

Is your chimney safe? What to do **NOW**

Now is the time for that annual chimney check-up. Before the fall and winter seasons set in, inspect your chimney, particularly if your heating system is oil, natural gas or propane.

With these fuels, your furnace does not stay running long enough to keep the chimney continuously hot. That's when condensation of the water in the 'smoke' can occur and why you see so many chimneys with mortar and brick deteriorating, and liners crumbling. This moisture can also blister the paint on the wall covering the chimney.

Energy conservation efforts which have tightened up many houses, reduced furnace firing rates in many cases, and lowered thermostat setting have also resulted in

chimney deterioration.

Cold air is more dense than warm air. As air cools, it can form a column of heavy air in the chimney. When your furnace starts up, it tries to drive this air up the chimney. Sometimes it is not successful, and the products of combustion spill back into the furnace room. Such spillage can also occur if there is a blockage in the chimney caused by rubble, a dead bird or small animal, or even a bird's nest.

If the products of combustion end up recirculating through the burner, they could become lethal. You can detect spillage from an oil furnace by smell, or from a gas furnace when there is a high degree of moisture spilling from the draft hood, or if there are signs of paint

discoloration around the draft hood.

Make sure your chimney is clear of obstruction by holding mirror inside the inspection or clean out the opening at the bottom of the chimney to ensure there daylight at the top.

Loose or crumbling masonry can be detected by a visual inspection. Call in a specialist if you think there is a problem. Your oil supplier or gas utility may be able to provide an inspection service, or suggest someone who can.

It is important that homeowners check their chimneys at regular intervals. Poorly maintained chimneys and heating systems can lead to tragic accidents, such as carbon monoxide poisoning.

Santa wants to here from you

Santa Claus will officially kick-off his annual Santa Letter Reply Program for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Northwest Ontario on November 16, 1988, at a special ceremony in Winnipeg, Manitoba - his Mid-West headquarters.

Joining Santa Claus at the kick-off ceremony will be Grade 1 students from Garden Grove School in Winnipeg, the Singing Seniors Choir of Winnipeg and members of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet who will soon be starting their 50th Anniversary celebrations.

In 1987, about 52,000 letters from Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Northwest Ontario were answered with the help of about 600 Canada Post Corporation volunteer Santa Helpers.

Children wishing to send a Christmas letter to Santa Claus may do so by addressing it to:

Santa Claus
North Pole
Canada
HOH OHO

And, Santa Claus reminds children to ensure their return address is included in their letters or on the envelope.

C.W.L. monthly meeting report

The regular monthly meeting of St. Martin of Tours C.W.L. was held Sunday, Nov 13. The rosary was recited in the church prior to the meeting with the intentions for vocations to the priesthood.

The meeting opened with the League prayer being offered for the Souls in Purgatory. Mary read the Scriptural Reading. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Marilyn and Diane gave the Treasurer's report. Sharyn read the correspondence followed by Mary's report on the Scriptural Rosary which was well attended.

Edna read a beautiful poem called "Joy." Organization convener Evelyn Falgetta stated we

now have 115 members. She also gave her final bazaar report which was once again a great success.

Kathleen Milakonen laid the wreath at the cenotaph on Remembrance Day and said how nice the ceremony was.

There is a study day at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Nov. 19. The theme being "The League Our Challenge". The guest speaker will be Lucille Cullen from Sudbury.

Plans for the Christmas Party exchange of gifts among members for December 11 are underway.

The list of charities was presented and approved for our yearly donations. Father Campbell reminded everyone to pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory during the month of November. Father Campbell also talked about Bishop O'Mara's visit to Africa and Ethiopia to see where help is most urgently needed.

At the close of the meeting a coffee hour was held.

Winnie's Notes

Elda Baird and son from Brampton are here visiting Mom. Louise Holland and sister Maxine.

Mrs. Kenny of Rossport won the tablecloth done by Jean Stitt of the Anglican Church ladies.

Our deepest sympathy to the Christiansons on the passing of Mrs. Christianson.

The Chimo Bazaar was held in the club room on Sat. Nov. 5 with a good turnout as it was a stormy day. The afghan done by Beth McAdam was won by Tom Webb. The knitted socks done by Celia Valentino won by Mary Huard and the afghan done by Mrs. Chadwell won by Celia Valentino. Thanks to all who helped.

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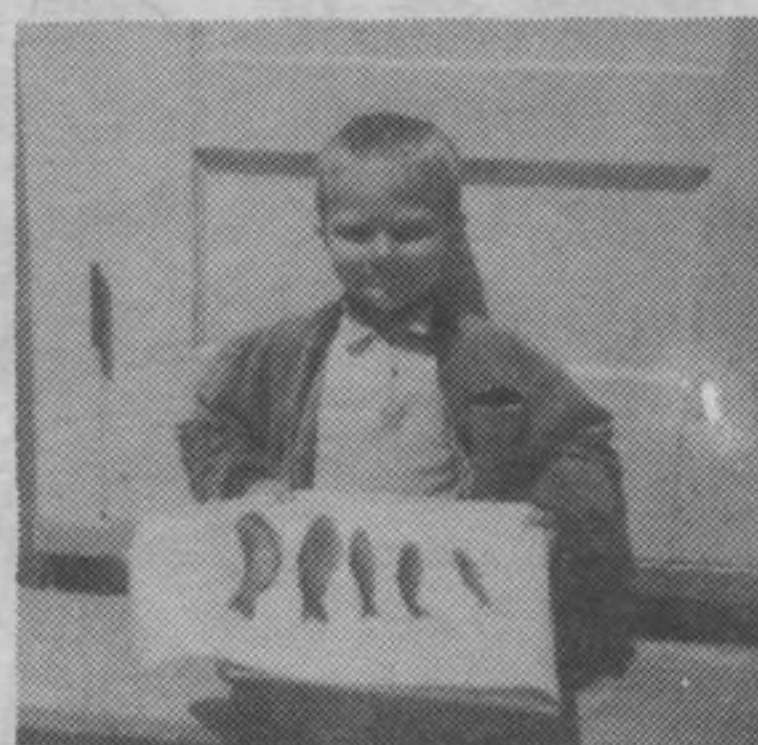
Thank you

The Thompson Family wish to extend their heartfelt gratitude and thanks to Dr. Wilkes and staff of McCausland Hospital, Rev. David Sparks, Terrace Bay Fire Department, and all those friends and neighbours who so kindly expressed their condolences to us through numerous donations to charities, food and cards.

Your kindnesses are greatly appreciated.

Thursa, Carolyn and Rod

Guess who's 30?



Season's Greetings From The McCausland Hospital



The Public Relations Committee of The McCausland Hospital needs your help in

**Lighting the Christmas Tree
of
Good Tidings**

Your "Christmas Tree Light" will
give many moments of hope.

Children and Adults may drop into the Hospital Administration Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday from December 1st, 1988 to December 21st, 1988 and purchase your Christmas Light.

On the evening of December 21st, 1988 at 7:00 p.m., come and see us light the tree that your decoration helped build!

ADULTS - \$2.00 PER LIGHT
CHILDREN - \$1.00 PER LIGHT
The Star will be lit by the highest bidder.

In Memoriam

**Walter H. Murphy -
November 29, 1987**

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of a loving father, grandfather,
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Lorraine, Harold & family

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To the people of Terrace Bay for giving me
their vote on November 14;
and **congratulations** to our New Reeve and
Town Councillors.

Douglas Caldwell