

## Mrs. Leach now a life member

The Rockwood December meeting of the W.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church met at the home of Mrs. Peter Sim with president Mrs. Helen Sinclair in the chair. The Glad Tidings program was taken with Miss Elva Pearen as the leader and several members taking part. Several Christmas carols were sung.

Mrs. W. Leach gave the Christmas message, "The greatest gift—or was it just an elusive dream of peace and good will?" She also read a story of how the hymn Oh Little Town of Bethlehem was composed by the Rev. Philip Brooks after visiting in Jerusalem and Bethlehem on Christmas Day 1865.

Mrs. Milne recited a poem telling of what Christmas was like many years ago when simple Christmas gifts were given and received with fun

and laughter and of the Christmas pageant that was one of the highlights among the children at Christmastime. The roll call was answered by each member telling of something they remembered about Christmas morning as a child.

Life member Mrs. Helen Sinclair presented Mrs. Leach with a life membership for WMS and Mrs. Leach thanked them for their kindness. The officers for 1977 are: president Mrs. H. Sinclair, 1st vice-president Mrs. M. Milne, secretary Miss E. Pearen and treasurer Mrs. D. Gray. The Glad Tidings secretary is Mrs. L. Johnston and social convener, Mrs. A. Duby.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. Donald Sinclair and Mrs. Sim served a dainty lunch. A social half hour followed.



RESIDENTS' OF Eden House enjoyed an evening of Christmas songs on Monday night when the brownies of the 2nd Rockwood pack paid them a Christmas visit. l. to r. are Mrs. Violet Donald, Mrs. Irene Jones, Mrs. Edith Sharp and Mrs. Myrtle Allan.

## Brownies visit at Eden House

Brownies of the 2nd Rockwood Pack visited Eden House, Monday, Dec. 6.

Mrs. Jessie, Christine's mother, played the organ and led the group singing Christmas carols and songs.

Susan Nemet played two Christmas songs on her accordion.

Valerie Galley presented coasters on behalf of the Brownies and Leanne Thatcher presented Santas. The Brownies had made these novelties especially for the residents of Eden House at previous meetings.

The Brownies were thanked for coming and were served cookies and hot chocolate.

The Brownies also received a Christmas surprise before going home from their pack. January 4, 1977 will be the next meeting.

## True meanings shown Santa, advent wreath

An unusual roll call made up the program for Unit one members of Rockwood U.C.W., who met at Mrs. Vera Patterson's home for their annual Christmas meeting.

Each member supplied a favourite item on a Christian Christmas theme; the resultant potpourri was inspiring and informative.

Mrs. Jessie Dunk contributed a poem on the Priceless Gift, of the love of Christ, which all may receive simply by asking and believing.

The Virgin Mary in Luke asked "How?" when the angel Gabriel announced she was the chosen mother of Jesus; Mrs. Systske Drijber said we often wonder, and doubt if God can really do the impossible. As we pray we must believe He can help us.

Because of the lighted candle in the window of a lowly cobbler, an entire village came to believe in God's power, said Mrs. Alvena McDougall, as she told the legend of the candle.

Rich gifts

Using the children's hymn, The Wise may Bring their Learning, as a basis for her commentary, Mrs. Margaret McPhederan gave a most enlightening review. When we compare our poor gifts, or our talents, we often despair, but in the duties each home-maker does each day, she can be of service too. Our attitudes and patience in the daily routine can be a rich gift.

"At the Christ child's birth, there may have been others who brought gifts as well," she continued, "in the legend of the poor shepherdess, we see how her great desire to give was acknowledged in the miracle of the Christmas rose; its blooms sprang to life where her teardrops fell upon the snow. Today we can bring gifts of learning too; the medical workers and teachers can give spiritual healing and growth along with their daily work."

"Even the handicapped can bring a gift to others, as we see their inner strength; this can spread beyond the four walls, and be used to His

glory. Young souls also need to be encouraged, so they can have loving hearts; and taught so they can receive Christ's gift of love in their early youth."

"Jesus in His parable of the Samaritan showed the kind of love we must show: if we bring our love to Jesus, we will be astonished how He can use it."

"His love enriches both our lives and those we meet. It is like a fountain which never runs dry; the more love we give, the more our hearts are filled. We cannot outgive God."

meaning of the Advent wreath. Using real evergreens, as a base for a wreath, she showed how the candles should be lit and explained the meaning of each one.

"The wreath announces the beginning of the Christian year," she said. "At one time Easter was the time of new year for Christians. But during the 4th century a mass was held at Christmas; it was adopted by other churches and called the Christ mass. The period before this mass was to be spent in meditation and penitence and was called Advent."

Mrs. Trousdale closed the meeting with the thought from I John. "A great light shone in the darkness, but the darkness could not put it out". She commented that this was a great message of hope for the Christian today.



TOP GROUP AT last week's Annual 4-H Club Awards Night are from l. to r. Bruce McDougall, Christine deGroot, Irene deGroot, Brian McDougall and Sharon Leslie.



## Ontario MINISTRY OF REVENUE NOTICE

### TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS AND TENANTS

Take notice that pursuant to Section 40, of The Assessment Act, Chap. 32 R.S.O. 1970 as amended, I have on the 6th day of December, 1976, delivered or caused to be delivered, assessment notices to all property owners and tenants in the municipalities of the cities of Mississauga, Brampton and Burlington, also the towns of Caledon, Oakville, Milton and Halton Hills.

Enquiries concerning your assessment should be directed to the Regional Assessment Office, Tel. 416-270-8050 or ZE 8-6730.

The assessment rolls may be examined at the Municipal Offices during regular business hours, commencing December 22nd, 1976.

The last date for complaint against the assessment is January 11th, 1977.

