

Ballinafad

Easter services are inspiration

By Mrs. R. Shortill Sr.
The Easter service Sunday and also Good Friday was an inspiration to all of us. Both choirs were there to render appropriate anthems—"It is joyful Easter time" and "If that isn't love."
Scripture readings from Exodus 14 15-31 and St. John 21: 1-20 expressed the theme of Rev. Stiles' sermon "The Lord of Glory."
The Christian religion depends not on what Christ was, but on what He is, not because He lived, but because He lives that we also have life with faith in our heart.
Next Sunday we will have a guest speaker Rev. Hilda Johnson, B.A. B.D. M.Th.
The lovely white and gold Easter Altar Cloth gracing the pulpit was intricately embroidered and donated by Miss Jean Lawr.
We were pleased to see Mrs. Drouillard and daughter Lydia at the service.
Auction
A Community Auction was held in the hall on Saturday with a good crowd attending. Proceeds were for needed funds.
Mr. and Mrs. Pennie and family have moved into the Bennett house on the former Blue Mt. School grounds.
Luncheon
Mrs. Joyce Clarke and two other U.C.W. members attended the Luncheon at Hillcrest Church on Thursday. Mrs. LaVerne McLaughlin favoured with organ music

before the lunch. Following the tasty meal we were entertained by musical numbers, both vocal and instrumental.
Then the speaker for the day, chairman of Halton Board of Education, gave an enlightening talk on educational matters. She stressed the fact that Halton schools were proud of their teachers and proud of their learning system. Her talk was greatly appreciated by us all as were the excellent musical numbers—instrumental, orchestral, duets and solos.
The Hillcrest church is a beautiful one and a credit to its community.
Busy
All the neighbours around here are busy with their yards and preparing for their gardens. It's very warm but cold weather usually comes again before gardening time is safe from frost.
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Volmar's Birchway Farm was a busy place this weekend. We appreciate having such a versatile centre in the neighbourhood.
Accident
Miss Debbie French suffered a painful accident while grooming her horse. She is better though.
Mrs. Willa Shortill had surgery in Guelph but we're glad to say she is recovering nicely.
Lightning last week struck some of our houses here, damaging T.V.'s and some of our hydro services.



AUCTIONEER CHRIS Schouten accepts bids while Ernie Thompson displays Christmas decorations at the Ballinafad community hall auction, Saturday. The auction was held to raise money for renovations to the downstairs area of the hall and all the items up for grabs were donated by Ballinafad residents.

Silverwood

Annual elections for Silverwood W.I.

By Alicia Scott
Silverwood W.I. held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Lindauer on Thurs., April 8.

17 members and one guest answered roll call "what's happening in Canada." Minutes of the last annual were read and adopted. Mrs. Giffen attended the board meeting and gave her report.

District annual will be held at St. David's Church, Campbellville, May 18 and several members decided to be present.

April Manor party was discussed and the date 21st, three branches are joining together to entertain Manor citizens.

The Manor bazaar was brought up and members promised baking for their sale.

Mrs. Marchington conducted election of officers. Mrs. Bruce Lindsay will occupy the president's chair for 1976-77.

The meeting in the winter months will be held in the afternoons.
A social half hour closed the meeting.

Birthdays
A long time resident of Silverwood, Mrs. Jessie Appleyard enjoyed a special birthday recently. Thirty-nine family members and relatives sat down to a dinner at her home Sunday, April 4, at 5 p.m. May Jessie enjoy many more years.

Officers
Slate of officers 1976-1977 of Silverwood W.I.
Past President Mrs. G. Ironside, president Mrs. B. Lindsay, 1st vice president

Mrs. H. Lindauer, 2nd vice president Mrs. C. Wilson.
Secretary-treasurer Mrs. I. Carmichael, public relations Mrs. H. Scott.

District director Mrs. G. Ironside, alternate-director Mrs. L. Giffen, branch directors Mrs. Appleyard, Mrs. Williamson, pianist Mrs. D. Lindsay, curator Mrs. H. Marchington, auditors Mrs. E. Miller, Mrs. D. Williamson.

Standing committees, Agricultural and Canadian Industries Mrs. F. Campbell. Educational and Cultural Activities Mrs. L. Giffen, Mrs. W. R. Norton; Citizenship and World Affairs Mrs. Gothe; Family and Consumer Affairs Mrs. Corbett, resolutions Mrs. H. Marchington; social committee Mrs. Burt, Mrs. D. Lindsay, Mrs. H. Lindauer, Mrs. I. Carmichael, courtesy Mrs. C. Wilson, Mrs. E. Beene; fruit and flowers Mrs. H. Lindauer.

Churchill

Pancake breakfast is enjoyed Good Friday

by Mrs. Fred MacArthur
There was a very good turnout for breakfast at Churchill Community Church on Good Friday morning for a hearty meal of pancakes and maple syrup and to hear a very inspiring Good Friday Easter message from our pastor the Rev. McFadden.
Church service on Easter Sunday was very well attended. Special music was Calvary. Offeratory selection was Sacred Head Now Wounded. Mr. McFadden's sermon theme, was The First

Day.
Visitors
Mrs. Clarence Denny spent Easter Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Brian Patterson and Leslie in Guelph.
Bob Warne has been visiting with his daughter Marjory and Bill Bell and family at Owen Sound.
Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Thompson who celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kocks supplied Easter lilies to

beautify the sanctuary.
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Julian of Brampton were Easter Sunday guests at their daughter's home with Mr. and Mrs. Norm Turner, David and Julian.
Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burt and family of Georgetown, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Trimbell and family of Orangeville, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Bessie, Bellwood, Dr. and Mrs. Ben Wingrove, of Guelph, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eleveleigh of Fergus and Mrs. Gordon Lindsay of Brockville, over the Easter holiday.
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gavareau of London, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dawson of Wyoming and Mr. and Mrs. Ron MacArthur visited with Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacArthur on Saturday.

