

# Norval ratepayers want action on water and lights

The executive of the Norval Ratepayers Association have started off on an ambitious and excellent program of several projects to improve the community and to help create a community spirit.

Their second meeting was held on Tuesday evening, January 28 in Norval United Church with Hugh McFarlane as chairman and Mrs. Pearl Guthrie as secretary.

The first meeting was held two weeks previously at the home of Randy Fendley. At this meeting the various members were assigned specific areas of interest to the community to investigate. They were: water, Mrs. Marie Carney; beautification, Bob Crawford; community activities, Randy Fendley; hydro-lighting, Michael Lawlor; membership, Mrs. Dorothy McLean; organization, Pat Patterson and Tom Pettingill; school, Julian Reed.

At the second meeting each member reported their findings to date. Tom Pettingill and Pat Patterson reported they had a rough draft drawn up of the constitution stating the purpose of the organization, requirements for membership, etc. but there were a few details still to work out such as geographical (if there should be boundary lines and if so where should they be.) A better form

of the constitution will be ready for the next meeting.

It was decided to invite some members from the Meadowdale Association to the next meeting to give information on how they set up their organization.

Ken Gould reported that he had been in touch with Len Coxe of Halton Hills council regarding a letter that was sent to the Hydro commission requesting information on the costs of better lighting for the village. Mr. Coxe said that, so far, there had been no reply. It was decided that Mr. Gould should get in touch with the Hydro officials and request the information as soon as possible.

It was the opinion of most members that this type of information could get bogged down in council business while they dealt with more important matters and that much quicker results would be obtained by dealing with the Hydro officials. Mr. Gould was also appointed to draw attention to the fact that present lighting was inadequate because many bulbs were burnt out. He will request that they be replaced as soon as possible.

Michael Lawlor reported that he had spoken to a good number of people in the village regarding membership in the Norval Ratepayers Association and he had received an enthusiastic response. All were in favor of the \$2.00 membership fee which had been decided on at the public organizational meeting. As soon as the constitution is drawn up he plans to divide the community into small areas and have a house-

to-house visitation for a special membership drive.

Julian Reed reported that regarding the school, he had been informed that, at the present time, the Halton Hills council and the school board are at a stalemate regarding the sale of Chapel St. School in Georgetown and the Norval school. The school board has offered to sell the two schools to Halton Hills for \$400,000. Len Coxe informed him that the council had offered the school board one dollar for each school. Julian reported that he was looking into the transaction of property his grandfather, the late Col. Alex Noble, had sold to the school to find out if, in fact, this deal had ever been consummated as he understood there was some basic confusion regarding the property. He said there was some doubt that they had a clear title to the land.

Mrs. Marie Carney reported that Len Coxe had set up a meeting with Bob Bailey at which they would discuss the water situation in the village and the costs involved. She would have more to report following this meeting.

Julian Reed stated that he had information of interest to the community regarding water. He said that, a few days ago, the Credit River ran white for 24 hours. He traced the white river right to the Georgetown sewage disposal plant and they admitted that they were having problems but couldn't account for the river running white. They claimed they were at a loss to know the reason. Julian got in touch with various organizations such as the Water Resources Commission but was finally referred to John Barr of the ministry of environment. They were all aware of the pollution.

Samples of the water are now being investigated. He was given the information that the present sewage plant in Georgetown is inadequate. The present flow through it is double what the plant was originally built to handle, therefore every time it rains

the raw sewage empties into West Branch Creek and into the Credit River at Norval.

An expansion of the sewage plant is planned for 1976 but when it is completed it will only meet the requirements needed today. Any further building in Georgetown would overload the system again and the situation we have today will continue. Norval will still get the overflow from the system even after the expansion has been added, as it will only accommodate the present overflow.

The Toronto region of the ministry of the environment gave this information to Julian. He asked John Barr if he would lay charges against the plant but he replied that the plant belonged to the ministry of the environment and, as he worked for the same ministry he could hardly lay charges. Julian is now considering laying charges for pollution of the Credit River against the ministry of environment. He said that it is unfortunate that Norval is situated downstream from

Georgetown as he could see no improvement of the pollution in the river in the future.

Mrs. Guthrie, whose property is beside the river, stated that it is not only the color of the river, but the smell that is offensive.

Randy Fendley reported that he had been in touch with Mr. Watson, the trustee for this area, on the school board, and requested permission to use water at the school to flood the outdoor skating rink there so the children could enjoy skating. Jim Evans of the property committee phoned him and gave him permission to flood the rink, so as soon as the weather man co-operates, the rink will be ready for skating.

