

Relentless effort, hours of work ... story behind successful carnival

By Bob Burt

Thirteen hundred people stood shoulder to shoulder in Milton Arena recently to watch the Milton Figure Skating Club's 10th annual carnival.

The carnival went off without a hitch and was termed "a total success" by club president Mrs. Larry Tyrer. A success it was, but not without a lot of hard work and a relentless effort on the part of Mrs. Tyrer and her small company who sought a lot of big solutions to a mess of little problems.

The Thursday prior to the carnival saw Mrs. Tyrer and Mrs. J. W. McCutcheon up all

night preparing costumes for three children who had been thought to have dropped out because of illness.

Friday saw Mrs. Tyrer up all night baking for a party she was to host following the show Saturday. And Saturday night saw the seemingly tireless president play host to 55 people from the carnival until the wee small hours.

Sunday saw an exhausted but satisfied Mrs. Tyrer sleep for the first time in three days.

Mrs. Tyrer has been with the club for nine of the 10 years it has been in operation. Eight of the nine years she was in charge of the costumes. Mrs. Tyrer

was president of the Hamilton skating club the first year the Milton club was in operation. She joined this club when she moved to Milton.

Mrs. Tyrer favors costume work over the president's job because it allows her to get in on the groundwork. Mrs. Tyrer explained she couldn't be any happier than when she is fitting a young skater for a costume. "I love kids and I really enjoy costume work, so when I get them both together, what more could I ask for."

Three women, Mrs. McCutcheon, Mrs. June McCuaig and Mrs. Lyn Griswold are credited as being the mothers of figure skating in Milton. All three have been active since the club's inception a decade ago.

Mrs. McCutcheon is carnival chairman and public relations director. Other executive members are secretary Polly Straub, treasurer Joyce Semple, first vice-president Eileen McCutcheon and second vice-president Fay McKay.

Six directors are Mrs. Elizabeth Farley, Mrs. Blanche Appleton, Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Pat Gunn, Mrs. Betty Blacklock, and Mrs. Maureen Wilson.

Mothers help out with ironing, sewing, tying skates and 101 little things that come up.

The Rotarians play big brother to the womenfolk and go to the rink following Friday night's hockey game and set things up for the following day. The Rotarians also help support them financially.

Paul Foster designed and built the castle section of the scenery this year, and did a fine job of it.

The 1968 show was such a success, the executive is considering making it a two night show next year. The show is over for this year and all that is left is the testing, but already Mrs. Tyrer and company are planning towards a better club next year.

"We hope to branch out and get more people working with us," she said. Like anything going for any length of time under the same people, the skating club has been criticized as being a clique. "Not so", replies Mrs. Tyrer.

"Each year we invite the public and the membership out to the annual meeting, with little or no response" she said. This year there will be a definite attempt to get these people to a meeting.

A co-operative idea that would give girls from Milton, Georgetown and Acton more ice time is in the planning stages. Mrs. Tyrer explains the system this way. The three clubs would hire two pros between them and the pros would work at each club two nights a week. Girls from either of the three clubs would be welcomed to either of the others on their respective nights. This way any of the girls wanting extra ice time could get it without charge.

Mrs. McCutcheon is presently preparing a guide book on how to produce a carnival, revealing many points learned only through years of experience. This would be a definite asset to newcomers.

In every successful organization there are dedicated people who work because they want to and enjoy every minute of it. In the case of the Milton Figure Skating Club it is people like Mrs. Tyrer, Mrs. McCutcheon and a host of others who stay up nights working and then think back to all the fun they had doing it.

Sample.

Mrs. Neil McPhail and Mrs. A. Wilson were in charge of the tea tables and the decorating of the lower S.S. hall, and Mrs. Ted Lyle and Mrs. R. Corp the kitchen. The general convener for the well-organized afternoon was Mrs. C. Hill.

Besides friends from Milton, visitors were present from Oakville, Hornby, Nelson, Saskatchewan, Dundalk, Kilbride, Drumquin and Weston.

This was followed by the World Day of Prayer meeting. A good thought for the day was read by Mrs. E. McGibbon, Mrs. Jefferson read the minutes of the last meeting, also the treasurers' report. As quite a few 18 x 18 blocks came in to make quilts for the bale, a pot luck lunch was arranged to be held on Wednesday March 20. All ladies are invited to come early and bring something for the dinner, and help to quilt. Collection was taken up and dedicated by Mrs. S. Murray.

