

Free Press Family Page

Santa brings presents for all Golden Agers

by Mrs. D. G. Robertson
The Legion hall, with its festive decorations and gayly lit Christmas tree, was the scene of a happy gathering when members of the Legion and Rotary clubs were hosts for the annual turkey dinner for the senior citizens.

Auxiliary presented a gift of eucalyptus to the seniors. Mrs. Isabel Moore and Mrs. Agnes McIntyre sang a number of duets accompanying themselves on guitars. The Chorallers, with Ted Hansen at the piano, sang several numbers, and led in a carol sing.

Santa and gifts
Santa Claus appeared and presented each guest with an inscribed pen and key case. The National Anthem concluded a very pleasant evening. All expressed their personal thanks for this goodwill gesture of the Legion and Rotary Clubs each year.

Games, gifts for Christmas meeting

Greetings
Bob Angell of the Legion and Bruce Cargill of Rotary extended greetings and words of welcome. Ivan Harris expressed sincere thanks for the gala evening. Mrs. Leo Synott of the Legion Ladies

The lady directors of Acton Agricultural Society met at the home of Mrs. William Thompson on Thursday evening, Dec. 6, for their annual Christmas meeting. A delicious and bountiful pot

luck supper was enjoyed by 17 members. After a short business period the remainder of the evening was spent in games and a Christmas gift exchange. Mrs. Archibald was courtesy convener. The January meeting will be at the home of Mrs. S. Morrison on Jan. 3rd.

Meeting of Trinity teachers

The 15th meeting of the Georgetown Trinity Teachers Association was held Sunday December 2 at the home of the honorary president Mrs. L. E. Scull.

The annual Christmas party to be held Monday December 11 in Knox Presbyterian Church, Georgetown. Next meeting will be on Sunday, January 6, 1974 at Del Eden. The meeting was followed by an afternoon tea.

Ebenezer

Christmas season

By Mrs. Ron McLean
Sheena Clegg and Richard Anderson lit the second Advent candle. The junior choir sang.
Friday evening, at 8:45, a pot-luck supper is being held, followed by a program by the Sunday School scholars. Dec. 23 the choir holds their annual candle-light service.
Next Sunday, election is being held for two new elders.
People looked for God for centuries, but didn't know what they were looking for. We can hardly conceive of God, in His majesty, living in

us. Anticipation is a feeling aroused by God. It is divine. Humanity has been compared to a statue, lying on the ground, broken in pieces. The artist comes and gathers up the pieces, and makes a statue. Our lives contain broken dreams and smashed hopes. Let the Master put you together again.
The woman's three measures of meal represent body, mind and spirit. You cannot change your life by your activity. Jesus Christ is the motive power that welds things together.

Clerk resigns

Milton's clerk-administrator Jack McGeachie submitted his resignation to Milton council last week. He says he has no assurance he will be rehired by the new council.

Jack and Helen McGeachie are leaving Dec. 15 to visit their son Paul and his wife in Australia. They expect to be away a month.
In 1968 Mr. McGeachie went to Milton as clerk-administrator after municipal service in Acton dating back to April 1947. In his Acton post he served as P.U.C. manager, clerk administrator, planning board and committee of adjustment secretary and cemetery superintendent.

White gifts on Sunday

It was white gift Sunday at the United church and Sunday School pupils who came up into the church to participate also contributed songs and readings to the service. In general money was given rather than food, to be used for overseas famine relief.

ORNAMENTS
Among the earliest Christmas tree ornaments were some that resembled the sun, stars and moon, or animals. Using signs of nature as decorations can be traced back to the feasts of the winter equinox, when sun-worshipping pagans hung similar trinkets on trees.



DUBLIN SENIOR 4-H'er Marie Parker stands beside the demonstration her club made for exhibit at 4-H achievement day at St. Paul's United Church in Milton Saturday. Theme of the exhibit was "Accessories for the Bedroom." Marie lives at R.R. 1, Campbellville.

(Photo by D. Pink)

Witnesses at assembly

"The only realistic conclusion is that the end of this system of things as we know it is very close," was the statement of L. F. Gray, district overseer of Jehovah's Witnesses in Southern Ontario, as he spoke to 1586 persons on the subject "Act Wisely as the End Draws

Near". The occasion was the conclusion of the two day circuit Assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses this past weekend at Mayfield Secondary School, Brampton, which Witnesses from Acton and district attended. Mr. Gray supported this claim by citing recent statements from noted authorities

on matters pertaining to food shortages, the energy crisis and various other matters that have made recent headlines. He continued, "we don't say we are in these last days solely on the basis of gloomy claims from worldly authorities". The wise course, according to Mr. Gray, is to look to God and the promised new order of things to be established soon here on earth and prepare ourselves for it during these last days.

St Joseph's figures down

Patient days, both active and continuing care, for the first 10 months of 1973 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Guelph were down compared with the same 10-month period in 1972, but operations, both major and minor, increased.

Drug abuse visits were down, but poison control treatments were up and overall admissions to the hospital were down, a report released last week says.

St. Joseph's no longer handles maternity cases except on an emergency basis, which accounts for most of the drop in admissions. Active patient days for the first 10 months were 36,046 compared with 42,296 for the same period in 1972, and 32,499 continuing care days compared with 34,570 for 1972.

Night classes end

This year several of the interest courses offered at the High School come to an end. With a coffee service provided by the North Halton Harriers, night school classes proved to be a nice night out. The Harriers, a track team coached by Bruce Andrews, has been providing the coffee in an effort to raise funds for transportation to track meets.

Although some 15 and 20 week courses will continue after the Christmas break most of the classes offered in January will be new or repeats of successful classes that ran in the fall. Rhythmic gymnastics, Folk Guitar, Basic Photography and Drama Workshop are among the new offerings.

Of special interest is the Rhythmic Gymnastics which consists of two classes—one for children and one for adults. Women Libbers will be happy to hear that these are limited to females only. Registration for the next series of night classes will be on January 8, 1974. Night school organizers were very pleased with the fall program and hope for similar results in the next session.

Annual meet for Institutes

The Federated Women's Institute of Ontario met in Toronto for the annual meeting at the King Edward Hotel, from November 26 to 30. Provincial president, Mrs. Harvey Noblitt of Ottawa, presided for all sessions. All 32 senior board directors from all parts of Ontario were present.

Miss Helen McKercher, Home Economics branch, Department of Agriculture and Food, in her address, expressed appreciation to the Women's Institute for their support of the 4-H Homemaking club work. The membership in clubs increases about 1000 members each year.

Mrs. Austin Zoeller, New Hamburg, chairman of the Erland Lee home, reported that between May and November 6,000 have visited the home, which included 108 buses. The official opening was on August 9. Visitors were from Newfoundland, overseas and delegates from the officers conference. Many priorities were discussed in the future development of the Lee Home for 1974.

First snow

There was a minuscule snowfall Wednesday and the first snowmobilers were out.

HINTON'S The Christmas Gift Store

Boxed Chocolates, Christmas candles, Gift wrap, tags and seals, bows and ribbons, Toilet sets for women, men, boys and girls, Dresser sets, Jewel boxes, Beaded hankies, corsages, Christmas tablecloths, serviettes, cups and plates, Christmas crackers, candles and holders, Christmas decorations, lights, icicles, garlands, spray snow, tree balls, wreaths, etc.

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