

## Ballinafad News

# Special wedding anniversary

By BETTY SOJKA

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Buckrell have recently returned from their winter home in Florida. While there, the couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, in a most memorable way.

A big party was held at the Snow Birds Club, which included a wonderful evening of dancing. Joined by six other Canadian couples, the Buckrells made a total of seven couples each celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary. All the couples are members of the Snow Birds Club. Happiest of wishes go out to the long wedded couple.

Tickets are still available at the Ballinafad General Store for this Saturday's Hard Times Dance. As part of the theme, the Hall Board has reduced admission cost to \$5.00 per person. S and S Sound featuring D.J. George will be there playing all those great tunes to dance to. A "Hard Times" luncheon will be served. The fun starts at 9:00 p.m.

Last week's Euchre, being the second one held, had all the bugs worked out. Everything went very smoothly, with players starting at 7:30 p.m. sharp.

The evening passed very quickly with 14 games being played. Sandwiches, cookies, tea and coffee were served. There was such a positive response, that it was decided to hold another one on Thursday, May 2nd at the Community Centre, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The 4-H Club has completed its meetings, leaving only their Achievement Day to attend.

Their last meeting included a visit to the Wellington County Archives. Here members went on a tour. Circa 1800's furniture was studied. The group watched how candles were made. A special treat was in store for them when they were able to make little sheep out of pipe cleaners and real sheep's wool.

The Club learned a lot about the records that were stored at the Archives, and what information they held about the local area.

On Sunday, April 14, the Ballinafad United Church congregation was entertained with a musical presentation.

Ms. McNally played the flute, and was accompanied by Mrs. Pat Kerr on piano. The Junior Choir beautifully sang an Anthem. A social hour was held after the service. The 113th Anniversary of the Ballinafad United Church will be held on the 5th of May at 11:30 a.m. Presiding minister will be Rev. Joe Smiley, B.A., M.Div. Please come and help celebrate. There will be special music by the senior and junior choirs.

Last week's U.C.W. meeting was held on Tuesday evening. President Alma Sinclair opened the meeting with a reading from Friendship Book. Roll call consisted of Bible verse on Easter and a donation of canned food, etc. for the Love of Christ Food Bank in Georgetown. Mrs. Laura Elison, a representative from this organization, was the guest speaker. Mrs. Elison described the special needs of the Food Bank, and the large number of individuals involved. There is always a special need for junior foods, milk - canned or powdered, peanut butter and canned meats.

Watch for the April monthly newsletter that was mailed out this week.

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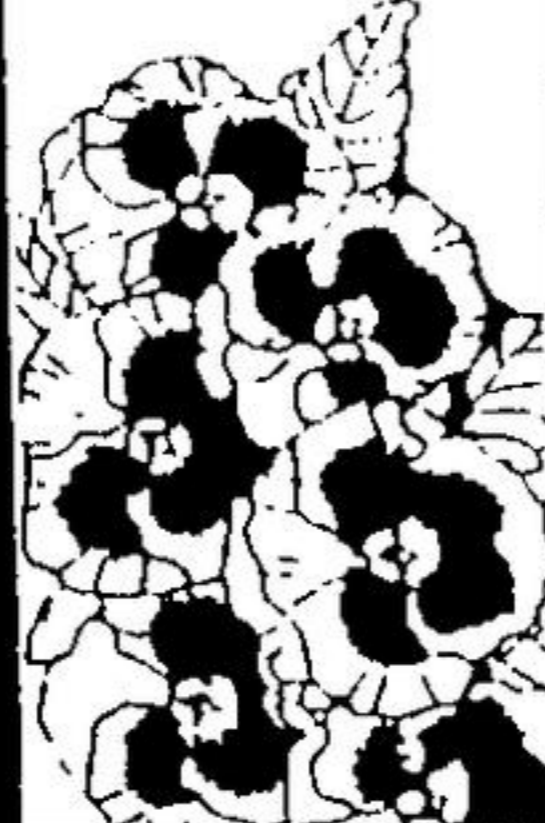
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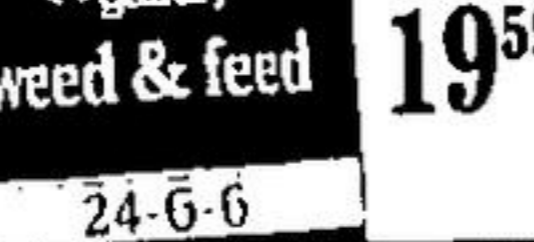
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