

Community

Limehouse news

New leader still sought for Guides

By BARR HADDON
The November meeting of the Limehouse Local Association was held at the home of Elaine Little. The main item of business was the organization of the Christmas raffle, through which funds will be raised for future events. The support of all involved parents has been much appreciated. The 4th prize has been changed to a cheese gift tray, and the draw will be held on Dec. 17 at the Limehouse Public School Christmas concert.

Pathfinder Leader Marnie Willis announced that enrollment will take place on Jan. 8, and at present the girls are working on Christmas crafts. Acting Guide Leader Marie Brown discussed changes in uniform, and reminded us that we're still in need of a Guide leader, as she will be working

with the Pathfinders after Christmas. If anyone has a solution to this problem please call Marie at 877-2123.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Pat Bonow (Brown Owl) on behalf of the L.A. for a very successful trip to the Ice Capades in October. The girls and parents are still talking about it.

Our Christmas meeting will be an "informal get-together" at the home of Rhona Scholz on the Sixth Line. All new Brownie mothers are welcome to join us, and the date is Dec. 10, so come and get acquainted.

Thank you Elaine for the use of your home, and the delicious lunch.

Congratulations to Marj Thomson on winning the hooked rug made by George Elliott from Eden House Nursing Home raffle.



LETTER FROM TWIN

The grade 2 students at Howard Wrigglesworth Public School received a very special, king-sized letter last week from Nova Scotia, from Gaspereau, to be exact. Through a federal program, the grade 2 class at Wrigglesworth School has been "twinning" with a class in Gaspereau School. The giant envelope shown here contained letters from all the children in the class in

Gaspereau, who wrote about themselves and their school. The letters have been put on display in the hall at Wrigglesworth school, and the other classes who have asked to be twinned are waiting eagerly for their letter.

(Herald photo)

Early memberships make Christmas gift

There doesn't appear to be too much news this week, mostly reminders.

A reminder that the Ladies Auxiliary general meeting will be on Dec. 13 at 7 p.m. and it's a special night honoring our senior ladies. This is a pot luck supper so bring out your special goodies for all to sample.

Reminder No. 2 - Shuffleboard players will be pitting their skills and sharp eye against all comers this Saturday afternoon when the house trophy will be up for grabs.

Come out, all who are interested, and come early to get your name on the list, as 2 p.m. is the starting time.

Reminder No. 3 - This Thursday is the Children's Christmas Party and it is expected to be a fun night for kids and parents alike. Santa will be visiting all good boys and girls (well, that let's me out) so be on your best behavior, kids, as Santa knows "when we're naughty or nice".

Reminder No. 4 - Do you have your ticket stubs and



Legion Lines

By Roma Timpson

money in to Gordy King? He needs them for this Thursday evening so bring or send them down on time please.

Reminder No. 5 - Pat Chamberlain, your genial membership chairman is waiting and willing to take your early bird dues in the next few weeks and ladies if you are pondering a special gift for that "special man", now is your chance to slip down to the branch and pay his dues for 1980. He'll love you for it.

Reminder No. 6 - Entertainment in the Lounge this Friday will be Boots Hurren and, on Saturday, Norm Eyril will be supplying the toe-tapping music.

Reminder No. 7 - Tickets are now on sale for New Year's Eve so get yours before they are all picked up.

Reminder No. 8 - Dec. 15 in the clubroom will be Mini-Bingo night for those who enjoy.

Reminder No. 9 - No general

meeting in December for branch members.

Reminder No. 10 - Lady members of the branch, don't forget your cookies for the kids Christmas party on Thursday. Please send them or bring them down in time for Doris to get them ready.

Got word Flo Walters is in hospital and we hope you are home soon, my dear.

House trophy winners for cribbage last Saturday were Bill Richards and Boyd Lantz. Prize winners were Bernie Postlethwaite and Derek Williams. Nice going men. Lucky draw winners were Joanne Cole (2), Dennis Litchford, Bob Graham and D. Davies.

