

Public speakers

By: Marguerite Dunlop

A representation of members from Knox Church Moonstone, Coldwater Presbyterian and Victoria Harbour Presbyterian churches attended the ecumenical hot pot luck supper at St. Margaret's Church, Midland, on Monday night.

Another euchre party was held in the Moonstone Community Hall on Tuesday evening. These card parties are being held every two weeks during the winter months. The following were the prize winners: Door Prize—Cora Vandergest

Ladies High—May Gratrix
Ladies Low—Lottie Orton

Ladies Lone Hand—Hazel Ayers

Men's High—Bill Gray
Men's Low—Pete Milligan

Men's Lone Hands—Howard Dunlop

Draws—Lillian McFarland, Hazel Ayers and Harry Duddy

The Coldwater Fair Board met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dunlop of Moonstone Jan. 21 as a preliminary for the Coldwater Fair Board Dinner on Saturday evening in the basement of the Presbyterian Church in Coldwater.

On Saturday evening a banquet was held in connection with the Annual Meeting of the Coldwater Agricultural Fair Board in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, Coldwater. The ladies of the church served a delicious dinner to ninety guests.

After the dinner the meeting was chaired by Lloyd Dunlop of Moonstone.

Mrs. Ken Hamilton of Moonstone, the secretary, read the minutes and reviewed the proceeds of the fair. A plaque and a gift were presented to Mr. Elmer Gratrix of Rosemount, the former president, and a gift to Mrs. Gratrix in recognition of their services, by the term president, Mr. John Orr.

The financial aspects of the Fair were very satisfactory. Mr. Tom Smith, 1st Vice-President, gave a detailed report of the Fair with comments on all events and exhibits. This was followed by a splendid set of slides of the Fair taken by Gary Piper last fall. These were shown by Mrs. Lorraine Orr.

The humorous stories and comments by the chairmen kept all present in a happy mood during the entire meeting.

The heavy snow load proved to be too much weight for the comparatively new barn of Mr. Ward on the 8th conc. just north of the Moonstone Corner.

The entire barn collapsed under that heavy snowfall. There was no livestock in the barn at the time.

The two grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Milligan, from Sudbury, spent the week-end with their grandparents.

Moonstone

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunlop and children of Forest Home visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kent Dunlop on Sunday.

On Wednesday, Jan. 28, at Moonstone school, pupils from Coldwater and Moonstone schools took part in the Oral Communication Festival to determine which one would progress to the next level of competition at Hillcrest School in Orillia.

Those competing from Coldwater area were Bev Creighton, Henry Westenbrink and Doug Finan.

Those from Moonstone were Natalie Peterson, Tina Dobson, and Terry Tomlin.

The winners were Bev Creighton, Coldwater,

on Smoking; Henry Westenbrink, Coldwater, on The Death Penalty, and Terry Tomlin, Moonstone, on The Grizzly Bear.

All spoke exceptionally well, making the decision for awards a difficult one. Bev Creighton will now advance to the next competition level at Orillia.

Unfortunately Mrs. Freda Lumree has been in Orillia Soldier's Memorial Hospital for two weeks. We hope she is soon able to return home.

Mrs. Wm. Miller had the misfortune to fall in her home last week and dislocated her right shoulder. Her family expect her home by the end of the month.

Unique meeting for opera lovers

Irene Wronski, co-ordinator for the Canadian Opera Company Ensemble will be speaking to members of Huronia Performing Arts For Children and invited representatives from interested community groups and schools about the sponsorship of a one-day residency in the Midland-Penetanguishene area.

The ensemble offers a unique opportunity for several community groups to co-sponsor a series of three hour-long presentations.

Ms. Wronski will be explaining the various options and combinations of programs that would suit our specific community interests, facilities and resources.

By sharing a residency, sponsors can reduce some of the expenses which might be prohibitive if a single group were to sponsor the ensemble.

This is a new approach to opera touring, a much more fulfilling and community involving program than the traditional one-night stand.

The Canadian Opera Company Ensemble recognizes that each community has different needs and tastes, so their programs have been designed with custom-tailoring in mind.

This ensures that the right activity is chosen for specific audiences.

The meeting to find out more about this program will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the children's department of the Midland Public Library.

Everyone who is interested is invited to learn about this unique program and the opportunity it offers a community to share and promote an art form that can appeal to every artistic interest, since opera is the embodiment of all the art forms—music, visual arts, dance, comedy, lighting, costumes, scenery and beautiful singing.



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