

Active in 4-H, Nino Braida awarded fair board diploma

A dedicated 4-H club leader for 17 years, Nino Braida received an agricultural services diploma at the annual fair board banquet Thursday, Russell Murray, one of Mr. Braida's many "course graduates", made the special presentation before an applauding crowd of about 75 in Knox church hall.

Mr. Murray referred to the numbers of young people who have benefited from 4-H over the years. Mr. Braida is a fair board director and past president.

Top member
After Mr. Braida thanked everyone he went on to undertake something he does each year at the banquet - introduce the 4-H member who has excelled in the past year. This year it was Cathy Lasby - "one of the most worthy members I have ever seen." She won her calf club project, placed first in oats, corn and hay, third in livestock judging, competed in the junior leadership program, was active in the homemakers' clubs and won the J.E. Whitelock trophy for the most outstanding 4-H member in the county.

Mr. Braida pointed out the last three winners of this top trophy have been from Acton clubs - Keith Aitken in 1970, Bob Lasby in 1971 and now Cathy Lasby.

Mr. Braida also wanted everyone to know members of the Acton calf club had showed at the Queens Guineas competition at the Royal Winter Fair - "Just getting there is a tremendous accomplishment."

Beef dinner
Roast beef dinner was served by the ladies of Knox church who



AGRICULTURAL SERVICES diploma was made the presentation and this year's top member Cathy Lasby adds her congratulations. (Photo by K. Dills)

were thanked by Mrs. E. Archibald, First vice-president Chester Anderson was master of ceremonies for the short program after the dinner.

Introduced were president and Mrs. H.H. Hinton, the Andersons, second vice-president Ken Murray, secretary-treasurer Mrs. C.W. Swackhamer and Mr. Swackhamer, past president Bill Nelles and Mrs. Nelles, ladies'

president Mrs. Archibald and Mr. Archibald, Miss Acton Fair Val Mitchell, the "mayor of our wet town" Les Duby, Dairy Princess Karen Marshall, Shorthorn Lassie Cathy Lasby, Esqueusing reeve Tom Hill, reeve of Erin township Lloyd Lang and Mrs. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. Readhead of Milton fair, Mr. and Mrs. Burt of Georgetown fair, and life member Bert Davidson.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Matthews, now of Fergus, were specially welcomed. President Hinton in his remarks paid special attention to two groups - the ladies' board - "terrifically important" - and new people on the board.

Small fairs
A bright future for small fairs was predicted by guest speaker Ed Star of the Department of Agriculture, although he was aware not all agreed with him. A few years ago it was fashionable

to say small fairs were on the way out, he recalled, but his position now is completely the opposite. He said the minister of Agriculture the Hon. Wm. Stewart agrees with him and assured his listeners there will be no legislation against small fairs. Although some had hoped that small fairs in the province would amalgamate, not one has done so recently.

Do more
Some of these one and two day fairs like Acton are doing more that bigger ones that are more commercialized. However, he didn't feel it was necessary to have so many on the same few fall weekends. Actually only 7 per cent of the people live on farms, and the problem is how to get crowds in through the gates on any weekend.

It's one place you can take the family and not go broke! he said. He explained fair categories and types of grants, including a wet weather grant for rained-out fairs.

Bill Nelles thanked him. Just as Mr. Star asked if there were any specific questions, from above in the church came the unmistakable strains of "Will your anchor hold in the storms of life?"

Drug charge laid Sat.

Drug paraphernalia and a small quantity of marijuana were seized when a vehicle was stopped by Acton O.P.P. last Saturday. An out-of-town youth was charged with possession by Kitchener R.C.M.P.

Town gets new truck

Town works crew members will soon be driving a brand new truck.

At last week's meeting council accepted the tender of Halton Truck Sales Ltd. for supply of a brand new International truck at a price of \$11,754.75. The tender was the lowest of five received.

Other tenders included Andrew Murray Motors Ltd., Georgetown - \$11,779.32, North Halton Motor Sales - \$12,061.04, L. & L. Ford Sales, Acton - \$12,309.79 and Frink of Canada - \$18,495. The Frink price was for a larger truck and included a bigger cab.

The new truck is equipped with an A-frame for snowplowing.

Man arrested

A local man was arrested here for Metro police on a warrant charging failing to appear for a possession of drugs charge in Toronto. Acton O.P.P. made the arrest Monday.

\$16,000 damages

A total of 20 collisions involving 29 vehicles occurred in the North Halton area patrolled by the Milton OPP during the week of Nov. 19 to Nov. 25, report police.

\$450 damages to two vehicles

Drivers involved in an accident Nov. 24 on Main St. were Don Kroes, R.R.1, Acton. Damage was estimated by police at \$250 to the two cars.

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Ivan Harris president of Golden Age Club

By Mrs. Elsie Reed
Usual reports were quickly dealt with at the evening meeting of the Golden Age Club. Mrs. Robertson had also prepared a report of the zone rally and this was read by Mrs. Reed and were received.

Mrs. Fryer and Mrs. Reed were delegated to send out the invitations for the Christmas dinner in the Legion Hall Nov. 28.

New slate
The nominating committee presented the slate of Officers they had prepared for 1973. Gernet McKenzie was called on to install the Officers. After kind words on the merits of the club and the worthwhile and spend job they were doing for the town of Acton, Mr. McKenzie efficiently duly installed the following officers.

President, Ivan Harris; 1st vice-president, R.L. Davidson; 2nd Vice-president, Robt. Warne; secretary; Mrs. David

Robertson; assistant secretary, Mrs. Jack Cossar, treasurer, Mrs. Alex Mann.

Mrs. Robertson moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. McKenzie who had taken time from a very busy schedule to perform this ceremony.

President's thanks
Mr. Davidson thanked everyone for their kind and willing co-operation and help during his years as president and asked for the same help and co-operation for the incoming president.

Mr. Harris said he would do his best for the club with the help of the members. The new officers take over at the January 2 meeting.

Christmas supper
It was decided to have a pot luck supper on Dec. 20 to end the old year, the program to be a sing, say or pay bash, so come prepared, all members, to do your bit.

Mrs. Gertrude Clark was convener for the entertainment

and introduced Mrs. Ed. Jennings who showed wonderful slides of a bus tour she and her husband had taken through England and Scotland. These with her humorous and descriptive narrative were much enjoyed.

The beauty of flowers everywhere, and the wonderful architecture of old cathedrals and castles were a joy to behold. Appreciation to Mrs. Jennings was shown in the usual way.

Mrs. Fryer and her committee served a delightful lunch of sandwiches and cake.

Everyone was looking forward to the Christmas dinner and evening of entertainment in the Legion Hall Nov. 28, put on for the club by the Canadian Legion and the Rotary club.

CONCERNED? PROVE IT! VOTE DEC. 4th W.D. Wright X

New signs for safer streets

Streets and intersections in town should be much safer now, following the erection of new signs and re-positioning of others.

Town workmen carried out the project on the recommendation of Corporal Bob Arbour, head of the local O.P.P. detachment. Total cost of the new signs and installation was \$1,400.

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