



Here's a little poem for you to ponder as you feed the birds this winter. Try pondering it in a broad Sussex dialect.
I'M A STARLING — MEDARLING
By Pam Ayres

We're starlings, the missis, meself, and the boys,
We don't go round hoppin', we walks,
We don't go in for this singing all day,
And twittering about, we just squawks.

We don't go in for these fashionable clothes,
Like old Missel Thrush, and his spots,
Mebreast isn't red, there's no crest on me head.
We've got sort of hardwareing... dots.

We starlings, the missis, meself, and the boys,
We'll eat anything that's about,
Well anything but that old half coconut.
I can't hold it still. I falls out.

What we'd rather do, is wait here for you
To put out some bread for the tits,
And then when we're certain you're there by the curtain,
We flocks down and tears it to bits.

But we starlings, the missis, meself, and the boys,
We reckon that we're being got at,
You think for two minutes, them finches and linnets
You never sees them being shot at.

So the next time you comes out to sprinkle the crumbs out,
And there's starlings there making a noise,
Don't be so quick to heave half a brick,
It's the missis, meself, and the boys!

Don't forget to enter the Santa Claus Parade soon. We need all the good entries there are. Please phone Dana Doates, 853-2862 and tell her you'll participate.

Golden Agers

Pat McKenzie installs officers

R. L. Davidson presided for the evening meeting of the Acton Golden Age Club, when a good attendance was noted. A period of silence was observed in memory of Mrs. Ferguson, a member of long ago.

The suggestion box is proving popular as several worthwhile ideas are being received for the betterment of the Club.

There is to be a gift exchange not to exceed one dollar at our Christmas party, particulars will be available next meeting.

The Royal Canadian Legion and Rotary Club are again hosts for the annual Christmas dinner on Nov. 30 at 6 p.m. Anyone requiring a ride, phone either the secretary or treasurer of our Club.

Mrs. E. Near, chairman of the nominating committee gave the list of officers for the new year.

G. McKenzie was a special guest and installed the slate of officers.

In his short address, he had words of praise for the organization for the effort and time spent to create a worthwhile club. He also told of the new senior citizens apartments on Elizabeth Drive which are hopefully being built in 1977. This was good news for many who are looking for new accommodation.

Mr. Davidson thanked Mr. McKenzie for taking time out

Icy road

Icy road conditions on Friday caused one Acton resident to lose control of her car and it rolled over into a ditch, Milton OPP report.

Maria De Bartolo, 24, was westbound on Highway 7, a mile west of Highway 25, when she lost control of her 1974 Maverick and rolled over into the north ditch, they said. Police estimate her car received about \$1,500 damage.

Churchill

Church, social evening paper drive in report

We were sorry Rev. McFadden was unable to be present for the service on Sunday due to illness. Mrs. Eleanor McFadden replaced him in the pulpit, taking her sermon topic from the Sermon on the Mount. The reception of new members and baptism has been postponed until next Sunday, Nov. 28. Also next Sunday there will be a dedication of several new gifts to the church.

The CCCW held their November meeting at the home of Mrs. Joann Turner. Mrs. Storey opened the meeting with a reading of God Went On Strike. Mrs. Irene Swackhamer was in charge of devotions. Plans were made for the Christmas meeting and pot luck dinner on Wed., Dec. 8 at the home of Mrs. Eleanor Thompson.

A social evening with the members of the Acton Baptist church is being held at Churchill on Tuesday evening, Nov. 30 at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. John McDonald of Georgetown who recently visited Israel and the Holy Land is showing slides of his trip and also some historic pictures of Acton and district. The Churchill ladies are asked to bring lunch.

New baby
Congratulations to Don and Shirley Swackhamer on the birth of a son. Five-year-old Karen proudly reported at

Sunday repairs

Repairs on Mill water-mains early Sunday morning all went well and according to plan. Water was cut off in some neighboring areas of town for about four hours.

