

# Ballinafad centre has passed its fire inspection

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After many diligent hours, over the course of the past several months, the consistent efforts of Carl Volmar have paid off. The Ballinafad Community Center has now passed a Fire Inspection.

In order to increase the occupancy number permitted under a liquor license, the centre has undergone a great number of upgrades. The hall board has now received a letter stating that during the fire inspection held March 29, no violations of the Ontario Fire Code were found, and that the maximum occupancy of the building was 299. To accomplish this fault free inspection was no small feat. It took a lot of hours on the part of Carl Volmar and involved meetings with the Erin Township Fire Chief, co-ordinating work to outside contractors, doing some labor himself, and most importantly, the follow-up. Each infraction had to be evaluated, then Carl arranged for work to be done. He monitored each job for quality, and then followed-up to ensure proper completeness. Carl is a fine example of an individual already occupied with running his own business, Birchway Farms Nursery on the Seventh Line, whose efforts have made the community a better place. Thanks Carl. Now the board must negotiate with the Liquor Licensing Board to formally upgrade the occupancy level allowed on liquor permits.

If Mother Nature co-operates, and does not bless us with April showers, work will begin on the

community centre parking lot. Parking facilities are to be enlarged, and topped with gravel.

At the hall board meeting held Thursday, April 12, Mrs. Edna Ferguson, producer of the upcoming Globe Dinner Theatre "Just Go To The Movies", came to voice her concerns of having adequate parking, having the water in the old section of the basement corrected, etc. Along with Hall Board members, Mrs. Ferguson was greeted with the news of Erin Township Council passing a resolution that every facility under the jurisdiction have proof of \$1,000,000 in liability insurance on the part of the renter, before it can be rented. The proof can be obtained through your personal insurance agent, or by purchasing a policy for the evening such as PAL (Party Alcohol Liability) insurance. The implications of this resolution are to be discussed at a later meeting. Jim Bailey was given the go-ahead to build picnic tables for the park. Children's playground equipment have now been ordered. The hall board meets again this week, as there was just too many items to cover.

Look for black and gold pants, with white shirts on the Jim Bailey Diamond, instead of the earlier reported navy blue for the Jim Dandies. A subsequent meeting had the colors changed. The ladies baseball team now have their new uniforms, and have started practicing. Monday nights have been designated practice nights, with a few Sunday afternoons included until extended light at night is prevalent.



## Raffling dolls

These antique reproduction porcelain dolls are being raffled off to raise money for the Acton Seniors Centre. The dolls are reproductions of dolls made by Juneau in 1890 in France. Tickets for the raffle are \$2 and they can be picked up at the Doll Emporium in Acton. The dolls, called Bebe Fleur, are valued at

\$1,500 each. Only 7,500 tickets will be sold for the raffle. Posing with the dolls are (front), Dorothy Milne Eplett, Phyllis Gibson, Edly Snels, Sandra Runalls-Lichty (president of the Koalin Creations Doll Club), councillor Gerald Rennie, Elba Weesback and Bob MacArthur (president of the Golden Age Club).

## Honors awards Saturday

Members wishing to attend the Honors and Awards on Saturday, April 21 are requested to be seated in the auditorium before 8:00 p.m. New members to be initiated are to assemble in the lounge at 7:30 p.m. Members old and new are invited to attend this function honoring those who have given long service to the Royal Canadian Legion. Entertainment will follow the formal part of the evening.

Buster Hale, Colin Gibson, Greg Wagstaffe, Ceil Reid, Gary Kirk, Don Latchford were all winners. The roast was won by Jack Hillier.



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Saturday afternoon meat draw: Bill Kirby, Vern Kirby, Gertrude Koltthoff, Paul Sargent, Keith Tost.

