

# Easter services now tradition at church

by Joanne Turner  
The congregation of Churchill Community Church gathered early Good Friday morning for a hearty and delicious breakfast featuring pancakes and sausage, bacon and eggs and other nutritious goodies. There followed a special Good Friday service in which members of the congregation took part led by Clerk of

Session Smith Griffin. The choir's anthem was entitled "Calvary".

The Good Friday breakfast service is becoming a tradition at Churchill that is much enjoyed by everyone.

The Easter Sunday service at Churchill was well attended. Guest minister Rev. N. L. Gostonyi delivered the Easter message. Senior choir members joined with the junior choir in performing special Easter anthems. Mr. J. C. Denny sang a solo "The Holy City". Members of the Churchill orchestra, Keith Barber, Archie Kerr, Philip Levy, assisted organist Marie Anderson.

Rev. & Mrs. McFadden flew to Edmonton, Alberta on Friday morning to attend their nephew's wedding.

Members of Churchill CC Women paid a visit to Maple Lodge Nursing Home Thursday afternoon, and presented a special Holy Week service

The residents enjoyed the readings and joined in the singing of familiar hymns. Afterwards Mrs. Walde served tea and all enjoyed a friendly chat.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Martin, Vineland, visited on Good Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swackhamer enjoyed Easter Sunday dinner with their daughter Linda and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson, Peggy Lynn and Steven, Guelph. Another daughter, Janice, who, with friend Virginia Zeraw, is on an extended holiday trip, sent aloha from Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Anderson, Donald and David, were guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Anderson and family, Oakville.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Storey of Hawkestone visited on Thursday with parents Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Storey.



CHICKENS KNOW it's spring when the grass comes through the snow. These birds may not have much in the way of grubbing ground yet but they are making the most of it.

## Ospringe

# Canary Islands tour visitors in area news

by Doris Fines

Mrs. Barry Clarke and her sister-in-law Mrs. James Clarke of Aurora, had a delightful holiday in the Canary Islands, visiting on the two largest islands of Grand Canaria and Tenerife. Mrs. Clarke said the most interesting to her was the day they went to Morocco. It was an hour and a half flight from the islands, and they toured Marrakech, which was the ancient capital of Morocco, and saw the new and old city, also the first storks she had ever seen, about 20 of them had their nests on top of the buildings. There had been an earthquake there about the year 1200, and she was amazed to see among the

ruins, pipes where they had running water and steam heat in those days.

Another interesting experience was a sail on an old windjammer, for six hours. She had never been on a sailing vessel, and couldn't pass up the opportunity. She remarked, there wasn't much vegetation on the islands. She only saw two cows while there, sheep and goats being more numerous.

Oh Spring! Where art thou? Don't be afraid of the old March lion. He is only performing his last minute blustering before taking off.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wingrove accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sayers of Ottawa, have returned from a

vacation in Florida. The two weeks were spent resting and fishing in the Everglades, with an occasional trip to see places such as Disney Land and the Edison Centre.

Dr. and Mrs. James Pettit, Robble and Ricky of Ottawa, spent the Easter week-end with Mrs. Pettit's parents Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Howes, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howes, Scott and Peter of Grand Valley, and Dr. and Mrs. David Greyson and Amy of Toronto, also visited with them on Sunday.

Mrs. and Mrs. Ward Bruce were staying with their grandchildren, Michael and Jeremy Bruce at Carp, for a week or so, while Doctors Carol and Barry Bruce were on Vacation. Barry had the misfortune to take a tumble while skiing, and broke some bones in each hand. We sympathize with him, and trust the injured members will knit in due time.

## W.F.A. activities budget

Representatives from the Wellington Federation of Agriculture spoke to members of the Eramosa council on Monday evening, March 20. The Federation are asking for the support of the council on behalf of the farmers in the area.

Federation president William Benson distributed a sheet of accomplishments achieved by the Federation in the last year.

In April 1977, the Wellington Federation of Agriculture presented an 18-point brief to the Ontario Trails Council. In the brief the Federation asked that recreational trails not interfere with individual farms or the farming communities, and trails be located on parkland or conservation land. The Federation also stated that the Petty Trespass Act must be changed so recreational pursuits will not be a problem for landowners.

