

#### Art partners

Artistic partners Jennifer Harrison (left) and Sharon Guest of Norval decide what to make for mom and dad during a Valentine's Day crafts day at Norval Community Centre. (Herald Photo)

## Newsletter looking good

By BETTY SOJKA Herald Special

By now everyone, on the monthly newsletter mailing list. should have received, the January edition, mailed out last week. With more pages, and a brighter format the newsletter will also include a section each month, revealing a bit of village history. Look forward to articles about the churches, hotel, general store, community centre, and early settlers. A sponsor is needed every month, to pay for 100 postage stamps, in exchange for advertising space. Call 853-3691 now to reserve a month! Your help goes a long way, in cutting down costs for the community centre.

A general meeting for the community centre has been set for Tuesday, Feb. 11, starting at 7:30 p.m. Flyers have gone out inviting people stressing not to depend on your neighbor to attend, to express your concerns. It is important for everyone to attend. Robert Heaton representing Halton Hills, and Doris Topolsek representing Erin Township, will be there to listen, and respond to any concerns. Among any of your own concerns, you may have, the flyer asks for ideas and suggestions on subjects such as fire protection, neighborhood watch, speed of local traffic, teen activities, dances, hall use, park facilities, ball park lighting, hall parking lot, neighborhood growth, fund raising ideas, and the current 5 year \$198,000.00

budget for centre and park. The Hall Board will also be looking for two members, to fill the committee for 1992. Even as a

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member of large, putting in a couple of hours here and there throughout the year on various projects is a big help. Here is an opportunity to give input as to what happens in your community. Let's see you there!

Don't forget folks, this coming Thursday, February 6th is Euchre night in Ballinafad. Starting at 7:30 p.m. at the community centre, the cost is \$3.00 per person. Proceeds go to the community centre. Prizes are given for top male and female players. All calibre of players are welcome. Refreshments will be served. Come on out! It is a fun night all around.

Saturday, Feb. 15 is the night to bring your sweetie to the community centre for the Jim Dandies Valentine's Dance. Tickets at a cost of \$7.50 per person, are available from the Ballinafad General Store, and include chances to win spot and door prizes. S and S Sound are the D.-J.'s set to rock the night away. A light meal will be served. Get your tickets early to avoid dissappointment!

### Creative sewing

From The Halton Creative Sewing Association

Over 100 people attended the bimonthly meeting of the Halton Creative Sewing Association held at St. Andrew's United Church Jan. 28. Judging by the interest shown this is becoming a very successful event.

Martha Fortier, a representative from Simplicity presented slides on home decorating ideas. Bev Black from Jeffersons gave us the latest on trims and fringes available for the home sewer.

Lynda Jenner, a Pfaff representative was there to answer many questions on the operation of a serger. Lynda also gave a demonstration on how to use and apply your serger to the best advantage.

A display of garments included a beautiful array of lingerie and heirloom sewing, many pieces done by first time sewers.

Bonnie Glass displayed tapestry coats and jackets she had designed using an assortment of fabrics from upholstery fabric, denim and brocade, the end results being unique and very beautiful.

There certainly seems to be something to catch the interest of all ages.

Future workshops are being offered in tapestry coats and jackets, lingerie, Know Your Sewing Machine (a sample book lesson as an introduction to heirloom sewing), basic serger, and balloon curtains. Anyone wishing to take advantage of these courses call Shirley Lyons at 877-5485.

Our next meeting will be held on March 31st. Over half the advance sale tickets have been sold. The program being offered is Betty Ann Crosbie, columnist for the fashion section of the Toronto Star. Her "Made to Measure" column appears Thursdays. She also is a teacher at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute.

If you have been waiting for a sewing machine to link up to your personal computer look no further.

Software has been introduced by Pfaff, capable of linking a sewing machine to a personal computer. As an extra note of interest for this meeting there will be a hands on demonstration of this unique sewing system. Phone 877-5484 to reserve your seat.

# Annual church meeting

By KAY WILSON Norval News

The congregation of Norval Presbyterian Church held their annual meeting on Jan. 26, 1992 after a pot luck lunch of casseroles, salads and desserts.

Rev. Mary Campbell conducted the meeting, with Karen Carney as recording secretary, approximately 45 attended.

The new Board of Managers appointed for three years will be Robert McGee, Harry Hope. Bill McClure and Ted Smith.

John Henderson, Chairman of the Vision Committee outlined the needs and outreach plans for the future.

The main expenditure for the past year was the installation of two new gas furnaces.

It was noted 1991 was a very enriching year for the congregation under the leadership of "Rev. Mary", with many weddings and baptisms and new members joining the church.

We can only hope for continued growth in this coming year.

Women's Missionary Society

The Alexander Auxiliary WMS of Norval Presbyterian Church held its January meeting at the home of Gertrude Shortill.

Betty McClure was in charge of the meeting and gave an interesting introduction to the study book on the geography and history of Japan.

Reta Hamilton gave the devo-

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Gertrude had on display many Japanese treasures that she has received from her son, John Mc-Clure who is the Assistant to the Grand Tea Master of Japan.

These included a beautiful kimono, fans and hand-painted tea sets and tapestry.

Elanor McClure assisted the hostess with lunch and a social visit followed.

**Annual Meeting** 

On Monday Jan. 20, 1992 Union Presbyterian Church held their annual meeting.

The meeting was chaired by Rev. Mary Campbell and she opened with a reading from Philippians 2 and prayer.

Each committee submitted a report of the 1991 happenings.

1991 was a great year for fastgrowing Union Church. There were nine children baptised, four people welcomed into membership and eight weddings took place, three of them were members from our own congregation. There were many new welcomed faces in our church.

As the growth of our church blossoms, it is easy to feel and see the glorious enthusiasm amongst the people.

We at Union are in the midst of an important costly project to make our sanctuary more accessible by means of a chairlift. We started fund raising with an enjoyable evening this past October with a square dance and silent auction. We were all impressed to see so many young people with a keen aptitude for the dance. With the support of many people we hope to see the completion of this project in 1991.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the three families of out church that lost loved ones in

There were three new elders ordained- Dr. Ruth Alison, Bill Ostrander and David Thompson.

The minister's message to us all stated an uncertain shakey world that we live in, but if we all stand together in our communities, our strength and courage will grow. With that we can extend our help far beyond our own territories. May God bless us all with increased faith and wisdom to do his work.

The meeting was adjourned and closed with prayer. Plenty of desserts and beverages were then anjoyed by all.

60th Birthday

Congratulations to Bernice
Ostrander, R.R.4 Georgetown, on

her 60th Birthday.

Her daughters, Carolyn and husband Frank Roche entertained around 60 family members and friends Saturday evening Jan. 25. Her sisters Margaret Fleet and Shirley McCallum assisted with the party.



#### Hi there Teddy

Denise Cooper (left) and Britany Walker (right) were part of the fun during the Acton Parent-Child Centre's Teddy Bear Picnic last Wednesday. The

girl's are pictured here with co-ordinator Sue Walker. (Herald Photo by Steven LeBlanc)