

Acton group sends cheque to students

I.O.D.E. NEWS

BY DOT NORTON

Our last meeting opened with Regent Helen Jocque in the chair. Prayer of the Order and Flag Salute brought the meeting to order.

Secretary and treasurers reports were read and approved.

Unfortunately we had to say 'no' to the many requests for donations. Our group is just too small to cope with everyone, for which we are very sorry.

We were pleasantly surprised

— 16 of our 17 members were present at the meeting. I guess we can't knock our turn-outs.

Our education lady, Roselea Dawkins, has the cheque away to our school room in Makovick, so the children there should benefit from our help this time.

Articles for the sale were brought in by the ladies and our special bag lady, Joyce Sprowl, was more than pleased. Two crib quilts, made by Joyce and her granddaughter and Helen, and sweaters, toques and mitts, were just some of the things brought in by the ladies.

As well, the food bank in Georgetown has offered a lot of knitted articles if we would pick them up. A very special 'Thank You' to these generous ladies for

their help.

Our bazaar seems to be coming along in leaps and bounds. Our clock and quilt bag are ready to go, so folks, be watching for our sale of tickets to begin.

Our next meeting, May 2, will start off with dinner at the Royal Cafe at 6:45 pm. You will be notified of the particulars later this month from your convenor.

I forgot to mention that Joyce handed our good grooming bags for the sale, to be filled. They are much smaller this year and are for children and adults, so ladies, they really don't take much to fill. Just a little more help for those who have less than ourselves.

Lunch was served by the convenors of the group. A pleasant time was had by all 16 ladies.

Battle of the books!

ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS

BY MARY PAT O'MEARA & STEFANIE VIDIC

Congratulations go out to our Junior and Senior Battle of the Books teams.

Last week our teams went to Georgetown to compete against other schools.

Both teams performed well and qualified to go on the the Grand Battle of the Books, which was held yesterday. We'll let you know how they made out next week.

It was a short week due to

Good Friday. All classes were focused on Jesus' death and resurrection by taking part in many Holy Week activities.

Mrs. Lee, our librarian, threw an "Easter Bunny Trivia" contest. The people who answered the most questions in their division won.

The list of lucky winners: Primary division, Amanda O'Connor; Junior division, Caitlin Rivers and Holly Petkoff; Intermediate division, Mary Pat O'Meara; Teachers division, Mrs. C. Lehman.

Happy Easter to all!

School plans giant garage sale in May

M.Z. BENNETT NEWS

BY STEPHANIE THOMPSON & JESSICA BAILEY

Last week was a short week at M.Z. Bennett. With Good Friday a holiday, our reporters had to scramble to collect all the news for this column.

Our Kindergartens finished their fire theme and began making Easter decorations. Kindergarten students are going to Cunningham Farm to look for signs of spring. They will be watching for animal babies in particular.

Grade 1, 2 and 3 students have begun their "make it go" experiments. They are experimenting with electricity, gravity, air, elastics and magnetic power, and are having fun with energy.

The junior grades are rehearsing for their spring production of *Twelfth Night*. Teachers and students are busy learning their parts, planning costumes, as well as designing the sets.

Mrs. Graham's class has done illuminations and has been studying 3-D shapes. Mr. Waitson's class is working on masking tape masks. And Mr. Fisher's class has been doing geometric line art.

The final chess club party was last Tuesday. Thanks to all members who attended regularly.

Volleyball is over for this year. All the members did a great job in the tournament.

The school is holding a gigantic garage sale on May 13. Save your goodies for us — proceeds will help buy computer materials for the students at M.Z. Bennett.

We hope you all had a happy Easter and enjoyed the long weekend!

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