Five valves on the main were replaced by six region workmen. The work began at 6 a.m.

"Everything is in good operating condition now," is the word from district superintendent Murray Orr.

Sunday School that her new baby brother is called Donald Bradley.

Mrs. Fred MacArthur is still a patient at Guelph General Hospital. She hopes to return home soon.

We are sorry to hear that our former minister Rev. A. W. Fosbury was in Guelph General Hospital for a few days. He was able to return home on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Vanatter of Fenelon Falls and Mrs.

Elizabeth Buck of Georgetown spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kerr. The three Caldwell sisters much enjoyed this all too rare opportunity for a visit.

Paper drive
Many thanks to those who contributed to the paper drive this week. The piles of paper are mounting steadily in the storage shed at Norm Turner's concrete yard. The paper drive concludes on Wednesday.



BROOKVILLE RECORDER PLAYERS Brenda Buchanan, left, and Sherry Kirton joined several ukelele players in a rendition of Oh Happy Days during the Music '76 concert at Acton Sunday. Massed musicians from Robert Little and M.Z. Bennett joined the band of Acton High School for the concert.

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Presentation for couple

By Mrs. A. Benton

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Coles were honoured with a presentation of two lovely matched lamps and cash gifts in Limehouse Memorial Hall Sat. evening. Mr. A. C. Patterson acted as chairman calling the young folks to the stage and reading a short address. Mrs. Ted Brown assisted in the presentation. Both Bruce and Beryl expressed thanks.

A few games of euchre were enjoyed, Mr. Patterson

showed splendid slides of the east coast of Canada, Florida and Toronto Harbour, and Mrs. Jesse McEnery recited "words of advice" for the honoured guests. Lunch was enjoyed to end a pleasant time.

Sunday school
A goodly number of local children are enjoying Sunday School classes taught by Mrs. Bert Benton and Mrs. Ted Brown while parents are attending church services each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. More will be welcomed.

Police confirm rabies

A coyote, which was shot and killed on the Sixth Line of Erin Township November 4, definitely had rabies, Guelph OPP confirmed last week.

The animals' carcass had been taken to the University of Guelph for tests to determine if it had the disease, after the OPP shot the animal. It was first spotted by Acton mail carrier Mrs. Dorothy Scruton, R.R. 4, as she drove along her R.R. 2 route on November 3. She noticed the animal walking down the road showing no fear. When she saw it the next day, it had a broken leg, so police were called.

The animal was young and weighed between 35 and 40 pounds.

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Notice is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Township of Eramosa in the County of Wellington that whereas more candidates have been nominated to each of the following offices than the number required to fill such offices, therefore polls will be held at the times and places stated in this notice for the purpose of electing the holders of such offices.

OFFICE(S) FOR WHICH POLL TO BE HELD:

Reeve—	ONE (1) to be elected
Deputy Reeve—	ONE(1) to be elected
Township Council—	THREE(3) to be elected
Plebicite—	Re: Debentures on possible arena

ADVANCE POLLS:
Date: Saturday, November 27, 1976
Location: Municipal Building on No. 24 Highway.

REGULAR POLLS:
Date: Monday, December 6, 1976
Location: PSD No.1 - Eden Mills Community Hall
PSD No. 2 - Rockwood Townhall
PSD No. 3 - Rockwood Townhall
PSD No. 4 - No. 8 Community Hall (NO. 5 Sideroad)
PSD No. 5 - Municipal Building
PSD No. 6 - Ralph Wright (Oustic)
PSD No. 7 - Speedside Hall
PSD No. 8 - Swanstons' Farm Equipment

All polls will be open from 11 o'clock a.m. until 8 o'clock p.m. and no longer.

PROXY APPLICATIONS
A person who has been appointed a voting proxy may apply to the clerk not later than 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, November 30th to receive a certificate to vote by proxy; Given under my hand this 17th day of November, 1976.
L.T. Hindley, Returning Officer

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