

Community

Optimist Club recognizes youth

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In 1954, a group of Optimists decided that too much attention was given to the negative acts of youth and too little attention to the majority of young people who are eager to accept fulfilling roles as responsible citizens. To openly recognize the positive actions and contributions of young people, Youth Appreciation Week was inaugurated.

Since its inception, Youth Appreciation Week has grown and is now sponsored by Optimist Clubs throughout North America. It has, as its objective, to publicize the fact that today's youth are not the selfish, lazy degenerates that so many adults imagine them to be.

The majority of young people are well-informed, concerned about the world they live in, and willing and interested in getting involved in efforts to improve and change our society. The guidance, wisdom and experience of adults is needed to help young people in their efforts towards the achievement of their

goals. Therefore each adult has the responsibility to assist youth through, the transitional stage towards adulthood.

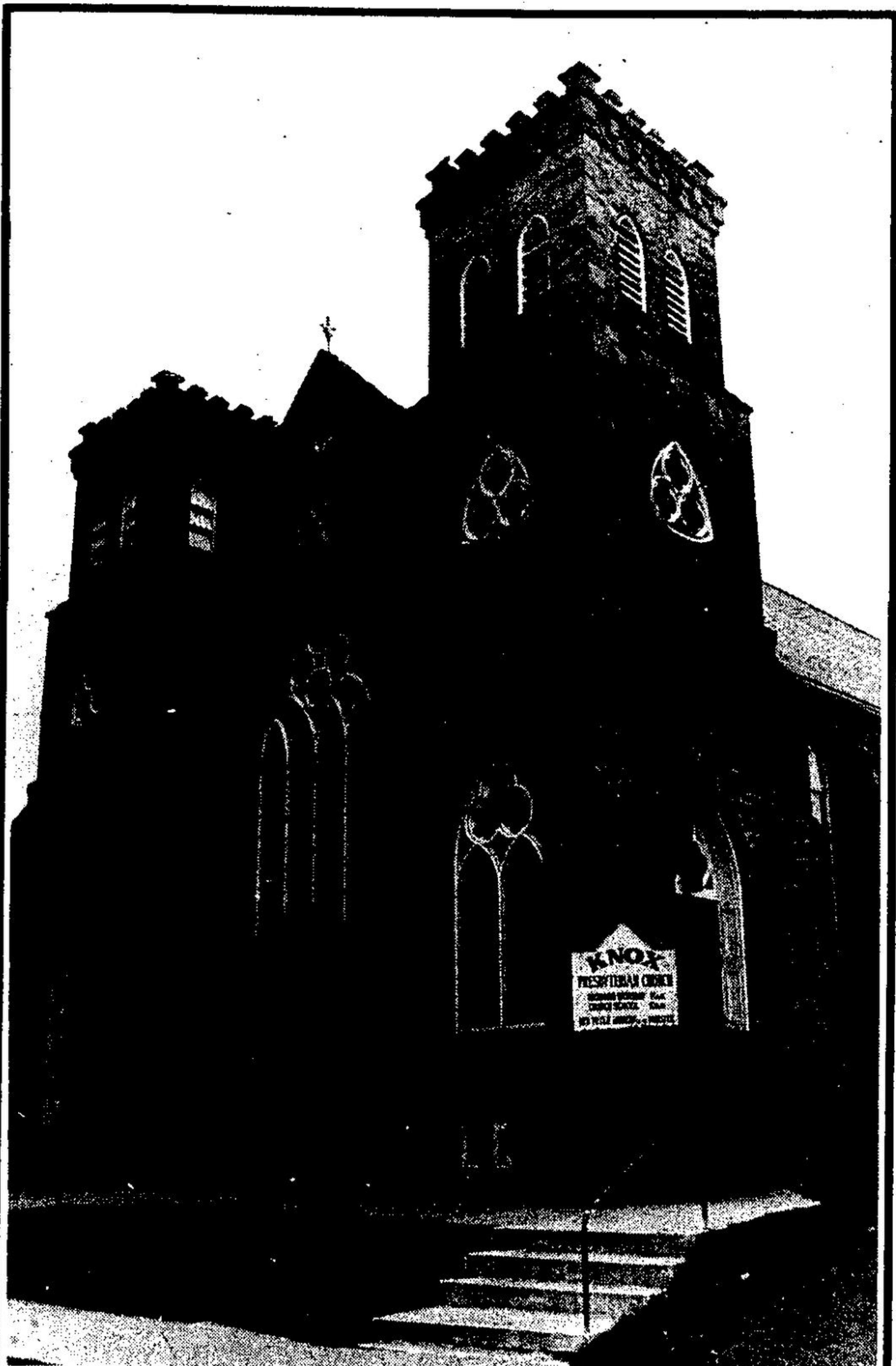
Traditionally it has been the family that has passed on the spiritual values of our society, together with schools and religious institutions. No other institutions have evolved that are able to do a better job.

Optimists recognize the importance of these institutions and dedicate themselves to supporting them for the good of our communities.

Youth Appreciation Week is a vehicle through which adults and youth may work together for the good of us all.

This year, Youth Appreciation Week will be from November 4th to November 10th in Halton Hills.

On November 13th a dinner will be held at the Optimists Hall to honor this year's award winners and their parents. The awards will be presented by Regional Chairman P. Pomeroy, Mayor R. Miller, Police Chief W. I. Harding and Fire Chief W. E. Cunningham.



Anniversary service

Knox Presbyterian Church, located on the corner of Main and Church Streets in Georgetown, celebrated its 130th anniversary as a congregation with a special service last Sunday. The guest speaker for this auspicious occasion was Rev. Robert Little, the director of the Renewal Fellowship within the Presbyterian Church in Canada. (Herald photo by Colin Gibson)

Foster Parent Plan faces sponsor crisis

Foster Parents Plan of Canada (an international human development agency) has launched an emergency appeal to sponsors, in an attempt to offset the effects of the recession on the organization's support base. The economic downturn is causing an increasing number of Foster Parents to terminate their sponsorships. This is having a severe effect on PLAN's operating budget, which if unchecked could have a similarly devastating impact on overseas programs.

National Director Paula McTavish is counting on the proven commitment of the remaining sponsors to offset the loss. Foster Parents are being asked to take over one of the cancelled sponsorships, and to suggest potential new sponsors from among their acquaintances. "Without existing marketing efforts failing to make up the shortfall, and with our advertising budget fully committed, we have nowhere else to turn," says McTavish.

Past similar appeals, such as that made necessary by the month-long postal strike of 1975 have proven fairly successful for the organization. According to McTavish, a seven per cent return rate from among PLAN's existing 90,000 sponsors will make the difference.



Georgetown Minor Hockey Association

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

AGENDA:

CHANGE SECTION 1.5.3 OF CONSTITUTION TO READ: 8 DIRECTORS FORM A QUORUM.

MEETING PLACE:

GEORGETOWN POLICE STATION CONFERENCE ROOM.

TIME:

NOVEMBER 12/90 - 7:30 P.M.

Signed: H. PELLIS, President

Cancer group holds discussions

The Living With Cancer Group is holding group discussions to provide emotional support and practical guidance to patients, families and friends.

Groups are sponsored by the Canadian Cancer Society and led

by nurses.

Held at - Living With Cancer Group, Canadian Cancer Society, 751 Main Street East, Milton, Ontario (west of Bunsmaster Building on 2nd Floor).

Held - every 2nd Thursday

from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Next meeting dates November 1st, 15th and 29th.

For more information, call the Cancer Society - Milton unit, 878-5228 or 878-1876.

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