



LEGION CAR WINNER

Carman Copland was the winner of a brand new car from Andrew Murray Motors in the Georgetown Legion's car draw Friday evening. Since Mr. Copland had already purchased a new car about three weeks ago, however, he decided to hand over his prize to his son, Ron. Mr. Copland is shown here receiving the keys to the car from Doris

Chamberlain, chairman of the car club. On Mr. Copland's left is his son, Ron. In the back row, left to right, are Legion president Harold Badham, Joe Poirier, co-chairman of the car club, and Andrew Murray, owner of Andrew Murray Motors.

(Herald photo)

Wall to wall people for Legion's draw

By ROMA TIMPSON

Last Friday evening in our auditorium there were wall to wall people, all enjoying the night's activities, talking to friends, getting caught up in the excitement as there were fewer and fewer names left to be called out for the car. Refreshments and a buffet were part of the car club package and it was a successful evening. Many who will agree are the winners of prizes ranging from \$50.00 to the beautiful 1978 Oldsmobile Cutlass, a comfortable 4-door sedan, V-8 automatic and power equipped purchased from Andy Murray Motors of Georgetown. Our grand winner was Carmen Copland and we congratulate you on your good luck Carmen.

Winner of the \$500.00 was Fred Dickenson (138), \$400.00 M. McDonough (379), \$300.00 was Ted Patrick (439), \$200.00 Mid Brunski (174), \$100.00 G. Engleby (160), \$100.00 Heather Watson (419), \$100.00 B. Rana-chan (377), \$100.00 Doris Chamberlain (seller of winning ticket), \$50.00 winners are: 289 B. Oates, 211 Ron Apple-yard, 406 Julie Harlow, 318 Kirk Herrington, Norm Long, 228 Albert Clarke, 226 Ed Lacey, 327 Don Sargent, 295 J. Louth, 147 Doris Clarke.

An exceptionally good night all round. Doris wishes to again thank all who have helped her over the past several years and particularly Joe Poirier who has been a big help. Dave Bell was in charge of the games Friday evening and thanks all the fellows who helped him. With their help and co-operation the evening was a great success. We must not forget the kitchen crew who put on an excellent meal for all club members. Thanks to all of you who also helped on the door, selling tickets, on the bar, etc. Over the space of time that Doris has been looking after the car club, she has raised many thousands of dollars for Branch 120 and we are



Legion Lines

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very grateful to her for her time and effort. To answer the question "what do we do with the money?" ALL profits go back into the community.

Bob Burns is now our new Car Club chairman and it is hoped that he will get the co-operation and help that he needs for this undertaking as it is a very big job. Doris will be around to help Bob until he gets organized.

ROBBIE BURNS

A week ago in Alton Robbie Burns night was celebrated by a good crowd at Alton Branch and 2 of our pipers were asked to participate. They did and were well received by the head table and other guests. Pipers doing the honours Piping in the haggis were Donny Burns and Doug Weir and we thank them for their participation in this special evening.

Last Saturday in Erin the same gentleman was being honoured by the guests in attendance at Erin Legion and piping in the haggis for that occasion were George Greig, Charlie Thompson and drummer Don Greig.

A couple of weeks ago the Auxiliary girls went bowling in Bramalea and our team was on the first shift. Unfortunately I never heard who the winning teams were until this past Saturday. Port Credit Auxiliary were first, the ladies from Cooksville were 2nd and our "A" team from Georgetown with Jean Reid, Flo Carswell, Audrey Weir, Jan Emmerson, Nadine Bradley and Jean Foster were third. Nice going girls. This is for the Zone trophy and it is 2 wins out of three, so to determine a winner there will be another

bowling date plus another if necessary.

Last Thursday evening was our first meeting of the new year and was very poorly attended. Just 31 members saw fit to support their executive and take an active interest in their branch. That either means you have great faith in your executive or you don't care one way or the other. Which is it? There were just a handful of chairmen out to read their reports so other than one topic that was rather lengthy, it was a short meeting. Our branch is big business and it takes ALL of the members to make sure it remains the great organization it is. Get your information first hand, not through the grapevine. Another discussion of interest will be on the agenda in February and we would like to see a good number of you out as it effects you and yours.

We welcome as honorary members the following names: Hazel Dumper, L.A. Pres., Graeme Goebelle, Neil Walsh Neil's Music, Mayor Pete Pomeroy, Don Greig (Pipe Band).

Varian Contract

OTTAWA -- Varian Associates Ltd. of Halton Hills has signed a \$236,725 federal contract to provide the defence department with electron tubes and focus coils, the department of supply and services has announced.

It was among 225 unclassified contracts worth \$10,000 or more that were awarded by the department to Canadians during the week ended Dec. 8.

VIEWPOINT

Childhood struggles should be considered

By Gerry Landsborough
Herald columnist

"The International Year of the Child" - if ever a weary world needed to stop pause and reflect for a moment on childhood and the struggles of adolescence it is ours.

The differences geography brings to childhood are stark and compelling. Though our children certainly have advantages in health, and education, and in the wealth of knowledge that is available to them, they are handicapped in other areas. We give with one hand and take back twice as much with the other. Our society is torn at the moment with social upheaval - children are the ping-pong balls of divorce; they are the victims of educational systems undergoing fundamental change; they became the discard of a materialistic society.

