



THE PRIMARY BOYS' CLASS OF the Evangel Pentecostal Tabernacle had a Christmas letter play at their annual Christmas concert on Friday, December 13.

Children participate Pentecostal concert

The children of the Sunday school classes of the Evangel Pentecostal Tabernacle held their annual Christmas concert on Friday, December 13.

Part of the youth group, Christ's Ambassadors, opened the program with songs. An opening welcome and prayer were said by Pastor Thoman.

The cradle roll class, the beginners and the primary classes staged the manger scene, under the theme of Keep Christ in Christmas.

The primary girls, dressed as angels, sang Silent Night and the boys in the same age group did a Christmas letter play.

With candles the junior girls also sang their song being In Search of Peace. The second class of junior girls had a procession with Christ's candles. As they walked through the tabernacle, they sang God's Little Candle.

The junior boys held a recitation and said the Christmas Prayer. The youth choir sang Once More We Sing of Christmas.

Mrs. G. Bowen sang Down From His Glory.

A closing prayer was said and Fred Cripps and Peter Binnie handed out the candy bags.



BOBBY PHILLIPS headed a recitation of the junior boys class in the Pentecostal Christmas concert on December 13.

New Region Safety Council promotes safety

The traffic safety efforts of the Oakville, Burlington, Milton and Halton Hills area (formerly Georgetown and Acton) have been merged into a region-wide safety organization known as the Halton Region Safety Council.

"We'd be glad to help form a similar local council in either Halton Hills or Milton," she added.

While traffic safety is logically a regional responsibility falling under the new regional safety council, such matters as fire prevention, home and water safety, and poison control would fall more easily within local jurisdictions.

Regional Police Chief Kenneth Skerrett is wholeheartedly behind the new council's efforts. The 25

members composed of interested citizens, ranging from a regional council representative to the principal of the School for the Deaf at Milton, meet monthly to discuss its current projects.

Finance patrols also provides the funding for school safety patrols in the region, and for the training camps and attendance at the annual Ottawa patrol jamboree.

The Regional Safety Council bought a safety van which was presented to Sgt. Bromley, head of the safety

division for the Region. Oakville and Burlington each gave a van to their local safety officers to help them get around to schools.



DOUG AND KAY Stewart sang a duet at the Evangel Pentecostal Tabernacle Christmas concert on Friday December 13.

Lodge appeal

Appeals against a decision to grant separations for three parcels of land has been lodged by Halton Planning Committee.

The lands are owned by Grant Alexander on the Fourth Line of Nassagaweya. He intends to subdivide parts of his 233 acres and use the land for estate type residential development.

His lawyer Mrs. Morrel was unsuccessful in having the committee change its mind after presenting her case at a planning meeting Dec. 10.

Want fire commission

Halton Region's Administration Committee feels the province should have a commission responsible for handling salary arbitrations between the municipalities and the fire departments in the province.

Burlington Mayor George Harrington argued the commission should be set up along the same lines as the commission responsible for arbitrating police salaries. He suggested there was a certain degree of expertise necessary for an effective job to be done.

But the committee refused to endorse the Region of Waterloo's call for a task force on fire protection.



PASTOR S.M. THOMAN played the violin at the Pentecostal concert on December 13.

Churchill

Candlelight service

By Mrs. Fred MacArthur

Sunday, December 15, Churchill morning worship was well attended. Rev. A. W. Fosbury's message subject was "Our Singing Faith". Choir was in attendance.

Churchill Church Ladies held a Christmas party on Wednesday evening, December 11 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson. All families enjoyed a pot luck dinner held in the basement.

Upstairs a sing song was enjoyed with Mrs. N. Turner at the piano. Chairlady was our president Mrs. C. Storey. Christmas Carols were enjoyed. Piano, instrumentals, contests and short readings were enjoyed when along came Santa in time to hand out the gifts. A happy time was enjoyed.

