

# Predicts busy year for Nassagaweya ratepayers

Nassagaweya ratepayers will have a lot of work to do in the next year, according to William A. Johnson.

Mr. Johnson, an outspoken ratepayer activist, was elected chairman of Nassagaweya Area Ratepayers Association when the group met Wednesday at Brookville School in an attempt to revive the floundering group. An active opponent of rural dumping of urban garbage, Mr. Johnson promised the group it would be active on several fronts in the months to come, including:

**Council meetings:** Someone from the NARA executive should attend every meeting of Milton Council and report back to the group;

**The Speyside quarry:** NARA should give full support to the ratepayer neighbors who are opposing development of a new quarry on St. Helena Rd. at Speyside.

**Phone support:** Campbellville phones: The "854 Committee" currently working on a plan to improve telephone services to Campbellville (854) exchange will need more support;

**The escarpment:** Ratepayers should be concerned about further desecration of the Niagara Escarpment, he said;

**Cable TV tower:** Johnson wondered if the 320 foot high



Brian Donat

WILLIAM A. JOHNSON

Carolyn Andrews

cable TV tower under construction at Speyside will interfere with area TV and radio reception;

Subdivisions in Moffat and Brookville villages; He wondered who will pay for the new homes' sewer and water systems and wondered if neighbors should bear the cost of well water through these developments;

**Campbellville gravel pit:** The executive will attend the March 6 hearing where Campbellville residents will oppose increased traffic through the village from a pit west of the village;

**Hunter problems:** "If you want a debate on hunting, we'll sure as hell have one," the new chairman said. He

was surprised that although a large pro-hunter lobby appeared at Milton Council meetings when the hunting debate was raging, only a few anti-hunting landowners spoke out.

**Invite Masson:** Regional Council: He proposed inviting Regional Chairman Allan Masson to a meeting to discuss the new form of government.

**Prior to electing a new nine-member executive,** the original interim executive of NARA apologized for a lack of activity during the group's first year of operation.

Executive members had been too busy in their own personal lives to devote enough time to the association, explained

chairman Walter Tkachenko. "It almost croaked, but it didn't," he said, "but it's in need of a good transfusion."

About 40 of the original 118 members were on hand for the election. Johnson defeated Ed Smith in the race for chairman and Mrs. Carolyn Andrews was acclaimed vice-chairman. An election was held for secretary-treasurer and Brian Donat won over Mrs. Bridget Schonfeld. Directors named are Mrs. Schonfeld, Bruce Kirkeby, Dr. Gene Cipparrone, Gary Robertson, Ilay Durham and Phil Walker.

**Expand later:** The group agreed the executive could be expanded later to obtain representation from the far north and south of the township, to ensure adequate representation for all ratepayers. Most of those named to the executive live toward the centre of the old Nassagaweya area that was joined with Milton in regional government.

Chairman Johnson appealed for direction from members and welcomed constructive criticism. The executive would do its best but "you can't please everybody," he concluded.

NARA has \$95 in a bank account, former treasurer Mrs. Margaret Pirie reported. It was agreed that those who paid \$2 for membership last year would be counted as paid-up members for 1975. Vice-chairman for 1974, John Pirie reported the group appealed for funds to aid MacKenzie family which

was burned out of his home, and \$177 was collected. To this was added \$50 from Milton Council, so \$227 was turned over to the family.

**Specific night:** The new executive will convene another meeting early in April, likely the first Wednesday of the month. Members felt a regular meeting should be held on a specific night of each month, for better continuity.

Councillors Brad Clements and Russell Powadiuk attended the meeting. "We wish the new executive all the best. Russ and I will assist all we can," Councillor Clements told the gathering.

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## Legion notes

by Gary Hawkins

The Shaynes drew a very large crowd to the auditorium on Saturday evening. From all reports everyone had an enjoyable night and are looking forward to the return of the Shaynes at a later date. Next Saturday, the dances will feature the return of the Hobbies.

**Branch Sports:** R. Holmes and G. McPhail defeated A. Nolan and P. Dick in the only game played in the Ping League this week. G. McCutcheon and H. Heller are still holding the top spot in the league.

The 230 Club illustrated last week why they have held top spot in the Industrial Cribbage League. They picked up thirteen out of a possible fourteen points. Present standings are: 230

**Parked cars:** There have been a few problems with cars parked on streets overnight when snow-plowing is underway, according to police.

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### Churchill

## Man from Nassau to be guest speaker

by Mrs. Fred MacArthur Sunday morning worship service was very well attended on March 2. Rev. A. W. Fosbury's sermon subject was "Jesus and His companions at the cross." Choir sang "Give of your best to the master." A very good attendance at Sunday school also.

Next Sunday, March 9, guest speaker will be Edgar Melbourne of Nassau, Bahamas. He is minister of the First Baptist church in Nassau. We hope to have special music and song. There will be two services next Sunday. One at 11 a.m. and one at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Melbourne will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Cooper and family while here.

World Day of Prayer will be held in the Churchill church on Friday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m. Theme for this year is "Become perfectly one." Guest speaker is to be Mrs. Gaggie of Georgetown. Choir will be in attendance and refreshments will be served afterwards. Everyone welcome.

We are sorry to report Frank Thompson is a patient in Guelph General hospital undergoing surgery this week. We all at Churchill wish him a speedy recovery and back to good health.

Mr. and Mrs. George Malby attended a dinner dance of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, A.S.N.E. at the Inn on the Park in Toronto, on Friday evening. Their three sons, Gregory, Guy and Geoffrey

Malby, spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Malby in Lockwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Moore of Churchill Road spent the weekend with her mother Mrs. Gertrude Hodgins of Powassan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Knox and daughter Jennifer of Oshawa, visited at her sisters home on Sunday, with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr, Christine and Jeffrey.

## Lack of activities for Speyside area young

The first meeting of the recreation advisory committee on February 27 introduced John Cooper, the new recreation co-ordinator, and Mrs. Pamela Sheldon, a newly-appointed member to the committee.

Mrs. Sheldon expressed her concern over the lack of activities for the children in the Speyside area after school.

She has spoken to the principal of the Speyside school, Norm Howell, who

will support anything Mrs. Sheldon is able to get together. He would like to see an adventure playground, or something to that effect.

Mrs. Sheldon would also like to see different groups formed in the Speyside area from those offered in Acton. Groups like Scouts and Guides would be very much appreciated as children from that area have to go all the way into Acton for such activities.

There are 200 children attending Speyside school

## Theft, disturbances all on same day

Acton Police investigated four special incidents Friday.

A theft of a battery and two windshield wipers at L and L Ford was reported and is still under investigation. Value was set at \$50.

Three juveniles were located here. They had been reported missing at 10 a.m. at Brampton that day and were found at 6:20 p.m.

At 11 p.m., in the arena, a local man and a Georgetown man were charged with causing a disturbance.

At 10:30 p.m. a stolen car was reported from a house on

Main St. It was located March 2 on the Third Line of Erasmosa and returned to its Acton owner.

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