



Iva Davidson and the Country Gents are getting to be quite a popular attraction at area community events. Mrs. Davidson - mother-in-law of Mayor Pete Pomeroy - assembled her band for Saturday's annual barbecue for Norval United Church, held again in and around Huttonville school. The Country Gents, featuring Bob Armstrong on banjo, Jim McDermott on violin, Terry Laidlaw on drums and Gwyn Evans on trumpet, helped

Mrs. Davidson keep diners' toes tapping while delicious barbecued chicken, potato salad, fresh rolls and cold slaw was served up.

(Herald photos by Paul Dorsey)



That's one more satisfied customer, as Garnet Laidlaw leaves the food-line with Norval United Church's barbecue treats. As well as keeping more than 1,000 perennial diners well-nourished, congregation members like Flora MacArthur, Jean Castle and Gwen Laidlaw had some special fixings available for the old sweet tooth: literally hundreds of home-baked pies and pastries lined one wall of the Huttonville School auditorium, where the annual barbecue was held. If you haven't yet sampled the good eats, fun entertainment and sing-alongs and the warm community spirit that permeates the event, make Norval United's spring barbecue a "must" next year.

## More than 1,000 enjoy Norval church's barbecue

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Norval United church barbecue was a big success Saturday evening, with over a thousand people partaking of the delicious chicken, salads, and pies. Dinner music by Iva Davidson, and her group

of musicians made for a happy atmosphere, and everyone went home with a full "tummy", after visiting with friends they only see once a year. The church members were satisfied too, with the end results of their one big project of the year and the

weather made for a lovely evening. Unit 1 of Norval United church held their May meeting at the home of Kato Laidlaw with Marion Laird presiding, Catherine Laidlaw had charge of the devotional, and called on Muriel Wey for the scripture.

Roll call was answered with a thought on Mother's Day. The study was given by Kay Wilson who read an article entitled "To Poland with Love". It told about the people of Sault Ste. Marie canvassing \$22,000 for Poland. With this money two men were appointed to fly to West Germany where they rented a tractor trailer, and bought medical supplies and basic food prod-

## Seven are nominated for Legion posts

Car Club winners are Bob and Hazel Dumper, Joyce Monteath, Trudy Paul, Lucille Ryall, Ted Arnold and Ebel King. The Pub Tones should be entertaining in the Lounge Saturday evening. This has not been confirmed. After the general meeting Thursday night, nominations were opened for the various offices for the coming year. Nominated for president were N. Ward, G. Telford, W. Kirk, B. Collins, H. Badham, F. (Tut) Harrison and P. Chamberlain. Nominated for First Vice President were D. Wright, L. Hounsell, E. Peasey, H. Bottoms, E. Clarke, R. Waites and F. (Tut) Harrison. Nominated for Second Vice President were J. Hayes, R. Bradley, C. Tutty, P. Chamberlain, E. Clarke, G. Ball, M. Ezard and D. Chamberlain. Nominated for executive officers were T. Elliott, S. Lawr, T. Smith, M. Ezard, F. (Tut) Harrison, R. Waites, G. Reid and G. Harley. The nominations will be opened again at 2 p.m. sharp June 6. If any paid up member wishes to nominate any additional comrades, they may do so. This is an important meeting because whoever gets elected will be running the branch for the next year. Be there early and have your 1982 membership card with you for voting privileges. Let's have a good turn-out.

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## Fisher endorses complaint

# School awards sexist?

Three awards given out at commencement exercises at the Georgetown District High School are given by organizations whose criteria for choosing recipients includes the students' sex.

"I really believe we should accept the criteria donors set as far as possible," she said. For the board to set parameters and establish such criteria

"is really stepping out of our bounds," Mrs. Fairfield told trustees.

Board administration will be responding to Mr. Ferguson's letter.

## Board revives coffee wars

Coffee prices rose and fell last week for coffee drinkers around the Halton board of education table.

Finance committee chairman Bill Priestner was out to make a point Tuesday night (May 25)

when a big blue sign by the coffee urn stated coffee now cost 30 cents. Enclosed in brackets below was "25 cents and tax resulting from new Ontario budget".

chambers of commerce and the public by the board's finance committee. The committee presented the region's 1982 school budget, not neglecting to mention the extra \$400,000 burden the provincial government's budget added with its new taxes.

"I believe that discrimination such as this is no longer acceptable and I object to the board allowing such organizations and awards to be included in any program in our public school system," Mr. Ferguson wrote. "I ask that the board act to stop this practice and I request a response from an elected member of the board."

Halton Hills trustee Betty Fisher backed Mr. Ferguson's complaints. "It's against the charter of rights, it's sex discrimination," she said. "Though it's gracious of people to offer those scholarships he (Mr. Ferguson) believes there should be no sex discrimination at all," Mrs. Fisher said.

Trustee Anne Fairfield disagreed, saying that schools should accept awards according to the criteria donors have established.

Coffee prices dipped back to 25 cents for Thursday night's regular board meeting however, leading reporters to suspect politics was involved in the sudden rise and fall in the popular brew's price.



## REC KIDS ROLL ON

Interested in finding out more about the town's roller skating program? The Halton Hills recreation department is offering courses Wednesday nights in Georgetown's Memorial Arena and residents—youth and old—can strap on skates and join the fun with instructor

Jean Vaughan. Classes are arranged according to age and the \$15 course fee includes rental of skates. Give the recreation department a call for more information, 877-5183, extension 60 or 19.

(Herald photo)

*One sign of progress*

### Fletchers amalgamate two stores

An about-to-expire lease and a chance at larger quarters have prompted the owners of Fletcher's Family Shoes in Georgetown to amalgamate two downtown operations at their Step-Rite Shoes location.

Geoff and Ralph Fletcher announced this week their intention to relocate Fletcher's Family Shoes at 41 Main St. south June 21. The address is that formerly used by Sykes Bakery, which recently closed downtown, and is adjacent to Step-Rite Shoes, sister business to Fletcher's current 102 Main St. store, which will close June 19.

The space afforded by the combined Sykes and Step-Rite stores will give Fletcher's more storage room as well as a larger sales area, Geoff Fletcher explained.

"We'll continue our family plan," he stressed. "It was a real help to families with children, who saved \$3,100 over the last year and \$300 in just the past couple of weeks thanks to customers cashing them in."

Fletcher's will also continue to carry brand names like Naturalizer, Buster Brown, Nike, Florsheim, Jarman and other quality footwear in the low to medium price range. Mr. Fletcher added that staff will be maintained, as will the concept of a family shoe store.

The Fletcher's amalgamation virtually stands alone as an example of commercial progress within Georgetown's business community, which, like most other sectors of the economy, has suffered a slump over the past year. Herald reporter Chris Aagaard has been investigating the slump, its overall effects and its likely direction in the future. Read all about his findings in a forthcoming issue of The Herald.

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