Christening

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brooks attended the christening service on Sunday, December 15 at St. Alban The Martyr Church, Acton, of Peter Roy Stephen Brooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brooks. Godparents were Mr. Neil Taylor of Cambridge and Mr. William Smith of Milton as godfathers, and Mrs. Ronna Taylor as godmother.

All returned to Roy and Marie's home for a baptismal dinner.

Good wishes

Friends were indeed sorry to hear Mr. Joshua Thompson underwent surgery on Monday morning at St. Joseph's hospital. He came through fine and all hope for a speedy recovery and back to much better health.

Churchill Community Church was filled for the annual Candle-lighting Service Sunday evening. The sanctuary was beautifully decorated with candles, evergreens, and a large and lavishly trimmed Christmas tree. Looking unnaturally angelic and serious, the young choir members proceeded down the aisle carefully balancing hymn-books and candles. O Come All Ye Faithful! They had prepared several new Advent carols and sang sweetly and clearly. They were assisted by "God's Kids" who performed a group of songs including "Do You Know What I Hear."

They also sang with the junior choir two anthems: "Jesus Atonethia", featuring Jim Anderson on tom-tom, and "Mary's Little Boy Child" with the whole church orchestra accompanying, and Elizabeth Cooper on the bells.

Organist Mrs. Marie Anderson and regular orchestra members, violinists, A. Kerr and Ray Denny, were assisted by Keith Barber on cello, trumpeter John Duenk, and Charles Crimes on bass violin. As well as traditional carols the Orchestra played two compositions by Handel. Mr. Crimes and his wife also rendered the lovely "Coventry Carol" as a vocal duet. One of our own juniors, Helen Kockx, sang a solo, "The Bell Carol". The boys of the choir sang "The Golden Carol," the wise men's song of praise.

Our minister, the Rev. Fosbury, was capably assisted with the readings, by Michael Cooper.

All participants are to be congratulated on this most effective and inspiring service.

500 at museum

The log fire in the huge stone fireplace at Halton Museum blazed as close to 500 visitors last week enjoyed an old-fashioned Christmas tea. Christmas music played as members of the Friends of the Museum served tea, apple cider and cakes.

Beginning Wednesday the museum took on a festive air as the old beams were decorated with red poinsettia, green wreaths and silver bells. Flickering candlelight provided an atmosphere for reminiscing about Christmases of years gone by.

Old-fashioned tree

The log cabin offered an even more realistic peek into the past with its tree decorated with old-fashioned popcorn and cranberry strings.

The tea continued until Sunday evening. Children were given candy canes as they visited with their parents, a wonderful opportunity to catch a glimpse of Christmases past.

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Trustees

Two past chairmen and the present vice-chairman of the Halton Board of Education will be among the 15 members of a committee the board is forming to study opportunities for leadership within the system.

Past chairmen Ernie Bodnar and Fred Armitage and vice-chairperson Judy Alexander along with trustees Bill Heard and Dr. Helen Lock are trustee appointments to the committee.

Bursary

Virginia Zuraw of Moffat received the Class '59A Memorial Bursary from Professor N. C. Stockopf at the Ontario Agricultural College Awards Presentation, University of Guelph. The award is given to a student entering the third semester of the Associate Diploma in Agriculture Program for participation in class and extracurricular activities.

Family allowance up

Increases in Family Allowances, effective in January, 1975 were announced by Health and Welfare Minister Marc Lalonde. The increase is based on the cost of living increase since November 1973, as provided for in the Family Allowances Act.

Federal monthly allowances paid for children under the age of 18 will rise to \$22.08 from \$20 a month per child. Under a provision in the Family Allowances Act, a provincial government may ask the federal government to vary the family allowance rates payable in that province according to the age or the number of children in a family, or both, providing the family allowance payments in each province average \$22.08. Quebec and Alberta have chosen this option.

Special allowances, which are paid to foster parents and welfare agencies, government departments and institutions that are maintaining children, will also increase to \$22.08 from \$20 in all 10 provinces.

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