

1895 photo to be model for church decorations

A photograph taken of the interior of St. Alban's church in 1895 will be used as a model for the Christmas Eve decorations. Under Dave Hunter's direction, arches of cedar will be constructed down the aisle and an old pot-bellied stove will be brought in. The decorations are expected to be very effective for the Christmas midnight eucharist on Sunday evening.

The old picture belongs to lay reader mayor Les Duby. The innovation will be in perfect harmony with the centennial year of the parish.

Candlelight carols

The annual Christmas carol candlelight service was last Sunday evening with special music by the choir, directed by Mrs. F. Oakes. Candles were

lighted down the aisle and on the altar where they represented Christ and the 12 apostles. Les Duby and Vic Bristow lit the candles.

Lessons were read by Bonnie Bristow representing the choir; Alex Pitt the Servers Guild; Harold Denny, the rector's warden; Les Duby, the lay reader, the Rev. John Ball and the Rev. Harry Dawson.

Ballinafad

Christmas party held in community centre

by Mrs. R. Shortill

The U.C.W. held their Christmas party in the Community Centre on Tuesday night. In spite of the stormy night most of the members and husbands attended. Several of the friends and people of the neighborhood also came.

A program of games and old time dances was enjoyed. The McEnerys furnished music and Mr. Bert Davidson was kind enough to keep the activities going. Lunch was served downstairs with salads, ham, jellies

and desserts, making a tasty repast. Gifts were exchanged.

Stay in city

The bad storm on Friday forced some of the Toronto workers to remain in the city until Saturday.

Family service

The service on Sunday was a family service. Mr. and Mrs. Sales and Carol took part assisting Rev. Johnston. Mrs. McEnery at the organ and Kathryn Sinclair at the piano provided accompaniment for the

carols, and also for the prelude. The Jr. choir contributed a number.

Lunch was then partaken of in the basement - then back up to the church for a short program and to unload the Christmas tree. The numbers attending were certainly not as many as usual.

Crews out

The township roads were partly blocked and the graders were called out Sunday to plow them.



TINY TOTS like two-year-old Pauline Martin can hardly wait till Christmas day when Santa will arrive with his bagful of gifts. (D. Gibbons photo)

Ospridge

Enjoy supper, concert at church Saturday

By Doris Fines

Bobby Pankratz is home from the hospital for a time, but we are sorry to hear he will have to return after Christmas for an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Robinson held their Christmas party with their family at Oakville on Saturday, as their son is going to California for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Trnanah of Toronto, visited on Sunday with Mrs. Trnanah's mother Mrs. Enoch Wood, her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Jack

Ferguson, and family.

Santa parade

Lydia Dudnik, Miss Erin Fair, rode in the Santa Claus parade in Erin on Saturday. It was a chilly blustery day for riding on a float, but it was a good parade, nevertheless.

The Ospridge Junior Choir took part in the Eramosa Choral Society concert at John F. Ross Collegiate, Guelph, on Sunday afternoon. Brenda Bruce, a member of the society, sang a solo, Oh Holy Night, and Wesley Harris gave some recitations on the violin.

Staff gathering

The staff of Ospridge Public School sat down to a Christmas dinner at Elinor's Restaurant in Guelph, and enjoyed an evening of bowling afterwards.

Despite the stormy weather, there was a good turnout at Knox Presbyterian Church for their annual supper and Christmas concert on Saturday evening. After a beautiful supper in the basement, everyone gathered upstairs to enjoy the choruses, piano solos, recitations and dialogues, by the members of the Sunday School.

Rev. Don Herbison was chairman for the occasion, and Mrs. Norman McKenzie was pianist. Mr. Dave Woodward represented Santa Claus at the close of the program, to see that all the children received gifts and candy from the tree.

Firefighters' draw winners

The Firefighters' entertainment draw was made Saturday at the Legion and the winners are first Ted Tyler Sr., second Sandy McEachern, third Gary McEachern and fourth Laura McEachern. (Sandy McEachern is not related to Laura and son Gary.)

Enroll Brownies

Four new Brownies have been enrolled in the Third Acton Brownie pack lately. Jay Gurth, Ann McDonald, Cathy Boman and Alana Bowen.

Buses late

Buses were running late Friday and all weekend, due to the bad driving conditions. Some were arriving well over an hour past the scheduled time.

Limehouse

Mrs. Hume reaches 90

By Mrs. A. Benton

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dubuc on the safe arrival of a new daughter on Dec. 7 at Georgetown.