Car Draw winners were - 340 Jim Bishop, 121 Bob Rayner, 485 Gord Shoebridge, 381 Bob Lowin, 307 Terry Brush, 483 Pat Barr.

Special thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for their generous cheque for Good Neighbour Service.

French pupils get applications

A meeting of Pineview Parents Association was held November 19.

The present Grade 1 French Immersion class has been given Applications for continuing in French Immersion Programs in Grade 2 to be completed by January 25, 1980, for classes being started September, 1980.

Kindergarten children are also receiving applications for Grade 1 French Immersion starting September, 1980, as applications also must be returned by January 25, 1980.

A meeting is being scheduled for December with the principal, the French teacher, and parents to present the program to and answer questions of the Kindergarten parents.

The two speakers scheduled to discuss Sunshine School's programs were unable to attend due to the bad weather and the program is rescheduled for January 14, 1980. All parents are welcome to come and participate.

A number of windows at the school have been broken recently by vandals. Glass has

been replaced by maintenance personnel. When passing the school if you notice any undue activity please do not hesitate to call the police to check it out. In this way we can protect our school.

Thank you to the hard working volunteers who came out on November 17 for Play-ground Work Day. Only one item was left undone. The fathers who put the time and effort made the schoolyard safer and better for every student.

Plans are being discussed to organize a Fitness Trail to be set up next Spring. A series of Stations will be arranged connected by paths. A particular exercise will be performed at each station and the equipment for that exercise will be positioned at the station (eg. chinning bar, balance beam). Examples of this are at Sheridan College, Oakville Campus and Centennial College, Etobicoke.

The next PPA meeting is scheduled for January 14, 1980, 7:30 - 9:30 at Pineview Public School.

Ashgrove news

Church gets paintung in Mrs. Bird's memory

BY MRS. JOHN BELLHOODY
Herald correspondent
It's the month of December again, that magical, wonderful time of the year. Shoppers are on the streets carrying gas

parcels, bright store windows hold shining displays of toys and gifts, houses are lit up with Christmas lights, mothers are bustling about the kitchen preparing all kinds of cookies and

sweets and children bring home decorations for the tree they made at school.

And one of the blessings at this time, we can stop and know how fortunate we are with the Christmas feast, gifts under the tree and having the family together. May the joy of the Saviour's birth fill your hearts this Christmas time.

On Sunday morning Nov. 25, at the church service, a beautiful picture painted by Betty Brownridge was presented by the family of the late Isabel Bird. She is missed so much in the church, U.C.W. and the Institute of which she was a life member but the memories for all of us will last a long, long time and it was a pleasure and privilege to have known her.

Mr. and Mrs. F.M. Wilson flew to Burlington, Texas, for a few days last week to visit her sister Bernice, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Williamson and family.

Glad to hear that Vi Ainsworth and Cecil Wilson are both home from the hospital, but sorry that Lloyd Fisher is in now for tests and observations.

St. George's bazaar Penny sale winners

Following is a list of prize winners at the Penny Sale held at St. George's Church Bazaar Saturday, November 24, 1979.

F. Allard Hockey Trophy; J. Crabtree Rug Kit; N. Neelie Macrae Kit; D. Freestone Tablecloth; P. Kaufeski Cold Duck; M. Hunt Hobby Kit; B. Appleyard Soap; G. Brown Dispenser; N. Campbell Pillow Cases; V. King Toy; G. Hunt Paint Set; T. Wilson Soap; W. Tremain Toy; W. Dorsey Purse; E. Johnson Dish; Y. Bradley Table Decoration; B. Macdonald Oil Lamp; J. Butler Corning Ware; B. Dewinter Colton Top; M. Waterhouse Gill Bag; I. Davidson Bridge Cloth; R. Warren Star Trek; T. Collier Rose; H. Gorin Brights; C. Leslie Tea Kettle; M. Hewitt Tupperware; A. Hunt Toy; R. Nipper Game; C. Hunt

