

Eden Mills Guide and Brownie news

By Ann Chesworth
 "Diary of a mad Guide Captain"
 Saturday, January 15
 Got up early, went to St. George's Church in Guelph and helped train 28 Brownie leaders with games for test work and program planning. Caught 1.40 p.m. bus to Toronto, joined eight Eden Mills Guides who were visiting Toronto for the weekend on an exchange trip. They went to the Royal Ontario Museum with Guides from a west-end Toronto Guide Company. We all stayed at the lovely home of their Guide leader in the Old Mill district, which had heated floors and all modern conveniences such as a garbage disposal and a player piano. The Toronto girls had cooked a delicious "pot luck" supper, after which we slid down the side of a ravine by the Humber River and played a game called "capture the flag" in the deep snow. Fortunately, one of our Guides had brought a rope otherwise I don't think I would have ever got up that ravine again! The Guides all bedded down in the basement, listening to Bay City Roller noise and telling ghost stories until the wee small hours, while the leaders slept fitfully two floors above. One leader had to get up in the night to make peanut butter sandwiches for a Guide with stomach pains. On Sunday morning we braved the icy winds and skated in High Park, returning home in the evening to Guelph. Had to wait almost an hour until all the parents had collected their children, and I was cross with them for being late.

Some of us met later that evening for a swim at the high school, some went skating, and some even danced until 1 a.m. at a discotheque. Needless to say, most of us slept very well that night, though we are glad to hear that five girls were able to get to church. We had a few anxious moments when one of our Guides was late back for the bus, but otherwise, it was a very enjoyable trip.

Thanks
 I would especially like to thank Mrs. Lois Berry, district commissioner for Erin and Hillsburgh, who came with us complete with ukelele and mouth organ, and Mrs. Beryl Blaakman, our super mother, who were the adult helpers, also our husbands who kept the "home fires burning". We are always impressed that the girls can adapt so well to new situations and believe that these exchanges do a lot to further understanding between communities.

But - still - two weekends in a row? I must be crazy - because that isn't the whole story. I was back in Toronto the next morning for a meeting at Guide headquarters and didn't get home until 10 p.m. that night!

by Diane Wallace
 We had the Guides join us this week for our FLY-UP ceremony for Kathy Johns, Penny Rawding, Rosalyn Olinoski and Jennifer McLean. The parents of the four girls joined us too.

Seven girls performed three dances afterwards and Mrs. Beryl Blaakman came to test them for their jester badge. We then settled down to making pretty coat hangers for uniforms. These were very nice when finished and then the girls took them home.

There was a surprise birthday cake and beautiful plant (presented by Amanda Chesworth) for Brown Owl afterwards much to her surprise, from all the guides and brownies. Mrs. Ann Chesworth managed to get everyone in on the big secret without Brown Owl suspecting a thing. How they love secrets and surprises and birthday cakes.

Mrs. Blaakman then showed the girls how to put on a Sari. This really interested the guides who are very clothes conscious. Shelly Godding modelled it for us and looked so nice in it. She used one piece of cloth - 5 yards long. With arms full of paper bonnets, Mexican hat, hangers, cards, toothbrushes, wings and red feathers.

It was time to go once again and everyone said what a nice evening they had.



MARIE HARGRAVE puts a band-aid on Annie Kerkhof who lies on the rest cot after giving a pint of blood at the Acton Red Cross blood donor clinic at the legion on Monday.

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Meetings, medal in report

By Georgina Wright
 The Eden Mills U.C.W. held their regular meeting in the Christian Education room. Mrs. Ruth Milson, the president, welcomed the members.

Mrs. Freda Thompson took the devotional entitled "What can we do". On the topic it was stated that we should each discover what our

Obituary

Mrs. Sam Gisby

Limehouse mourns one of their best known and kindest citizens with the passing of Mrs. Sam Gisby in Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital on January 12, following another paralytic stroke.

