

Maritime tour for Eramosa Youth Choir

by Kerry Chalmers
Air strike or not, the Eramosa Youth Choir had their Maritime Tour. The group travelled by bus to Halifax when it was learned that they would be unable to fly as planned. They stayed at the Holiday Inn in Halifax and enjoyed a side trip to Peggy's Cove. Next on the list was Antigonish where there were several concerts in the Antigonish Cathedral and a concert and tour at St. Martha's Convent. St. Martha is a patron Saint who represents hospitality and the group thought this was very

apparent in the nun's reception of the choir. The tour of the Cabot Trail was enjoyed by everyone and the stop at Fort Louisbourg which is the biggest reconstruction project ever attempted in Canada fascinated all.

Musical
After ferrying to P.E.I., they attended the Anne of Green Gables Musical at Confederation Centre and found this to be a marvellous program. Many of the group had their first taste of Lobster dinner at St. Anne's Church in Summerside P.E.I. and were

taken on a tour of a lobster hatchery. After travelling to Moncton the choir took a train to Quebec City where they stayed in the beautiful Frontenac Hotel before flying home. The choir thoroughly enjoyed their wonderful trip and thank everyone who gave them moral and financial encouragement during the year. They also, appreciate their chaperones, Mrs. Anne Benham, Mrs. Betty Burnett, and Dr. J. O'Connor. In summing up the choir especially give thanks to Roberta and Bill Hoy for a marvellous trip.



LIGHTHOUSE at Peggy's Cove where the Eramosa Youth Choir enjoyed a side trip after reaching Halifax by bus.



SOME OF the choir relaxing at a picnic beside the ocean at Ingonish Motel. The group stayed here after their tour of the fascinating Fort Louisbourg.

Osprings

Many guests in local residences

by Doris Fines
Mr. and Mrs. John Aitken, Polly and Whitney, of California, are visiting with John's parents Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Aitken. John is being transferred from Edwards Air Force Base, Los Angeles, to the Canadian Forces Base in Cold Lake, Alberta. It will take a bit of acclimatizing to get used to the extreme cold winters in Cold Lake, as compared to the warmer temperature of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lang and Bonnie spent a week holidaying and camping at Tobermory.

Mrs. Jack Ferguson is a patient in Guelph General Hospital, where she had surgery on her foot. We hope she is up and around soon.

From Detroit
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Russell of Detroit are visiting relatives in the Erin and Guelph area for a few days including Mr. Russell's sisters, Mrs. Thomas Fines, Mrs. Clarence McMillan and Mrs. S. E. Smith.

Rev. and Mrs. T. J. Rees of Mount Forest were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferguson, Mrs. Thomas Fines and Doris Fines, attended a family gathering at the home of

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Henderson at Belwood. It was the fourth birthday of Tara Redman of Mount Forest, Mrs. Fines' great granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Banas, Carol and Reed of Agincourt, visited with Mrs. Banas' sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stewart and family.

Bible school
Vacation Bible School at Everton Church had a fairly good turnout last week, with quite a few from this district attending. The theme was Growing and Doing With Jesus. Mrs. Vernon Stewart taught the Primary Class, with Mrs. Bruce Smith assisting. The director was Donna Bateman and the pianist was Birdie Kingsbury. It was a very good week all around.

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NEW PLACE for summer fun is the Guelph dam, built by the Grand River Conservation Authority. Information is available.

Guelph dam haven

by Kerry Chalmers
The dam and reservoir built by the Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) have led to the creation of a 3,800 acre conservation park with a lake four miles long and about two-and-a-half miles wide. Already the lake has become a haven for sail boats, canoes and swimmers on hot sunny weekends.

