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The Schreiber Club will celebrate their 50th Anniversary with a dinner and dance at the town hall. The ladies of the Schreiber Anglican Church will provide the dinner.

The Kinsmen Club of Schreiber will sponsor a girl in the Sno-Queen contest, the winner to be crowned queen at the "Kool Kats" Winter Festival.

The next Kinsmen Bingo will be held during the Easter season, with hams and cash offered as prizes.

In order to prevent competition to Schreiber United Church, the Kinsmen Club will not hold an auction this year.

On February 7th and 8th local Kinsmen will hold a "fun spiel" at Schreiber Curling Club. Each player will have an opportunity to play at each position during the games.

Kinsmen Gino Caccamo was elected chairman of the chaperone committee. He will arrange to have Kinsmen chaperone the youth club's dances.

The Club is attempting to hire Slongo's orchestra for the New Year's Eve Ball December 31st, 1970. Also the local organization is trying to have a circus in town for the Annual July 1st festivities.

Kin Gerry Blanchette reported that materials have arrived for the Easter Seal campaign. Seals will be sent to all homes in Rosspoint, Schreiber, Terrace Bay, Marathon, Heron Bay and Manitouwadge. The funds collected are used to assist the crippled children in our society.

Another donation will be sent to the Marathon High School band. This group will be asked to provide music at the July 1st parade.

As soon as weather permits, the Kinsmen intend to further develop the beach at White Sand Lake. Plans include: further clearing of trees in the beach area; expanded parking lot and playground equipment for children.

A \$500.00 cheque will be given to the Schreiber Artificial Ice Fund.

At the close of the meeting a social hour was held in Kin Arnie's home. The next meeting will include dinner at Restaurant LeBlanc at 6.30 p.m. on Monday February 9th.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

On February 20th, Kinsmen throughout Canada will celebrate the 50th anniversary of Kinsmanship. Listed below are some of the "highlights" of this half century of service. continued next column

Kinsmanship was born in Hamilton, Ontario, February 20th, 1920.

Founder of Kin was Harold A. Rogers, O.B.E. who today lives in the City of Toronto.

The second Kinsmen Club was formed in Montreal in 1921 and the first National Convention (two clubs) was held in Hamilton in 1922.

By 1924 the foundations of this great Canadian Service Club were laid, with 4 clubs from Vancouver to Montreal.

At the 1926 National Convention in Winnipeg, Kin decided to - remain a National organization, fix the maximum age limit for "active" membership at 40 and adopt a new National Constitution and By-laws.

By 1927 there were 12 Clubs. In 1928 the four clubs in Saskatchewan called Electric Clubs, whose aims and objects similar to Kin, joined the Association. By the end of 1928 there were 24 clubs.

Clubs were formed into 5 districts in 1929 under Governors and District Officers. By 1936 there were seven districts with the creation of district 7 in the Maritimes.

At the National Convention held in Victoria, B. C., in 1934 the decision was made to hire a full time General Secretary resulting in the appointment of a Past National President, S.H. (Banty) Bantick on January 1st, 1935.

When war broke out in 1939, hundred of Kinsmen volunteered within 3 weeks and a War Services Committee was formed.

The first mobile dental clinic in the British Army was built and financed by Kin.

Sixty-five tons of magazines were shipped to the Merchant Marine. Hostess houses for the wives and families of troops were built at Shilo, Manitoba and Debert, Nova Scotia.

Throughout the war, Kinsmen War Saving Stamps were sold, peaking at \$225,000.00 per week.

The milk for Britain Fund raised \$2,630,000.00 resulting in over 50 million quarts of milk being shipped to the children of Great Britain.

\$106,000 was raised for Food Parcels for Britain.

A cancer Scholarship Fund was set up in 1949 allowing promising doctors from across Canada to take post graduate work in Cancer Research.

Major donations were made to flood ravaged areas - Winnipeg in 1950; European in 1952-3; Hurricane Hazel Flood in Southern Ontario in 1954; Frejus in 1960 and Hamburg in 1962.

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