



**BROWN BAGGING IT:** Anne Fitzner's purchase is put in a large paper bag by Gerda Kuiper during the Valentine's bake sale held at Carpet Corner last Friday. Cakes and pies were on sale at bargain prices.

## World Day of Prayer to be held March 3

The World Day of Prayer grew out of the Women's Missionary Societies of many churches in the United States and Canada in 1955 and today is observed around the world. It is celebrated on the first Friday of March by people locally across Canada and in 160 countries. It is an

ecumenical movement through which Christians may express their unity by Prayer, Fellowship, Study and Action. The Purpose: To enable Christian men and women across Canada to live in love and fellowship so that all people may find fullness of life in Christ.

## Few attend panel on Friday

Although the attendance was poor, the discussion was good at the Ten Days for World Development panel Friday. Taking part were Paul Puritt, Ontario director of Oxfam, Josephine Saxby, of the Toronto Committee for the Liberation of South Africa; Richard Bamibensu, a student at the University of

Toronto from Ghana; Boonchan Tan, a psychology and English student at the University of Guelph; Rev. Das Sydney of Acton Baptist Church and Eldon Comfort.

With such knowledgeable people present, discussions ranged over many aspects of the problems of the Third World. For interest's sake, Jim Johnson took the part of the other side of the problem and spoke for the multi-national corporations.

There will be another program this Friday for Ten Days for World Development. Jim and Gwen Johnson will speak on their experiences in Nigeria in the United church.

## L'Arche Auxiliary holds '78 elections

The January meeting of the L'Arche Auxiliary was held at the home of Gayle Ferguson, Knox Ave. The president, Julie Conroy, chaired the meeting attended by eight members and one guest.

The 1978 executive are as follows: president Julie Conroy; vice president Christine Steen; treasurer Ruby Lausten; secretary Lynda Paul; telephone convener Gail Beerman; scrapbook Gail Beerman; correspondence Pat Jackson; membership convener Bette Gardin.

The secretary and treasurer read their reports and old business was discussed. A report was given on the cash for Life Lottery.

sponsored by the Ontario Association for the Mentally Retarded, and members were pleased to learn that the North Halton Association were the second highest in ticket sales. Tickets for the new Cash for Life Lottery draws, starting in March, will be available from Auxiliary members.

Plans were finalized for the Auxiliary's Annual winter dance to be held February 18 at the band hall with music by Discus. Anyone wishing to attend the dance may purchase their ticket from Auxiliary members. Arrangements for the Flowers of Hope Campaign are now under way. Anyone interested in canvassing is asked to phone Gayle Ferguson at 853-0995.

## Guest

Speaking on Ten Days for World Development Sunday, the Rev. Murray McInnis was guest preacher at the United Church. He is now working at the Anglican national office in their world development program, and was formerly a United Church missionary in Angola. There was special literature on the third world and envelopes for donations.

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## Speakers highlight meetings of sorority

The first meeting of Theta Phi Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi of January was held on the 3rd at the home of Marlene Steckley with Sue Robbins as co-hostess. The sherry gift was brought by Terry Grubbe and won by Dian Bowers. Marlene Kempton did her program on recreation. She invited Terry Cole of J&T Sports out to speak on cross country skiing, the do's and don'ts of buying equipment. Sigrid Robson hosted the second meeting of the month on the 17th with Cheryl

Beaton as co-hostess. Sigrid Robson was also responsible for the program on crafts and hobbies and after she spoke on weaving the chapter members showed and described their favorite hobbies. Marlene Kempton brought the sherry gift which was won by Joyce Finley. A torchlight serenade social was held for members and husbands at the home of Keith and Sue Robbins on Jan 21. The evening began with wine and pot luck dinner, followed by a newlywed game

for not so newly weds! Dancing filled out the rest of the evening.

Members of Letta Phi Chapter in Georgetown were entertained Jan. 31 at the home of Susan Johnson. Everyone enjoyed playing group charades and a name game. Tacos were served as refreshment.

February got underway at the home of Mary Oliver on the 7th. Paula Stuckey was co-hostess. Sherry gift brought by Maureen Burrows was won by Diane O'Dwyre. The program for the evening was on Child Rearing and Paula Stuckey invited Mrs. Barton from the Honey Pot Nursery School to speak.

