

Banquet changes next season

by Ann Norton
The regular meeting of the Scout and Guide Mums was held February 28, at the Scout hall with 14 mums present. In the absence of Barb Murchison, Jean McKee took the presidents chair for the meeting. Following the secretary report, by Leslie Johnson, the treasurer, Marg Hoare gave an accounting of the financial situation. We were glad to hear that we almost broke even on our banquet.

The main topic was the mother-daughter, father-son banquet held at the Legion February 21. The building was filled to capacity when 500 children and adults sat down to supper. At the rate of the Scouting and Guiding movement is growing in Acton, the Scout and Guide Mums decided that some changes will have to be made. It was suggested that next year just the boys and girls will attend with their leaders. The groups who want a mother-daughter or father-son banquet will have to make their own arrangements. We have simply outgrown our accommodations. Also, the Scout and Guide mums are such a small organization that the planning, buying and serving of a meal for 500 is just too much.

We are planning our annual dance in October, so watch the coming events for more news.

A wedding reception for July was discussed with plans

Babysitting discussed

by Julie Pierce
The Dublin North Hillbillies held their seventh meeting on Wednesday March 8 at the home of Mrs. Kirton.

The meeting was opened with the 4-H pledge then the business was taken care of. At this meeting the 4-H members discussed first aid. They went over babysitting rules and what to do when the child is hurt. They went over burns, falls, animal bites, what to do when a child is choking on something and others that could happen when you're babysitting. They went over them and the leaders explained what to do in each case. All the members learned something new. They then went into discussing babysitting. They talked over phone numbers to keep at hand, wages, and what makes a good babysitter. Mrs. Kirton pointed out that a busy babysitter is usually a good one and one that is reliable. Most of the members had already done a lot of babysitting and contributed a lot to the conversation. They then spent the rest of the meeting working on their craft projects.

Annual meeting

The February meeting of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter, I.O.D.E. was held at the home of Mrs. H. F. Holmes, with the Regent, Mrs. Force, in the chair. A short monthly business meeting was adjourned to proceed with the annual meeting. All departmental reports were presented and accepted. It was felt the Chapter had enjoyed a satisfying and productive year. Mrs. W. T. McLeod as Education secretary and Mrs. Ralph Denny as treasurer, joined the present executive for the coming year.

to be left for a later meeting. A special thank you to all the people who helped at our banquet. Special thanks to the Rotary men and Mr. Kelby.

Regular meeting is held in church

The regular meeting of the Daughters of Knox was held on March 6 at the Presbyterian Church.

President Mrs. Jack Pink opened the meeting with a reading from the Glad Tidings. "Living for Jesus" was sung, and the club mottoes repeated. The minutes of the February meeting were read by the recording secretary Mrs. Bern Van Fleet. The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Clifford Ashley.

A discussion of finances and additional objectives for 1978 followed. The study-book portion of the meeting was taken over by Mrs. Tom Watson and her group who conducted an informative session on Guyana. Mrs. Walter Korpela gave an interesting resume of the geographical location of

The next meeting will be March 28. Our meeting closed with refreshments being served and a social visit by all.

Guyana, its climate, terrain, population, industries, churches, etc.

Mrs. Watson told of many other interesting facts about Guyana, as learned from a visit with Mr and Mrs. Kharanan Persaud—formerly of that country, and who have been living in Acton for the past eight years. Several pictures taken in Guyana were circulated for the members to see.

The worship service for Easter, from the Glad Tidings, was conducted. The Scripture portion was read by Mrs. Van Fleet, a meditation was given by Mrs. Robert Paul, and closing prayer by Mrs. W. J. McKnight.

The meeting was closed with the Mizpah Benediction, and refreshments were served.

"Alert" Evening group have monthly meeting

The Knox "Alert" Evening Group held their regular monthly meeting in the Mary Ellen Anderson room.

Mrs. McKenzie opened the meeting with the Call to Worship and the hymn For the Beauty of the Earth was sung. Elsie Loucks led in prayer and Bec Masters read the Scripture.

Mrs. McKenzie showed a film strip "Caribbean Cross Currents" and gave the commentary. Isabel McDonald and Irene Terry had just returned from a trip to Jamaica and were able to add many interesting notes.

Missionary Society has March meeting

The March meeting of Knox Women's Missionary Society was held at the church on Thursday afternoon. The president, Miss Isabel Anderson, opened the meeting with the poem, Spring Awakening, followed by a prayer-poem. The hymn, Take Time to be Holy, was sung.

The convenor of this meeting was Mrs. A. Near and she was assisted by Mrs. A. M. MacPherson. Mrs. Near read two poems by Laura Barbara Dickson of Milton, March is Here, and Spring Melody. Mrs. MacPherson read a prayer which was written by Phyllis Diller. An article written by E. A. Thompson entitled Home Religion, read by Mrs. Near, told of the importance which Sir Wilfred Laurier placed upon prayer.

Several articles were displayed which were copies of the original work of art (Praying Hands) created by Albert Durer, the famous painter and engraver. Mrs. Near informed the group of how the Praying Hands came to be made. A poem, read by Mrs. MacPherson, entitled Stumps, emphasized the importance of handing one's fears over to God. Another hymn, In the Garden, was sung and the worship period was concluded with prayer.

During the business period the roll call was answered by verses of scripture which were in harmony with the theme of the meeting. A time of fellowship was enjoyed over lunch.

