

Senior Citizens review busy, successful year

The following is an extensive annual report on the 1967 activities of Milton Senior Citizens Club, as submitted by the retiring secretary Mrs. F. W. Harbottle:

1967 - "Centennial Year" closed our sixth successful year as a Milton Senior Citizens Club, with Alexander Watson as our capable president, and a full slate of officers.

We have 136 members enrolled having an average attendance of 65. Miss Mignon Telgman moved away to Kingston in July, then five members were removed by death, Miss Helen Mockridge, Mrs. R. M. Clements, Edward Byerman, Mrs. Frank Cartwright and Miss Jean Gillespie. Mr. Watson has presided at 10 regular meetings, on the third Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Knox Presbyterian Church Hall, and 11 executive meetings held in the Town Hall Committee Room at 2:30 p.m., on the first Monday of the month. These meetings have followed the same high standard of gatherings as in other years.

January 16, 1967 started off with the largest annual turkey banquet in our six years, with

102 members and our guests sitting down together with Fred W. Harbottle, retiring president in charge. Tables were beautiful with red carnations and white mums, graciously donated by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gorter, florists from Kilbride. A. Watson, president-elect for 1967 introduced the head table, Mayor and Mrs. Sid Childs, Mr. and Mrs. H. Stanley, Rev. Dr. T. Dustan, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Harbottle, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Watson.

An impressive memorial service was held for the four members who had died during 1966 - Frank McNiven, Mrs. G. K. Manore, Mrs. George Allen, and Charles Kerr. Scripture was read by F. W. Harbottle, a minute's silence was observed, then Dr. T. Dustan led in prayer, followed by one verse of "Abide with Me," sung by all.

Dr. T. Dustan, in his few remarks, spoke feelingly of our Milton Senior Citizens Club; having been asked to give his pictures of "India" first of any organization. He commended M.S.C.C. on the fine choice of our Centennial Project, furnishing a single room in the new

addition of our Milton and District Hospital, and the fact that three churches were working side by side, ecumenically, more than any other societies in Milton. Mayor Sid Child brought greetings, and told us of the interesting Centennial features that would be in Milton later in the year.

Mrs. H. R. Magee added much to our evening's entertainment by her pleasing solos. Henry Stanley, guest speaker, Halton's Agricultural Representative in his humorous thought-provoking, educational address, with his sparkling wit and intelligence with figures will be long remembered.

F. W. Harbottle presented "The Gavel" (significant of office) to the new president A. Watson, then he took the chair, calling on Tom Bradley who presented F. W. Harbottle with his past president's jewel. Mr. Watson following the example of the retiring president, gave his parting words, "If we cannot do great things, let us do small things great."

Our greatest achievement and highlight for "Centennial Year" was our project to furnish a single room in the new part of

the Milton and District Hospital. All members gave, and our objective of \$595 was over-subscribed, so extra gifts were bought for our room, that has on its door - "Milton Senior Citizens Club." (We raised \$742.)

Besides the banquet speaker H. Stanley, we had Father J. J. Murphy of Holy Rosary Church in April, speaking on "The Characteristics of Senior Citizens," R. M. Clements spoke on the "Early Days in Milton," a very timely subject for Canada's 100th birthday.

Our church service was held on May 21, 1967 at 11 a.m. in Knox Presbyterian Church with Rev. J. K. L. McGown giving the message. Fifty members attended.

The musical part of our programs were excellent. Here is a list of the artists:

1 - Marie Henry with her 12 string guitar.
2 - Miss Doreen Simpson, organist and choir leader of Knox Presbyterian Church gave both vocal and piano numbers.

3 - The Wright family of Ennottsville gave delightful varied selections on piano, violins, clarinet also vocal solos, duets and sang as a family.

4 - Our own Mrs. Tom Bradley and Bob Laking sang many pleasing solos.

5 - Miss Margo Clark sang selections.
6 - Mrs. Stan Wilson of Weston entertained with various piano selections.

7 - Junior Farmers Trio - Misses Wilma and Ruth Mason and Joy Hayward. Their rendition of various pieces could not be surpassed.

Other fine numbers for some programs consisted of dancers, Misses Karen and Susanne Ricketts and Miss Marilyn Martin, also a special dance by Miss Margo Clarkson.

Then we had two outstanding elocutionists, Mrs. George Black, Campbellville, and Mrs. Lorne Newell, Carlisle in her adorable costume.

Another form of entertainment was five evenings of travelogues when Miss Gladys Featherstone showed her pictures of the Tulip Festival in Holland, Michigan, Upper Canada Village near Ottawa, Hamilton Rock Gardens and many fine local scenes.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newell took us to some interesting scenes in Mexico, and some more personal local events.

We travelled to Iceland with Mrs. B. Grenke. Scenes of the summer holiday at Port Elgin were shown by Mr. and Mrs. John Waldie, also our Canadian West pictures.

Finally at the December meeting, Mrs. George Elliot who had travelled to Europe this past summer, showed Great Britain, Norway, Sweden and the real Holland.

