



Top math students

Head of the mathematics department at Penetanguishene Secondary School John Dubeau was on hand at Regent School on Wednesday afternoon to present the Regent Fastmatics team with sliderules. The Regent team were round one winners in its division, on the basis of its two wins and one

loss and its total points. The Regent team, unlike others participating in the channel 12 program, are all Grade 7 students. From left to right: Pam Spears, George Tesseris, Brenda Ryerson, and Diana Dymant.

Staff photo

Waubushene W.I. meets

by Charlotte Gerdes
On Wednesday afternoon the Waubushene Branch of the Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Della McCarroll, with 19 women present. Four new members were welcomed into the Institute.

Pres. Mrs. Ilene Bell opened the meeting with the Institute Creed. Sec.-Treas. Mrs. Charlotte Jeffris read the minutes and gave the treasurer's report. She announced that she had purchased Insurance coverage for the Institute Hall.

Mrs. Leona Brown read two poems, one called My House and one about the flowers of the seasons.

The officers vacated their chairs and nominations for officers for the year 1975-76 were open. They are as follows: President - Mrs. Ilene Bell, Secretary-Treasurer - Mrs. Charlotte Jeffris, 1st Vice Pres. - Mrs. Laurene Taylor, 2nd Vice Pres. - Mrs. Leona Brown, District Directors - Mrs. Ilene Bell and Mrs. Charlotte Gerdes, Sick Committee - Mrs. Hazel Bunton and Mrs. Doris Marshall, Standing Committees and Conveners - Tweedsmuir - Mrs. Dawson, Agricultural and Canadian Industries - Mrs. Leona Brown, Citizenship and World Affairs - Mrs. McKee, Education and Cultural Activities - Mrs. Mona Duncliff, Family and Consumers - Mrs. Jean Brown, Public Relations - Mrs. C. Jeffris.

The next meeting will be held on May 21, at the home of Mrs. L. Taylor and the roll call will be telling what you serve for an unexpected company dessert. Also each member is to bring a small article for an auction sale. The Friday afternoon card

party will be at the home of Mrs. H. Johnson.

The meeting was brought to a close and a light lunch was served. Our hostess showed us the picture of the Swiss Alps that she had painted in oils and is selling tickets on to raise money for the Senior Citizens' Building Fund. Waubushene is privileged to have several excellent Artists in our little Hamlet.

On Saturday, April 12, the Waubushene Fire Department was called to the home of Don Stewart, on Hazel Street. Extensive smoke damage was suffered to the amount of \$20,000.

On Monday, April 14, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brian

St. Amand suffered \$12,000 damage when it caught fire. At the time of the fire the children were in school and the parents were shopping. They lost everything they owned. They only had the clothes they were wearing at the time. Any donations of clothing or furniture to help out this family would be appreciated I'm sure. They are staying at the home of Mr. St. Amand's parents. There are four children.

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For driving while license suspended

Charge against parole officer dropped

A federal parole officer from Toronto, acting as his own lawyer, won a dismissal on a charge of driving while his licence was suspended, despite angering Judge L.T. Montgomery in Penetanguishene provincial court last Thursday.

But on a second charge of speeding, travelling 54 miles per hour in a 40 mile per hour zone in Wyebridge, he was quickly convicted and slapped with a \$50 fine.

Alfred Babin was stopped for speeding and given a warning by Ontario Provincial Police constable Eric Wiese last December 4. He did not have his driver's licence with him at the time, and claimed he did not know his licence had been suspended for miscellaneous traffic violations after the officer had radioed to headquarters for a check through the police computer centre.

According to prosecution

records, notice had been forwarded to Babin by the Ministry of Transport on November 25, by registered mail. The letter was picked up and signed for, but Babin claimed it was not his, and attempted to introduce a photostat of the Post Office signature as evidence that someone else had received the notification. And he added that "I don't see any correlation between safe driving and the accumulation of demerit points."

He told the court he regarded traffic violations as "negative things...I tend to forget them" and that he did

not know how many demerit points he had accumulated. According to prosecutor Ed Horembala, Babin had picked up 11 traffic violations between 1971 and 1974.

Judge Montgomery refused to allow the photostat as evidence, prompting Babin to claim "I have the distinct impression something is going on here."

At one point the judge shouted a stern "Don't argue with me," but after Babin had testified under oath that he had not, in fact, received notification of the suspension, Montgomery dismissed the charge.

Even as he did so he stated flatly that "if I hadn't insisted that you take the witness box (which Babin at first said he did not want to do) I would have convicted you. Next time get yourself a lawyer."

Babin attempted to fight the speeding charge as well, but once the evidence was heard, Montgomery stated he believed the police officer's testimony that he had clocked Babin's yellow sports car accurately, and handed down the fine.

Two youths convicted

Two 16-year-old Midland youths pleaded guilty to a charge of entering a private residence with the intent to commit an indictable offence in provincial court in Midland on Monday.

Michael J. Easterbrook, 334, Hanly, Midland, and Douglas J. Burch, Glenbrook Gardens, Midland, were charged by Midland police on April 7, following a break-in at the Van Stone residence at 353 Hanly on April 5.

The youths were remanded for sentencing to May 26, pending receipt of a pre-sentence report.

Six counts of intoxication
A 61-year-old man of no fixed address was convicted on six counts of being intoxicated in a public place and two counts of having liquor in a place other than a residence in provincial court in Midland on Monday.

Albert Landrigan pleaded guilty on all eight charges laid by Penetanguishene police on a variety of dates in March and April.

Judge Montgomery, calling Landrigan a nuisance to the public, the taxpayer, and the courts, handed down a jail sentence of five days on each charge to be served consecutively. Landrigan had asked the judge for a 30-day sentence.

Assault causing bodily harm
Timothy Contois, 21, of Penetanguishene was convicted on a charge of assault causing bodily harm, in Midland provincial court on Monday. Contois was charged by Penetanguishene police on February 1, after a complaint was registered against him by a 15-year-old Midland youth.

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