



HERITAGE DISPLAY AT PORTLAND BRANCH

The February meeting of the Rideau Lakes Union Library Board was held in Delta Branch. This is the first time a winter meeting here has been possible. The credit goes to recent renovations which have improved the insulation. On behalf of the board, Mary Warren thanked the Council of Bastard and Burgess Township for the renovations and for their continued support of the Union Library.

Greg Courneyea reported that the new Union Library Headquarters is nearing completion. The connecting door to Elgin Branch has been installed and most of the carpentry work finished. The ceiling will be painted and the carpeting laid as soon as possible.

Representatives from throughout Leeds and Grenville met recently at Brockville Public Library. A grant to Brockville Library Board to further library services in the United Counties was discussed. Diane Haskins, Chairman, and Pat Little, Co-ordinator attended for our Board.

Mrs. Haskins gave a detailed report of this meeting to the Library Board. After discussing the issues, the Board decided to send a letter to the Brockville Library Board offering recommendations regarding the deployment of library grant monies.

The Board also recommended that a letter be sent to the Treasurer of Ontario in support of Scarborough Library Board's opposition to the deconditioning of Library Grants to Municipalities throughout Ontario.

A Heritage Display, depicting the history of Portland is currently on view in Portland Branch Library. Judi Pattinson, Librarian, and Brys Scovil, Friends of Library, joined efforts to gather and organize the nostalgia for this display.

June Greenhorn announced with regret the pending resignation of Elizabeth Glen, Librarian of Delta Branch. Mrs. Glen is moving to Niagra Falls in July.

Dorothy Davies reported that Velma Dorman of Seeleys Bay has offered to work as a Volunteer in Seeleys Bay Branch Library.

The next Board meeting will be held March 30 at Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne Township Office.

PORTLAND

Local Government Seminar

An informative evening was spent by two dozen area residents at a Local Government Seminar at Portland last month. Municipal government expert Dick Tindal was there to answer questions—and there were many! It was clear that many participants lacked basic understanding of their local government.

South Crosby Councillor Greg Courneyea and Reeve Fred Lake of Bastard and South Burgess were also in attendance. They provided colourful local examples of the processes and problems described by Dr. Tindal.

Discussion ranged over such topics as the structure and limitations of municipal government, and the Official Plan for land use. People were encouraged to get to know their council and the issues facing them.

Regarding the elections coming in November, Dr. Tindal recommended an all candidates meeting as the best way to learn about the nominees. Such a forum gives the voters a chance to question and compare those running.

It was apparent from the range and number of questions that a further meeting is called for. This worthwhile event was sponsored by the Portland Community Forum Group and St. Lawrence College at Brockville.

Annual Fish Derby

ELGIN-PORTLAND LEGION BRANCH #231

The annual fish derby held on Saturday March 11th/78 by the Elgin-Portland Legion Branch #231 was well attended by the communities around, with entries from as far away as Kingston and Ottawa. There were 107 registrations with 11 winners. The largest trout entered was 6lbs. 12 oz. by Carl White, 2nd prize 4 lbs. 14 oz. by Bill Kendall, 3rd prize D. Burtch at 4 lb. and 12 oz. There were eight hidden weight winners. The branch would like to thank everyone who supported it. Thanks to Mr. Lewis Burtch, Newboro, who donated the minnows, Woody Drew and Carl White for their cash donations. Mr. Bill Kendall taxidermist, Portland, who donated \$25 gift certificate on any mounting of the winner's choice, which was won by Harry Barker. Thanks to the contingent from Smiths Falls Rod and Gun Club under the stewardship of Woody Drew. A special thanks to the Legion Ladies who served a hot meal all afternoon.

The branch is having a euchre tournament in April with the local branches participating. Also the nomination of officers for the coming year will be held in April.



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CHURCHES HOLD HOLY WEEK SERVICES

The Westport-Newboro Ministerial Association held several special Holy Week services in their area and all were well attended.

On Sunday evening a Palm Sunday service was held in Westport United Church, conducted by the Minister, Rev. Henry Boston and special speaker, Rev. Rupert Walsh. Special music was provided by the Snider Family Singers.

On Wednesday evening, Rev. Alan Brandon conducted a service at St. Mary's Anglican Church in Newboro. Rev. Boston was the guest speaker.

On Sunday morning the annual Easter sunrise service was held at 6:30 at Spy Rock on Foley Mt. with Rev. Walsh bringing the message. After the service everyone gathered at Knox Church Hall where the ladies of that Church served a delicious breakfast of bacon eggs and toast, jam, coffee and orange juice.

The people of this area are fortunate to have an active and enthusiastic Ministerial group who provide opportunities for people of all denominations to worship together. All six denominations are represented.