Milton Senior Citizens Club excelled in special occasions in 1967; we were invited to five Golden Wedding Anniversaries, namely, Mr. and Mrs. John Mowat, April 1; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Marshall, May 6; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Crawford, July 7; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dredge, Sept. 10; Mr. and Mrs. George Bailey, Sept. 16. Special 50th anniversary cards were sent to all couples.

We were also invited to one very extra-ordinary wedding; our social convener Mrs. William Service became the bride of John Reid on Dec. 14, 1967.

Other enjoyable events were a picnic at Crawford's Lake near Campbellville and three bus trips during the year, one to Niagara Falls, June 13; one to City Hall, Toronto, and High Park; Aug. 2; and the third to the C.N.E. on Music and Flower Day, having reserved seats for the evening program, August 24.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Harbottle were delegates to the ninth U.S.C.O. Inc. Convention held at McMaster University, Hamilton on August 28, 29 and 30, 1967; their reports were given at the September regular meeting. It is not too early to be thinking about who you are going to send to represent the M.S.C.C. at the tenth U.S.C.O. Inc. Convention to be held at Waterloo Lutheran University, Waterloo on August 27 and 28, 1968. Now is the time to put aside a little each month to cover the expenses of the delegates.

Quite a number of our M.S.C. Club took the opportunity to go to "Expo" in Montreal from May to October. A July holiday was enjoyed at Port Elgin for 21 of our Senior Citizens, also quite a number availed themselves of the chance to visit Florida for 14 days in April, while some others went on to the California Circle Tour for 22 days in October and November.

The Zone 13 picnic held in Coronation Park, Oakville, June 6 was attended by 35 M.S.C.C. and at the Zone 13 Fall Rally held at Holy Cross Church, Georgetown, we were represented by 40 members.

Six M.S.C.C. members were asked to be judges on Milton's Special Centennial Day in Vic-

toria Park, and one couple won first prize for their fine costumes.

Several of our club members bought the attractive U.S.C.O. Inc. blue, white and gold pins to wear. Some Senior Citizens Clubs gave this pin as favors or prizes.

An "In Memorium" plaque was made by T. A. Hutchinson with all the names of our deceased members. Each regular meeting this plaque is placed on the wall in full view of everyone, then removed until the next meeting.

The new Shuffleboard Court in Victoria Park was a popular place on Tuesday and Friday afternoons for the M.S.C.C. during the fine weather. This fine court was given by the Town Recreation and Parks Board Committees in co-operation with the Council. Shuffleboard is played in cold weather in the lower Sunday School Room at Knox Presbyterian Church, and taken care of by some of the men in the Senior Citizens.

M.S.C.C. are most appreciative, and voice their sincere thanks to the officials of Knox Presbyterian Church Hall under the continued use of their building, and the inside Shuffleboard court.

Centennial year is over, and we now face "Centennial plus one," starting into the second century of our beloved Canada. We can all help in this field, and help carry the banner in the interests of older people, and in support of the standards and high ideals of the Senior Citizens movement, first, by being good Canadians, second, loyal citizens, and third by being trustworthy Senior Citizens. Our Motto: - Unity, Sincerity, Co-operation and Objectivity, is printed on the cover of our Senior Citizens Bulletin.

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Hospital auxiliary plans annual meeting

Following dessert and coffee at 7 p.m. in St. Paul's Christian Education Centre (Fellowship Room) Feb. 14, the annual meeting of the Milton District Hospital Women's Auxiliary will be held.

There will be reports of the various activities during the past year, approval of by-law changes and the election of officers. An interesting film "A Century of Medicine" will be shown. Membership fees are due at this meeting, and all members are urged to attend.

Those interested in the volunteer services in the hospital are invited to come and join.

Grant relief on lot size

Milton Committee of Adjustment granted relief on side yard requirements to W. R. Morton at 92 Heslop Road, at a meeting Tuesday of last week.

Mr. Morton was apparently given wrong information about the requirements in 1961 when he built the house. The house stands 2' 2" away from the lot line and regulations cite 3' 6" as the minimum distance a building must be built from the line.

Mr. Morton brought the matter to Committee of Adjustment so he could sell the house with a clear deed.

Annual meeting Presbyterian U.C.W.

The sixth annual meeting of Halton Presbyterial United Church Women is to be held Thursday, February 15 at Wellington Square United Church, Caroline St., Burlington.

The morning program which begins at 9.30 is unique in the wealth of celebrities and valuable information which will be presented in a mock T.V. program "The Way It Is," featuring Miss Beatrice Wilson as moderator, starring Miss Helen Mack, Fred Victor Mission; Mrs. Jean Parker, Church Schools and Vocations; Rev. MacCarson - delinquent boys' work; Les Woodley, Bold Park Lodge; Dr. N. K. Campbell, Indian Affairs and a large cast of supporting characters.

The U. C. W. of Wellington Square are providing a Valentine luncheon. The guest speaker for the afternoon session is Rev. Norman H. MacKenzie M.A., D.D., Personnel Secretary of the Board of World Missions. His topic is "Our Modern World - Chaos or Purpose."

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