

## School of Dance

The Kaela School of Dance pupils won four gold and two silver medals in the recent Hamilton-Westdale Kiwanis Festival held at McMaster University, Hamilton.

Valeria Diehl, Port Dover, Jennifer Cronkwright, Simcoe, and Owen Montague, Jarvis, danced in a Tap and Jazz Trio number for which they received two silver

medals. Valeria also danced a solo tap and received high honours.

Connie Jepson, 7, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jepson of R.R. 5 Hagersville, Laurie Ann, 9, and Tara Montague, 7, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Montague, Jarvis, danced in a Tap Trio routine and were of Gold Standard calibre with a mark of 81.

Owen Montague, 12, won the highest honours in Dance at the Festival, the "Bill Hendershot award" for showing the greatest promise over all students, for which he was presented with a silver purse of 25 silver dollars. He also received four gold medals for his Tap solo, Jazz solo, a Tap Quick Study and a ballet Quick Study.

The adjudicator of Jazz and Tap, Miss Michele Roty of New York City, stated that Owen was a very exciting and fantastic dancer to watch and she enjoyed his excellent

energy and routines throughout the Festival.

He performed his Quick Study in ballet with Miss Linda Fletcher Page, Director of Ballet Plus, Toronto, adjudicating and she praised Owen for his wide use of the stage and his awareness of the audience.

At present Owen attends the National Ballet School in Toronto as a full time resident and travels on the weekends either to Buffalo, New York, where he studies Tap and Jazz privately under Sam Fiorello of the Debonaire Studios, or back home to study at his sisters' studio.

This past winter, Owen danced in 12 performances of the Nutcracker Suite held in the O'Keefe Centre in Toronto.

Miss Michaela Montague, Instructress at the Kaela School of Dance, was commended by Miss Roty on her dance routine.



From left to right, Tara, Valeria, Laurie Ann, Jennifer and Connie, perform some of the steps that make them winners.

## Past Noble Grands

The May meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Barbara Phillips with 15 members in attendance. Pres. Dorothy Walker presided for the business. In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Evelyn Brown dealt with the minutes and the treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Viola Smelser. Members were reminded of the annual Veterans' Night at the next lodge meeting May 27.

The program was lead by Mrs. Pearl Marr and Mrs. Lizzie Howard consisting of a reading entitled Handy-Talk which informed us of the importance of hand care using warm water, baking-soda and applying plenty of massage. Mrs. Howard contributed a piano solo much to the delight of the members. Mrs. Pearl Marr conducted some amusing and thought provoking games. The program concluded with a poem

by Mrs. Marr, "The Cookie Jar", followed by lunch.

The June meeting is to be held at Mrs. Dorothy Walker's with Mrs. Flora Dossier and Mrs. Mary Keen as convenors.

Mrs. Hilda Awde extended courtesy for a pleasant evening.



Owen Montague, a local boy, was commended by adjudicators for his fine performance.

## Tennis Club news

The Hagersville Tennis Club is being set up again for the 1975 season.

Last year, we had approximately 70 members, and we're looking for new faces in a new season. We would like to invite you to join in and participate in the activities of our Club. Members enjoy many benefits including exclusive use of the courts, electric lights for night-playing, membership cards and tags—just to mention a few.

There will be a meeting soon to elect the forthcoming year's Executive. All positions are open, and last year's

Executive members are as follows: President, Pete Munzar; Vice-President, Philip Awde; Treasurer, Craig Vanni; Secretary, Philip Roth; Grounds, Hal Brown; Tournament, John Cecchini, Bob Speller; Memberships, Pete Myke; Senior Directors, Ric Webber, Ruth Myke; Junior Girls Rep, Sandra Personnic; Junior Boys Rep, Mike Liscombe.

Tournaments and possible lessons will be announced in the local newspapers—and we'll try to ensure that you stay active in the club.

Once again—YOU are most cordially invited to join the 1975 Hagersville Tennis Club. For information, contact Philip Roth at 768-3436.

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## Rockford personals

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Chambers and family of Renton visited on Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Chambers.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Edwards, Don and Paul, spent the holiday weekend in the north. They visited Mrs. Gordon Howard of Gravenhurst and their aunt, Mrs. Nell Molloy of Orillia.

Mrs. Carl Hall and daughter, Bonnie Hall were hostesses on Tuesday evening for a surprise shower for Miss Judy Cossar, who will be a June bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin

Fearman of Hagersville visited on Sunday evening with their aunt, Mrs. Wilbert Howard.

On Friday evening a miscellaneous shower was held at the church for Mr. and Mrs. John Pursley, nee

Wendy Dawson. A large number of useful gifts were received, for which appreciation was expressed. Mr. and Mrs. Pursey are residing in Waterford.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Dawson of Simcoe, hosted a surprise

birthday party on Sunday for Bud Priest. Those present were—Mr. and Mrs. Keith

Priest, Susan and David of Innerkip and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Priest and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Priest.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Dawson entertained at an Anderson family gathering on Sunday afternoon, in honour of their nephew, Donald Anderson and bride, who were recently

married near Sherbrook, Quebec. Donald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Reg Anderson of Garnet. A miscellaneous shower was given the guests of honour and a barbequed supper enjoyed by all.

## United Church celebrates 50th

The United Church of Canada marks a special occasion on June 10, when it celebrates the 50th year of union between its three member bodies—the Methodist, the Presbyterian and the Congregationalist Churches of Canada.

Jarvis and Garnet congregations are celebrating this anniversary with a special service on Sunday June 8, at 2:30 p.m. in the Community Hall, Jarvis, and all friends adherents and former members of these churches are invited to be present and join in the festivities.

The guest speaker is Rev. Pete Newbery who grew up as a boy in Jarvis, while his father Rev. J.W.E. Newbery was pastor. Peter has had an

interesting life as a "flying person" on the west coast of British Columbia, where he flew his own plane to visit the outlying villages along the coast line. He is at present studying medicine at Mc Master University, to prepare himself to better meet the needs of these distant points.

Special music by the joint choirs of Jarvis and Garnet is planned and a fellowship hour will follow the service, when Peter's parents, Dr. J.W.E. Newbery and Rena will be present to renew acquaintances and visit with old friends. It is expected to be a happy and inspiring occasion to mark this historic date in the history of the United Church of Canada.

## Church

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upstairs and downstairs. The architects are A.H. Christie of Stoney Creek, and the contractor is Demick Construction of Hamilton.

The Christian Reformed Church celebrated its centennial in 1957, and is one of the oldest established churches in North America.

The new church is being financed through a drive in the congregation and \$60,000 in a building fund.

## Fire

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think it's the same old story. We're not sure but it looked like somebody was playing with matches. It couldn't have been combustion because the building was locked up, and it started at the door, so it is safe to say it was probably some kids with matches."

The papers, which were all disposed of, were worth about \$400. Chief McClarty estimated damage to the building of "\$3,000 is you were to rebuild."

The Firechief also said that there are bylaws against the storing of papers in Hagersville, and had he known about the shed, he would have requested that the papers be disposed of.

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