

Ballinafad hall board deals with smorgasbord of items

By **BETTY SOJKA**
Ballinafad news

At their monthly meeting the Ballinafad Hall Board had a smorgasbord of items to go over.

It was learned Ken Chapman would no longer be the Erin

Township Councillor representative for the hall board. Effective immediately, Jeff Duncan will take over.

Quotes for the paving of the parking lot have been received, and the hall board is just waiting for their budget to be approved then work can proceed.

Due to the steady spree of vandalism last year, members had no choice

but to okay the purchase of iron welded screens to be fitted on the basement windows. Soccer and baseball rates were discussed and confirmed for 2001. Six new picnic tables are soon to be delivered and assembled. The picnic tables already in the inventory will be assessed to be repaired if possible or just disposed of.

A group of about 12 individuals comprised of the Ballinafad Hall board and Erin Township council have formed a playground subcommittee. By the next hall board meeting, set for May 14, these individuals will have amassed information prices, installation, vendors, etc. of various playground equipment for the Ballinafad Park. Another consideration for the park are soccer benches. Jim Bailey is putting together prices, styling and measurements for the meeting. A price for refinishing the dance floor is also being sought.

Winners at the April 19 euchre were Glad Inglis, first; Henry Wedge second; Eleanor Robinson third. There was a four-way tie for most lone hands: Jean Roshier, Mae Milton, Gilda Malyk and Pat Stark with six each. Low score prize went to Marg Bockley.

Everyone is welcome to visit the community centre for the next euchre evening, Thursday, May 3, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Cost is only \$3 per person and includes sandwiches, sweets, tea and coffee.

Get your tickets now for the May 5 Country Dance featuring Vintage Country. The dance starts at 9 p.m. at the centre. Tickets, \$10, are available at the Ballinafad General Store.



Doing their part

Members of Georgetown East 12th Sparks celebrated Earth day Monday night as they conducted a cleanup of the area around St. Brigid's School, to give the girls a sense of community involvement. Among those picking up the garbage were (from left) Amber Astles, 7, leader Tracey Newman, and Taylor Mannette, 5.

Photo by Ted Brown

Busy weekends ahead in Norval

By **LOIS ROONEY-GIURIN**
Norval news

April 28 is Book Fair day at Norval Presbyterian Church. Beginning at 10 a.m., come and browse through a range of books. Starting at noon, there will be a reader for the children. Refreshments will be offered, and all proceeds will go to Armagh House, housing for women and families leaving abusive situations. Come on out and stock up on your summer reading.

On April 29 Norval Presbyterian Church worship will be combined with Union Presbyterian, at the Union Church on Old School Road. The 11 a.m. service will feature special speaker Sarah Jones, of the Yonge Street Mission in Toronto. All are welcome. A potluck lunch will follow.

The Norval Community Association's Annual Heritage Plant sale is slated for May 5, starting at 9:30 a.m. Held outside of the Hollywood at Winston Churchill Boulevard and Guelph Street, this is THE place to stock up on heritage plants. Beautify your garden

and help out the Community Association. What a deal!

Norval Presbyterian is holding a garage sale at the church (499 Guelph Street) on Saturday, May 12. Further details later.

On Sunday, May 13, 10 a.m. until 5 p.m., the Village of Norval presents Riverfest 2001, an annual festival celebrating life on the Credit River. Lots of events are attractions are planned. Mark your calendars and watch for details closer to the event, or check out www.canoe-country.com, or call Julie or Gini at 905-846-5000.

Norval United Church's 34th Annual Chicken Barbecue will be held on May 26, at Huttonville Public School. Advance tickets cost \$10 adults and \$5 children. Tickets sold at the door are \$11, adults, \$6 children. Don't miss your full half-chicken, legendary potato salad, or baked potato, roll, homemade pie, and a beverage. Call Lorne Cowan, 905-459-2837 to reserve your tickets. There will also be a silent auction to benefit the 2001 Vacation Bible School. Donations are appreciated.

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