

Valentine contests at W.I. meeting

The regular meeting of the Acton Women's Institute was held on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 6, in the board room of the library. The president, Miss Simmons opened the meeting with a poem Design for a Home. The secretary and treasurer's reports were read by Mrs. Marie Hargreaves. Mrs. Myrtle Lambert gave her report which ended with a poem Don't Envy Other Folks. Mrs. Lambert was convener for contests, a heart contest followed by "Kate" contest which were suitable for Valentine's Day. A beautiful Valentine lunch was served by the committee in charge under the convener of Mrs. Agnes Holmes and a social time was enjoyed by all.

Professional development

The Halton elementary school teachers' professional development day will be held on Feb. 15. Each school has organized its professional activities with the immediate needs of its school community in mind.

Y Valentine dance Friday

Ten to sixteen-year-olds are invited to dance to the music of Captain Crow at a Y-sponsored Valentine dance Friday night from 8 till 11:30 at the Y building on Mill St. Admission is 75 cents.

\$100 donation to pool project

Plans for a card party and dessert tea, to be held Friday evening, April 5 at St. Alban's Parish Hall were discussed at the February meeting of the

Lionettes held at the home of Louise Papillon. The girls decided on a ticket price of \$1.25 with lucky draws to be held during the evening.

Final preparations for the card party are to be made at the March meeting. Lions Heinz Krzyzik and Pete Papillon, on behalf of the Lions Club, presented the gavel and gong to president Barb Trotter. A vote of thanks was expressed to the Lions for the beautiful gift.

A cheque for \$100 from the club was presented to Lion Heinz towards the swimming pool project. The meeting, officially adjourned with the new gavel and gong, was followed by a lovely lunch served by the hostess Louise Papillon.

Safety awards

Between 30 and 35 Acton men will receive awards Feb. 16 at the annual Safe Driver Award Banquet at the Italian-Canadian club in Guelph. The event is sponsored by the Transportation Safety Association, an arm of the Workmen's Compensation Board. The local men are drivers for Guy Cartage, Ridley Cartage and Herb Dodds.

These "professionals of the road" have from one to 20 years accident-free years, although they make their living on the highways where traffic density is increasing every day. These drivers are considered a credit to themselves, their companies and the community and the banquet and award are to recognize these efforts.

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BOOK SALE at the Y Saturday was sponsored by the Y's Menettes club. Toys, games and white elephants also intrigued the browsers.

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Personals

A surprise birthday party was held Saturday night in honor of Mr. William Frank's 65th birthday.

Alan Hill was the lucky winner of an original oil painting in the Milton Rotary club's draw this past week.

Halton Hills mayor Tom Hill was guest speaker at last week's Rotary club meeting. He answered questions on regional government for the members.

The ten women who play "fun" basketball on Wednesday nights at the Robert Little school are having a Brookville team up for a game next week.

A pot luck supper preceded Knox annual meeting Tuesday, and a presentation was made to retiring caretakers Laura and Wilf McEachern. Details next week.

Halton Wentworth Progressive Conservative Association will hold the annual meeting and election of officers Friday night at 8 p.m. at the Burlington Mall auditorium.



by Wendy Thomson

Recently, a reader sent me a page of little news items entitled "Would You Believe It?"—useless information you can't afford to be without.

And here they are, fascinating bits of knowledge to drop into a conversation whenever there's a lull.

Bees have to travel 140,000 miles to make one pound of honey and must visit 5,000 flowers to make a single spoonful.

The Bata Shoe Company has patented shoes with pockets in them for the use of needles.

In the great days of Hollywood, western sets were made seven-eighths scale to make the heroes seem larger than life.

Scientists arriving at the uninhabited islands of the Southern Ocean are often greeted by king penguins who literally fall over backwards with surprise.

Between 1870 and 1871, the Afghanistan postal system required postmasters to cancel letters by biting off a corner of the stamp.

Registered

Duelling is legal in Uruguay if both parties are registered blood donors.

The fishermen of St. Malo in Normandy never keep the first fish they catch in a season. Instead, they pour half a bottle of wine down its throat and throw it back. The idea is that the other fish will crowd around the returnee, get a whiff of the wine and spend the rest of the season making desperate attempts to get caught.

The final request of the French murderer, Landru, (convicted of killing 11 people) before he was guillotined was, "I would like to wash my feet."

A typical ten-gallon hat holds three-quarters of a gallon.

Only one per cent of Frenchmen have enough energy left after the weekend to make love on Mondays.

And finally—One teaspoon of water contains as many molecules as there are teaspoons of water in the Atlantic Ocean—but I don't know how you'd go about proving it.

Lately, we haven't been able to fit into our budget any of the Take-Home Foods that we like and I've been digging out all my old pizza, chinese and chicken recipes. This is one of our favorite "Kentucky" chicken ones.

**OVEN FRIED CHICKEN**  
1/4 cup fine dry breadcrumbs  
1/4 cup cornmeal  
1 tsp. salt  
a few shakes pepper  
1/4 tsp. herb or poultry seasoning  
3 or 4 lbs. chicken pieces  
1/2 cup butter or margarine

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Put butter in a 9 x 13 baking dish and set in the oven to melt.

Wash chicken and let drain. (Remove whatever skin will come off easily.) Roll in crumb mixture, coating well.

Place chicken in melted butter and bake, uncovered, 20 minutes. Turn and bake another 20 minutes, then turn again to brown all sides well. Bake a further 20 minutes and it's ready to eat!

Note: for a change, paprika or curry may be used in place of other seasoning, but I've yet to try it myself.



