Community

Hospital Auxiliary

Band stirs blood at Christmas Ball

Herald special All the hard work of the Georgtown and District Me-

morial Hospital Auxiliary's Fund Raising Committe paid off on the night of December 7 when the Annual Christmas Ball became a success finan-

Clergy comment

Do you fear God? cleric questions

"And his mercy is on those who fear him from generation to generation." Luke 1:50.

This Scripture quotation is found in The Song of Mary (Luke 1:36-50). And what a song it is! In this song, Mary, who was to become the mother of Jesus, sings of the love, care and faithfulness of God. In this season we celebrate the birth of our Savior and Lord in Bethlehem. We turn to such passages as this one in the Scriptures. They tell of the unfolding drama of God's salvation for mankind.

The quotation above tells us an old but trusted truth. We can take it to heart or carclessly gloss over it. Mary sings of the mercy of God. This mercy is on those who fear him. But, who fears God? Do you fear God? It does not mean that a person is scared of God, though there may be those who are. To fear God is to have a deep respect for God. To fear God means that we have a sense of having offended him. To fear God means that we realize that our hearts are not true to him. Moreover, the person who fears God loves hlm, seeks to serve him and do his will. On such God has mercy. He has mercy on those who fear him.

The tidings of Christmas center around this theme: God has mercy! His mercy is on those who fear him. The Christmas story happened long ago. It does not come back. But the central theme of Christmas goes on: God has mercyl Mary sang of that mercy being given from generation to generation. His mercy is still on those who fear him. Our generation may rejoice in the mercy of God at Christmas time, provided it fears God.

7-Ups donate \$300

The 7-Ups, a Citizen's Band radio club which claims some 100 members in Halton Hills and Millon, has donated \$300 toward the Salvation Army's local fund-raising drive, almed at supplying special Christmas packages to needy families in the area. Paul McCarthy of the 7-Ups told The Herald that the donation has become an annual practice for the CBers, with the same amount donated to the Good Neighbor Service in 1978. The club meets at Jake's Disco in Georgetown on the first Tuesday of each month.

those present (regardless of cially and socially. Everyone heritage) with two displays of had a great time, the food was real talent. These musicians good and so was the music. A break from dancing was donated their services and supplied by a group of five cannot be thanked enough. pipers and drummers from the Next year, perhaps, we could dance to their music; shouldn't Lorne Scots Pipe Band, They really stirred the blood of all

> in time to the music. During the course of the evening, the winner of the trip to Britain was drawn by Mayor Pete Pomeroy, and the lucky lady was Joanna Dobbin of Chelvin Drive. Mrs. Dobbin is a member of the Auxiliary and works in the gift shop. She was somewhat stunned when called at midnight to be told of her good fortunte, but once recovered, said she was delighted by her skill in choosing the winning ticket, as it means she can take a spring trip to see her relatives, who still live in Britain. Many others went home from the dance winners

prove a problem judging by

the way the feet were trapping

door prizes to be won: Next year, we should try again and if we promise to "wet their whistles", perhaps our friends from Lorne Scots Pipe Band will come and entertain us again with the "skirl o' the pipes".

as there were spot prizes and

Brownies

By MRS. A.W. BENTON Herald correspondent We extend sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cunningham and family in the death of her mother, Mrs. Fish of Orangeville, early last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roughtey and infant daughter Amy Rebecca came home from Regina to visit his mother and her sister and to attend Marsha's sister's wedding.

Thank you and a Merry Christmas to the Limehouse Brownies who called on Wednesday afternoon to sing carols at my door.

sing carols 1,200 Witnesses meet two days in Norval

> Members of the Georgetown congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses joined 1,200 other witnesses from surrounding regions at their assembly hall in Norval December 15 and 16.

downtown Georgetown August 19.

The two day meeting featured scripturally-based presentations by members of the organization on matters of

daily living. "Our convention helped us to

apply Christian principles each day of our lives, whatever we are doing," local minister Tom Bennett commented.

Saturday's session was highlighted by the baptism of nine individuals. Baptism is seen as an outward demonstration of one's decision to serve God's interests. Sunday's meeting climaxed with the public discourse, 'Whose Disciple Are

You?', in which the speaker encouraged the audience to consider the example set by Jesus during his earthly ministry. He provided illustrations how Christians can exemplify Christ at school, at work and in the home. The assembly ended with admonition to continue in the work Christian disciplemaking. The Witnesses will assemble again in March.



PARTICIPANTS IN THE NEWS EVENT OF THE YEAR

Seven year-old Dallas Smith, shown with sister Tara, 10, was one of two lucky youngsters

who won new bleycles in a contest run in conjunction with the filming of Never Trust an Honest

Thief. Dallas, a Terra Cotta resident was picked, along with Tarek Ariss of Hillsburgh, from

among the dozens of local children who decorated their bikes for the big parade scene filmed in

Jean Belshaw

North Halton District Scout Association president Jean Belshaw has been with the group more than five years. She served as vice-president and district representative for a scout group before becoming president.

The association meets in the Limehouse Memorial Hall on the second Wednesday of the month at 8 p.m. The annual meeting is held in June. The association's full council includes the executive and at least one representative for each group in the district which includes Acton, Ballinafad, Georgetown, Glen Williams, Limehouse and Norval.

While Halton is one of the smallest of Ontario's 13 regions geographically, it serves over 600 boys. The district council looks after administration, training, and organizing district events. It ensures that the scouting program is operated properly in accordance with the alms and principles of the Boy Scouts of Canada. While the association welcomes anyone willing to offer their services to support the movement even if they are not parents of boys involved in scouting, it is rare to find outsiders getting involved.

Parents support the movement either through the group committee, as leaders, or at the district level. Payment of a boy's fees to join one of the scouting levels automatically entitles a parent to belong to the group committee and to take part in association work. Annual dues vary from group to group. The province sets a \$6 fee to cover services provided by the provincial and national councils. District then adds a sum to cover its costs such as heating the Limchouse Hall and the monthly newsletter. Then individual groups may add a sum to cover their costs. Thus fees in North Halton may vary from \$7 to \$15.

Mrs. Belshaw, her husband Doug, and three children live on Main Street, Georgetown, having emigrated from England and Scotland in 1968. Mrs. Belshaw is a part-time receptionist for Dr. Ashenhurst.

Enjoying having "a finger in every ple", she was involved with the girls' minor soccer for a time and also with Girl Guides. She still spends half a day a week as a parent volunteer at Stewarttown Senior School.

Rounding up 1979: the year in photos

When we were movie stars, my dear



* Taking directions for his acting debut, seven-year-old Billy is coached by director George McCowan (centre) and assistant David Shepherd,



September.

Local residents turned out in droves for everything from extra parts to the gala Fourth of July parade.

> Herald photos