawberries and cream to his daughter Frances and family outside at tables. The choir proceeds into the century-old parish above while beside them are George and Marjorie Strongitharm in appropriate dress. Below are John Creasey Sr. and Morris Courtney with Dr. Oakes and grandchildren, centre.

—H. Coles Photos

Golden Agers enjoy Manor lawn party

Senior Citizens week was a very active one for Acton Golden Age Club; besides their annual zone picnic and helping in their own various churches—and it has been a busy week in different churches—they were represented at the Thrift Shop and an auction sale—some even found time to help in their quilting groups!

To wind up the week, the Lions Club gave them a special treat on Saturday afternoon by taking a bus load of 38 to the lawn party at Hulton Manor on the occasion of the 20 anniversary of the Manor. On account of the rain the party had to be located inside with bake sale and all booths accommodated in the spacious rooms of the Manor. A wonderful entertainment was put on in the auditorium.

The Legion Choralists went by bus to provide a well-received part, and several Legion Ladies helped out in the booths.

Milton Girls' Pipe Band, also

Highland dancers and groups from the Milton School of Dancing were enjoyed. The Georgetown Majorette and juvenile twirlers displayed their skills after just putting on splendid shows in Brampton. A group of grade 3 boys from Georgetown who regularly appear on T.V. on channel 13 called The Power House sang to their own accompaniment of guitars and drum were well applauded.

Visitors were given a chance to see their relatives and friends, residents of the Manor and it was a worthwhile and enjoyable afternoon.

Much credit is due the Lions Club, for arranging this trip, carefully and efficiently looked after by Vic Bristow and the Golden Age Club certainly appreciate this kindness on their behalf and also the Legion Choralists for giving their time and talent in this kindly way.

She's busy finding farms

"It's very difficult to choose one youngster over another and say you can go to a farm and you can't," is how Janet Hunter sums up her summer job.

Miss Hunter, a university student from Burlington, is the area co-ordinator of the Urban-Rural Exchange Program in Hutton and Peel Counties. Purpose of the program is to acquaint city children with life on

the farm and to give rural youngsters a view of urban life. Finding farm families willing to participate in the program was at first a bit discouraging for the co-ordinator, as very few farmers indicated interest.

More interest

However, Miss Hunter is confident of the success of the program and reports several farmers have recently expressed

their willingness to take a city child. Length of stay is one week and best facilities are covered by insurance.

With only two weeks to the official opening of the program, Miss Hunter says she is getting the push on to find enough farms for more information on the program contact Miss Hunter in the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Office, Ottawa at 978-2314.

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Let's Play Bridge

by Bill Coats

This is a very difficult hand to play at the table but I am presenting it to you as a double dummy problem. Look at all four hands and see if you can make five spades with these cards. One declarer did last week at the Acton Bridge Club.

South dealt with neither side vulnerable.

NORTH	WEST	EAST	SOUTH
S-A Q 8 7 4 2	H-5 3	H-A K Q J 8 7 6	S-K J 6 3
D-7 5 4	D-K 3	C-2 J 5	H-10
C-A 4	C-Q J 5		D-A J 8 6
			C-K 7 3 2

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1C	DBLE	REDBLE	PASS
1S	4H	4S	PASS
PASS	5H	5S	ALL PASS

Opening lead: King of hearts. If I were South I would open one diamond, not one club but it is of little consequence.

West doubled to show a hand of opening bid strength. North redoubled to show two high card points. You can imagine North's surprise when he heard South bid one spade.

Wild bidding

At this point the bidding became a little wild but the final contract was five spades and West led the heart king. This was followed by the heart ace which declarer ruffed.

Mitchell movement

Last week we played a Mitchell movement at the Acton Bridge Club, producing winners in two directions. The North-South winners were: first Gloria Coats

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