Lucille Bresee

Wipe out warble flies

(Ministry of Agric. & Food)

To break the breeding cycle of the warble fly, it's essential that cattle showing signs of infestation be treated before the herd goes to pasture.

"Treatment now will kill larvae before they can turn into egg-producing flies which will aggravate and re-infest herds during the summer months," says R.E. Macartney, beef specialist with the Ont. Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

During June, July and August, warble flies attempt to lay eggs on the legs and underside of pastured cattle. This causes gadding, or wild running of the cattle with tail held high.

"Gadding causes weight loss, reduced milk production and, in many cases, physical injury."

Until recently it was believed the range of the warble fly was limited to 1-3 miles of travel. "It has now been established that flies travel up to 19 miles. That is why it is imperative that all cattle owners treat their herds, so this costly pest can be eliminated."

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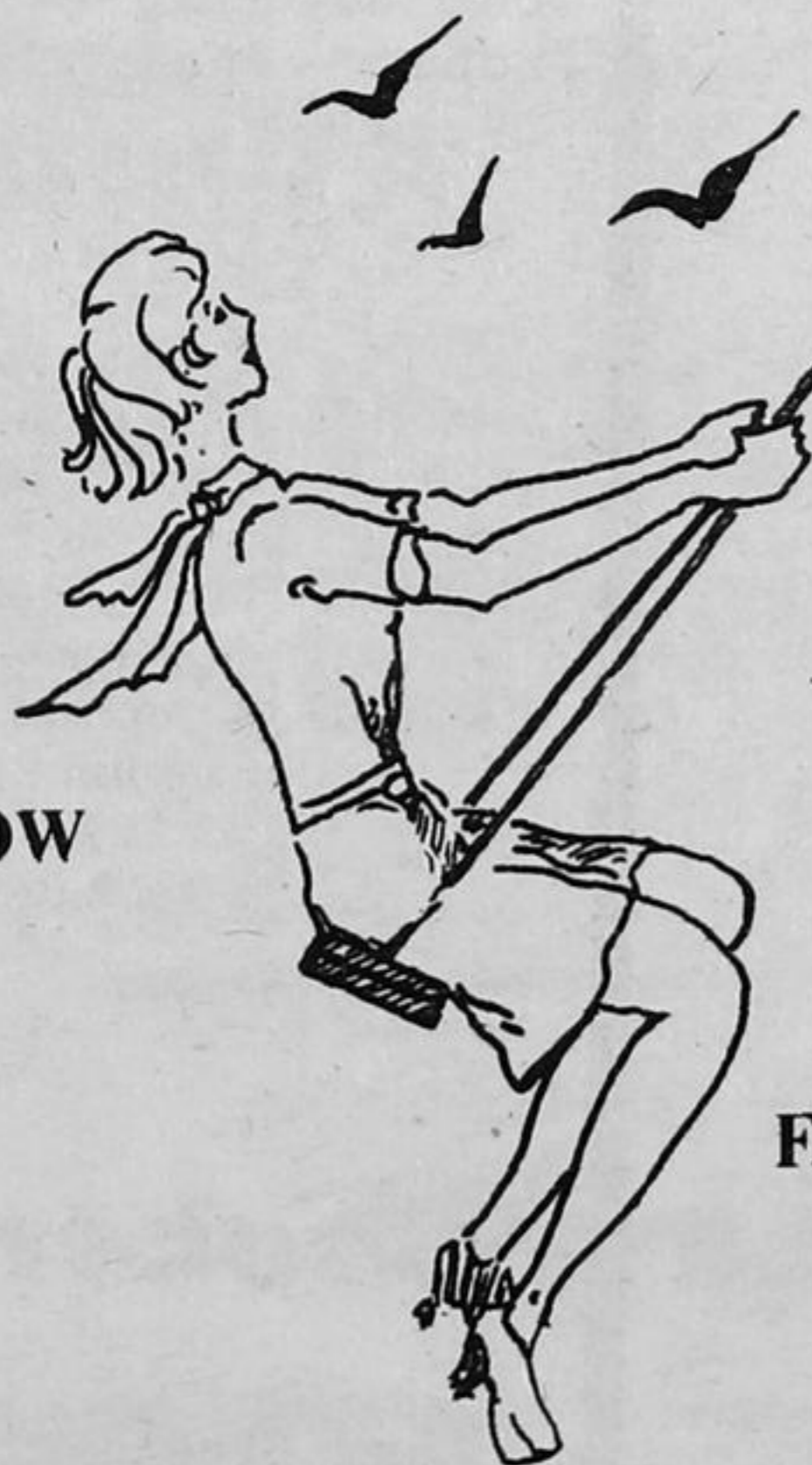
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