

# Community

Ballinafad

## Nephew gets post at McMaster U

By WINIFRED SMITH  
Florence Hvedehave, an area resident, recently received some good news about her only nephew, Dr. Paul H. Tanser, professor of cardiology at McMaster University in Hamilton. He has just returned

from Sweden, where he was on a lecture tour. On his return home, Dr. Tanser received word that a tremendous position had been offered to him with two honor degrees. Dr. Paul, his wife and two young sons moved from

Montreal a few years ago. Mrs. Tanser is also a professor at McMaster University. His parents Dr. and Mrs. Harry Tanser, reside in Chatham. Mrs. Harry Tanser is a sister of Mrs. Hvedehave's. The young Dr. Paul graduated from the University of Ottawa at the age of 23. He received five out of 13 prizes given in doctoral examinations. He had the highest standing at that time.

Clergy comment

## Prodigal son sought new beginnings

By JOHN R. VINCENT  
Mountainview Baptist Church

A new year is underway. A new decade has rushed upon us with prospects that either could be enlightening and encouraging, or dismal and disheartening.

We hope that our lifestyle will not be drastically altered in light of the oil crisis; that our community will prosper and grow; that Russian imperialism will be curtailed; that we may experience peace and not war between the West and East. These and many more uncertainties confront us in the 1980's.

But there is one thing of which to be certain. We can be sure that the "global village" - the world in which we live - will impose on us individually and nationally myriad, differing and complex ideologies, lifestyles, religions and cultures. Our accepted way of life may be challenged and rejected by the Khomains of the world. Global, national, and even local pluralism will demand adjustments, new beginnings and change on our part.

A story of new beginnings is told by St. Luke in the form of the Prodigal Son who "came to his senses" after squandering his family inheritance. For the first time, this young man was honest with himself and his own needs, desires and values, and he desperately contemplated eating pig-feed. As well, for the first time, he began to reflect upon and understand his father's wisdom, discipline, and prosperity.

TO HIMSELF

"He came to himself" to be vulnerable enough to appreciate his own needs and failures. His desires for new beginnings included his paternal relationship which had represented a different point of view and perspective from his own.

Likewise each of us, in a new year and new decade, need to be honest with ourselves and reaffirm our own needs, desires and values. We also need to understandingly explore, respect and respond to people and nations that contrast our pattern of life and thinking.

Just as the Prodigal Son initiated new beginnings with himself and his father, so I trust that in this new year God will enable us to employ our resources to do the same.

## MEET THE PRESIDENT



Dave Henderson

Acton Optimists president Dave Henderson has been with the club since it was formed two years ago and was vice-president last year.

The group's 27 members meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in the Acton Family Restaurant on Mill Street. Annual membership is \$35.

The group's main objective is to serve youth and it does so by sponsoring hockey and baseball teams, a national oratorical contest in which public school age students participate, a bike rodeo during national bicycle safety week in April, and youth appreciation week in November. It also sponsors a respect for law week each fall. Members also organized a soap box derby last fall for local youngsters and hope to arrange another one for this spring. Among their fund-raising projects last year was a Yule Log draw.

Mr. Henderson, his wife Sandra, and their two children have lived in Ballinafad for about five years. He is an air traffic controller with the ministry of transport and runs his own TV and hi-fi sales business as a sideline. He also does a bit of carpentry and classes himself as a home handyman. He helps out with things for the Ballinafad Community Hall since his wife is on the hall board and he also curls.

## Halton women's place



Expected to open April 1.

## Legion Awards Night will be held April 12

By ROMA TIMPSON

Hi everyone. Hope you had a nice holiday season and that 1980 will be everything you want it to be.

President Hazel Dump reminds me to tell auxiliary members that this Sunday, there will be a Zone meeting plus Zone sports meeting and this will be in Brampton, Branch 15, at 1 p.m. In the morning, there will be a Standard bearer's meeting and practice.

This is to be held at 9:30 a.m. or as close to that time as possible. Those wishing a ride to Brampton, please give Flo Carswell 877-4132 or Hazel Dumper 877-9438 a call to arrange transportation. This could be very interesting and informative, ladies, so do try to make it.

I would like to thank Pres. Hazel and several of her members for the very valuable assistance they gave me with the Good Neighbor Service as

## Ashgrove news

## Of birthdays and badges

By MRS. JOHN BELL-BODDY  
Herald correspondent

Well, the celebrations and feasting are behind us again; the decorations are put away, the tree discarded and the new calendars hung up, ready for a sparkling New Year. As we enter this brand new decade, we wish everyone prosperity, good health and peace in the year 1980.

