

# Business in Ballinafad

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A splendid time was had by all who attended the Ballinafad Business People's Dance on Saturday, Oct. 14. The music supplied by Marion's Country Band was outstanding. The band played a wonderful variety of songs as part of their repertoire. The dance being a sell out was deemed a huge success. The dance attracted older residents, which made the atmosphere especially nice. The next chance to shake a leg will be the upcoming Halloween Dance. This dance will be held on Saturday, Oct. 28 at 9 p.m. at the Community Centre. A D.J. will put on the music. Tickets can now be purchased at the Ballinafad General Store.

Only a few members were able to come out for the recent Women's Institute meeting, which was held at Mrs. Alma Sinclair's. The ladies answered to the roll call of "How can we help the less fortunate?" Mrs. Sinclair gave the motto which subject was "Indifference is the

rust that crumbles our society." The members made plans for the upcoming district convention. A resolution was sent to Erin Township, requesting Council to look into the dangerous situation of Brisbane corner, where many accidents are occurring.

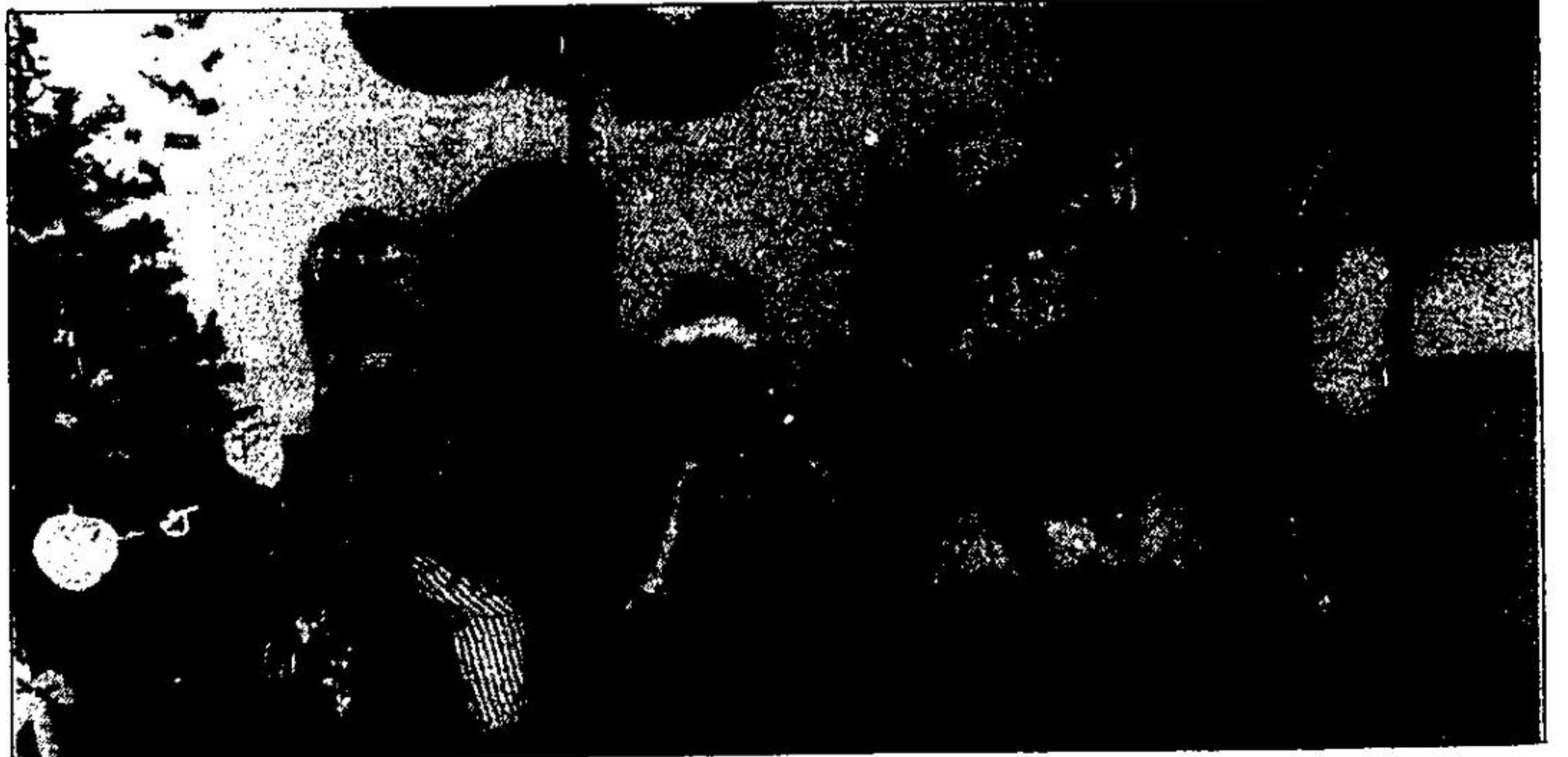
Clay Curtis is undergoing a painful time with a broken toe. Special thoughts go out to him for a speedy recovery.