The Valentine Queen for Theta Phi Chapter this year is Diane Tappin, the current president, who will be honored at the next meeting.

## Knox Women meet in church

The February meeting of Knox Women's Missionary Society, afternoon auxiliary, was held in the Mary Ellen Anderson room of the church. The opening thoughts of the president, Miss Isabel Anderson, consisted of two excerpts from the writing of Helen Steiner Rice: The greatest need is for Love, and Someone cares and always will. These were followed by prayer.

The committee in charge of the program was Mrs. G. Sprowl and Mrs. H. Allison. Mrs. Sprowl read an article about Kildonan Presbyterian Church in Winnipeg. This historic church was very influential in establishing Presbyterianism in Western Canada. It was founded by the early Selkirk settlers who came to the Red River by way of York Factory in the 1820's. The first minister, the Rev. John Black was inducted in 1851 and a building was erected shortly afterwards. The Rev. J.D. Marnock, the present minister of the church, says that it attracts many visitors who come to

see the interesting building and also the cemetery near it where lie the remains of many early Canadians.

Mrs. McIntyre contributed some interesting information about St. Giles Cathedral in Edinburgh. This church, where John Knox was baptized, was dedicated in 1243 and was named for a saint then popular in France. It has been at the centre of much Scottish history so is of great interest to the tourist.

The New Year's message of the general secretary of the Canadian Bible Society, the Rev. K.G. MacMillan, was read by Mrs. Sprowl. Mrs. Allison read Psalm 96 and led in prayer. A guest from one of the other missionary groups, Mrs. Clarence Coles, was present to tell about the work of the Gideons.

The devotional part of the meeting was closed with the singing of O. Love, that will not let me go, and prayer. The business period was conducted by the president. Then a time of fellowship was enjoyed over lunch provided by the committee.

## C.W.L. members plan for upcoming events

The February 7 meeting of the Catholic Women's League was well attended. It was held in St. Joseph's church hall. The meeting opened with a prayer. The February euchre was planned and ladies volunteered to run it. There was some discussion of upcoming events, one being the fall bazaar November 25.

The World Day of Prayer will be attended by seven ladies. On Tuesday, February 28, Pauline Gordon, Julie Conroy and Patricia Garton will attend an inter-agency

luncheon and work shop, and report back at the next C.W.L. meeting.

A letter was received from the foster family in Kerala India.

Mrs. Julie Conroy gave a demonstration of dried flower arrangements. She showed the ladies some common plants that can be picked and dried and arranged with flowers which have been purchases.

It was a very enjoyable evening.

## Personals

Albert Schupp, R.R. 4, has a great fish story to tell after his holiday in Florida with his wife Irma. Albert boated a large grouper weighing approximately 50 pounds while fishing with Capt. George Wohlers on the Marathon Lady III out of Vaca Cut Dock at Marathon Shores, Florida.

A good turn-out was reported at the annual Fair Board's ladies' night dance. The dance was held at the Band Hall Saturday evening and enjoyed by all.

Mrs. A. H. McKenzie spent last week-end in Toronto with her daughter, Carol. They enjoyed attending the National Ballet's performance at the O'Keefe Centre of Sleeping Beauty and also the Lawren Harris art exhibit at the Art Gallery of Toronto.

The lunch at the Y last Thursday was another successful venture. The next lunch is Thursday, March 9.

## \$190 from bake sale

The Valentine bake sale held last Friday morning was very successful, raising \$190 for the Mentally Handicapped. The sale was held in the Carpet Corner, Main N.

## Knox Alert fund-raising

The Knox Alert Evening group held their first meeting of 1978, on Wednesday night, in the Mary Ellen Anderson room. Due to inclement weather and much sickness, the January meeting had to be cancelled.

The Every Member Participation program planned for January was carried out, with every member contributing something to the program. This proved to be very interesting as usual.

During the business, conducted by Bessie Musselle, in the absence of the president, Nellie Merkley, ways and means of raising money for the year were discussed. It was decided to hold a bake sale in the near future and to have a copper contest and the travelling apron, as in other years.

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