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subject, to the general effect that newer houses bear too big a share of the tax load, and that assessments should be based on the estimated selling value of a property, which is not the case at present. Another thought going the rounds is that new subdivisions, where a promoter takes low-priced farm land and sells it as high-priced building lots, should be assessed a special sort of capital tax to help offset the extra school costs that result. These ideas, and any others put forward to the committee, will be investigated and the results presented to the Citizens' Association some time during the next few months.

If you have any comments or ideas, pro or con, please send them along to the committee chairman (C. R. Ellis, Box 370, Ste. Annes) in writing, as soon as possible. Your help will be appreciated.

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#### UNA GRIMM AND BILL NORCOTT APPOINTED TO EXECUTIVE

The executive of the Citizens' Association learned with regret, at its meeting on February 25, that Ken Millar has been obliged to resign as Member-at-Large for reasons of health. This was Ken's second year on the executive. He has been succeeded by Una Grimm, who also will take over Ken's special responsibility, which this year was the Membership Committee.

Also added to the executive as Member-at-Large was Bill Norcott, in line with the resolution passed at the last general meeting to increase the executive by one member. Bill will continue to act as chairman of the Recreation Committee, and has a progressive program fairly well lined up, ready for presentation to the April general meeting.

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#### GARBAGE COLLECTION COSTS UP, AND DAYS CHANGED OAK RIDGE SUBDIVISION PLANS APPROVED

Garbage removal in Baie D'Urfe, which during recent years has cost only \$75 monthly, started costing \$60 weekly, more than three times as much, at the beginning of March.

Mr. Lavigne of Ste. Annes, who contracts for the work, appeared before the March meeting of the Town Council last Tuesday with a strong case for a higher price. Although the councillors were agreed that the past price has been too low, they thought the new price--about \$1.10 per house per month--was too high. On the other hand, they thought it was not as high as the garbage would get if Mr. Lavigne was as adamant as he appeared, so the new contract is now in effect. Only this time, the contract calls for three months notice of cancellation. Collecting days will change immediately to Monday and Thursday east of Morgan Road, and Tuesday and Friday on Morgan and west.

Plans for subdivision of an extensive part of the Oak Ridge development at the extreme east end of town, comprising some 60 building lots, was considered by the Council and approved subject to the usual Quebec concurrence. A good deal of discussion at the meeting dealt with the proposal to buy the Binz barns as a community Centre. Council seemed to favour the general idea except for doubts about the price of \$25,000 asked.

A resolution was passed authorizing Jacques Viau to draw up recommendations for changes in the town charter to bring it in line with other modern charters in all respects. Alderman Dorion predicted a deficit on the year's budget due largely to the repairs to the Town Hall and an increase of about \$175 monthly for garbage removal. Light fixtures needed for new subdivision will cost about \$1100 at least, not including installation. Alderman Parker reported a bill of \$178 for cleaning ditches last fall. Sanding of streets this year cost \$333 to the end of February.

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Alderman Menzies had various questions for Council about doubtful points in connection with a number of applications for building permits. A group of five lots, low ground at the foot of Cambridge Rd., was sold to S. Albulet for \$1,000. Malcolm Davies wrote asking for a road to his house now nearing completion on Cambridge Road, and will receive the usual reply--that Cambridge Road will be built when enough property owners sign a group request to justify a referendum. The meeting split 2-2 on complying with the Citizens' Association request that street light should stay on all night, so the question will be referred back to the Association to ask if this really is the majority opinion. Currently the time clock is set to keep the lights on until 3 a.m., but it is unreliable.

A letter from S. Persson on behalf of the Horticultural Society asked for a grant toward trees to be planted on Town property, but named no specific amount so the subject was held over. Payment of \$250 was authorized for the well at Morgan rink. Reg Vidler, among his multitude of jobs, also was made weed inspector. A resolution of condolence was passed, to be sent to the family of former alderman Louis Caron.

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#### PAY YOUR FEES NOW AND SAVE THE COMMITTEE SOME WORK

Very few 1953 membership fees have been paid yet, and the membership committee will be getting out in full force in the near future to canvass all those who are in arrears. Please save your local member a little work by sending your fee --\$2 per family--directly to the treasurer, Selby MacLeod, right away. Mail it to him at the Baie D'Urfe Post Office.

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#### FIRST BAIE D'URFE WINTER CARNIVAL LAYS GROUNDWORK FOR EVEN BIGGER AND BETTER CARNIVALS TO COME

The weatherman, who played cat-and-mouse with George Lint and his Winter Carnival committee for two weeks and caused on postponement, finally came through with an almost-perfect day on February 28. The resulting round of sports and entertainment went off without a hitch, and made it seem inevitable that this would be just the first of a long series of similar annual gatherings.

The Morgan rink was unusable after a week of mild weather, but fortunately someone thought of the pond behind the Amys house, which still was frozen solid. Electricity could not be carried that far, so a flurry of improvisation followed. Various committee members rounded up a portable power supply, housing for the P.A. system, gasoline stoves for making cocoa and coffee, a sign to lead people to the location which was hidden from the road, a tent was borrowed from Roy Foss and a telephone campaign was undertaken to let everyone know about the changed arrangements--and from that point on, everything went like clockwork, or even a little ahead of schedule.