Mrs. E. McGibbon then read a short history of the lady who prepared this program. Mrs. Ruthie Selvaratnam of Ceylon, chairman of the Asian Church Women's Conference is a minister's wife and has been a wonderful help to church ladies in Asia, Africa and United States and through these contacts she has a wide knowledge of the needs and aspirations of women in a changing church and in this changing world.

The theme for the service, "Bear One Another's Burdens". To keep all from taking the Day of Prayer for granted and give a growing understanding of what this day really means to children of the household of God, readings were taken by Mrs. E. McGibbon, Mrs. Jefferson, Mrs. H. Michie, Mrs. J. Irving, Mrs. S. Murray. Mrs. Michie sang a solo titled My Task. Mrs. Douglas Irving read the theme, a fine story of the Prodigal Son. Lunch was then served by the lunch committee assisted by the hostess.

come, with Mrs. K. McGown, Mrs. P. Denboer, Mrs. Edith Dick, Mrs. I. Jagt and Mrs. S. Lockie at the door to greet all. A St. Patrick's theme was present in the upper Sunday school room where the various booths were attractively displayed for the ready buyers. In the lower hall the decorated tea-room with spring blooms and large wall plaques of combined vines and flowers made a relaxing atmosphere for conversation and renewing acquaintances over a cup of tea.

A large flower basket suspended from the ceiling centred the attractive large tea table, carried out with flowers and candles in the color scheme of rose and nile green. Those pouring tea were Mrs. R. Cook, Mrs. Nugent, Mrs. Robert Thompson, Mrs. A. Wheeler, Mrs. P. W. Cooke, Mrs. K. McGown, Mrs. Sarah Bundy, Mrs. W. Fraser, Mrs. John Mowat, Mrs. Bessie Lamb.

Miss Mary Willis and Mrs. George Newell provided piano music during the afternoon.

Those responsible for convening the various booths were, baking, Mrs. C. Wilson and Miss Eva Chisholm; aprons, Mrs. John Bell, Mrs. W. Randall; candy, Mrs. Charles Anderson, Mrs. Helen Babcock; variety, Mrs. Gordon McIntosh, Mrs. Marjorie McPhail; children's, Mrs. Oliver Hull, Mrs. Jean Heatherington; white elephant and touch and take, Miss Sharon Tonelli, Mrs. John

Prayer service held for women of Boston

The March meeting of Boston Church groups was held Friday March 1 at the home of Mrs. Gordon McGibbon. The Ladies' Aid meeting opened with the president in the chair. She gave a prayer and the singing of Psalm 121. Mrs. G. McGibbon read the minutes of the last meeting. The treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Doble. Collection was taken up and dedicated. The ladies decided to quilt two quilts for Mrs. Lloyd Fisher. The roll was answered with an Irish joke. After singing two verses of Hymn 519, the meeting closed.

I.O.D.E. sponsoring short story contest

Mrs. W. R. Morrison, President of the Provincial Chapter of Ontario, I.O.D.E., announced today that the 21st consecutive short story competition will be offered in 1968. The awards are \$200 and \$50.

The competition is open to writers, citizens of Canada, resident in Ontario. The two local I.O.D.E. chapters are urging contestants from this area.

Closing date of contest is April 30, 1968.

Chairman of the 1968 competition is Mrs. J. L. Cameron, Hamilton.

Miss Helen Waugh, Toronto teacher of advanced English Literature is the judge for 1968. Conditions governing the competition should be obtained before submitting manuscripts. Contact Provincial Chapter of Ontario, I.O.D.E., 168 Jackson St. West, Hamilton.

Spring day greets St. Patrick's bazaar

A lovely Spring day added greatly to the large attendance at the annual St. Patrick's bazaar at Knox Presbyterian Church on Saturday afternoon.

The Rev. J. K. McGown opened the afternoon with words of wel-

Liberals organize for women

As a result of interest shown at a meeting early in February, a group of women have gone ahead to form a Liberal Women's Association for the Halton East riding.

Twenty-six women heard Mrs. W. B. Davidson, Past President of the Ontario Liberal Women's Association and Mrs. L. Hassman, President of the Toronto and District Women's Association speak.

At a meeting in February Mrs. Irene Krempulec of Oakville was named president-elect until an executive is elected.

The founding meeting for the association is to be held March 14, and the women hope to have Mrs. Robert Nixon as a guest speaker.

Those interested in joining should contact Mrs. Irene Krempulec at 845-6769. Oakville.

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