

News from Ballinafad

Seventeen attended the annual meeting of the W.I. which was held at the home of Mrs. Tom Given. Members and visitors met around twelve tables and all sat down to a well laden table and enjoyed the pot luck luncheon. Mrs. Lloyd Burt had arrived early to assist Mrs. Given in setting up the table and preparing the dessert. Dishes were done in quick order with all pitching in, then the women gathered in the living room. Mrs. Wm. McLean, president, called the meeting to order and opened with a timely thought. The roll call was answered by the payment of dues. Three new names were added to the membership. Various items of business were then dealt with. President then called on the different members for the Annual Reports. Sect. Treasurer was the first called. Her report showed a successful year with the receipts a bit above the expenditure. This was followed by the auditors report. Each one of the standing committee officers then gave a report of the meeting which they convened. Mrs. McLean, before vacating the chair called on Mrs. Jesse McEnery to conduct the tion of officers for 1976-77. Following is the report of the nominating committee.

Past president, Mrs. Wm. McLean; president, Mrs. Leo Jamieson; 1st vice, Mrs. R. Slesoraites; Sect. treasurer, Mrs. Frank Smith; Ass. Sect. Treas., Mrs. R.B. Kirkwood; District director, Mrs. Wm. McLean; Public relations officer, Mrs. Jesse McEnery; Branch director, Mrs. Lloyd Marshall. Standing Committee Convenors: Agriculture & Canadian Industry, Mrs. Tom Given; Citizenship & World Affairs, Mrs. L. Burt; Family & Consumer Affairs, Mrs. Slesoraites; Education & Cultural Activities, Mrs. R. Storchill; Resolutions, Mrs. E. McEnery; Curator, Mrs. R.B. Kirkwood.

Other Committees: Welfare, Mrs. L. Marshall, Mrs. L. Burt; Pianist, Mrs. E. McEnery; Courtesy, Mrs. Wm. McLean; Auditors, Mrs. L. McLean, Mrs. G. Brown.

Mrs. Jamieson taking over as the new president thanked the retiring president Mrs. McLean for all the work and devotion she had given while in office and on behalf of the members presented her with a token of appreciation. Mrs. Jesse McEnery then gave a report on the District Directors meeting she recently attended. The cushions on display were judged by one of the guests, Miss Lydia Snow. Mrs. Jamieson was the one selected for the competition for District Annual coming up in May. Meeting then adjourned.

Myrna Snow daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Snow, took a few days longer than the school break to visit her sister Louise in Edmonton. Louise is recovering from surgery after an extended stay in hospital and was most happy to have Myrna as a visitor.

Weekend visitors in our neighbourhood were, at the Marshalls, Mr. and Mrs. L. and Mrs. Jim Miller from Toronto.

Visiting at the Smith farm were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Swann and Kevin from St. Catharines.

Mrs. Margaret O'Connor of Erin spent Sunday with the O'Connor family.

Many of our residents were seen in Erin United Church on Sunday for the happy occasion in which Mr. and Mrs. Jim Leitch were honoured on the 50th Anniversary of their wedding. A very large crowd were on hand to congratulate the couple. Grandchildren, and other relatives helped in serving and looking after the many guests. The tea tables were tastefully decorated with beautiful golden rosebuds. The Leitch's have been living in the area all their lives.

Palm Sunday was observed at church on Sunday with a good attendance. The Junior Choir added much to the service. There will be special music on Easter Sunday. It was Communion Sunday and several new members joined the Church.



This week's featured pet of Pet Please is a six-month-old combination of a Spaniel and Collie. He's brown and white in colour and weighs in at 20 lbs. Anyone interested in seeing him or any of the other pets available at the Limehouse kennel of the Halton Hills Animal Control Services can drop by anytime between 8 and 8 Monday to Friday or 1 to 3 Saturday.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. At their testimonial dinner held March 27 three knights clasp hands. On the left is Grand Knight Karl Klein who presented to past GKS Joe Johnston and Marcel Lacoursier medallions in appreciation for their excellent work in promoting the work of the society in the community.

Turkey vultures sighted

by Mrs. A.W. Benton
Miss Donna Hiseborough, a member of this spring's graduating class at Knox College, preached at Limehouse Presbyterian Church on Sunday.

Last year, I believe, the Credit Valley Conservation Authority reported a count of 13 turkey vultures in this region. A local resident who saw them several times last year saw them for the first time this spring two weeks ago and several times since.

Flebe Vandermeer and her sister, Mrs. Henry Hesselink, enjoyed an evening Thursday when they were honoured at baby showers at the home of Mrs. Hon Thomson. After Marie and Jackie spend their many parcels, Mrs. Thompson, assisted by Mrs. Cliff McDonald, Mrs. Visschedyk and Mrs. Treflinger, served a tasty and abundant lunch including an appropriately decorated cake.

The WMS held their Spring Thank-offering meeting at the church on Sunday evening. Mrs. Roughley chaired the meeting, welcoming the visitors and sharing organ duties with Mrs. Bert Benton. The choir sang a lovely Easter anthem and led in hymns. Mrs. Sanford read Scriptures and Mrs. W. Kirkwood led in Prayer. Mrs. Kneitel showed her beautiful pictures, "The World Around Us." The vivid colours and details maintained rapt attention throughout and we were sorry when we reached the end.

Spring has sprung

by Mrs. John Bellbody
Now the month of April is here. No matter how long or severe the winter was we know that the grass will be green again and the flowers will bloom. Easter comes at the start of spring when new life shoots up from the ground and buds burst forth on the branches.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Brown, a bride and groom of last winter, were honoured at a shower in Limehouse Memorial Hall, on Saturday evening. Seated beneath a decorated arch they received their gifts after which John expressed the couple's thanks.

Mrs. George Morrison won Ladie's high score for euchre in a draw with Mrs. George Burt and Mr. Green Scott won men's high score. Convenors, Mrs. Jack Lawson and Mrs. Bert Benton, served a very plentiful lunch. "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows" was sung for John and Julie and "Happy Birthday" for his cousin, Judy Brown.

Saturday was a busy day in Limehouse Memorial Hall. The local association and group committee held a very successful crafts and baking sale. At the same time the WI were serving tea and lunch and held a draw on their prize-winning quilt realizing a good boost for their finances. Mrs. Kipatrik drew the winning ticket in favor of Mrs. F.T.C. Brown.

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During the month of March Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ruddle enjoyed a leisurely trip, stopping first in Michigan where they visited relatives. Then on to the sunny south, just touring around the different interesting places before returning home.

Two of our citizens have been in hospital under the doctors care. We hope Mr. Clayton Wilson and Mrs. Cecl Wilson will soon be fine and able to come home again.

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