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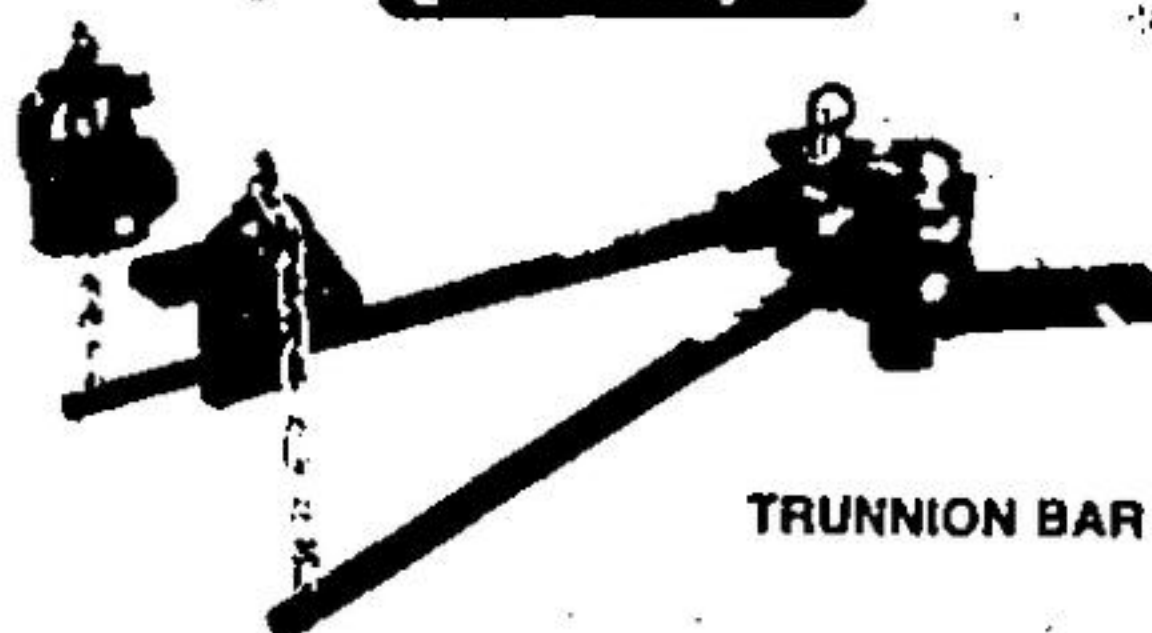
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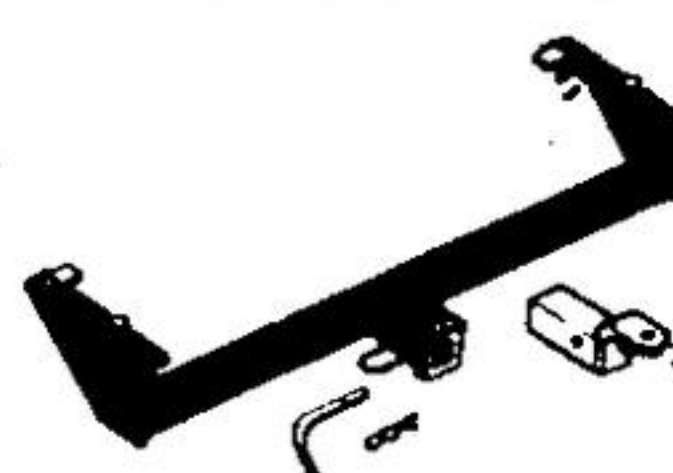
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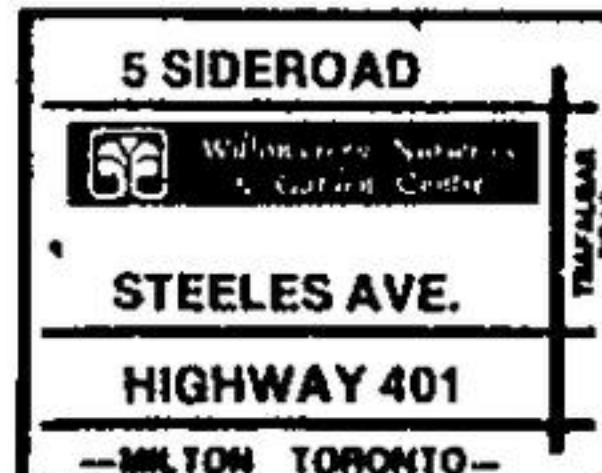
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