

# The Herald Community

## Ballinafad

### Members brave roads for W.I. meeting

By WINIFRED SMITH  
Ten members of the W.I. braved the icy roads and cold weather to attend the January meeting which was held on Wednesday afternoon at the home of the president Mrs. Leo Jamieson. Mrs. Jamieson welcomed the ladies as they arrived about 1:30 p.m. to enjoy

a dessert luncheon. Small tables were set up in the living room. Mrs. McLean, Mrs. Buckrell and Mrs. Kirkwood assisted the hostess in serving a delicious lemon dessert topped with whipped cream. Lunch over, president called the meeting to order and opened with a timely thought for

the New Year. The roll call was answered by each telling what thing bothered them most at meetings. Minutes of the previous meeting and the financial statement was given by the secretary. Many thank you notes were read from those receiving gift boxes at Christmas.

Mrs. Slessoraitis and Mrs. Kopperdraad agreed to continue on as leaders for the new 4-H Homemaking Club. It was decided by members not to take the seniors course on quilting coming up as it is much like the one taken a few years ago.

It was suggested that those interested could join in with one of the neighboring branches, who might be taking it. Mrs. Eileen McEnery as convener of Resolutions then took over the meeting. The motto was to be given by Mrs. Grace McEnery but she was unable to be present. Mrs. Given gave the current events.

Two conveners gave reports on their designated topic. Mrs. SMith spoke for a few minutes on "The Woman of the Month" and chose Mrs. Martha Jackson, who resides at nearby Maple Lodge. She celebrated her 97th birthday by going to Maple Leaf gardens, to see the Maple Leaf Hockey team in practice. She also had her name mentioned on national television. Needless to say, it was one of her happiest birthdays. She is a great hockey fan.

The program ended with lively discussions on current topics. Mrs. Jamieson returned to the chair. The meeting closed with the singing of O Canada.

Sorry to hear Mrs. Lloyd Burt had the misfortune to fall on the icy road going for the mail one day last week. She received a badly broken wrist.

We extend sympathy to the Spear family and other relatives living in the community who were saddened over the weekend by the loss of a mother Mrs. Art Spear. She was well known to many in the neighborhood as she with her late husband farmed for a number of years on the Fifth line.

Mr. and Mrs. 'Bud' Snow and members of the family were at Meaford on Saturday to attend the wedding of their son Alan. Alan was married to Lenore Riemdsma, of Thornbury on Saturday afternoon in Meaford in the "Church of Nazarine". Mrs. Ed Drouillard and Miss Lydia Snow of Georgetown were also guests at the wedding. The reception was held at the Lions Den in Collingwood as Alan is a member of the Lions Club there. We offer congratulations and wish Alan and his bride a long and happy married life.



### BOOK DISTRIBUTION

Jaycees Garry Scott, Jimmy Akers, Dennis Borotsik, Dale Thibideau, John Clark, and Jim Dudley spent Saturday morning bundling up the last of the Jaycee's Georgetown directory for delivery. The directory is a collector's edition with historical information on the various communities within the town of Hutton Hills. (Herald photo)

### Pleasant surprises for legion members

Happy New Year everyone and we hope you have had the best holiday season ever and are ready to enjoy the activities and comradeship of Branch 120 for 1979. From reports that I received our New Year dance was well attended and it was the success this year it has been in the past. Thanks to all who helped in making it a terrific evening.

Did any of you make any New Year's resolutions? I did. Just two. First on the list is a more determined effort to spell everyone's name right and give the correct title to those I write about, in other words, "get the facts right." As in Ann Smith, being the Commanding Officer of the 756 Air Cadet Squadron. Secondly is to give up smoking. (That's an inside joke that a few Thursday night shuffleboard players and I share). Other than that, no other commitments.

We were certainly all pleasantly surprised a few weeks ago to see in our clubroom, Bill Bryden and Joyce Markham. How nice to see them both. Bill was pleased to see his many friends and would welcome company while in hospital. Joyce was welcomed by all and was enjoying a game of darts. Our best to both of you. I believe Joyce has several operations in the near future, so kindly keep her in your thoughts and send her a card, which we should do with all our shuttles hospitalized. Others in the hospital were or are, Charles Himmin, Colin Cousins, Roy Smith, Martin Moriarty, Joe Poirier. Please enquire after their well-being. Let sick chairman Deany Wright know of anyone that should be



### Legion Lines

By Roma Timpson

on the sick list. Also our very good friend Grace Harrison was in St. Michael's hospital and from all reports is coming along very well. Grace will have to take it easy for a while but expects then to be 100 per cent. Any other Aux. members on the sick list?

We were all saddened during the holidays to learn of the death of Ralph Hawes while visiting his daughter in California. Ralph had not been well for some months and those that saw him regularly could see the decline in his health. Ralph was president of Br. 120 before I became a member and he served 3 1/2 years as President (1964-67). Ralph also served as Deputy Zone Commander of Zone B7 and followed that with Zone Commander. A most active man in Legion affairs, always busy, always interested. Having served in the R.A.F. he was also a member of the Branch's Imperial Section, and also was the writer of this column for many years. On December 20th there was a memorial service held in the Branch auditorium with Branch Padre Peter Barrow conducting the service and this service was attended by a very large turnout of Ralph's legion

friends and comrades. To Mrs. Elizabeth Hawes, Roberta and Mark we extend our most sincere sympathies.

In the "Can You Top This Department" must tell you this. Come this February those that know Pat and Doris Chamberlain will be bidding them an envious farewell as they take off for a fabulous 2 week holiday to heavenly Hawaii. It must keep Doris busy figuring out new and interesting gifts to put in Pat's stocking. One year its a new car, now it's the trip to Hawaii. Next it will be a trip to the moon, perhaps, where many of us have thought of sending Pat on his own anyhow. All kidding aside, folks. Have a fantastic time, send us a card and Don Ho!!!!!! you'd better watch out.

