



SOME OF THE TOP losers of Weight Watchers classes in Acton area are pictured at The Cuten Club where an open meeting was held with about 300 persons in attendance. Standing left: Margaret Anderson lost 53 lbs., June Merkley lecturer, and Ruth Payne lost 58 lbs.

Christmas cards delicate linear style this year

Canadians are just plain old softies at heart judging from this year's Christmas cards which reflect design preferences, says Clancy Delbarre, a director of the Gift Packaging and Greeting Card Association.

A delicate, linear style has elbowed out bright and bold painted cards of recent years' trends. And friendly critters such as birds, squirrels, kittens and mice are abundant this year, usually shaded with soft, muted colours, a spin-off from the old-fashioned book illustration style.

Mr. Delbarre also said young people in the past few years have been reviving the custom of sending Christmas cards, and the card industry this year is responding to their sensitivities. The "back to roots" movement, which once shunned the automatic routine of sending cards to everyone or just anyone, has come full circle to Christmas cards as a thoughtful vehicle of keeping in touch.

The old faithful winter scene, whether photographed or reproduced from old paintings, is still in demand, with Canadian painters' series available. The at-home scene and its air of prosperity is also popular, with the rocking chair, stacks of presents and the hearth. For many folks tinfoil red, glitter 'n gold cards, often in large-size format, are still a part of Christmas, usually inscribed with "Mother", "Dad", "Husband", "Wife", "Sweetheart" or "Someone Dear".

In some card lines, religious themes have put on a new coat of colours and design, altering the face of Biblical characters from their old canvas counterparts to fresh, pastel images of

modern illustration style, with doll-like angels and Madonna.

Humour cards, although not a dominating trend, are still plentiful—but stronger

still is the upsurge of plain folksy warmth in Christmas time greetings.

A sealed greeting card stamp costs twelve cents.

Operators on holiday duty

Additional long distance operators will be on duty through the Christmas holiday period in Guelph to handle the expected 10 to 20 per cent increase in calling across North America and overseas, W. C. Salmon, Bell Canada Manager in this area, said today.

Some 25 Operators will be on duty in Guelph over the busiest 24-hour periods during the heavy Yuletide calling between Dec. 24 and Jan. 2. On Christmas Day they will handle an estimated 2783 calls originating in this area, with self-dialing adding to the total.

Peak hours for calls are between 10 a.m. and noon and between 2 and 4 p.m. week days and early afternoon and early evening on holidays and Sundays. Peak calling days usually are Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Christmas Day is the busiest calling day of the year. Trans Canada Telephone System estimates that more than 1.75 million long distance calls will be placed Dec. 25 with almost 100,000 of these to overseas locations. This is a predicted 20 per cent increase over Christmas Day, 1977.

Salmon warned that circuits could be overloaded at peak times and passes along

these tips to holiday callers: Obtain overseas numbers in advance to save time when actually calling.

Call in off-peak hours; Check the times differences across North America and in

SOAP IS A LUXURY

During their 1977 "Take Time" project, the Kinette Club of Ottawa collected 60,783 tablets of soap from hotels and motels for the Unitarian Service Committee of Canada to ship overseas. Bags of soap are included in practically every box of USC clothing destined for developing countries, where each bar is considered a luxury. USC headquarters is located at 56 Sparks Street, Ottawa.

Board hopes to redraft pool costs

Halton Board of Education will be renegotiating its agreements with municipalities concerning the maintenance of swimming pools.

Included in a new agreement with Burlington is a Clause 7, which includes formulas for the share of each party in the agreement. The agreement was passed by the Halton Board during Thursday's meeting at Burlington.

Halton Hills Wards Two and Three trustee Barry

Shepherd asks if the staff had the intention of renegotiating its other agreements to include a clause seven. "That should be the next step," replied the board's superintendent of Business and Finance Bruce Lindley.

The new indoor pool is at Aldershot High School. The cost to each party in the agreement is to be determined on the ratio of the hours of use by the city and the board to the total hours of use for the year, according to Lindley.



Wishing You Christmas Joy

A season of peace and wonder, excitement and joy is Christmas! May this spirit of happiness be with you always.

ED AND STAFF
Ed's In-N-Out Variety

CHRISTMAS STORE HOURS -
Open Christmas Eve 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Open Christmas Day 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Merry Christmas

The best of hopes are extended to you for a warm, happy holiday with friends you hold near and dear.

DR. J.A. FACEY
AND STAFF

Quilt contest held by Canada Packers

Canada Packers has established a quilt competition which involves the Ontario Associated Agricultural Societies. This is to increase the collection Canada Packers began in the spring of 1976.

This collection was founded to commemorate a traditional and continuing Canadian craft. The collection currently consists of eight quilts depicting both new and old designs. It is available to interested groups and organizations free of charge. The Acton fair is slated to have the collection on display at the 1980 fair.

