

Art of communication: be concise, laugh

The world is a poor place to be if people can't laugh, communicate and stay young at heart, said a lady who knows how to excel at all three.

Dr. Angela Armit, a former director of summer school and extension studies at the University of Western Ontario spoke to the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce last Wednesday.

Sometimes called the Bob Hope of the academic world, the spry, jovial lady relayed a message about dealing with people, amidst a flurry of jokes and anecdotes.

Dr. Armit remembers during the war when one particularly gloomy gentleman made matters worse for everyone. The man said, "why, do you know the price of feathers? Even down is up!"

Muddled thinking often results in bad com-



DR. ANGELA ARMIT

munication, she said. One example she gave was of a senior citizen calling a social service agency. "I'd like to report that my husband who was reported missing is now dead," said the lady.

People such as 80-year-old comedian George Burns have a different way of communicating, Dr. Armit said. She recalls Burns saying, "I'm no longer interested in natural foods. I need all the

preservatives I can get!"

Some people aren't too clear in getting their message across, Dr. Armit outlined. A minister's first sermon at his new church in the country was about sin. Two ladies came up to him after the service and said, "we never knew what sin was about until we met you".

Mrs. Armit offered a monologue on her experiences with her new car that talked back to her. The Computer responded to safety problems with the car, giving the impression to people that she was talking to herself, instead of her car. Her niece keeps asking if her car has learned any new words yet, she said.

She advised the Chamber of Commerce to avoid being stuffy and to take the cheerful approach.

Appreciation awards

The following received a "Branch Certificate of Appreciation" for providing a special service to the Branch.

Brenda Aucott, Jean Barton, Rose Marie Baskin, Marion Boyle, Pat Burroughs, Mary Davis, Dianna Dougall, Lea Douglas, Peggy Douglas, Betty Dubuc, Evelyn Fields, Blanche Goudekettling, George

town Dist. High School "Typing Class of '83" (presented in May); Lena Johnston, Joan Jones, Marion Katharoon, Trudy Klein, Floyd Longbottom, Sandra McIntyre, Edna Renwick, St. George's Anglican Church, Martha Stone, Anne Whitehead, Marilyn Worrall.

Presentations of

"Appreciation Awards" for outstanding volunteer service to the Branch were made to the following:

Betty Banton, Joyce Clarke, Donna Downey, Jean Girvan, Marg McDyer, Marylyn Rea, Frances Wild, Helen Beech, Janet Dean, Andrea Ford, Peggy McDonald, Georgette Milliere, Ivy Simm.

Red Cross volunteer pins

The following received their volunteer pin for their work in various services in the Georgetown Red Cross Branch.

Allen, Judy; Anderson, Beth; Anderson, Diane; Barwell, Nancy; Beamish, Rita; Beaton, Ann; Blackmore, Marie; Brown, Linda; Carr, Irene; Chandler, Mrs. R.; Cleary, Colette; Coxers, Anne; Deansmore, Doreen; Dingman, Homer; Drischler, Anita; Eden, Mrs. A.D.; Estevan, Elza; Evans, Nancy; Ferguson, John; Fisher, Betty; French, Ann; French, Mr. W.; Fuller, Janice; Gallagher, Eleanor; Gibbs

Vera; Scarth, Eleanor; Schwingshandl, Mrs. C.; Shearer, Marg; Sieber, Lynda; Smedema, Johanna; Snyder, Nancy; Sowery, Mrs. D.; Spencer, Mrs. Maudie; Squire, Barb; Stenfort, Mrs. H. Taylor, Agnes; Thompson, Mrs. J.; Thompson, Nancy; Van Hoekelen, Ed; Van Ryn, Agatha; Veltman, Linda; Ward, Lou; Webb, Elizabeth; Westateyn, Anky; Wilcox, Marg; Williams, Nora; Willows, Mrs. J.; Wilson, Mrs.

Elsie; Gibbs, Bernice; Halsall, Barb; Hamilton, Jenora; Harvey, Nancy; Hayward, Eleanor; Henson, Fran; Hooper, Elaine; Hughes, Mrs. M.; Hunter, Elsie; Jones, Mrs. B.; Kaiser, Mrs. P.; Karlson, Connie; Keeney, Judy; Keller, Mrs.; Keen, Alice; Kent, Pauline; Lefcink, Diane; Lewis, Martha; Lightowers, Cheryl; Magnuson, June; Mills, Mrs. B.; Mininch, Jean; Miodorenc, Mary; Morys, Lynn; McCallum, Evelyn; McIntyre, Sandra; Newman, Monica; Norris, Patricia; Owm, Evelyn; Packer, Carol; Palmer, Angela; Porritt, Mrs. L.; Patrick, Marjorie; Porter, Pearce; Presswood, Dinah; Pries, Judy; Ramakers, Nellie; Rattenbury, Karla; Reid, Mrs. M.; Ritchie, Lois; Rogers, Kathy; Sanderson,

Door pins presented

The following received a Blood Donor Award (Pin and Scroll) for their continuous blood donations at the Red Cross awards night Monday:

50th Donation: Mr. Douglas Harley, Mr. George Sandifer, Mr. Donald MacLean, Mrs. Elizabeth Schmidt, Mr. Hank Steunenber, Mr. Bruce Totten, Mr. Ronald McGowan.

35th Donation: Mr. Martin Boomsma, Mr. Roy Daniel, Rev. Walter Ridley, Mr. Burt Steunenber, Mr. Colin Vernon, Mr. Stephen Gemesl, Mr. Wm. Kort, Mr. Alydus Sieben, Mr. Brendon Keough, Mr. Alan Martin, Mrs. Connie Nieuwhof, Mr. Michael Payne, Mrs. Jean Crichton, Mr. Ken Jones, Mrs. Dianne Anderson, Mrs. Marian Armstrong, Mr. Ronald Breen, Mr. John Lindsay, Mr. Richard Poot, Mr. Michael Sargent.

Pen set for Paul

Paul Dorsey received a Red Cross pen set for recognition of his personal contribution in promoting the Red Cross at their annual awards night Monday.

The husbands weren't left out of the limelight as Morris Goudekettling, Jack Nieuwhof, Russ Street and Tom Dean received awards for their patience and indirect service.

An appreciation award was given to Bettie Armstrong, Alice Greenaway, Florence and Erica Thompson for their continuous outstanding work in the Georgetown Branch.

Friends of Museum

The Friends of The Halton Region Museum, a working volunteer group, dedicated to assisting the continuing development of the museum are looking for new members.

While special skills are welcome, the most important contribution is being a helpful "Friend" to the museum.

You are invited to join us at the Museum located in the Kelso Conservation Area, Nov. 6, at 12:30 p.m.

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She is looking for hostesses for parties, who can win chances for a trip plus a 10 per cent sales commission. For more information call 877-0206 after 5:30 p.m.

Crusie speaker

The Brampton and area Peace Council will be featuring a speaker from the cruise missile conversion project Nov. 9 starting at 7:30 p.m.

The event takes place at Cardinal Leger Separate School on 75 Mary St. in Brampton. Everyone is welcome.

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