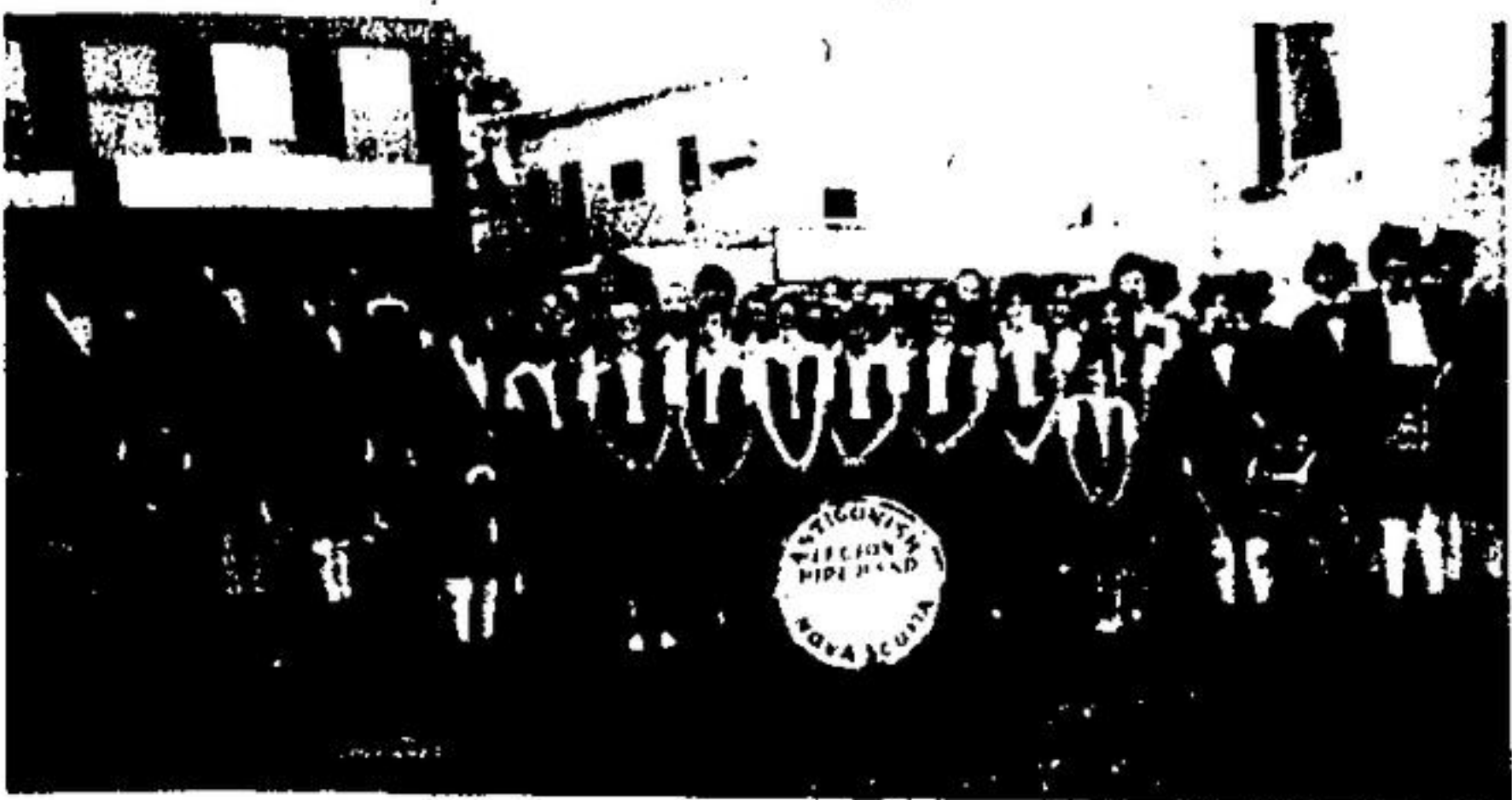
The GRCA has decided to ban all motorized recreation

equipment such as motor boats, snowmobiles and motorcycles from the area. They plan a 1,800-foot-long beach that is expected to attract visitors from across southern Ontario.

Information
Many of the visitors to the area are requesting more detailed information as to the purpose of the project and plans for the future. The GRCA has established an In-

formation Centre located in the first house east of the dam on the south side of Guelph Twp. Rd. No. 6.

The Centre provides maps of the area as well as information pamphlets and brochures. If this dam has aroused your curiosity pay them a visit. The Centre is open Wednesday through Sunday each week during the summer.



ERAMOSA YOUTH Choir pose with the Antigonish Pipe Band. The group sang with the band at the Miners' Museum in Springhill.

Ebenezer

Regular service again

By Mrs. Ian McLean
Regular church service resumed at Ebenezer, following the Rev. and Mrs. Russel Finley's brief holiday in Barrie. His sermon topic was "Contact." It should be easy to be aware of God's presence in the beautiful summer season. The greater part of Jesus's message is "Have faith," Florence Nightingale said, "I will not try to convince you with words that there is a God. I only ask that you look around you."

On a guided tour in the Swiss Alps, there was a mar-

vellous view. Two ladies said to the guide, "There is supposed to be a wonderful view up here. Where is it?"

To know and to feel Jesus's presence, is a gift eternal. Those who can spiritually sense Him reap great benefit. Another way to be aware of the presence of God is in privacy. Real contact with God is through faith. There is the faith of the sick woman who said, "If only I can touch His clothing." If anyone comes to Jesus for help, He knows. Power has gone out of Him. The healing of a troubled

mind, or a sick body is yours for the asking. Have faith. Birthday greetings. Happy birthday to Laurie Anne Ward and Bradley Bales.

Council honors designer town shield and flag

Artist Dorothy Stone, designer of Halton Hills armorial shield and citizens' flag, was presented with a gift by Mayor Tom Hill, at council meeting Monday night, in recognition of her work for the town.

Miss Stone said she had tried to trace the meaning of Esqueing, but has not come up with an exact interpretation. She did, however, tell the story of the large pine tree in the coat of arms.

She claimed an Iroquois Indian named Deganawidah, brought the five Indian tribes together, who had been warring amongst themselves, after seeing a large pine tree reaching to the sky in a dream. He saw the tree reaching to the Master of Life, and with its roots spread out, as a symbol of the five tribes.

She said the Iroquois fought with the British all through the early wars.

To honor the man who united them the five tribes created an award known as the Pine Tree, which had to be won. "So it looks like the pine tree is the patron saint of the Iroquois."

She accepted the gift from the mayor, saying she regarded it as payment for services rendered. She said she would like to see the citizens' flag and the armorial banner flying side by side, not one above the other, outside the municipal building.

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