The Girl Guides who meet every Tuesday, at the United Church are currently working on their Neighbors badge. To complete this badge the girls have to learn about their area. Some of the things the girls are learning are where the closest shopping mall, libraries, and arenas, etc. are located.

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## Two months and counting

Santa Claus received mixed reactions when he visited the Christmas and Cards special section at Country Video on Saturday. Santa will be on hand at Country Video every Saturday and Sunday through November. Starting Dec. 1, Santa will also make Friday night appearances. Making Santa feel welcome

and peeking over the sleigh are sisters (from left) Kimberley and Jennifer Grace. At rear, with Santa, are, from left to right, Laura Johnston with son Nicholas, Santa's helper Amanda Inglis, Brad Johnston and Country Video owner Debi Tarzwell with Zackary Johnston. (Herald photo)

## Norval United Church turns 100

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Ed. Greensword ran to his cutter in the horseshed for his big buffalo fur robe. He threw it over the flames, and when the others came dashing back with help Ed. was calmly tramping out the last of the fire. The second was in 1971 when the garage next door blew up in an explosion and burned to the ground. Miraculously only minor damage was done to the church.

Members of the session were the Rev. F.A. Gilbert, L.J.C. Bull, Col. A.L. Noble, Matthew Laidlaw, James Hyatt, W.J. Switzer, Frank Hustler, H.A. Clarridge.

Mrs. Guy (Jenny) Wilson was the first woman elected to the session in 1942. Today there are four women members.

Many dedicated members have served as Sunday School superintendents and teachers, as choir leaders and organists and officers of the various organizations within the church, the women's groups, the couples' club and youth groups.

The last item of business of the Methodist Church was the installation of electric lights in 1925. Since church union the property committee have been kept busy over the years keeping the church and the parsonage (now called the manse) in repair. At the church the horse sheds were sold and replaced with a car parking area. The coal furnace was replaced with two oil burning furnaces. Redecorating the sanctuary and new red carpeting was followed by improvements to the downstairs that included the kitchen modernized, two

washrooms installed, tile and carpeting the floors and town water installed. A new roof on the church and updating in the electric wiring, a new storage shed and re-pointing of the brickwork are recent projects.

We now have the fifth generation active in our church today. They are descendants from six of the founding members of the church in 1889. We also have the descendants of a good number of families who joined the Methodist families to form the United Church in 1925, and many other families who moved to this area over the years, all joining together and sharing in God's work and worship. The pioneers of the past, and the new leaders tomorrow are all here celebrating one hundred years to the glory of God.

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From 1925 - 1989 sixteen ministers served the Norval Methodist Church - a total of 64 years. Ministers in the United Church who served more than five years are: 1926 - 1935, The Rev. Neil McKinnon, nine years; 1942 - 1949, The Rev. Frank Dunlop, seven years; 1958 - 1964, The Rev. Lloyd Freel, six years; 1966 - 1989, The Rev. R. Walter Ridley, 23 years.

On July 1, 1989 The Rev. Stephen and Ann Bemrose-Fetter started their ministry here.

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## Seniors supper

The Georgetown and District Seniors' Association is holding an all-beef supper at Holy Cross Auditorium on Sunday, Oct. 22. There will be two sittings, one at 5 p.m. and one at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 10 years old. Everyone welcome.

For tickets contact Lew Ward at 877-2731 or Fern Boisvenue at 877-9714.

## POWER tonight

POWER (Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources) the citizens group fighting the Acton landfill site proposal, meets tonight (Wednesday) at 8 p.m. at Limehouse School.

## Home cooking

For those who enjoy good home baking - drop into Zellers on Saturday, Oct. 21 anytime from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to the Georgetown Opti-Mrs. Bake Sale.

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