

Outlook on Halton Hills

Ashgrove WI hears about the work of Y

For their International Affairs meeting the Ashgrove Women's Institute met at the home of Doreen Wickson Nov. 15.

In reply to the Roll Call "What do you know about the YWCA," some members told how they or family members had stayed at the Y when they first moved to the city. It was known as a safe inexpensive place for a young woman away from home. Others had enjoyed the dances, played basketball or gone swimming in the pool.

President Pat Stark gave the highlights of the Guelph Area Convention in Maryhill which she had attended on Nov. 2 and 3.

Members who had attended the Nassagaweya WI Homefest and the Norval WI eucbre reported a good time at both events.

Commenting on the District Day on Oct. 30 honoring Peggy Knapp, Norma Alexander thanked everyone for their help and noted that there is a video available of the occasion.

For her report on the proposed dump, Mary Jane Wingfield brought her placard and demonstrated her marching technique. Along with over 50 other Halton Hills residents, she had marched on Queen's Park to protest the proposal. Mary Jane displayed some of the biodegradable garbage bags which are now available. She also encouraged everyone to recycle and explained how to do it. Cans should be washed and flattened and garbage should be sorted. Then it can be disposed of at the Works Department on Trafalgar Road or on Steeles Avenue.

Travellers will find Ashgrove hard to find these days. The sign, erected by the Ashgrove WI a few years ago, to identify it, has fallen down. Members agreed a new sign was needed and Doreen Wickson and Verna Bird volunteered to look into getting a new one.

The motto, no one is useless in the world who lightens the burden of anyone else, was given by Elisabeth Treviranus.

Mildred Blackitt introduced the guest speaker, Marilyn Milton. Marilyn was born in Sussex, New Brunswick, but has lived in Georgetown for many years. A registered nurse, she is a graduate of St. John General Hospital and at present is a part-time Clinical Instructor of student nurses. Her time right now is very much taken up with the works of the YWCA. Last year she was elected one of five vice presidents of the World YWCA.

In her address, Marilyn began by saying how much the Women's Institute and the Y are alike. Both are concerned with pollution, the interests of youth. Both are also volunteer organizations with international interests, both work to benefit mankind and both have nine million members around the world.

Her first contact with the Y began when she joined "Take a Break" at St. John's Church about 17 years ago and has gradually gone on to world involvement.

Marilyn said that women's groups should advertise who we are and tell of our accomplishments. The service of the Y vary in different parts of the world. Some places it provides day care and in others such as Hong Kong it teaches the use of computers.

At Thanksgiving, Marilyn was one of eight women from around the world who travelled to Jerusalem to see the conditions and give moral support to the YWCA there. The heavily-armed military, the large refugee camps, the detention centres with their deplorable conditions, the stone-throwing and people living daily in fear, are part of life there.

A new experience for her was the lengthy interrogation at the airport as she was leaving for home.

She left members with these thoughts on volunteering. "I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything but still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything I will not refuse to do the something that I can do."

Norma Alexander thanked everyone who had helped make this such an outstanding meeting.

A social hour followed with lunch served by Irene Hunter and Betty Brownridge.



The Credit Valley Artisans held their Christmas Crafts Sale Saturday at the Cultural Centre. Here Nadia Lock, 8, of Georgetown enjoys the craft exhibit.



A clown on Mountainview Road South brought some excitement to St. Andrew's Church Bazaar recently. Here, Andrew Snell and Derek King, both 4, clown around with Ollie Terrell, who handed out candy canes to bazaar-goers.

Silver Wood members told of China

Scenes of Water Buffalo working the rice paddies and peasants balancing laden baskets on top of their heads were some of the Chinese lifestyles most eloquently described by Mr. Paul Schwarz at the November meeting of the Silver Wood Women's Institute, held at the home of Mrs. Mary Marchington.

Mr. Schwarz, a Ballinfad resident, recently had the unique opportunity of working for a three-month period, in the City of Guiyang, located in the Southwestern Province of Guizhou. This area being far removed from the regular tourist areas of China showed Mr. Schwarz the true way of

life in China.

With the country's population being a quarter of a billion (one-third of the earth's population), privacy is close to non-existent. Living quarters are anywhere and everywhere, and consequently are very small with no central heating, depending only on the heat derived from the tiny kitchen stoves. The main transportation systems for most Chinese are walking, bicycling or horse drawn two wheel carts. For longer journeys the very dependable train system is used.

Mr. Schwarz was overwhelmed with the courtesy and generosity shown to him by his Chinese associates and friends. It was a

once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for Mr. Schwarz, one that he will never forget.

Mrs. Beth Haines, as Silver Wood's voting delegate, gave a report on the Guelph Area Convention held in Maryhill.

Mrs. Eva Martin reported that on Sunday, Oct. 30, Halton District held a surprise party honoring Mrs. Peggy Knapp on her appointment as President-elect for Ontario. A huge crowd from Halton and the two Wellington Districts plus Peggy's old institute branch, Laura Rose, were in attendance. An afternoon of skills

and singing was enjoyed by all.

The Christmas meeting for the Silver Wood Women's Institute will be held Tuesday, Dec. 13 at the home of Mrs. Doris Lindsay with all welcome.

Anyone interested in attending one of these meetings or wish to obtain further information on the Women's Institute organization should feel free to call Mrs. Mary Marchington at 877-3794 or Mrs. Doris Lindsay at 877-2433.

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- Order 0941231 - SECURITY OFFICER - \$7/hour with review after 3 months. Permanent part time. 24 hours per week, hours vary (weekends). Must have Grade 12 or a course in law and security. Must have a resume.
- Order 0938190 - COUNTER ATTENDANT - Permanent fulltime or part time. Days and evenings. Previous counter work an asset. Good work attitude and steady work history. Neat and tidy appearance.
- Order 0925939 - SERVICES COUNSELLOR - Wage is negotiable, depending on experience. Part time and fulltime available. Fulltime position requires a degree in Behavioral Science or Developmental services work certificate. For part time position, experience working with the handicapped is preferred.
- Order 0864928 - BUTCHER, ALL ROUND - \$450/week to start. Permanent fulltime, Mon. to Fri. Must be a fully experienced butcher. Experience in skinning with an electric knife or experience on the killing floor, dealing with calves, beef, lambs and goats.
- Order 0943215 - CAFETERIA COUNTER ATTENDANT - Permanent fulltime, \$8/hour to start. Employer is willing to train a reliable person. Must be able to make change and enjoy dealing with the public.
- Order 0913782 - FURNITURE FINISHER - \$6/hour to start. Permanent fulltime or part time hours available. No experience necessary. Employer will train. Must have an interest in furniture refinishing. Reliable and pleasant telephone manner. Neat and tidy in appearance.
- Order 0920625 - TRUCK DRIVER - \$10 - \$12/hour, depending on experience. Permanent fulltime. Able to work every other Saturday morning. Must have a clean class "D" license. Must be mechanically inclined. Previous welding experience is an asset as well as some farming background.
- We also have a position available for a Santa Claus, Dec. 19 to 24. Hours vary. Must enjoy working with children and have a pleasant personality.

If you are interested in any of the above positions, visit the Georgetown CEC.