NOT NECESSARY

The intellectual couple no longer look upon child-rearing as a necessary or even desirable function. Children are weighed against their demands. Unwanted pregnancies hold no

value of the sacredness of life, they become merely a function to be aborted and discarded in a green plastic bag, as any other waste.

We rationalize the desirability of children and we trade-off, and the trade-off becomes "what's in it for me", against materialistic values.

Each year around Christmastime, the horror of bare ribs, and gaunt staring faces flash into our livingrooms - unwelcome intruders. These multitudes of starving children reach out to us touching a depth within our souls that adult humans never tried. The irony becomes the plea for starving bodies against the starving emotions of children in a society that does not want them.

Here in Canada in a land that believes that a bicycle is the right of every child; that a home without a television is deprived; that a child needs and wants are one and the same - our children too are starving. However, we see no flashes of lonely children who seemingly have everything yet emotionally have nothing.

We gave our children an abundance of material wealth yet we took away individual responsibility. We organized every aspect of their lives - play-school, nursery school, skating lessons, ballet lessons, singing music etc. organized sport. Yet when these pampered offspring reach adolescence we throw our hands into the air and claim, we did it all - what went wrong?

CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

The "rights of children" as pawns in a game, as the emotional ping pong balls of bitter parents in divorce settlements has been a concern for many years of Barbara Chisholm. Ms. Chisholm is a child-welfare consultant and past project director of the Canadian Council on Children and Youth.

"We will see significant changes in our child welfare laws with the introduction of Bill 114 which is expected to come into effect in the beginning of April" said Ms. Chisholm. "It will now be possible for a judge to halt a hearing to appoint a lawyer to act on behalf of the child in a problematic situation - children are being recognized as 'persons' with certain rights", she said.

Along with the recognition of these rights will come certain responsibilities and obligations. Perhaps it will be that in the recognition of these rights and in the responsibilities that will accompany them that North American parents will be able to shed some of the guilt that they have accepted for their offspring. In taking away responsibility from our children we as a society have accepted an enormous burden of guilt for their inability to function in a totally productive way.

An increase in juvenile delinquency appears to go hand in hand with the economic crunch and the fact so many mothers are forced to return to the full time work force. Delinquents come from all social backgrounds - but they all seem to have one common denominator - a feeling of worthlessness, and a desire to strike back.

GIVE KNOWLEDGE

We have given our children more knowledge than at any other time in history but the knowledge comes without wisdom. In our desire to give all to our children we took away the most important thing - the striving for the goal. Everything was made so easy that perhaps we have given them as a generation the hardest childhood of all.

In the International Year of the Child we can look at the lives of our own children and those around this globe with a closer scrutiny than ever before - we can use it as an opportunity to learn.

We can learn from the wisdom of Kahlil Gibran.

Your children are not your children

They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself.

They come through you but not from you.

And though they are with you, yet they belong not to you.

To view our children "as persons" is as Ms. Chisholm puts it "the first significant step" - the first step in defining responsibility - theirs and ours.

Holy Cross honors pastor

On Sunday Jan. 28, 1979 the parishioners of Holy Cross Church honored their Pastor (Father) Rev. Otger Devent on his fortieth anniversary of ordination to the priesthood.

The afternoon started with a "Mass of the Angels" sung in Latin by the Senior Choir. Father Devent con-celebrated this Mass with Father Justin, Father Mosseau and Father Oulette.

The various societies of the parish, directed by Jim Lang-edyk, put on skits of "This is Your Life" with commentary by Gene Adams.

Between the skits, there was a slide presentation of various aspects of Father's life from boyhood until the present.

His Excellency Bishop Paul Redding, Father Louis Musseau (Superior of the capuchins), Mystery visitor Father McCarrall, Rev. Barrow and Mrs. Barrow, Mr. and Mrs. H.

Sherk, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Dominichetti honoured Father Devent with their presence and congratulations.

The parishioners gave Father Devent a new organ for the Church which will bring many generations of Georgetown families musical pleasure. The C.W.L. presented a typewriter. The K. of C. a camera, the Prayer Group a beautiful banner depicting his 40 years of priesthood. Holy Cross. Parents Assoc. a gift certificate. St. Francis of Assissi school children a beautiful scrolled spiritual bouquet printed by Grade two teacher Miss Theresa Vermier and the Red Cross society a pen and pencil set plus a thermometer.

Refreshments followed with the highlight being a cake decorated with bells, a big red "40" and various doves, roses baked by Mrs. Hill.

Norval roads

Provincial and regional authorities will change their mind about rearranging Norval's road lay-out and directing additional traffic through the village once Halton Hills council explains the proposal's shortcomings and offers alternatives, according to Mayor Pete Pomeroy.

With the mayor on hand as their guest speaker, members of the Norval Community Association expressed concern at a meeting Thursday night over plans unveiled last year for the upgrading of Regional Road 19 (Winston Churchill Boulevard) and the possible construction of a new highway through the village. Both proposals are aimed at accommodating additional traffic emanating from a new access cloverleaf to be built on

Highway 401 at Winston Churchill Boulevard.

NO SENSE

"It makes no sense directing the extra traffic through Norval." Mayor Pomeroy assured his neighbors. "The Winston Churchill cloverleaf is really intended for Mississauga traffic; I don't think it's really justified as far as Halton Hills is concerned."

The mayor suggested that Phillips Planning and Engineering Ltd., the Burlington consulting firm which came up with the proposals, including one for a possible new bridge over the Credit river, have vested interests in the plans and may thus be too unconcerned about the project's impact upon the village.