



PORTLAND

### Portland & Community Board

Regular Board meeting was held in the Hall on March 11th. Minutes of meetings held Dec. 10 and Feb. 11 were approved as read.

#### Business Arising:

- Small Claims Court action to collect an unpaid dockage 1986 account still in process  
- some funds for upgrading the hall were included in the PRIDE program application

- A. Graham to write to Portland Fire Dept. to outline our compliance with their order of Jan 7th

- we will contract with Superior Sound Services for D.J. and music for 1988 New Year's Dance

- council has agreed to meet with a delegation from Ward 1 on March 16th

**Treasurer's Report** - General Account \$340.11; Savings Account \$4,443.02; Dock Account \$112.86

#### Correspondence

- L&G& Lanark Health Unit inspection report Feb 13th

- Rideau Waterway Co-ordinating Assoc. Annual meeting and membership

- Chamber of Commerce letter of thanks

- Clara Hull and family letter of thanks

#### Committee Reports

**Maintenance** - dock repairs are completed and accounts forwarded to Burlington for payment; further inspection of wall between the Hall and library will be made

**Public Relations** - B. Scovil advised that Leeds Lantern deadline for March is the 25th but due to relocation of offices, reports must be mailed to Box 136 for Lantern.

Chamber of Commerce is taking steps to have item published in Going Places publication

#### Unfinished Business

- steps are being taken to have water quality tests taken at the swimming areas

- A. Graham to write to Recreation Committee to advise that we have about \$250. remaining from the grant of \$400. received for ice rink and requesting that we be permitted to use it as a grant to upgrade the 2 swimming beaches

- R. Long authorized to have sand added at 2 swimming beaches

- Chicken Barbecue to be held on Aug. 1

- Contract Woodlands to supply and prepare 800 half chickens for Aug. 1st

#### New Business

- moved that the use of the Hall be provided for

two theatrical events, at no charge to the Library Board

- moved that the use of the Hall be provided to the Melodiers for a Seniors' Housing Benefit on March 29 at no charge

- Jeanette Hamilton M.D. will have office hours in Portland on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning March 24th

Next regular meeting April 8, 1987 at 1930 h.

### PORTLAND LEGION

Rideau Lakes Branch No 231 held a general meeting on March 5th.

The Valentine dance held on Feb. 21st was a success with everyone enjoying the music of "Sea Breeze". David Clegg of Newboyne won the 50-50 draw. Spot dance prizes were won by Bud Merriman, Marie MacPherson, Cheryl Bruyere, Donnie and Nicky Day. The door prize went to Trena Raison. The Ladies Auxiliary provided lunch.

The Annual Public Speaking Contest will be held on March 28th. Registration by 1:00 p.m. The winners will compete in the Zone G-2 finals on March 29th. Everyone is invited to support and encourage our future leaders.

Comrades Lint McConville and Joe Raison attended the Zone G-2 convention at Mallorytown on March 15th. Marge Moule of Gananoque was installed as the new Zone Commander - the first lady to be installed in that office. William Nolan of Seeley's Bay was installed as Deputy Zone Commander.

A St. Patrick's dinner/dance was held on March 21st. The Ladies Auxiliary served a super roast pork dinner. A moderate crowd enjoyed dancing to the "Touch of Country" band. Spot dance prizes were awarded to Merv and Mindy and Ron and Margo Welch. The door prize went to Storm Ashley.

The annual meeting will be held on April 2nd and will feature the election of officers.

### Portland & District Chamber of Commerce

The Portland and District Chamber of Commerce held its monthly meeting at the Portland Community Hall on March 3rd. Twenty-six local businesses have become members of the chamber. Before the summer we will be publishing a brochure listing the members and their businesses. Also, a large map and directory of these businesses will be erected at the government dock.

The chamber is presently working on a number of issues of concern to its members. These are as follows: 1. increasing the hours that the Portland dump is open 2. increasing the hours of the Portland Liquor Store 3. the possible closing of rural post offices, such as Portland 4. obtaining a 649 Lottery machine for the Portland area.

John Teixeira and Judy Horsfal have prepared some initial by-laws for the chamber. These by-laws were discussed at the meeting. The next meeting of the chamber will be April 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the hall. The by-laws will be presented for adoption and an election of a board of directors will be held. It is hoped that many members will attend this important meeting.

### PORTLAND ACW

Emmanuel ACW met on March 12 at the home of Kathy Kompass with 14 members present. After prayers, devotions, reports, discussions and motions carried, the group listened to a most interesting talk by Joyce Gunnewiek on the resources of the Rideau Lakes Union Library.

Five librarians serve the region and there is no fee to get your plastic library card. With your card, you can borrow books, tapes (talking books) and films; you can also rent projectors or tape recorders. If you want books not held in the regional libraries, there is an "on-line" computer service to get your books from any place in Canada. If you are "shut-in", your books can be sent to you. No one has any excuse for being without books, or periodicals or newspapers.

If your eyesight is failing, you can use the large print books and the magnifying sheets; if your eyesight has gone, you may use the talking books. If you are a student - the Librarian reminded her audience a world of information is readily available; if it's entertainment you want, a good book is one of your best sources.

Finally, Mrs. Gunnewiek stressed the need for us to use our libraries because much thought and hard work has gone into the Rideau Lakes Union Library system, and it is all done for the people living here.

At the end of the meeting tea and coffee were served.

### PHILIPPSVILLE W.I.

The Philipsville Women's Institute met in their hall March 12th. Meeting opened with Ode and Mary Stewart collect. Roll call and minutes were read, with new and old business being discussed. Delta Women's Institute have invited the Philipsville women to their meeting March 17th. District Executive is in the Library room, Elgin, Mar. 31st at 1:30 p.m. All convenors are to have their reports ready for April business meeting on April 9th. This closed the business part of the meeting.

Mary Sutcliffe gave a most interesting report on her trip to Mexico with a hostel group of 39 with only 4 Canadians. They arrived in Mexico City and were assigned to a roommate. Mary was with a school teacher from New York. The first week was lectures on art, food, economy, education, etc. Mexico City has 80 million people.

The next part of the program they were paired with a family in Pueblo. She told how when she was met at the bus station, the people had a big sign with "Welcome Mary". She was taken to their home where a man, woman and three children lived.

The place was surrounded, as all places are, with a huge stone fence and each place has a roof dog for protection.

Mary brought back some souvenirs to show us and she told us a Cougar car would cost \$2400. US and shoes \$30. US a pair.

Happy Birthday was sung to Mavis Bower and the meeting closed.

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