R. H. Beach  
Regional Assessment Commissioner  
Halton-Peel Assessment Office  
65 City Centre Dr.,  
Mississauga, Ont.  
L5B 2C8

## Rockwood roundup

by Kerry Chalmers

Don't forget to come out and support your future recreation centre—attend the craft show and sale at 148 Guelph St. (home of Frog Pits) Friday Dec. 10 from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. and Saturday Dec. 11 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. All participants in the unique show have agreed to donate 20 per cent of the proceeds to the Rockwood Recreation Centre. There will be a wide selection of crafts including handcrafted wooden toys, macramé, rag dolls, mobiles, candles, pottery both functional and fun plus many Christmas decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Peacock recently returned from an extended trip in England.

A reminder—the Sunshine Club is having their Christmas banquet this Thursday evening at the Town Hall. The supper will commence at 6 p.m. and a program will follow. Square dancing will be a highlight of the evening and many of the ladies will wear long dresses for the occasion. Talent from Hillsburgh and Acton as well as the club's own Sunshine Boys will provide the entertainment. Over 70 tickets have been sold for this Christmas party.

The Rockwood and District Lionettes held a birthday party at Eden House on Tuesday afternoon providing gifts and ice cream for the occasion. On December 14 the Eden Mills Craft Club will be holding a party for the seniors. Mrs. Betty Marshall who coordinates activities for the nursing home explained that various clubs are involved throughout the year in activities at Eden House and that the folks thoroughly enjoy these special days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jestin and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hume spent Sunday in Brantford with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hunter, sister and husband of Mrs. Jestin.

Mrs. A. Duby had her grandson and his wife Mr. and Mrs. Cotterill of St. Catharines visit over the weekend. Her daughter and husband Kitty and John Cotterill of Peterborough are spending a few days with Mrs. Duby this week.

## BOWLING

Rockwood Bowling League:  
Team Standings: Carneys 45, Mustangs 53, Guelphites 53, Optimists 50, Countrymen 45, Kay's Feeds 43, The Happy Gang 41, Five Plus One 40, Four Corners 34, Dynamites 33, Nortons 31, Popeye 19.

Men over 600: Dunc Kingsbury (spare) 711, Ted Jestin 684, Danny Renaud 679, Paul Holman 649, Harvey Reid 642, Gerry Burkholz 635, Wally King (spare) 633, Bill Gray 613.

Women over 500: Diana Carney 651, Denise Bolton 582, Betty Reid 562, Nancy Swackhamer (spare) 558, Marg McKersie 549, Sue Nightingale 539, Nellie Stokman 535, Mary Lush 503.

Results of games played Nov. 30:  
Optimists 5 pts. Dunc Kingsbury

(spare) 711, Ted Jestin 684, Four Corners 2 pts. Tony Stokman 537, Jack Parkinson 533.

Carneys 7 pts. Danny Renaud 679, Diana Carney 651; Kay's Feeds 9 pts. John Polo 532, Elmer Allan 522.

Countrymen 4 pts. Peter Bosch 571, Jan-Lou 522; Nortons 3 pts. Sue Nightingale 539, Roy Nightingale 528.

Dynamites 5 pts. Paul Holman 649, John Dales 530; Guelphites 2 pts. Lloyd Marsden 542, Gary Parkes 532.

Five Plus One 5 pts. Denise Bolton 592, Betty Reid 562; Mustangs 2 pts. Harvey Reid 642, Barry Cleland 566.

The Happy Gang 7 pts. Bill Gray 613, Jeff Parkinson 574; Popeye 9 pts. Gordon Ostrander 534, Sylvia Irwin 458.

Top Eramosa member in points in the calf club was Christine de Groot who was presented with the Eramosa

Shoot dogs receive \$10

Two Eramosa township men have been awarded \$10 each by Eramosa township council for shooting dogs caught chasing cattle.

### BOXING for BOYS and MEN

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2 weeks	\$249	\$20

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AMBASSADOR BEACH HOTEL Jan. 1		SAVE
1 week	\$259	\$50
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Jan. 8, 15		SAVE
1 week	\$299	\$40
2 weeks	\$449	\$40

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### JAMAICA

CLUB CARIBBEAN Jan. 2, 9, 16		SAVE
1 week	\$369	\$30
2 weeks	\$369	\$60

Includes: Full bkfst. & dinner daily. All hotel service charges, Canadian & Jamaican departure taxes, Kitchennette.

### PUERTO RICO

HOLIDAY INN (Isla Verde) Jan. 3		SAVE
1 week	\$339	\$30

Includes: Continental bkfst. daily.

### FT. LAUDERDALE

QUALITY INN SOUTH Dec. 31, Jan. 1, 8, 15		SAVE
1 week	\$259	\$30
2 weeks	\$329	\$60

Includes: Continental bkfst. daily, Car 1 week. Continental bkfst. daily, Car 1 week.

### CLEARWATER

SHERATON — SAND KEY Jan. 1, 2, 8, 9		SAVE
1 week	\$269	\$30
2 weeks	\$359	\$40

Includes: Continental bkfst. daily, Car 1 week. Continental bkfst. daily, Car 1 week.

### FREEPORT

SHALIMAR HOTEL Jan. 1, 8		SAVE
1 week	\$283	\$40
2 weeks	\$299	\$40

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### BARBADOS

REGENCY COVE Dec. 31, Jan. 7, 14		SAVE
1 week	\$399	\$60
2 weeks	\$459	\$60

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### CUBA

CARIBBE HOTEL (Studio Apt.) Dec. 31, Jan. 7, 14		SAVE
1 week	\$439	\$30

Includes: Kitchennette.

### CUBA

MAR AZUL (Santa Maria Del Mar) Dec. 30		SAVE
1 week	\$399	\$70

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