

Huronian Community Calendar

Wednesday, March 12
 — Simcoe County Board of Education meeting at Education Centre, Barrie, at 8:00 p.m.
 — St. Margaret's Parish 50-50 Club draw at their St. Patrick's card party, St. Margaret's Church Hall, Hugel Ave., Midland.
 — Gordon E. Smith, M.P.P. will be having a clinic on Wednesday, March 12, 1975, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Contact Centre, Midland Armoury. All are welcome to attend.

Thursday, March 13
 — The Flos-Elmvale Dancing School third annual Demonstration Display, Elmvalle District High School, 7:00 p.m.
 — Annual meeting of the Board of Directors Penetanguishene General Hospital to be held at the Hospital at 8:00 p.m.
 — Midland La Leche League meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Friday, March 14
 — Father and son banquet for members of the Midland Minor Hockey Association, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 15
 — St. John's United Church, Victoria Harbour, family pot luck supper at 6:30 p.m.
Monday, March 17
 — Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic, Legion Building, Midland.
Wednesday, March 19
 — The Catholic Women's League of St. Mary's Parish, Victoria Harbour are having a St. Patrick's Day tea.
Friday, April 11
 — Elmvalle Maple Syrup Talent Festival and Queen Contest Night, 8:00 p.m. Elmvalle District High School.
Friday, April 25
 — The Senior Citizens' Club of Midland are having a Rummage Sale at their Club Rooms on the corner of First & Hugel, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Friday, May 16
 — Penetanguishene General Hospital Women's Auxiliary tag day. (Also Saturday, May 17)
Tuesday, March 18
 — Penetanguishene Horticultural Society meeting at 8:00 p.m. Library Hall. Guest speaker Mr. Ed Fox. Luncheon served. All welcome.
Saturday, May 31
 — The Senior Citizens' Club of Midland are having a tea, bake sale and bazaar at their Club Rooms on the corner of First & Hugel from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Also sale of Ceramics.

"The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams"

by Terry Dupuis
 One of the biggest box-office hits of the new year has been an independent production called "The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams". I had first attempted to see it in Barrie at a Saturday matinee, but there was a lineup of patrons which extended clear around the corner. A week later the film played at the Midland and Penetang theatres simultaneously. I finally got to see it at the Pen Theatre during the Winterama weekend, in fact the night the Winterama Queen contest was held there. "Grizzly Adams" must have met with quite a response in this area as well as it had in Barrie, because it will be returning to the Pen Theatre again later this month.
 "The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams" is based upon an actual historical character named John Capen Adams. Adams was a fur trapper and mountain man who lived in the late nineteenth century. His unique relationship with nature, established after years of living in solitude in the wilderness, yielded an understanding of the outdoors and of the animal world that was to make him a legend. The dime-novels of the period began grinding out exploits about a character they named "Grizzly Adams".
 The movie begins with Adams (played by Dan Haggerty) saying goodbye to his eight-year-old daughter,

Peg, as he leaves his home probably forever. He has been framed for a crime which he did not commit, and rather than be locked away in prison he opts for a life of freedom in the wilderness. For a long time Adams is alone in his new life in the wilderness, but he ends up making several friends. One is an Indian brave whom Adams saves from an attack by a cougar; the other is an orphaned grizzly bear cub which he rescues from a ledge on a high mountain cliff.
 "The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams" is both a nature film and an adventure film. It is also a fine movie for family entertainment, and undoubtedly one of the reasons it has been so commercially successful is due to the very fact that it is one of the few films around which parents can take their kids to see, regardless of age. Youngsters will be delighted at the antics of Ben, the grizzly bear and will thrill to such sequences as an attacking cougar and a dangerous trek through treacherous rapids.
 "The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams" will be playing at the Pen Theatre for two days, Thursday March 20th and Friday March 21st, as part of a double bill. The second feature is another man-in-the-wilderness type of film called "Brother of the Wind".

Sow and pig seminar

A sow and baby pig seminar will be held on Thursday, March 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Blue Flame Room of the Consumers' Gas Building on Ferris Lane in Barrie. Swine specialist Paul Simmons will discuss the selection of breeding stock and technician Al Harris will demonstrate the use of ultrasonic equipment for measuring back fat. Sow operators John Belk of Wekerton and John Ruttan of Loretto will discuss their farm operations. Agricultural representative Alan Scott will discuss record requirements for measuring costs and returns per sow.

Dr. Gordon King of the Animal Science Department at the University of Guelph will be the feature af-

ternoon speaker. Dr. King has worked with both the Belk and Ruttan herds as well as a number of other herds throughout Ontario.

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Maude Brown has made munitions for two world wars. Now, at 88, she makes quilts, and happily shares her skill with her neighbours and friends.
 She also corresponds with a multitude of friends and keeps track of the world

from her "office", in her Centennial Drive living room.
 Her office is a cosy chair, in a window corner. It's banked with bookshelves, and writing tables. There's the expected memorabilia of a crowded life time —

photograph albums and old letters, — but there's also evidence that Maude's as up to date as any 20-year-old. She keeps a camera and a transistor radio within easy reach, and she uses her tape recorder to transcribe "letters" on days when she doesn't feel like writing.

She has a great fund of stories — some of them on the spicy side — and she can carry on a more intelligent and gutsy conversation than most of the rapid guests on the TV talk shows. "I watch them," she admits, "and when the religious people come around here to sell me or save me, I tell 'em they can turn the sound down, but leave the picture on!"
 The quilts are the wonderful thing. She's working

now on a traditional double wedding ring pattern, piecing together hundreds of bits of coloured cloth. "There's a little bit of sewing here yet," she says, and holds up one of the squares, composed of 14 carefully cut and basted pieces. This coverlet will be quilted by the women of Waverley United Church. "It'll be a knock-out, and it'll help the Lord God," she says with a grin.

Maude and her husband moved to Sunnyside from Toronto in 1948. Back in 1914-15, she spent summers on the Midland Point shoreline. She remembers when the Moore's house was in full elegant swing, and she also remembers seeing the red hot "pigs" being poured at the foundry that used to be

on the Sunnyside shoreline. "Down there in Portage Park, where all those nice homes are now, there used to be rows of shacks, side by side, where the Italian foundry workers lived," she says.

Maude's husband died in 1963. "He was buried by Father Egan, because they were friends, you understand. My husband wasn't a Catholic."
 Her son died last year.

Now Maude lives with her daughter-in-law, and keeps track of the world through newspapers, radio, T.V. "I wanna know what's going on!" she insists.

She doesn't get around much. She lost a leg in an auto accident in 1946. "That slowed me down," she says, "but it lengthened my life."

Her vision and hearing are excellent. Arthritis hasn't slowed down her hand stitching. "If you haven't got

arthritis, you're not in style," she says with a mighty guffaw.

Maude — Aunt Maude to her friends — says she hasn't been downtown for years. "Ever since that accident," she says. "I'm just not fond of driving."

But she doesn't seem to mind. "I'm happy sittin' here, watching the trees and the birds. I hate that word 'old', and I'm happy for livin'."

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