

Simpson Lodge No. 157

MASONS HONOUR VETERAN

Simpson Lodge #157 held a special event on Tuesday, April 7, 1981, at the Masonic Temple, Newboro. The occasion was to recognize the long and faithful service of Wor. Bro. G. Homer Palmer, and to express their thanks and appreciation for his many contributions to his lodge, his church and community.

A capacity crowd of brethren and ladies, his family and many friends were on hand to share the happy event. He had no knowledge of the event, and was taken by complete surprise. His family and close friends were kept in hiding until an appropriate time. Out of town guests were: his two sons, Jack Palmer, Mountain; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Palmer, Lansdowne; his daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McAlpine, Scarborough; two sisters Jean Palmer and Muriel Buckley, Kingston and his sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Chaplin, Valleyfield, Que.

Douglas Bond served as Master of Ceremonies. He had a number of slides prepared of many different times and events of Homer's life, all of which were most timely and interesting.

Rev. H. Seely presented a resume of Homer's contributions to the church, which was spiced with anecdotes and good humour.

Homer was initiated into Simpson Lodge on Dec. 2, 1947. He was Worshipful Master in 1955. The highlights of his year as Wor. Master, as taken from the Lodge records, were presented by the secretary. He served as Director of Ceremonies for several years and is now a trustee. He served as District Chaplain, for Frontenac District, in 1976-77.

Ray Gamble gave a resume of Homer's masonic activities and contributions, and elaborated on some interesting highlights.

The District Deputy Grand Master of Frontenac Masonic District, Rt. Wor. Bro. Wallace C. Hogeboom, brought greetings and good wishes from the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Ontario.

The Simpson Choir entertained with appropriate selections, to the delight of all.

Homer, in responding, expressed his complete surprise and thanked everyone for the honour bestowed upon him.

All adjourned to the banquet hall to share a social hour of fellowship and good food, which consisted of fresh maple syrup, homemade biscuits, cookies and cheese.

NEWS FLASH!

Date line- Newboro.

April 22 and 23 saw a group of local residents frantically moving boxes, furniture, washing windows and doing various other chores in and around a building on the main street of the village. The dedicated work of this group enabled the Newboro Branch of the Rideau Lake Union Library to move into its new location and be ready for regular library hours on Thursday evening.

The new room is a big improvement over the previous quarters, giving more space and enabling patrons to locate their selections with great ease. A children's corner has been set up and should prove a busy spot in the future months. Well done, Newboro.

SOCCER NEWS

Spring Greetings Soccer Fans! Another winter behind us and the promise of summer's bounty ahead; along with all the tell tale signs of spring. Have you noticed those big black and white "puff balls" sprouting up all over? That's right kids, once again its time for that summer time version of hockey, called Football in Great Britain and Soccer here in Canada.

Do you boys and girls remember those hot summer days last year when you began to wonder how many more trips up and down that long playing field you could take. Fortunately the coach would usually come to your rescue and send in the next shift out. Keep in mind that at the higher levels of soccer there are very few substitutions, if any.

The North Leeds Soccer Association is moving into its first full season with registration and enthusiasm running high. Registration is being offered in the four age categories of NOVICE, ATOM, MOSQUITO and PEEWEE. The sixteen teams will be representing the Portland Prowlers, Seeley's Bay Strikers, Delta Drillers and the Elgin Elevens. Seeley's Bay will be carrying an extra "payload" as they will also be competing in the Kingston District Soccer League.

The N.A.S.L. season-openers are slated for May 16. with a six game schedule. Playoff arrangements and possible tournament play are pending until the next coaches meeting. Large trophies for the Divisional Champions have been donated by:- R.L. Gamble Ltd., Frank Perrin Real Estate and the Delta Lions and Thompson Electric of Seeley's Bay.

Around the Leeds area Soccer is growing in leaps and bounds. The Kingston area High Schools are now going with a spring schedule as well as their Fall season. Brockville recently registered 500 children in their summer program.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL IN 1981

OASWT celebrates

An atmosphere of celebration pervaded the Fireplace room at the Carveth Care Centre April 10 when the Gananoque and District group of the Ontario Association of Super-annuated Women Teachers met and observed the silver anniversary tea.

Prior to this a short business meeting was held. President Kathryn Scott welcomed all the members. She explained that the May meeting would be special too with the theme being "Dining Out." It will be held May 15 as a banquet at 12 p.m. in the Portland Community Hall. President Scott asked members to have an interesting anecdote from their first school for the Book of Memory which Etheleen Tye is preparing.

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