Hockey games were held in the morning, with the West Enders taking most of the honours. In the over-12 contest a 5-1 victory was scored by the team of Ian Baker, Alan Baker, John Spriggs, Jimmie Wyatt, Peter Ellis and Robert Taylor. Winners of the 9-11 game by a 2-1 score was the team of Corky Winters, Michael Cruickshank, Michael Godwin, Bruce Davidson, David Lint, Ian Valentine, Tony Dawson and Punch Stafford. Among the peewees under 9, crests were earned by the team of Malcolm Macdonald, Jeff Albulet, Johnny Davidson, Jimmie DeWitt and Mickey Shonfield. Coaches for the hockey games were Tom Martin and Bill Norcott.

Figure skating was an afternoon feature especially for the girls, handled by Polly McGuire. Winners in the 12-16 age group were Susan Poe, Beverley Smith and Marj Brookhouse, in that order. In the 9-11 group, Susan McGuire, Lorraine DeWitt and Donna Albulet took the honours. Competition was scarce in the younger ages, with Bronie Evans acquiring one of the much-desired winner's crests.

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NEW SALARY SCALE FOR MACDONALD HIGH SCHOOL  
MAKES ANOTHER TAX INCREASE INEVITABLE

The new salary scale for 1953/54, which has been devised and adopted by our Central Board, represents not only a considerable increase in pay but also provision for introducing into the scale some recognition of especially good work and ability.

Competition may be the life of trade, as the old saying goes, but it is sometimes a bit rough on the juniors. Macdonald High School, living next door to the wealthy Montreal colossus, is in this unenviable position as regards maintaining a top grade staff. A school is no better than its teachers and today the shortage of teachers is becoming critical.

The Macdonald Central School Board was faced with these obvious facts and also with the sharply increased level of the new scale which has been adopted in Montreal. They have decided that we have no alternative but to meet this competition if we are to maintain and advance our standards. The new Macdonald salary scale for 1953/54 is, accordingly, equal to the new Montreal scale for the sixth year of teaching onwards and is slightly higher in the earlier years to assist in the engagement of the more promising "beginning" teachers. An exception is the marital allowance which has been set at two thirds of the Montreal figure.

The effect of the new scale and also of the additional teachers whom we shall require next fall, will mean that the total cost of salaries for next year will increase by about 50%. Even with higher Government Grants, an increase in the tax rate will be inevitable, regrettable as this may be.

The new school building is very nearly finished and should be ready to move into by Easter. Because of the rapid growth in the number of students, the board has not felt justified in retaining special rooms for typing, commerce or music and these three have been finished as ordinary classrooms. Remaining "special rooms" are art, physics-chemistry lab, lecture room, workshop, domestic science, dining room, kitchen, gymnasium changing rooms and playrooms. In the old and new buildings 24 "regular" classrooms will be available and next fall there will be 22 classes.

The new school heating system is now working very satisfactorily after some initial difficulties with the automatic equipment. It burns low-grade fuel oil at 11.4 cents per gallon and it is interesting to note that there is actually more heat obtainable from this fuel than from the more refined oil that we use in our homes. - W. Spriggs.

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CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES FORMED TO STUDY  
FIRE PROTECTION AND TOWN'S ASSESSMENTS

The meeting of the Citizens' Association on February 13 made a valiant effort to reach a decision on the proposal for a volunteer fire brigade, but didn't quite make it. A motion to reject the idea was defeated, but there appeared to be no overwhelming opinion to approve it, so the question was passed on to a committee of John Fisher, Doug Allan, L. Wickson and R.H. Foss.

Another committee was formed to look into the town's assessment system, as a result of a letter from Bill Fielding suggesting that taxes are not always equitable. This



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committee, which consists of Chester Ellis, Wm. Fielding and Charlie Johnstone, will gather what information it can, and report back to the Association. Other business of the meeting, as outlined in the minutes prepared by Vic Willetts in the absence of the recording secretary:

Town Planning: Mr. Charlie Johnstone reported that his committee had met with representatives of the Council and had assisted in drawing up an amendment to the Building By-Laws. On submitting the amendment at the last Council meeting, however, it was decided that the amendment as worded, was probably not legally correct. The committee is, therefore, continuing with the matter.

Membership: Mr. V. Willetts reported on behalf of Mr. Ken Millar that there were only 45 paid-up memberships. The membership committee was not yet fully organized but was proceeding satisfactorily and he expected to turn in a better report at the next meeting.

Winter Carnival: At the last meeting of the Executive Committee it was decided that, in view of the restricted accommodation in the Town Hall, a Winter Carnival would be held on Morgan Road Rink on February 21st, 1953, in lieu of the birthday party. Although this was short notice, it was felt that this would be an experiment to determine whether the Association should, in the future, hold both of its main annual affairs out-doors. Mr. George Lint was chosen as the chairman of this committee and he reported the personnel of his committee to be as follows:-Tom Vauthier -Rink Organization, Bill Parker-Races, Ross Davidson-Hockey, Sally Corbett-Figure Skating, Brad Proudfoot-P.A. System, Clary McGuire-Music & Lights, Don MacDonald-Broom Ball, Al Christie-Prizes, Roy Cape-Dances, Jack Mitcham-Entertainment, Elizabeth Delmar-Caterin, V. Willetts-Tickets.