Cookie Press; R. Michasiw Potato Chipper; L. Hass Crumber Set; J. Crabtree Perfume; M. Greiss Decorations; J. King Cake Knife; W. Switzer Chocolates; M. Macgregor Coffee Mug; V. Bradley Candle; E. Middleton Dispenser; E. Walker Spumoni; E. Walker Bracelet; K. Sunnucks Soap; B. Macdonald Trinket Box; T. Macdonald Powder; H. Gorin Candle; N. Kirby Stationery; M. Macintock Hot Dog Cooker; L. Armstrong Corn Butterer; M. Long Toy; L. Richards Garden Set; M. Grulme Colouring Kit; G. Brown Christmas Cake; M. Collier Rose; A. Bouwman Cocktail Shaker; L. Onis Cheese Board; D. Lattimer Glass Dish; J. Allard Macrame; T. Eaton Doll; L. Mavbanks Pillow Cases; B. Moss Jewelry.

Blood donor awards

The following award levels were reached at the Kinsmen Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic held Nov. 11 at Holy Cross Auditorium.

35th Donation - Mr. G.A. Henderson, Mr. R.J. Foster.

20th Donation - Mr. J.R. Jones, Mr. G.W. Baker, Mr. R.J. Mitchell, Mrs. B. Baker, Mr. C.H. Ramdohr, Mr. S.J. Lorusso.

10 Donation - Mr. B.G. Shoebridge, Mrs. M.E. Serjeantson, Mr. J. Hoedl, Mr. J. Weir, Mr. L.E. Macleod, Mr. P.J. Neissen.

MEET THE PRESIDENT



John Mitchell

Halton Field Naturalists president John Mitchell has been a member of the organization for six years, and held other executive positions before beginning two terms as president.

Membership in the club currently stands at 50 to 55 families. Annual dues are \$6. Meetings are held from September to April in the Harrison Public School library at 8 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. These meetings feature a guest speaking on some topic of interest, usually with an environmental bias.

The club also carries on an active outdoor program involving hikes, cross-country skiing and snowshoe trips to areas of interests around Georgetown. Occasionally, members will canoe or camp on an organized trip. The club is interested in environmental issues and has presented briefs at meetings of regional council, the Niagara Escarpment Commission and conservation authorities when input is being sought concerning plans for various areas.

Mr. Mitchell was born in England and received his engineering degree in Manchester. He came to Canada in 1963 and now works as a mechanical engineer at Ontario Hydro's head office in Toronto. He and his wife, Pamela, built their home at RR5, Georgetown in 1971. They have a young daughter. Alternate energy forms such as solar heat, as well as sailing, canoeing, cross-country skiing, and composting interest Mr. Mitchell, who also serves on the energy pulse group for the Rural Development Outreach Program.

Columnist fled U.K.'s giant spiders

By SUSAN DE FACENDIS
Herald columnist
We all harbor little secret fears and phobias of one sort or another in the hidden places of our minds. They are part of us, for better or worse, and all we can do is learn to live with them. My own particular nightmare, for instance, is spiders.

Big ones, small ones, black, brown, hairy or bald, the mere sight, or even thought, of these horrendous multi-legged creatures, provokes a totally illogical, paralyzing terror within me.

These thoughts were prompted tonight, when young Teresa announced at the dinner table that her grade 4 class was doing a study on arachnids. Ah-ha! was my immediate response. You can't fool me, I know that it is just a neat little scientific word to cover up the true identity of my nemesis.

I blessed her teacher's ancestry fervently as my appetite suddenly disappeared but, always a willing victim where my children are concerned, I soon found myself sorting through natural history books, gingerly turning pages with the tips of sweating fingers to avoid any contact with the appalling photographs they contained.

