



## BPO ELKS LODGE 540

### Meet the Elks

By JIM BARRETT  
Elks Publicist

In the first of what I hope will be a weekly column, I would like to give a short resume of the Elks Lodge.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Canada is a fraternal organization founded in this country in 1912, the order now has a total membership of over 55,000.

Our National Charity objective is the Elks Purple Cross Fund, a joint undertaking by the B.P.O. Elks of Canada and their auxiliary, the Order of the Royal Purple.

The Elks Purple Cross Fund aids any child under the age of 19 found to be in any circumstances where financial need is evident. Recently, the fund has expanded to encompass the Elks Deafness Detection and Development Program, a national effort focusing on the earliest possible identification and intervention of hearing impairment. To date, the B.P.O. Elks and their auxiliary have contributed over \$2.5 million through this program to aid the problems of the hearing impaired.

The Halton Hills Elks Lodge was instituted in 1972 and boasts a present membership of 69.

Lodge 540 would like to extend a fraternal welcome to Brother Chester Gillespie, Brother Jim Barrett, Brother Milven Spiers, Brother Edward Kropin and Brother Neil Ashby who recently were accepted into the B.P.O. of Elksdom.

I would like to remind all Brothers of the next regular Lodge meeting this Sunday (Nov. 16) at 7:30 p.m. The Grand Exalted Ruler of Canada Brother Gordon Brewer will be making his official visit. Let's all give him a big welcome.

#### COMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER

Nov. 15: O.O.R.P. Lodge 356 Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale at Lodge Hall, 10 am to 3 pm.

Nov. 15: Lodge bakesale, including Elkettes' sale of cakes and candies.

Nov. 16: Regular meeting, featuring Grand Exalted ruler, Brother Gordon Brewer.

Nov. 22: Santa Claus Parade in Georgetown. Our Lodge has a float in the parade along with O.O.R.P. Lodge 356. Please come out and help.

Nov. 22: Evening Lodge Social (Main Hall): Grey Cup weekend in Toronto. We hope to have an out of town guest from Saint Ste. Marie.

Nov. 23: Executive meeting with O.O.R.P. Lodge 356 at noon.

Elks Lodge 540 Georgetown is pleased to announce they are taking over sole sponsorship of the Georgetown Majorettes, who will now be called the Georgetown Elkettes and will be representing our Lodge in all future competitions parades, etc., wearing our colors.

I would also like to mention the Elkettes will be appearing in the Milton Santa Claus Parade Nov. 15, Georgetown Santa Claus Parade Nov. 22, and the Acton Santa Claus Parade Nov. 29.



Halton Hills branch Elks Glenn Muggy and Joseph Jardine join (left to right) Bonnie Campbell, Dianna Tripp and Norma Frost—the Elkettes executive, following a ceremony Friday night which saw the Georgetown Majorettes come under the sponsorship of the Elks.

(Herald photo)

The Elkettes over the next month will also be selling chocolate bars, Christmas cakes, Christmas stationery and gift wrapping throughout the area. Please support them by buying something.

Elks Lodge 540 and O.O.R.P. Lodge 356 extend congratulations to Brother and Mrs. Fred Sharpe on the birth of their son, a grandson for Brother and Mrs. Bernard Picard. Also, congratulations to Brother and Mrs. Jim Barrett, on the birth of their son.

Don't forget the Elks Dingo every Monday night at our Lodge on Mountainview Road North.

Anyone interested in knowing more about Elks Lodge 540, please contact Brother Bud Jardine 455-8117 or Brother Glenn Muggy 1-335-2882.

Any ladies wanting information on joining the Order of the Royal Purple, contact the Honored Royal Lady, Carolyn Jardine 455-8117.



GORDON BREWER

### National leader visiting

Gordon Brewer, national leader of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Canada, will be visiting the Halton Hills B.P.O. Elks Lodge 540 at their regular meeting this Sunday (Nov. 16).

Mr. Brewer hails from Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta and has been an active member of the B.P.O. Elks of Canada for 17 years.



### LENDING A HAND

It's puppet-making time for this group of youngsters, who are registered in a course in puppet-making sponsored by the library and being held at the "Cottage" at Cedarvale for the next few weeks. Here the girls are shown in a rather messy procedure of mixing papier-mache paste with their hands to make puppets' heads.

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## Blood clinic is this Monday

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Local donor support over the years has been excellent, but what most people don't realize is that the need is constant. Blood and its components have only a measured life span. We produce units based on projected needs. But we cannot manufacture components in quantity and store them forever. We must have a constant and steady supply of blood donors so that we can meet the need on a constant basis.

When an emergency is declared, support from our donors and from the media is excellent. People respond quickly and selflessly. But our real need is for donors on a regular basis.

All healthy people between 18 and 65 are encouraged to visit their local blood donor clinic and see for themselves how simply they can contribute a unit of blood to help a fellow human being.

Please remember to attend your next clinic at Holy Cross Church this Monday.

## Region gets help on waste

**Herald Special**  
The provincial government has agreed to provide personnel for a committee to review Halton region's waste management report.

The implication is that feasible ideas in the report will be implemented. Russ Miller, chairman of the region's solid waste committee, said.

Coun. Miller said the ministry of environment, the ministry of energy and the region will each contribute a member to the committee to review the Kilborne Report.

The committee will be looking specifically at parts of the report addressing refuse derived from fuel and the feasibility of some sort of front end plant to reduce the amount of garbage to be burned.

The committee is to present a report on the 1978 report by Jan. 30.

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