

## West Haldimand General Hospital Auxiliary Report

The executive of the West Haldimand General Hospital Auxiliary met March 1 with Mrs. S. Brown, president opening the meeting with all repeating the auxiliary prayer. Roll call revealed 15 present. Mrs. H. Gowan, secretary then gave the previous minutes. Mrs. R. Turner, treasurer, gave the February finances and bills were presented for payment. Mrs. L. Martin, coffee shop treasurer, gave a profitable statement for February. She noted that donated article sales totalled \$44. Little gremlins are playing havoc to the soup kitchen, silex burners, toaster and the pop machine. Mrs. Martin assured that repairs were forthcoming.

Mrs. K. Schwyer, sewing convener has 24 newborn nighties ready for sewing and more sheets may need rehemming.

Mrs. W. Nauman, smock and volunteer convener, finds that the new style smock is selling well and more are to be ordered. The coffee shop volunteers are to be commended as the shifts are being filled regularly and no problems have been re-

ported to Mrs. Nauman. Lets keep up the good work. The coffee shop will be closed Good Friday, Easter Sunday and the evening of April 5 for the annual dinner.

The Equipment Committee reported the installation of the new x-ray unit and it is already in use. In this connection, the tickets for the \$500 draw seem to be selling well and all need to be sold to make the draw a success.

Reports from the units find all having meetings or projects in March and installation of officers. The meetings will have speakers or work nights. Projects include a lucky luncheon, card parties and bake sales and a peg-board shower. Cal-edonia is having a pot-luck supper and membership drive in April.

New business included invitations to attend district gatherings. On April 25 and 26 and Institute for Central Districts will be held in Barrie. Mrs. Brown has further information on this if anyone is interested. On Thursday, April 13, the popular Spring Luncheon for District 4 will be held at Lookout Point Country Club, Fonthill. Registration at \$1 will take place at 12.30 p.m. A chicken luncheon at \$2.25 begins at 1 p.m. A panel discussion carrying on the '71 convention theme, "Hospitals Moving Into The Community," will follow lunch. Members wishing to attend must let Mrs. Brown know by March 25, so that luncheon can be reserved.

Annual dinner tickets were handed out and plans finalized for the evening. Mrs. R. Slack will prepare the programs. Annual reports were then put together and all members will be receiving a copy this month.

The meeting was adjourned to April 5, the annual dinner meeting at 7 p.m. in Jarvis Community Centre.

**Births**  
DeVILLER - Bill and Linda of Hagersville wish to announce the birth of a daughter Elizabeth Jean, 7lbs. 3 ozs. on March 6, 1972 at West Haldimand General Hospital, a sister for Drew.

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## Erie

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Wilcox of Burlington visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Campbell on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stark spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stark in Hamilton.

Barry Guley, who has been employed in Western Canada for some time, is at home with his family at Nelles Corners.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kostur and children of Hamilton visited at the Keen home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Booth, Mrs. Maggie McBurney and Mrs. William Lint were among the many who attended the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phibbs, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, Hagersville on Sunday afternoon.

The Mary Edith Group of the WMS will hold its March meeting at the home of Mrs. Stella Biggar Thursday afternoon of this week.

Ralph Williamson of Prince George spent the weekend with his aunt, Mrs. Stella Biggar.

Kenneth Rothe, who is attending college at Ridgetown spent the weekend at his home.

The Evening Auxiliary is holding an all day quilting in the church hall on Friday March 17 with a pot luck dinner at noon.

## Federation News

by Otto Crone

Haldimand and Norfolk will definitely have a regional government, says Darcy McKeough.

The Haldimand-Norfolk study under the direction of Nigel Richardson did not come to a decision acceptable to the province so they have decided that we will have regional government. What type has not been decided.

Nigel Richardson invites opinions to be forwarded by April 14. Now is the time for anyone with ideas to speak up, otherwise the province will probably tell us what type of regional government we will have.

What are the advantages of a one tier or two tier system or can a restructured Haldimand remain if enough people want it this way?

If a local unit takes in existing towns and rural townships how will this affect agriculture?

Reassessment of all Ontario property for tax purposes is now in progress. Farms having a high value unrelated to the income they can generate may be saddled with high taxes if urban and rural mill rates are equal.

In what type or size unit of regional government can the tax load be fairly distributed?

The decisions to be made now are serious ones as they will form the municipal structure within which we will live.

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