The daughter of Donald McDonald and Margaret Martin, Mary was born in Esqueving township Dec. 12, 1909, and attended schools at Kelso, Blue Mountain and Limehouse. She was married April 17, 1929, to Sam Gisby who survives, as well as son Fred and his wife Susan of Guelph, stepmother Violet McDonald near London, brothers Donald of Brampton, Angus of Norval, and Keith of Rockwood, sisters Jean (Mrs. L. Jean) of Terra Cotta, Ella (Mrs. L. Law) of Huttonville, and Dorothy (Mrs. T. Hodgson) of Harrierville, and a number of nephews and nieces. During many years she had been foster mother to several children.

Prior to a stroke seven years ago, Mary Gisby held the contract for mail delivery on R.R. 1, Limehouse for 23 years. She joined the Women's Institute 36 years ago, being a life member the past 11, and was president for several years.

Church member
 Many years a member of Limehouse Presbyterian Church, she was a W.M.S. member, organized a Mission Band and re-organized the Sunday School. About 30 years ago she engaged a music teacher who taught 12 or more pupils at her home.

She was a 4-H leader and organized very successful Victory Gardens among the school children. In spite of a physical handicap in recent years she still took an active interest in local activities.

Rev. P. Barrow conducted the funeral service in Limehouse Presbyterian Church on Jan. 14 and burial was in the adjoining cemetery. Pallbearers were nephews David McDonald, Michael McDonald, Donald Dedman, Ernest Arsenault and Allan Law, and friend Albert Benton.

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First lamb arrives

By Doris Fines
 A little lamb chose the coldest time of the winter to make its appearance in the barn of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stewart. No doubt, others will follow, but the first one always brings with it that certain exciting glow of future promises, and spring to follow.

Sunday School
 The new library for Knox Presbyterian Church, and the types of books to be bought for it, were discussed at the annual Sunday School meeting. Supplies for the year were also planned. The meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jackson. Rev. George Lewis opened it with prayer.

Mrs. Henry Pankratz and Mr. Robert Grundy were elected teachers of the kindergarten class, Mrs. Vernon Stewart for primary, Mrs. Ralph Sinclair for primary-junior, Ward Bruce for junior, and Mrs. Glen Jackson for junior-high.

Mr. and Mrs. William Clark and their children, Crystal and Jason, have returned from Williams Lake, B.C., and are at present, staying with Bill's parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark and family. Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferguson are grandparents of a bouncing baby boy. The happy parents are Linda and Don Wilson of Ferguson. It is the first great-grandson for Mrs. Thomas Fines.

Shower
 Sunday was one of those days. If some people managed to get their car to the road, they asked themselves, "Which place should I go?" For some it was the Open House at Hillsburgh for Elmer McKinnon, others stopped off at Ospringle school to a miscellaneous shower for Cathy Ellis, a recent bride. Mrs. George Lang, Mrs. Henry Pankratz, Mrs. Ken Stubbington, Mrs. Malcolm Leitch, and Mrs. Tony Van Manen, were in charge, with helpers, Donna Leitch, Bonnie Lang, Linda Pankratz, and Karen Pankratz. Nora Stubbington conducted a contest of articles on a tray, which was won by Mrs. Don Milton.

Mrs. Stubbington read the address, typed in a nicely decorated booklet, in which the guest had written their names along with a comment of good wishes. Mary Hindley and Doreen Vander Vlugt assisted the guest of honor in opening her gifts.

Mrs. Hugh MacMillan of Guelph, passed away suddenly Saturday morning. She was a younger sister of Mrs. Thomas Fines.

prayer. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mabel Parker.

Year-end treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Jean James.

Luncheons, turkey suppers and bazaar dates for the year were set. Meeting programs for the year and a cleaning of the church schedule were set up.

Lunch was served by Mrs. Betty Snow and Mrs. Freda Thompson.

Church meeting
 Eden Mills United Church held their annual meeting with a full attendance. Rev. Russell Findley opened the meeting with scripture reading and prayer. Mr. Ed Parker was voted in as secretary.