Dave Bell, our membership chairman is at his busiest right now and asks the co-operation of all members. PLEASE. Dave asks that all members who have moved in the past two (2) years, kindly let him know or give the change of address to any executive member. Cards are being sent out and returned. This holds up your receiving your membership card and makes extra work

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### MEET THE PRESIDENT



Jaycee president Dale Thibideau

Georgetown Jaycee president, Dale Thibideau, has been a member of the organization for three years. During that time he has served as treasurer and vice-president before moving up to the top spot this year.

The organization aims at individual development through community involvement. The Crazy Boat Race on the Credit River which the group sponsors annually is probably its best known project but it has a number of other events by which it has raised money for various work. One of these was a bicycle trip to Montreal during which members collected pledges and raised \$1,000 for the Sunshine School at Hornby and \$1,200 for the Children's Aid Society.



Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I enjoyed your column on the uses and abuses of the English language. I was taken aback, however, to learn that the phrase, "Have a nice day," is considered "hackneyed, condescending and overworked in a fare-thee-well." The writer suggested that the truly sophisticated and enlightened avoid such "canned language."

In my opinion, that statement of good will is not used often enough. Furthermore, those who would be offended by it are, unquestionably, cynics who can't bring themselves to believe you are sincere.

Unfortunately, we cannot all be sparkling conversationalists. "Have a nice day" ought to be acceptable for those of us who can't think of something brilliant and innovative to say. Frankly, I've heard a lot smarter people say a lot dumber things. -- Your Average Clod.

Dear Friend: So have I. Every day. Thanks for writing.

Dear Ann Landers: I attended a lecture last night and was shocked at the "message." It was as follows:

"If you are married to a man who drinks too much, eats too much, smokes his fool head off, refuses to exercise and ignores the doctor's orders to rest after meals - needle him, harangue him, get on his back and stay there, give him no peace till he shapes up. Such nagging is justified. If you love him you will do it. It will add years to his life."

I turned to my mother and said, "Why would a man want more years like that?" Do you agree with or with the lecturer? I'd like to know. -- Confused.

Dear Con: Nagging a husband about his drinking, smoking or overeating will kill a marriage a lot faster than NOT nagging him will put him in his grave. No wife ever hepecked an ounce off her husband or got him to take one drink less because she got on his back.

All you can do is put nourishing, low-cal food on the table and make it as appealing as possible. Try to be "out of" junk food that is fattening. When you're dining out or at a party, if he eats the wrong things - or too much - keep your mouth shut. If he drinks too much just make sure he doesn't drive home. If he is supposed to rest after meals and doesn't you can't knock him unconscious.

We hear a lot about the quality of life these days. I never saw the quality of a marriage improved by a wife who lectured, threatened, or beat on a husband "for his own good." It's like being nibbled to death by a duck.

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### ON THE HOMEFRONT

By SUSAN DeFACENDIS  
Was I alone, or did the following little scene also take place in your homes last week?  
"Hey mom! Getta load of this - 1979 is Children's Year!"

"Happy New Year to you too, son. Just remain your usual sweet, considerate son and I promise not to beat you any more than usual."

"No, really mom. It says so right here in the newspaper - 'The Year of the Child.'"

"It's also the year of the sheep according to Chinese astrology, but that doesn't mean I have to go out and adopt one. Just don't get any extremist ideas, it's already been your year for 16 1/2 big ones as I recall. Besides, you can't believe everything you read in the newspapers."

And, with that initial skirmish, it became readily apparent that the only thing about to take a downward trend in 1979 was motherhood.

FOND ILLUSIONS  
Up to this moment I had harboured fond illusions of being relatively in control: able to give, if not a 100 per cent, at least a 60 per cent accurate account of their activities and whereabouts to their father each day. Obviously, I thought, a new regime of dictatorship is a bout to begin.

Sure enough, within hours, round two began.  
"Uh mom! Do you think dad would let me have the car for school?"

Forget it! If I can't get it, neither can you. Keep in mind your numerical position in life - and that places you third in line for Old Bessie.

"Well then, I think some changes should be made in our dinner time menus. All those grossed out, boring vegetables should be done away with and a few more hamburgers produced."  
"Your father doesn't like them."  
"That's not the point. Who's year is it anyway? When dad has his own year then he can do as he likes. This is my year, remember?"

"As if I am going to be allowed to forget it for the next 355 endless days! Anything else on your mind?"  
WELL, YES

"Well, yes. While we're on the subject, and keeping in mind the rising cost of living with inflation hitting turtles and coffee crisps and all, how about an increase in my allowance?"

"I think maybe you and I are going to have to sit down at the bargaining table and spend a few hours renegotiating this entire mother and child scene."

"Sorry mom. All new contracts will now have to be ratified through my lawyer."

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### Ashgrove Happy birthday to local residents

MRS. JOHN BELLBODDY  
Herald correspondent  
By now the celebrations are all over and the decorations are down, the tree thrown out and new calendars are hung already for a sparkling New Year and may it bring Peace and Contentment to everyone.  
Quite a lot of our folks have birthdays in the first month of 1979. We might forget some names but we especially want to mention Mrs. Arthur Ruddle on the nineteenth and Mrs. J.M. Wickson on the twenty-first. To you we say happy birthday and may it be the brightest you have ever known.  
Our young folks came home to visit over the holidays Karen Wickson and Julia Trevinannus, from U of Toronto, Lois McNabb from Ottawa, Carolyn Bird and Doug McPhail from University of Guelph.  
Congratulations and Best Wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Vern Pickett who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Dec. 28th. May they enjoy many more in the years to come.

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