Quite a lot of our folks have birthdays in this first month, we might forget some but we especially want to mention Mrs. Arthur Ruddell (January 19) and Mrs. J.M. Wickson (January 21). To you all, we say happy birthday and we hope each birthday brings you still greater happiness.

Our young folk came home for the holidays. Karen Wickson and Julia Treviranus from University of Toronto, Lois McNabb from Ottawa,

Marilyn McNabb and Carolyn Bird from University of Guelph.

November and December went quickly for the 1st Pineview Brownie Pack. On November 14, we had our new Brownies join our pack. They are: Lynette Balanyk, Nicole Dupuis, Carole Eros, Janice Feenstra, Rebecca Holmes, Erika Kubota, Marimo Ku-



Legion Lines

By Roma Timpson

well as their financial assistance. Each year, I have had someone from the Auxiliary give me a hand and this year was no exception as Alice Elliott, Ada Ward, Hazel Dumper, Anne Nicholson and Jean Thomas pitched in and helped. Much appreciated, I assure you.

When I was in the branch the Saturday before Christmas, the Lewis family ably assisted by Nellie Bell, started the happy holiday season off with Christmas carols and had the club room joining in. A collection was taken up and promptly put in the container we have on the bar for the N.H.A.M.R.; a very nice gesture indeed. Well, Nellie and I were invited

to join these carollers after supper, but we didn't make it in time to go around with mother Peggy, daughters Laren and Leanne and daughter-in-law Ann but they did themselves proud by treating their friends and neighbors of Normandy Blvd. and at the same time collect a further \$37.26 for the Association (close to \$50. in all).

Sorry to have missed the fun you must have had, gals, but do ask us again next year. So pleasantly surprised to see Ann, who I met at the family cottage at Kashe Lake in the summertime and hope the weekend we go up this summer Ann will be there. Ann and Betty make their home in Petawawa and were home for the holidays.

Meals-on-Wheels sent us a letter of thanks for our donation (\$300) recently received by them. Along with their cheque for \$125 received by the Good Neighbor Service, a large thank-you to members who volunteered their time on delivery day plus loaning us tables and chairs to use as convenience. To Pres. Harold Badham, Buster Hale, Bob Waits, Norm Ward, Jasper Green, Jake Timpson and of course my assistant, Betty Sandifer (who I couldn't have managed without). In turn, we would all like to thank John Gibson from Streetsville Branch, who helped with deliveries. John lives in our town now, but has strong ties with Streetsville branch as he is Sgt.-at-Arms there and we appreciate your thoughtfulness in assisting us.

February 23 is set aside for an Imperial Hummage sale, so keep that date in mind and there will be more details later on.

April 12 has been set aside for our Honors and Awards evening and it will be membership night also. These evenings are very popular and open to members and their partner only (guests are invited). At this time, new members over the past few months will be initiated and presented with their awards. It is another evening to mark on your calendar.

Our good buddy, Jean Reynolds, is home from hospital now and has been recuperating in the comfort of his home and from reports he is doing well. Keep up the good work fellow and we'll be seeing you soon.

This Friday in your lounge, you will enjoy the musical offerings of Cory and again on Saturday. A new name on list of DJ's is Boyd Dolson and he will be in the lounge next weekend.

Winners of week number 12 of our Car Club are \$100 winners: F. Golden, Kay Hue, Bob Reynolds, George Websters, George Matheson and Hank Steinfeld.

Winners for week number 13 are Tom Goss 164, Chas Hancock 206, Ed Stafford 386, Ray Inglis 209, Pearl Wilson 465, Frank King 286, and winners for week number 14 are Jack McQuarrie 313, Cliff Norton 25, Barry Hamilton 492, Harry Brandford 126, Matt McDonough 472, and Gord Coughlan 234. Now we all caught up and from now on names will be in once a week.

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ON THE HOMEFRONT

## The holiday aftermath? Cold porridge

By SUSAN DE FACENDIS  
Herald columnist

Anyone for another helping of turkey? Christmas - New Year - it is all over for another brief pause of 357 days (Leap Year giving us the dubious benefit of an extra shopping day) and fortunately, the only reminder that a turkey ever once existed are the two containers of soup buried in the freezer.

The aftermath, however good it all was, leaves one not only facing a stringent weight reduction programme, but in a state of suspended animation - a condition of mental ennui my children would aptly describe as "vegged out".