MOST people at the Y's Menettes sale Saturday headed straight for the books, but Charles Vanitem made a beeline for the second-hand trucks.

Legion \$2,500 donation

A cheque for \$2,500 was presented by Acton Legion Ladies' Auxiliary to the men's branch at their last general meeting Thursday. President Lucy Snyott made the gift which is to help finance the new building.

Birthday for IODE

The 7th birthday of Lake-side chapter of the I.O.D.E. was celebrated at the February meeting with a cake, candles in the shape of 74, favors and small flags for decoration.

It was the annual meeting and reports were given. The new executive: honorary regent Mrs. C. Nelles, regent Mrs. R. Spielvogel, vice regent Jessie Coles, secretary Mrs. J. Jocque, treasurer Mrs. H. H. Hinton, membership secretary Mrs. W. Coon, education secretary Mrs. R. Cooksley, Echoes secretary Mrs. J. McHugh, services secretary Mrs. A. Walde, citizenship secretary Mrs. R. West, standard bearer Mrs. D. Coultrup.

Presentation was made with appreciation to the retiring regent Mrs. Nelles. The new officers were installed by Mrs. M. Gerth. A \$25 donation will be made to the Contact Centre. The meeting was in the Legion hall.

Council names

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Named to the Ballinac Recreation Centre Board for 1974 Ivan Bird, Ann Trueman, Linda Pabst, Marlene Burnett, Linda O'Connor, Morley Shortill, Chuck Portelli, Will McLean, with an appointment to be made from Halton Hills. Decided that, although there will be an assessment made on trailers in 1974, there would still be the usual \$20.00 charge for licensing. Heard a request from Mrs. Cuthbert, lot 1, Fifth Line, that a sign be erected "Watch for Ponies and Children."

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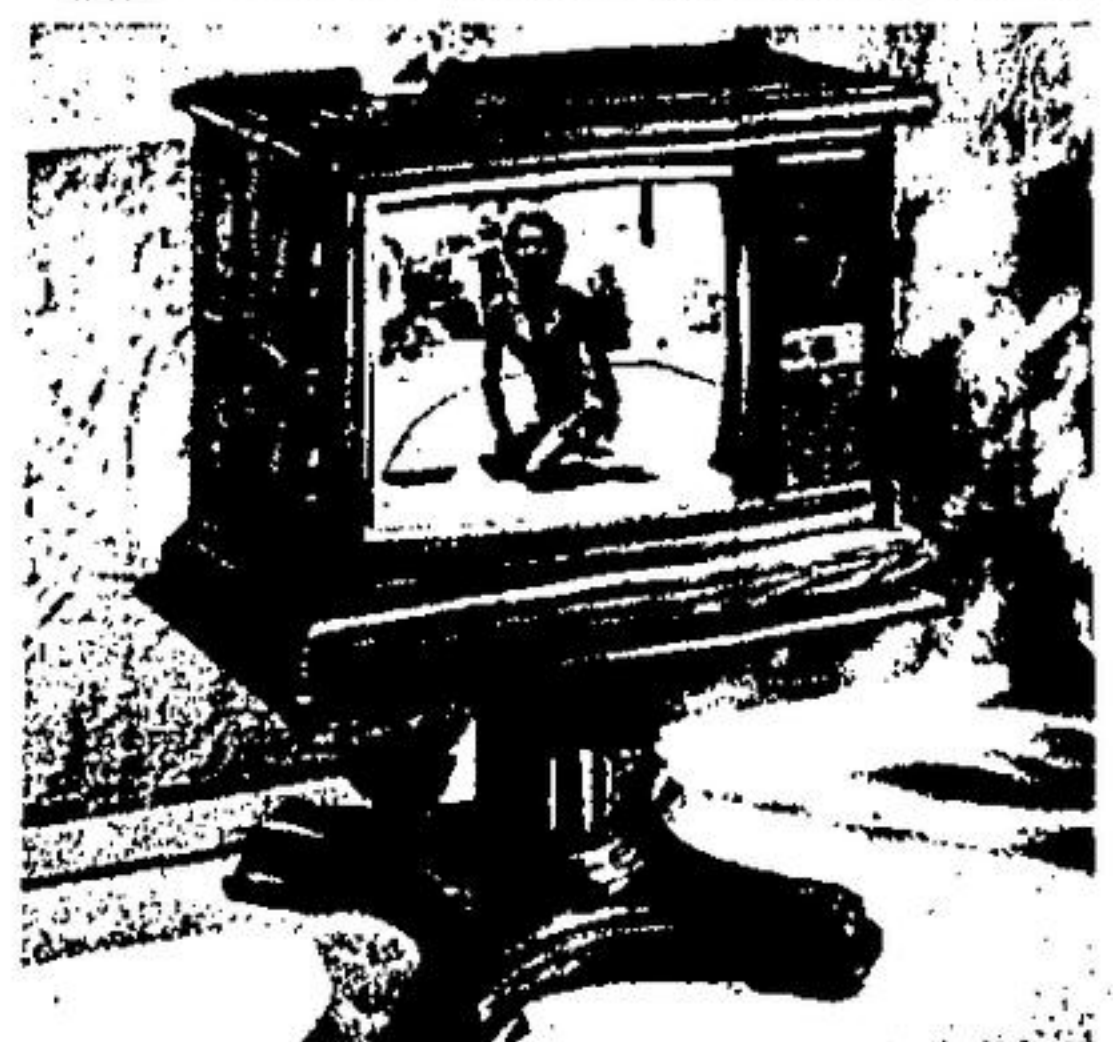
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