Learning disabilities discussed

"Encouragement" for parents and "hope" for children with learning disabilities is the message Sheila Morrison a former Toronto school teacher always tries to give. She did just that April 14, when she spoke to the Association for Children with Learning Disabilities of Wellington County, at the Fergus high school.

In her speech for the evening, Mrs. Morrison summed up dealing with Learning Difficulties or Disabilities by saying "recognition, remediation, and restoration" were the necessities. With regards to these, she by the use of charts, examples, and learning disability case studies, gave all present many pointers and suggestions for helping their children at home "despite the advice of most teachers."

NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

Ebenezer

Easter service at sunrise

By Mrs. Ron McLean
The Easter service at Ebenezer was well attended. Many enjoyed the sunrise service at Slurkey's hill, followed by breakfast at the Ark-kel church.

Rev. R. Finley spoke of the legend of the fox, who was being chased. He came to an opening to a cave. Being a smart fox, he noticed that all the tracks were going in, none coming out. So he went on and found refuge in some trees. We have the mental attitude that we are being chased; we dread the grave. We must go

in the cave, but there is an exit on the other side. The disciples, who went into Christ's tomb, and saw the cloths, believed. A larva gets the urge to climb up on a lily. Transformation turns it into a dragon fly. Each day can be a new awakening for you, as each spring is a new beginning.

Mrs. Dave Ward's friends wish her a speedy recovery. She is a patient in Guelph General Hospital.
Jim Allsop paid a brief visit to his parents, Margaret and Jim Allsop, Sr.

Eden Mills

Nine birthdays joint celebration

By Mrs. Georgina Wright
Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilson were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Spinks and daughter Lynn and Mrs. Helen Spinks all from Thicketown, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hamer, Blind River.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Montgomery and daughter Marlene; Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCartney are holding a family reunion at Ariss Sunday with other members of the Montgomery families.

Mrs. William McLean was in Toronto to celebrate her sister's 80th birthday last week.

Mrs. Anna Wilson is confined to St. Joseph's Hospital. All her friends in Eden Mills wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Lockett entertained Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Lockett, Toronto on Sunday.

The Gilbertsons and MacDougall families gathered at Community Hall, Eden Mills, Saturday to celebrate nine birthdays in April and late March. The ladies of the Community club catered to a delicious dinner at six o'clock. Those who had celebrated birthdays were: Catherine Gilbertson, Sada Gilbertson, Bob Gilbertson, Bonnie Hamilton, Rodger MacDougall, Troy MacDougall, Terri MacDougall, Garnet MacDougall, Donna Henry.



DORIS ELLA, Ballinafad, is attracted to a strawberry shaped cookie jar at the Ballinafad Hall sale, Saturday.

UFO's spotted in Erin township

Is Erin township being invaded by beings from an alien planet?

Two unidentified flying objects were seen by Mr. and Colin Newland and family on April 7 as they drove between Ospringle and Erin, on Highway 24 just after seven o'clock.

Mr. Newland described the objects as orb shaped, shooting towards the earth. The larger one, translucent turquoise in color was followed by a smaller one. They both fell behind some trees in the direction of Belfountain.
Upon reaching their destination, the Erin district high

school open house, a teacher Marg White said she also had seen a strange object in the sky about the same time as the Newlands did. Miss White however, said she thought she had seen a falling star which disappeared like a flame being extinguished.

Mr. Newland will be contacted by the University of Toronto Observatory and the UFO Research Organization for further information. The groups could offer no solutions to the sightings.

Ospringle

Holiday vacations for area residents

by Doris Fines
The warm sunny days last week coaxed the groundhogs out to sun themselves, where they sit in the field behind us, contemplating what sort of goodies will be growing in the gardens this year. Which brings to mind a little incident of last summer. Our neighbour went out with hoe in hand to tackle the weeds which insist on strangling the vegetables. A groundhog was standing up between the rows, nibbling contentedly on her beans. She whacked him on the head with the hoe, and killed him. Methinks it is a wise woman who raises not the wrath of her neighbour.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mann, Stephen and Peter, have returned home from a two week holiday in Texas.
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fisher enjoyed a trip to Nashville over the Easter weekend.

Returns
Mrs. Enoch Wood has returned to the community, and is staying with her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ferguson and family, having spent the winter with her other daughter in Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tranah.

The Rev. George Lewis' sermon on Sunday at Knox Presbyterian Church, was an Easter meditation. The Sunday School children sang during the service, and Brenda Bruce sang a solo - Open the Gates of the Temple.

A couple of liquor seizures and fights were investigated by Acton and district police this week.

Confirmed
Susan Miller was confirmed last Sunday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Guelph. She had attended classes for two years, and was presented with a bible as a gift from her family. Susan, her parents Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Miller, and her brothers and sisters, attended a dinner afterwards at a restaurant in Guelph.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Russell of Detroit, Mich., visited with Mr. Russell's sister and niece Mrs. Thomas Fines and Doris. They also visited with other relatives in the vicinity, including Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferguson and Mrs. Arnold Bessey.

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