Randy also reported that a group of young people in the district want to have a Winter Carnival in the school grounds on February 21. It would be held in the evening and would include skating, snowmobile rides, a bon-fire and sale of hot

jugs. The executive decided to back this project and to give them all the assistance possible. It was decided to request the use of the school for the carnival so that films could be shown indoors and possibly dancing.

Mrs. Dorothy McLean reported that, due to illness, there had been little publicity so far but promised to do better.

Hugh McFarlane reported for Bob Crawford, who was unable to attend the meeting, that he had some plans in progress for beautification of the community.

It was decided that time on the agenda of Halton Hills council be requested for representatives of the executive to present to council the aims and objectives of the Norval Ratepayers Association. Hugh McFarlane and Julian Reed agreed to be the representatives to attend the council meeting.

The next executive meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, February 18.

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Driver examinations will continue to be conducted at the new location on a one day week basis, Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Appointments for driver examinations can be made at the Ministry's Brampton Office located at 239 Queen Street in Brampton. For further information telephone 459-0660.



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### Legion Lines

## Everything's coming up tulips

By Roma Timpeon

Seven teams of Auxiliary bowlers will be taking off to Oakville's Hopedale Lanes this Saturday. Bus leaves the Legion at 11 o'clock with a pickup at the bowling alley and then, away they go. These gals are hoping to bring well enough to ensure them a spot on the list of teams that will bowl in a regional tournament later on. Good luck to all of you.

Friday evening there were a few empty seats in the lounge but those folks who were there enjoyed the piano playing of Jack Ferguson. He distributed song sheets and had us singing the 'oldest but goodies'. They brought back a lot of memories. Jack will be playing again this Friday, so come on down and join us. Perhaps you have friends in mind you would like to bring. They will be most welcome. Oh yes, the 'Sloshers' were at it again led by 'Long John's Rippon'.

We had a terrific time on Saturday afternoon. Absolutely packed in the lounge. The clubroom was also packed from the overflow. Everyone laughing, talking, dancing, singing. What better way to spend an afternoon? Say, I even did the 'Slosh' and anyone who wants to learn it, just get beside Edna and listen to her, "heel, knee, under, left" directions and you're all set, and it is a lot of fun. Jack Ferguson played for our listening pleasure and he had us in another singsong.

Jim Randell sang for our listening pleasure also and what a pure delight it was to listen to him. That rendition of "Sally" was just beautiful. Jim. A light buffet was served and the winning names in the draw were: Ormie Carter, J. R. Bradley, James F. Ross, Robert Reynolds, David Treffry, Jimmy Dickenson won a pair of tickets to the Gardens for a Leaf-Bruin game. Those fellows wishing to pick up their prizes, give Jake a call and he will look after you. Jake thanks all who helped make the day so enjoyable, particularly the over 300 Early birds.

Another out-of-towner visiting our lounge on Saturday was Austin Wilson who originally hails from Montreal but now live in Brampton and has transferred to Brampton Legion. Austin commented on our beautiful lounge and the hospitality found in our Legion, as did Ernie Peasey's brother who is visiting and reports he has travelled many a mile and found our hospitality the greatest. Thanks fellows, we appreciate your comments and hope you'll visit us again.

Car Club Draw Winners  
No. 100, Jim Carney; 156, George Hughes; 346, Jim MacPherson; 374, Gord King; 248, Matt McDonough; 233, Ruth Reid.

This Saturday evening the Country Dees will be playing upstairs. Bring your friends along to a good night's en-

tertainment. \$4.00 a couple. Dance begins around 9 o'clock. Hope you'll be there.

Upstairs in the afternoon we will have eight branch members sitting down to District Bridge along with players from other branches. Our two teams consist of such card wizards as: ONE, Duke Wilson, Mike Lorusso, Frank Martin, Trevor William; two, George Sargent, Walter Blehn, Jim Sargent and Earl Emond. Now, there's two winning teams if I every heard of any, don't you agree? Those that qualify to go on to Provincial Bridge, will be going to Chatham later. The very best of luck to all of you.

Still on sports, our curlers are going to Trenton to compete in Provincial Curling, and this also takes place next weekend, 7, 8 and 9 of February. Wish we could all go down and support you, but you know that we are behind you 100 percent and we know that you men will do your best. Good luck to Harv, Ken N. Ken T. AND Gord.

Do you have Saturday, February 15 all set aside for the dart 'do' with the men and the ladies? If not, set everything aside. This tends to be a super afternoon. We all need an afternoon of fun and relaxation and where better to obtain this than at your Branch. This is an open invitation so do come along. Register at 11, play at 12:00. All 15 years and over can play.

Our cribbage players didn't

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