Ladies church meet

by Mrs. M. Gervais The regular monthly meeting of the St. John's United Church Women was held at the Manse on Jan. 12, with a good attendance.

The meeting began with the Installation of Officers for 1982-1983 by Rev. Wesley Oake. The following were installed

- President-Mrs. Vera Keetch; Vice President-Mrs. Jean Tessier; Treasurer-Mrs. Elva Brown; Recording Secretary-Mrs. Jean Howe; Corresponding Secretary-Mrs. Lorraine MacKenzie; Stewardship Secretary-Mrs. Marjorie Eplett; Social Committee-Mrs. Margaret Tremblay, Mrs. Jean Tessier; Mrs. Maida Evans, Mrs. Ruby DesChenes. Visiting convenor Mrs. Margaret Evnas, Flower and Gift-Mrs.

Committee-Mrs. Maida Evans, Supply-Mrs. Ena Gooby, pianists Mrs. Mary Jarman, Mrs. Marjorie Eplett.

Follwing this the devotional period was taken by members of Supply the and Outreach Groupette. There were 21 members present.

The business part of the meeting was conducted by the President.

Plans for the annual Valentine Tea to be held in the Church Hall on Feb. 12, from 2:30 to 5 p.m. were made. Names for the new Groupettes were drawn. The meeting was closed by the President and lunch was served by members of the Groupette.

Members of the Centennial Committee of St. John's United Church are busy meeting and making

projects and special services celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Methodist religion coming to Victoria Harbour, the beginning of what is now St. John's United Church. Mrs. Henry Lavereau

plans for different

returned from Soldiers' Memorial Hospital, Orillia where she had an operation on her eye.

The Parks and Recreation Committee held a Euchre Party in St. John's Church Hall on Friday evening. Mrs. Wm. Varney and Mr. Bruce Eplett were winners of prizes for high scores.

There will be another euchre party in the Church Hall on Friday evening, Jan. 29 and a special one for the Mini-Bon'homme weekend on Friday, Feb. 5.

Mrs. Genny St. and Amand her daughter Mary have returned from spending Christmas holidays in Vancouver, B.C. with daughters, Sandra, Susan, Brenda and Denise.

The engagement of her daughter Denise to Mr. John James Inkpen of Vancouver, B.C. was announced while she was in Vancouver.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Ink-Burin, of Newfoundland.

Win Pypher, Manse Weekend visitors

Vasey

by Eleanor Edwards Carol Graham

Miss Emmealine Edwards of Toronto recently visited with her father Mr. Manley Edwards.

Rodney Jones of Waterloo spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Brian Jones and family.

Birthday congratulations are extended to a number of our residents the month of February - February 2, Mr. Manley Edwards will celebrate his eighty second birthday, brother Fred has a birthday on February 1st but he is still too young for his age to be published. Mrs. Haxel Taylor will be 84 years on her birthday on February 3 and on the same day Mrs. Stan Wiley a former resident of the Vasey community will be 90 years young. Feb. 7 will be Mrs. Eva McFarland's special day and she will celebrate 83 years of living.

Last Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wismer of Barrie and their son Bob of Vancouver visited with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown.

Mrs. John Moriarty spent the past week on board ship in Toronto visiting with her husband. Their daughter Marilyn joined them for the weekend.

The Vasey United Church held their annual pot luck supper and congregational meeting on Friday evening. All reports showed a successfull year and Resolution on how to growth in numbers as well as spiritual in those attending. Committees and plans were set forth for 1982 which promises to be another busy year. Mystery dinners will again be a social time,

as well as the anniversary services to be held on May 16, with the new minister Rev. Wesley Oake being the speaker in the morning and Rev. Gordon Hunter being the guest in the evening. The renovation committee presented their report and the congregation will study this and at a meeting on Feb. 7 will decide on the course of the recommendations put forward.

Vasey United Church Women Report

The Vasey United Church Women met at the home of the new president Mrs. Jane Smitham on Jan. 20, with 18 members and two visitors present.

Reports were given from 1981 which showed another busy and productive year for the Contributions ladies. during the past year went to Fred Victor Mission, Camp Simpresca, the Ploughing Match, support of the church treasury, and the manse, Christian Island and the Mental Health Center.

The members sent cards and visited the shut ins at home and in the hospitals. For the coming year the ladies will again be busy quilting three quilts and have received an invitation to attend the World Day of Prayer at Wyevale on March 5.

The program was under the direction of the Program, Literature and Communication Committee of Jane Smitham, Bernice Vasey and Cathy Hancock. Bernice Patterson introduced the speaker Mrs. Margaret Gee who spoke on the New Years show more love to the human race. The Roll Call was well answered on "Your New Years Resolution."

A tasty lunch was served by the lunch committee.

Daring store heist

Clerk robbed as husband listens on telephone

Midland OPP have charged one male subject in connection with last Thursday evening's daring robbery of a milk store in the Huronia Mall just west of Midland on Highway 27 less than a quarter mile from the OPP detachment office.

Charged with robbery and presently in custody in Barrie jail is Raymond James Lavallie, 28, of Edmonton, Alberta.

A bail hearing he was to have attended on Monday was adjourned to Friday.

Police are still looking for a second male involved in the incident at the Mac's Milk Store. This newspaper has learned that at least two other shoppers were in the store at the time.

Police wouldn't comment on the amount of money that was taken until they had completed their investigation.

There was an ironic twist to the robbery. The clerk who was roughed up and forced to turn over the money in the store had been talking to her husband on the telephone at the time.

According to the husband, "My wife told me she had a customer and told me to stay on the line. She waited on a lady and all of a sudden there was alot of noise at the other end. Then she came back on the line and yelled that she had been robbed and told me to call the police."

The robbery is said to have occurred at 6:10 p.m. According to the husband, "It makes you take stock. I was born and raised in Detroit and was mugged three times while I was growing up...but you don't expect this kind of thing to happen here."

\$626.44 monthly New station wagon to be leased

Town of Midland's police force has been granted permission to lease a new station wagon from Jim Morrison Chev-Olds for a period of 18 months at \$626.44 per month.

According to Alderman Bob Jeffery that's a good deal since the agreement also includes a full maintenance package.

The Chev-Olds' tender was the lowest of four the town's public safety committee received earlier this year, Deputy-reeve Bev Day pointed out.

Day is chairman of the town's public safety committee.

Meanwhile Police Chief Ernest Bates noted, the last two vehicles the town leased were for \$378 per month but because of inflation, etc., the new rates were much higher.

The chief also informed council most police cars travel about 5,000 kilometers a month. Only Alderman Joe Blake opposed the transaction.

The motion to endorse the resolution was

moved by Alderman Al Hennin and seconded

Motion gets the green light !

Midland council, Monday night, agreed to proclaim the week of Feb. 6-13 as Big Brothers Bowl for Millions Week.

by Alderman Ian Ross. Three fire alarms in town in three days

Midland firefighters were called out Monday morning to wash down a gas spill following a car accident at Hugel and Lind-

say. Sunday afternoon firefighters were called to Huronia District Hospital. However that call turned out to be a false alarm.

And on Saturday firefighters answered a call to Decor, Bay Street East.