The Federation also met with representatives from the Grand Valley Trails Association to discuss their trail which runs through Wellington county. The Federation is planning to work along with Grand Valley Trails in 1978 on behalf of the farmers in Wellington.

The Federation also mentioned to members of council some of the public relations activities they have been involved in.

An agricultural display was set up at the Guelph Home Show this past year with the co-operation of the community farmers in Wellington. The display attracted many urban people with questions about agriculture.

An All Candidates Night was arranged prior to the provincial election. This evening gave farmers a chance to question candidates about their party policy in agriculture.

In November 1977, the Federation accompanied members of the West Luther Farmers to meet with the Hon. William Newman to discuss crop insurance and tile drainage funds. After this meeting, a letter was sent to the Premier and treasurer asking for a substantial increase in the tile drainage loans for farmers in Wellington.

After listing these accomplishments, Mr. Benson referred to the attached copy of the Wellington Federation of Agriculture budget for 1978.

## Community Centre grand opening in Erin

Over 1200 sports enthusiasts turned out last week for the opening of the Erin Community Centre.

Two Erin hockey teams won their first games in the new arena. The Erin Banants won 3-1 over Caledon and the Erin Community Centre Comets won the \$5000 challenge hockey game and received the cheque from the Transway Trickies.

On hand for the celebrations were Erin Reeve Larry MacKenzie, community centre board vice chairman Peter Durksen, Councillor Bob Holtom, Transway engineer Peter

## Truck-car collision

A tractor-trailer truck and a car collided in front of the Beckers' Plaza Thursday at about noon.

Police say \$300 in damage was taken on the auto driven by Helen Dawkins of 104 Agnes St.

About half that amount was estimated by police on the trailer which was driven by F. E. Deschambault of P. antaganet, Ontario.

## Rockwood bowling

ROCKWOOD BOWLING LEAGUE NEWS

Team Standings: Pelters 82, Guelphites 72, Optimists 72, Rovers 72, Norrons 70, Pimpals 69, Four Corners 68, Kay's Feeds 68, Happy Gang 68, Countrymen 60, Dynomites 49, Carney's 46.

Results of games bowled Tuesday, March 21: Pelters 5 points, Joy Halliburton 716, Dick Halliburton 589; Kay's Feeds 2 points, Verna Blair 570, John Polo 554.

Four Corners 4 points, Ted Jestin (spare) 624, Marg McKersie 583; Optimists 3 points, Dunc Kingsbury (spare) 553, Mabel Wingrove 485.

Pimpals 7 points, Danny Bolton 552, Mary Nightingale 532; Countrymen 0 points, John Gordon (spare) 650, Nancy Gordon (spare) 575, Rovers 5 points, George

Smith 600, Gordon Ostrander 530; Dynomites 2 points, Paul Holman 571, Jim Dale 597.

Guelphites 5 points, Dunc McPhedran 603, Gary Parkes 588; Happy Gang 2 points, Rick Seim 562, Nini Coverdale 528.

Carney's 5 points, Howard Dunk 573, Diana Carney 553; Norton's 2 points, Sue Nightingale 567, Ivy Ritchie 538.

Men over 600, John Gordon (spare) 650; Ted Jestin (spare) 624; Dunc McPhedran 603; George Smith 600.

Women over 500, Joy Halliburton 716; Marg McKersie 583; Nellie Stokman 578; Nancy Gordon (spare) 575; Verna Blair 570; Sue Nightingale 567; Diana Carney 553; Ivy Ritchie 538; Mary Nightingale 532; Nini Coverdale 528; Jane Murlison 511; Erke Van Driel 504.

## Bluegrass Festival is on top again

Four top-ranked bands have been confirmed for this year's Annual Hillsburgh Country Bluegrass Jamboree.

Prairie Oyster will headline the July 8, noon to midnight program, which includes Humber River Valley Boys, Kent County Pickers and Cross Country Grass. Sponsors of the event, the Hillsburgh Festival Committee, announced that other groups will be confirmed shortly.

The Festival Committee, a non-profit organization, is currently screening local bands and expects to announce a full schedule soon. All profits from the outdoor festival will be turned back into the community and split evenly between the Library and the Community Centre.

The Country Bluegrass Jamboree is entering its third year after a rough start in 1976. That first year a heavy

rain washed out most of the day's performances but the Committee still managed to break even. Last year the festival gained some momentum with over 1,200 people in attendance under perfect sunny skies.