Draw winners

Winners of the Royal Canadian Legion Chorallers' Christmas draw were Blanche Glendinning, Rockwood; Enne Seim, Neustadt, Ont.; H. Seim, Rockwood; P. Cook, Milton; Marcella Pavil, Acton; Gary Turkoz, Acton; Dick Leo, Toronto; John Payne, Toronto; W. Annabolt, Guelph; Vera Spires, Acton; Gary Turkoz; Reg Smith, Toronto; Archie Baddley, Brampton; Greg Daigle, Acton; Don Lindsay, Acton.

No banquet

Several events scheduled for Friday had to be cancelled due to the snowstorm. At least one was a banquet, already cooking when the decision was made.

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Notes from Acton High

by Janice Gibson

Christmas is drawing closer and closer, and Acton is getting into the spirit of it. The High School is also feeling the excitement, that comes just once a year.

A door decorating contest is causing many of our doors to add colors to our halls. Even the "Grinch" is here.

Interrupt classes

Auditions and preparations for our assembly are going on. School, Friday, will be unregretably interrupted by this piece of entertainment.

Thursday night, the Christmas dance will feature Mashmakhan. They are a great group, with a record of their own, recently out.

With so few shopping days left, the school store, "The Closet," is featuring posters, paperbacks, children's storybooks, and classic comic books. All of these make swell gifts and above all,

"The Closet" is convenient.

The Grade 12 radio contest is over, and Wendy Hannah of R.R. 1, Limehouse, was the winner. Although Wendy already has one, it will make an excellent Christmas gift for someone.

Semester over

Just three weeks, after this Friday, and the Christmas holidays, we are finished the first semester. Some students will be leaving, but we are also expecting to see some new and old faces back.

Finally, I would just like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. Good luck in the coming year.

Canvassing

Salvation Army members have been calling door-to-door, selling their magazine to raise money at Christmas-time.

Erin township calf, field clubs receive awards

About 120 people gathered in the Erin Masonic Hall recently to watch 4-H members from the Erin Calf and Erin Field Crop Clubs receive their awards.

Larry Raeburn from Dufferin County showed a number of slides on his recent United Kingdom trip through the Junior Farmers of Ontario. He gave a good insight into the life there. Mr. Raeburn also stressed the value of such trips and encouraged everyone to try for them.

Stuart Gregson from R.R. 1, Hillsburgh stood first in the Erin Calf Club with 951 points out of 1,000. Stuart also won the United Breeders' Award for the outstanding member in the 4-H club and community.

Brian Lang from R.R. 2, Hillsburgh was top in the grain and corn projects with 972 and 984 points respectively. Brian was awarded the Wellington County Soil and Crop Improvement Association trophy to the outstanding 4-H member in Field Crops. David Leitch took top honors in the Forage project with 976 points.

Awarded pen

In the Breed Association Awards, Donna Leitch, Murray Longstreet, Harold Moore, Barbara Moore and Marilyn Reid were awarded a pen from the Holstein Association. William Black received a book from the Guernsey Association. The Hereford Association donated a pen and pencil set or crest to Alex Gray, Brian Grist and Lyn Huxley.

The Charolais Association donated a \$5.00 cheque, crest and

a one-year subscription to the "Banner". Winners were Lloyd Jackson, Joyce Parkinson, Wayne Parkinson, David Reid, and Earle MacLean.

A lapel pin from the Angus Association went to David Marshall, Marie McKinnon, and Keith Switzer. Frances McLean won the Shorthorn award from the Shorthorn Association. Award of Merit Certificates for completion of six projects with 75 per cent proficiency went to Keith Switzer, Aleck Leitch, Alex Gray and Bill Black.

For completion of twelve projects with 75 per cent proficiency, the awards went to David Reid, Frances McLean, and Jim Marshall, and for completion of 18 projects the awards went to Wayne McClaughland and Ron Reid.

Erin Twp. wins

The Wellington County Livestock Judging Trophy was won by the Erin township team of Marie McKinnon, Frances McLean, Laurinda Lang, Kevin Lang and Lloyd Jackson.

The team of Jim Marshall, Brian Lang and Earle McLean brought the honor of the Kiwanis Seed Judging Trophy to Erin Township.

In the Inter-Club competition at Erin Fair, the winners were as follows: The trophy from Royal Bank to the top dairy calf was won by Dave Reid.

The trophy from W. C. Wood Co. Ltd. for the top beef calf went to Gary Hasson.

The trophy from McEnery Agencies Ltd. was won by Martha Parkinson for her champion gilt.

Bill Black won the Simpson Sears Limited trophy for the best exhibit of grain.

Tibb-Miller Pharmacy, Erin, presented a trophy to Jim Henderson for the champion exhibit of grain corn.

Holy night

Happiness is Love, Peace and Joy! May the true picture of Christmas live throughout the festive season within the hearts of all mankind.

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A Christmas Prayer

May the holy light of the Christmas season shine on us and bring peace to our hearts.

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