Following is a partial list of rules and regulations governing the entries:

The annual Canada Packers Championship Quilt Competition will be held in conjunction with the annual convention of the Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto in February each year.

Each local fair is entitled to send only the Grand Champion quilt (judged Best All Around of all classes) to the District Annual Meeting Competition.

The first and second place quilts from District Annual Meeting Competitions are eligible to enter the Canada Packers Championship Quilt Competition at the annual Convention.

Canada Packers Limited will offer to purchase the winning quilt selected at the Annual Convention for an established price of \$600. This quilt will be added to the Canada Packers Quilt Collection and retained for 15 years and then returned to

the local Agricultural Society to be dealt with as they see fit.

The sum of \$100 will be given to the local Agricultural Society where the exhibitor of the winning quilt at the Annual Convention first won the privilege to compete. This money is to be used the following year as prizes, at the discretion of the appropriate committee, in the Quilt Section of the Ladies' Division.

In addition, prize money of \$25 for first place, \$15 for second and \$10 for third, will be given to exhibitors of winning quilts at each District Competition. Quilts must be at least double bed size.

Entries must be quilted by

a group or individual who is a member of a local Agricultural Society.

The Ontario Association of Agricultural Societies and Canada Packers shall not be liable for any loss occasioned by fire, theft, accident, condition of quilt or the negligence of other exhibitors or officials or otherwise.

Further information, and a complete list of the rules and regulations of the contest can be obtained from Carmela Cobham, president of the Acton Agricultural Society, ladies division at 853-2080.

"We, the ladies division, felt the quilters of the area would be interested in this list as we realize so much of the quilting takes place during the winter months."

Christmas tree sales are average

Christmas Tree sales this season are average to a local seller of the wooded decoration.

"Most people seem to be going back to the real tree," said Sue Garbowski who is selling the trees for the second year beside Bill Toth's Shell.

The average height of the trees people seem to be buying are in the five to six foot size and are costly in the \$8 price range.

Types of trees range from spruce to pine to fir with most buyers taking a fancy to the pine.



Christmas Greetings

to my many relatives, friends and patrons

JOYCE'S
BEAUTY SALON
853-1820

Holy Night

May your holiday be filled with the Glory of His Bright Presence. Our gratitude to all.



David & Alma
Marie
Donna
Michelle
Chris
Mike
Sweetman's

A merry Christmas

Prancing in with wishes from Santa land for sweet dreams and happy surprises.

The Looking Glass
— BEAUTY SALON —
16 MAIN ST. S. - ACTON - 853-3040

A Merry Christmas

Thanks to our many kind and thoughtful friends. May your holiday overflow with happy surprises!

GARY W. McEACHERN
ELECTRIC

IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS

WOODLAND MARKETS
140 MILL ST. ACTON, ONT.
Thurs., Fri. 9-9
Sat. 9-6
Closed Dec. 25, 26
DATE OF SALE: DEC. 20, 21, 22, 23/78

Our Staff and Management Wish You All The Very Best, and a Truly Merry Christmas!

V8 JUICE 48 FL. OZ. 79¢	Pride of Canada HAMS DINNER HAMS 219¢ WIENERS 119¢ GRILL 149¢ BACON 159¢ CHICKENS 108¢	209¢ TURKEYS 98¢ TURKEYS OVER 20LB. 125¢ COIL SAUSAGE 139¢ HAMS 229¢ SAUSAGE MEAT 98¢	NIBLETS WHOLE KERNEL CORN 12 FL. OZ. 39¢
CRANBERRY SAUCE 11 FL. OZ. 53¢	COCA COLA PREPARED 75% 15 LITRE 49¢	NAVEL ORANGES SIZE 11 1/2" 149¢ TANGERINES 89¢ APPLES 599¢ CONDENSED MILK 99¢ MARGARINE 129¢ SALADA TEA BAGS 189¢ GARLIC SPREAD 79¢ PALANDA PINEAPPLE 59¢ LOOK BAGS 105¢	MAXWELL HOUSE COFFEE 11B. BAG. 299¢ MAPLE LEAF MINCEMEAT 28 FL. OZ. 159¢ PEAS or MIXED VEG. 1LB. 89¢ COOL WHIP 1LITRE 109¢ APPLE PIE 2 1/2 LBS. 119¢ ORANGE JUICE 12 FL. OZ. 89¢

ALCAN. FOIL 129¢
JUMBO SARAN WRAP 115¢
CABBURRY BISCUITS 79¢
LIPTON ONION SOUP 69¢
TANG CRYSTALS 99¢
QUENCH CRYSTALS 99¢

FRENCHES MUSTARD 55¢
MONARCH COOKIE MIX 59¢
BUFFERIN TOASTS 89¢
BAN ROLL ON 139¢
ALKA SELTZER 99¢
TWIN ROLLS 55¢
MINCE PIE 125¢