This year the Committee has a bigger stage show planned and auxiliary events scheduled include a parade, craft exhibits, children's events and other festivities to be set up by local groups and organizations. To safeguard against the weather, the Committee has booked the just-completed Hillsburgh Arena

## Ballinafad

# Easter service well attended

by Winifred Smith

Both Good Friday and Easter Sunday services at Ballinafad Church were very impressive. Good Friday the Service being rather solemn.

Many members of the congregation took part in the scripture reading, then all joining in the singing of the hymns. The service on Easter Sunday was fairly well attended, considering our weather. The men's choir sang the anthem "Christ Arose".

Rev. Stiles' Sermon entitled "The Easter Rush" was both inspiring and thought provoking, as it dealt with the task the Church had in letting outsiders know the Spirit was alive, not just on Sundays but must shine through the body of all believers at all times.

We extend sympathy to the members of the Longstreet family who recently suffered the loss of a father and Grandfather. Jim Longstreet, who was a resident farmer on

the Eighth Line for many years, passed away after being in poor health for some time. He was 81 years of age. The funeral was on March 19. The Longstreet farm was sold some time ago and Mr. Longstreet Sr. moved to Dundalk. Some members of his family still reside in the neighborhood.

We were sorry to hear that Grenfell Wright is a patient in Guelph General Hospital. Grenfell is suffering from an ulcerated leg which may have to be operated on. Hope he has a speedy recovery. His nephew Larry Wright is looking after chores on his farm while he is absent.

Miss Janet and Joan Wright are spending the long Easter Weekend at their parents farm home of Mr. & Mrs. Grant Wright.

Friends were pleased to see Mrs. Mary Black out to church on Sunday after being confined to home for weeks with a broken ankle.

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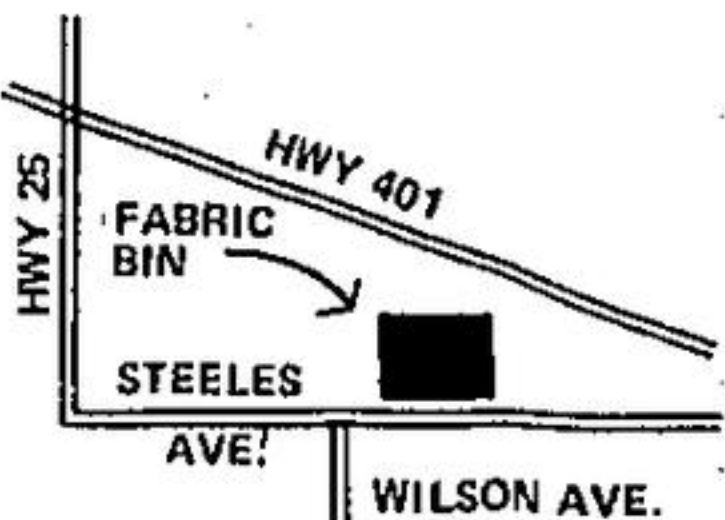
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## Work motto, business Institute meeting topics

The March meeting of the Rock-a-long Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. C. Watson. There were 14 members present and three visitors. Two of the visitors were Mrs. C. Shoemaker, the district president and Mrs. J. Playle.

The meeting opened with the singing of the Ode followed by the repeating of the Mary Stewart Collect. The president, Mrs. G. Mitchell, read a poem entitled Winter Evenings. It was decided to leave the eucres until next fall.

Miss H. Bayne gave a very full and interesting report of the District Directors meeting.

An invitation from Arkell

Women's Institute to attend a tea on April 15 from 1.30-4.30 p.m. was read. Also at this tea members can meet the new provincial board director, Mrs. Betty Jefferson.

The district annual will take place May 23 at Duffs Church. The theme will be Strengthening the Family Unit and the roll call will be answered with something your family likes to do together.

Mrs. E. Tosh spoke on the motto, It's better to get your hands dirty and eat than to be too proud to work and starve. She brought out some very relevant points.

Mrs. Shoemaker spoke on the Mary Stewart-Collect and

planting the garden of life. It was most interesting and very thought-provoking. The meeting closed with singing of God Save the Queen. A delicious lunch was served and a social half hour enjoyed.

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