

Ballinafad

Homemakers host parents, W.I. Crazy

by Walfred Smith
The St. Patrick's dance was held on Saturday night, March 19, at the Community Centre with a good crowd enjoyed dancing to the music of Ledger DJ.
The WI members and mothers were entertained royally on Saturday afternoon when the leaders and members of the 4H homemaking club prepared a delicious luncheon in the basement of the church. The tables were set and nicely decorated with the 4-H colours, spring flowers, and candles. Each girl represented a European country and wore the native dress of the country they represented. They each were responsible for making and serving the food which was traditional for

their particular country. There was a variety of foods on the buffet table. Hot dishes including soup, salads and relishes and Irish Soda bread. The first course was followed by several kinds of desserts.
After lunch the girls put on the skit which they will present at Achievement day April 27. Two contests were included in the program, both won by Mrs. Jamieson. Christine Currie was given an award for completing 12 clubs. Margaret Jamieson, president of the WI, on behalf of all those present thanked the girls and their leaders for their work.
Fond relatives and friends came out in a great number on Sunday morning to the church service. They

came to witness the sacred ceremony of Baptism when Mr. and Mrs. Timothy L. Hilts presented their little daughter Lori Lynne Hilts for Baptism.
Prior to the ceremony, Rev. Bandy called the Sunday School scholars to the front of the sanctuary and explained what the service meant. The ladies' choir sang a beautiful anthem. The sermon and the hymns were appropriate to the service.
It was good to see Mr. Baker out to church with the Pinkertons. He is making his annual March visit from England where he is the guest of his daughter Ruby, son-in-law Bob and their family.

Dublin 4-H

Crazy cooks busy

by Stephanie Fitzsimmons
The Dublin 4-H Club has once again started a new club, "Ontario Heritage." This will be a cooking club.
The 4-Hers started the club on February 8. The recipes we tasted were: Pumpkin Soup, Scotch Eggs, Irish Soda Bread, Maple Baked Apples, and salad. We named our club "The Crazy Cookers."
Our members are as follows: Jackie Lloyd, Sherri Smith, Joanne Robbins, Stephanie Fitzsimmons, Jennifer McLean, Kathy Johns, Mary Grandy, Rachelle Appleyard, Sandi Hunter, Tammy Hunter, Kelly Kennedy, Iona Chesworth, Rina Blaakman. The second club was held on February 15 when we held elections of officers. The results were: president, Joanne Robbins; vice-president, Sandi Hunter; secretary, Iona Chesworth; treasurer, Rachelle Appleyard; and press reporter, Stephanie Fitzsimmons. Our leaders, who help us in every way they can are Mrs. McLean and Mrs. Johns.

Meanderings

by Mabel Barkman

This year we blinked and missed it. "Missed what?" you say.
"The maple syrup season" we say.
We began to be suspicious when the honey bees started to drown in the sap. That didn't usually happen until the end of the season. If we had needed the old maxim that "the early bird gets the worm" we would have tapped our trees the second week of February. Those people who did so probably have a nice bit of maple syrup now.
From our 11 maple trees we managed to get about three pints of syrup and even if the weather gets ideal for syrup making—frosty nights and sunny days, we will probably stop gathering sap because the maple buds are getting larger and larger and this means the syrup will have a bitter taste.
The robins are here, the crocuses are blooming and the time of sap making is over. Let's check the soil. It may be ready for planting!

Theft, vandalism in public buildings a threat to life - Mead

Theft and vandalism of fire protection equipment in residential buildings in Halton Hills seems to be ever increasing, says Fire Prevention Officer R. (Bob) Mead.
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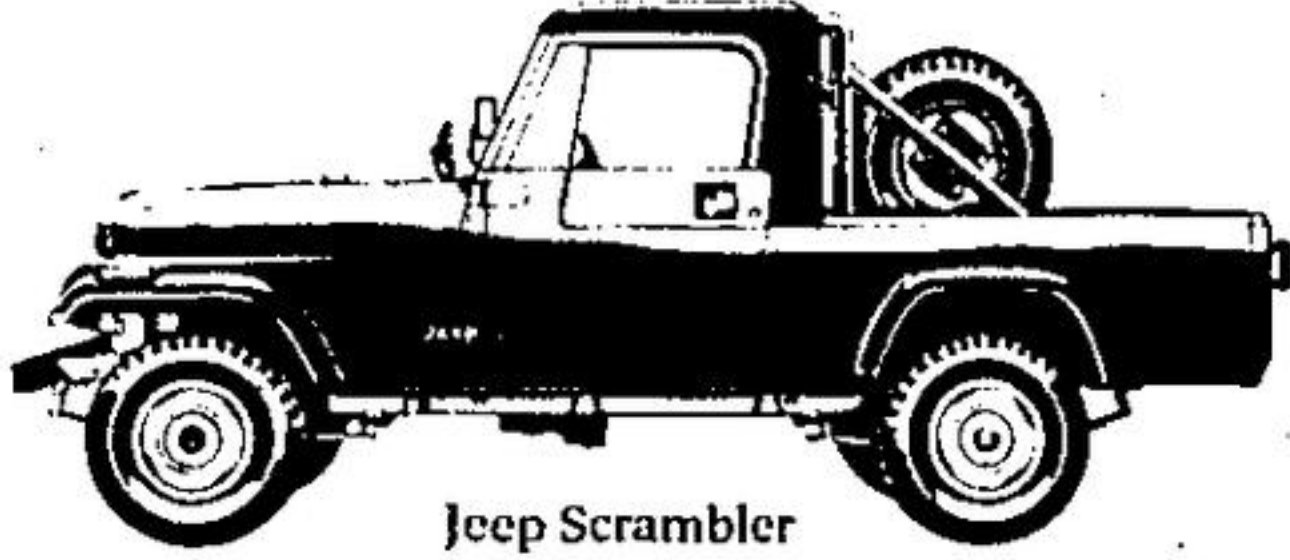
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