All reports were well received and all officers were elected for another year, except the church treasurer who resigned after 15 years' dedicated service. Mr. Lindsay Smith was voted in to take his place.

A new addition has been added to the Christian Education building including the kitchen, washrooms and a minister's study.

The financing is progressing very favorably.

Lunch was served and a social time enjoyed.

The monthly meeting of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church women was held Tuesday evening at the president's home. Mrs. Evelyn

Bardeen. It opened with a suitable poem, hymn, minutes and treasurer's report.

General letters were in the form of "thank you" for gifts of flowers etc. from the sick.

The ladies were reminded of the annual meeting of the Waterloo Wellington Presbyterian in St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, also the fourth day of March for the World's Day of Prayer.

Roll call was answered by suggestions for the year's work.

Fellowship of the least coin was read by Mrs. Lasby. Scripture reading was by Mrs. Kay Stevenson, devotions by Mrs. Wilda MacDouglass, reading by Mrs. Joan Chamberlain.

Youth is Not a Time of Life and reading by Mrs. Anna Wilson.

Beatitudes of the Aged. What a Friend We Have in Jesus was sung.

Mrs. Lasby was called forward and presented with a gift for her faithful service the past three years as president of the Presbyterian Women. Courtesy convener Mrs. Anna Wilson thanked the hostess, lunch conveners and all those who helped to make it a pleasant evening.

Mr. Ted Bardeen and Mrs. Bardeen journeyed to Lake Placid, N.Y. over last weekend where Mr. Bardeen took part in the 1500 meter speed race in the senior olympics, winning a bronze medal.

Presentation

By Doris Fines
 Despite the blustery weather and unpredictable road conditions, around 150 people turned up at Hillsburgh Community Centre for a reception in honour of Elmer McKinnon. He was presented with a lazy boy chair, and Mrs. McKinnon received a bouquet of flowers.

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Limehouse Storm shuts school

By Mrs. A. Benton
 Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Norton returned from a cool two weeks in Florida to our cold, stormy weather here on Saturday.

Pupils at school were few in number on Thursday as buses did not operate, and on Friday all were sent home at noon in view of the predicted high winds which arrived as scheduled.

Mrs. Noble is home after a week in hospital and Sam Gisby also. We hope for their better health.

Grant for flood land

A \$20,000 Ontario grant will be provided to the Grand River Conservation Authority for the acquisition of flood plain and valley land.

As part of a continuing program, the Authority is acquiring a small parcel of flood prone land adjoining the Speed River in the City of Guelph.

Total estimated cost of the project is \$40,000.

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Recently arrangements were made for a group of Indian children to attend the public school in a northern Ontario town. The principal of the school in the town was aware that Indian children sometimes had a rough time at the hands of other students, and to try to forestall this kind of situation, he called in a Human Rights Commission counsellor to talk to the other children. The counsellor asked the children if any of them had ever moved to a new school, and what they thought it would feel like if they were the strangers. In this way he helped them understand how the Indian children would be feeling when they arrived, and the integration proceeded relatively smoothly.

Community counselling is one of the major roles of your Ontario Human Rights Commission. We hold seminars and discussions with police in areas where there are communication barriers between them and minority groups, to help relieve tension and promote mutual understanding. We attend meetings of immigrants and native-born minority groups to explain to them both their rights under the legislation and their responsibilities as citizens of this Province.

We also help bring people into contact with local agencies like home-and-school groups, community and government agencies, and churches, which are available to help but which many people don't even know exist. Wherever there's a difficulty based on race, language, colour or creed, the Human Rights Commission is available to generate discussion and motivate people to develop understanding and respect for the other's point of view.

People problems can be serious problems.

This is what Ontario is doing to help solve them in advance.

Our job is to help bring people together and encourage healthier relationships among all groups. If you would like more information or assistance, contact the Human Rights Commission at any of the following addresses:

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