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Eventually most products will undergo hard conversion. Ice cream has been completely converted and dairy products are in the process of going metric. Sugar has undergone hard conversion and now will be found in 4 kg, 2 kg, 1 kg, and 500 g; sizes. Bread, cereals, salt and Canadian wines are undergoing or have undergone conversion.

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Three bursaries from Lakeside

Three bursaries will be presented to Acton high school students this year, Lakeside chapter of the I.O.D.E. members decided. The chapter has previously given two awards. There will be two Lakeside chapter bursaries which are raised to \$150 each and the usual Clara Grindley memorial award, of \$100.

The awards will be made at commencement. The chapter meeting was held March 7 in the Legion, preceded by coffee and desserts.

One of the members has offered to make a quilt for a draw to be made at the annual bazaar in November.

A letter was to be sent to the Mug, asking if the chapter could assist.

Court whist was enjoyed at the end of the meeting. Lakeside's new officers

are: regent Kit Dowling, first vice regent Jessie Coles, second vice regent Lucille Cookley, honorary regent Helen Jockey, recording secretary Peg Spielvogel, assistant Velma West, treasurer Fran Gibson, education secretary Lucille Cookley, Echoes secretary June McHugh, services Joyce Sprawl and Bessie Muselle, standard bearer Helen Jockey, citizenship secretary Velma West, public relations Alice Waldie, membership June Gerth, pianist Helen Middleton, flower and gift convener Dot Norton, Decoration Day representative Jessie Coles, bazaar convener Elma Brada, card convener Elma Brada, convener of councillors Mary Mann.

Councillors are Elsie Syme, Hette Footitt, Bessie Muselle, Nellie Merkley, Avril Mathieson and Jean Hoops.

Golden Agers have meeting

The regular meeting of The Golden Age Club was held last Tuesday afternoon.

R.L. Davidson was in the chair and opened the meeting by all singing O Canada followed by The More We Get Together.

Secretary's report was read and moved by Mrs. Precious seconded by Mrs. Morrison. Treasurer's report

was read and moved by Mrs. Mann seconded by K. Alger. Roll call and 55 were present at the pot luck supper. The meeting was adjourned and turned over to euchre and crokinole. Euchre prizes were won by J. Winters and Beck Masters, Annie Lambert and Harry Besley. Crokinole prizes went to Daisy Barker and Cathy Watson.

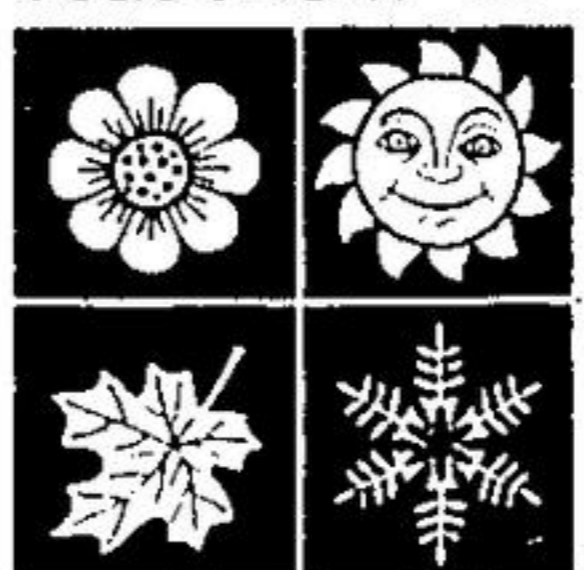
Birthday song was for Irene Davidson. Lunch was served, raisin bread and cheese and enjoyed by all.

Reach goal in orders

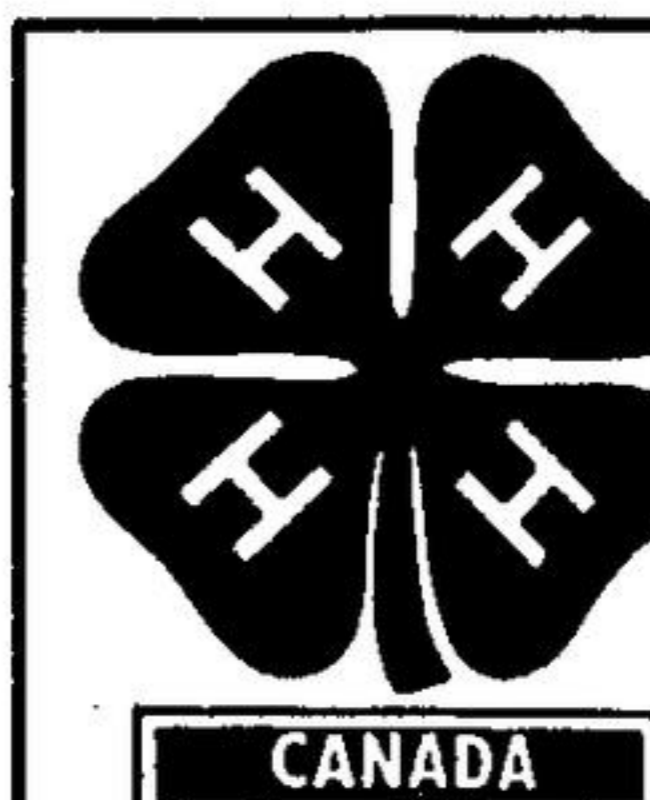
Trinity Activity Group reached its goal in fertilizer orders, so the project will go ahead. The group had to have 400 bags pre-ordered before they could proceed. Delivery date is April 1.

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