RAINY CLIMATE
This unrelenting fear undoubtedly began in childhood; growing up in a rainy climate that produced spiders the size of dinner plates. Well, to a child they looked the size of dinner plates - maybe by now they would merely resemble saucers. The trauma took root when, for the five most crucial, formative years of my childhood, my father was inconsiderately off cruising the Mediterranean and winning World War Two, leaving me in the care of a mother and grandmother who were great when it came to stray dogs and cats and sick birds, but who were terrified of spiders.

I remember one night clearly. I had already been asleep for hours, when a tremendous racket broke out. My immediate waking thought was that the Germans had finally invaded England, but it turned out my mother had seen a spider. Actually, she must have heard it's footsteps because, in the wartime black-out, it was quite difficult to see anything.

My grandmother, a heroic woman under pressure, made a wild swing at the intruder with a broom - and missed. Mother swore she would not stay in the house, let alone sleep in it, until this rampaging creature was exterminated. Between them they emptied the room of furniture, virtually tore the place apart, but no spider was ever found. So they sat up all night, each armed with a broom, waiting for it to reappear. Heaven help the Germans if they had crept up on the coast of England that night!

Indeed, my final memory of Canada was also of a spider. Once again my father was conspicuous by his absence, having left for Canada six weeks in advance of the family. He should have known that finding living accommodation and employment was secondary in importance to protecting his family from marauding English arachnids.

PIERCING SCREAM
There we were, most of our furniture already halfway across the Atlantic, and I was babysitting two young brothers while my mother packed the last few suitcases. Suddenly a piercing scream rent the air. Charging upstairs to the bedroom, I discovered my mother, incoherent with terror, pointing to an open suitcase, wherein a huge spider nonchalantly rested on top of the clothing. In what was probably my greatest moment, I ordered my mother to open the window, pushed the top of the suitcase down with my foot and hurled the suitcase into the garden below.

I have had few great moments since, I am ashamed to admit. The time I was trapped in my own home, with a small dependent baby - at the mercy of one of these creatures - well, have you ever tried to find a big, strong man when you need one, at 9 a.m. in suburbia?

Aware of my failings, I did attempt to conceal this unreasoning fear from my children. Indeed, there was one occasion when I thought I had succeeded all too well. My daughter, Louisa, came home from a grade 2 outing at the Science Centre and tossed a huge rubber spider onto the newspaper I was reading...

To put it simply, she saw a mother go berserk. I think it ended her interest in spiders!



Bagpipe wedding at Holy Cross Church

Daryl Irwin of Brampton (formerly Georgetown) and Frank Cosgrove Jr. of Galt, Ontario (born in Dundee, Scotland) were united in marriage by Father Pierre Wood at Holy Cross Church on September 8, 1979.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Daryl is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Irwin of Brampton.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cosgrove Sr. of Galt, Ontario (formerly of Dundee, Scotland).

Organist was Mr. Jack Callaghan, friend of the groom and the father of the groom as soloist. The bride was escorted into the church by bagpiper Mr. Doug Weir and the couple were also piped out of the church. Mr. Weir also played several Scottish tunes at the dance.

The Matron of Honour was Lauren Egerton, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Dixie Glaude, friend of the bride, Mary Cosgrove, sister of the groom, Susan Hoare, Rhonda

Yates and Penny Ellis, cousins of the bride.

The bestman was Joe Moco, friend of the groom, Tony Gregorio, friend of the groom, Bryan Shaver, brother-in-law of the groom, Greg Cosgrove, brother of the groom, and Richard Hoare and Scott Taylor, cousins of the bride.

Following the ceremony a dinner and dance were held at the Sacre Couer Hall.

Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Mr. Steve Hoare, cousin of the bride and grace was said by Mr. Tom Herning, friend of the groom.

The bride was given five showers by friends and relatives and the groom was given a bring-a-bottle shower by Dixie Glaude and a stag by the bestman.

A two week honeymoon was spent in Florida.

The couple are now living in Brampton.

Out of town guests included friends and relatives from Taylor and Nashville, Michigan, Scotland, Port Elgin and Galt, Ontario.