Overindulgence in food would be more than sufficient but, if my scientifically inclined offspring are to be believed, 2,000 brain cells were irretrievably blown away each time I bent my elbow for a little heart-warming liquid refreshment. Thus, I not only bear a post-Christmas resemblance to a blimp, but am convinced my skull is now permanently awash with something closely akin to cold porridge.

Maybe it is just as well my mental faculties are not quite up to par. Having finally caught up on some of the global news, I now wish I had not bothered. Military aggression, bloody-minded fanatics in the guise of religious leaders, food prices and another (groan) election - who needs it all? Unplug the television, cancel my newspaper subscriptions, stop the world!

COP OUT

Having thus decided to cop out on world affairs so early into the new decade, I can surely be forgiven for thinking there are some issues more important than the rise and fall of governments. My daughter's sixteenth birthday, for instance, falls due the day before election day and a sixteenth birthday, so Louisa keeps reminding me, is definitely an event of some importance. After all, governments will always be with us in one form or another, but you only hit the big one-six once in a lifetime.

"Mom, what are we going to do to celebrate?" she plaintively asks as she trails me around the house.

"Idunno", is my usual bright response as I pick pine needles out of the breadloom and haul yet another stray piece of Christmas wrapping paper from the dishwasher.

"It has to be different; something never done before", she asserts. "Maybe a night of disco in New York's Baby Factory?"

STORK CLUB

"I think you mean the Stork Club, and I don't believe they are into disco. You could play 'The Way We Were' all day on the stereo and reminisce over your youth", I suggested.

"Oh, mother! Get serious! It has to be spectacular!" "Why don't you just sit around and age - and watch the wrinkles erupt?"

"Oh, you're impossible!" She is probably quite right, but with a headful of cold porridge what does she expect from a mother - brilliance? Maybe in a few weeks' time I will be able to manage a suitably innovative celebration. But please, just don't ask me now.

## About the Hills

### Bridge results

Results of the Caledon Bridge Club on January 2 are 1. Tanya Blatnick and Stan Everingham, 2. Marilyn and Ab Wardrop, 3. Anne Reid and John Franklin. Results of January 3 are 1. Naureen and Des Devereaux, 2. Sue and Bert Barrett, 3. Fran Curry and Muriel Merlina.

### Planner resigns

Brian Kropf, the town's deputy planning director, is heading west today (Wednesday) to take up a new post with the city of Edmonton. Mr. Kropf, who had been with the town's planning department for two and a half years, will be the senior official plan officer for the city. No replacement for Mr. Kropf has been named as yet.

### Vandals hang sign

Vandals hung a racist sign in the window of Georgetown's Country Clean coin-operated Laundromat last week.

The sign, reading "No Mexicans allowed," remained in the window for a short period of time before a man supervising the laundromat in owner Jim Buck's absence saw it and took it down.

Mrs. Buck told The Herald the sign was the handiwork of vandals, and doesn't represent the attitude of the owners.

### Council appointees

Town council approved the nominations of candidates to several boards and committees at Monday's council meeting. J.B. Lindsay of Acton and R.B. Hill of Georgetown were appointed to serve three-year terms on the Halton Hills committee of adjustment. Wilfred Kirkwood of Limehouse will serve a three-year term on the Halton Hills public library board. Paul Mara of Georgetown will serve a one-year term on the Halton Region safety council. David Anderson of Terra Cotta and Kenneth Ewing of Georgetown have been appointed line fence viewers. Councillors Roy Booth and Ed Wood will again represent the town on the community schools administration committee for 1980. Barry Shepherd of Georgetown was appointed to the community schools administration committee for 1980, by the Halton Board of Education.

### Charity dance-a-thon

The big charity dance-a-thon weekend at Jake's Restaurant and Disco kicks off Friday at 7:30 p.m., continuing for 29 solid hours as competing dancers shake a leg to raise funds for some badly-needed medical equipment at Georgetown District Memorial Hospital.

Operating in conjunction with the Michael Boynton dance studio, the marathon continues until 1 a.m. Sunday at the 72 Mill Street disco in Georgetown. Spectators will be asked to contribute \$1 to watch the dancers try to meet their pledges' expectations. More information: 877-4223.



## Rea, Storey engaged

Mr and Mrs. Gordon Rea of Georgetown, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Dawn (Candy) to Norman E. Storey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Storey of Erin, Ontario.