Mr. Lint reported that they planned to have speed and relay races, a figure skating competition, hockey and broom-ball games with dancing, skating and other entertainment in the evening. Refreshments would be served to the children in the afternoon and to the grown-ups in the evening.

Community Chest: Mrs. Tait reported that her committee would canvass for the Salvation Army and Women's Auxiliary of the Lachine General Hospital and the Combined Blind Appeals in one visitation during the last week in April and the first week in May.

Correspondence: 1. Letter from the Civil Defence Department of Ottawa expressing interest in the rumour about our Women's Fire Fighting Brigade. 2. Letter from Quebec Provincial Command of the Canadian Legion thanking the Association for its donation to the Legion Christmas Tree. 3. Letter from Crown Assets Disposal Corp. re the sale of 48 pontoons. 4. Letter from Mr. Wm. E. Fielding re taxes and assessment.

Town Lighting: The chairman reported that the clock regulating the street lights had now been repaired and that the lights would be kept on until 3 A.M. Moved by Mr. Fielding and seconded by Mr. Pinkney that the Council be asked to arrange for the street lights to be left on all night. Motion carried.

Amendment to the Constitution: This meeting having been properly declared, through News & Views, to be a special meeting to consider an amendment to the constitution, the chairman read a letter dated January 19th, 1953, giving notice of the following motion which was moved by Mr. Chester Ellis and seconded by Messrs. MacLeod, Willetts, Johnstone and Kingsmill:- "That the wording of Article IV, paragraph (a) of the Constitution shall be amended by deleting the word 'two' and inserting in its place the word 'three'." The motion was carried unanimously.

Fire Fighting: After a short recess, Mr. Tony Kingsmill conducted a debate under the following resolution:-"Resolved that the Town of Baie D'Urfe should have a centralized volunteer fire fighting scheme". Speakers for the affirmative were Mr. John Fisher and Mr. Harry Smythe; for the negative, Mr. Doug Allan and Mr. John Windebank.

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This debate brought out many good points both for and against. Mr. Don Menzies was also called upon to give further information on the subject and the chairman read the letters received from Messrs. Sid Nagley and R.H. Foss, both of whom opposed the idea for the present. After much discussion pro and con, Mr. Chester Ellis stated that the meeting should at least go on record as to whether it was in favour of continuing the discussion and he made the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Wickson:- "Moved that this meeting go on record as recommending to the Council that it not proceed any further with the proposals put forward in Mr. Menzies' report on Fire Fighting Equipment at the present time." A count of hands revealed 14 for and 20 against and the motion was defeated.

Moved by Mr. Doug Allan and seconded by Mr. Wells that a committee be formed to determine whether or not we can fulfill the eight requirements of the Canadian Underwriters Association, determine what they will cost and secure the names of fifteen people who will volunteer for the fire brigade. Motion carried unanimously. The following committee was chosen:- Messrs. John Fisher, Doug Allan, L. Wickson and R.H. Foss. Mr. Roy Cape moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Don Menzies for the splendid report which he had prepared on Fire Fighting Equipment.

Tea and cookies were served by Mrs. Elizabeth Delmar and her committee, Mrs. Florence Pinkney, Mrs. Ruth Tait, Mrs. Ware.

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#### AROUND OUR TOWN

The community's leading Boy Scout this year, without a doubt, is Roy Foss. It was Roy who, earlier this year, came to the rescue of the town's hockey-playing youngsters by donating the lumber that made possible the hockey rink in Morgan Park. Again last weekend, when the Carnival committee needed a tent and didn't know where to turn, guess who provided one? Of course!

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It was a boy, their first child, for the Tom Quigleys of Lakeview two weeks ago.

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Another recent arrival, also a boy, was welcomed by the Arthur Walters of Sunny Acres.

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And still another, a boy for the W.J. Armstrongs of Sunny Acres.

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Horticultural Society members may expect to hear soon about this year's special deal on commercial fertilizers, and possibly on nursery stock.

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Not mentioned in these pages before was a recent Council decision to hold the present undeveloped large park area in the College Green (18 building lots) as a unit. Cambridge Road, if an when, will turn and go around the park, and not through it, as shown on the plans.

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Vital Statistics Dept. (Believe It or Not Division): It is reported that by the end of February road sanding operations in Baie D'Urfe this year used  $45\frac{1}{2}$  tons of sand, 18 bags of calcium chloride and 9 bags of salt. Now if we could only discover where College Green people can only wonder.

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<u>Wednesdays:</u>	.....		3 p.m. -- 7 p.m.

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Reg also calls attention to the fact that if you don't like licking stamps, or if you like to save money, the Post Office has envelopes with the stamps printed on, in 2-, 3- and 4-cent denominations. The envelopes cost 33 cents a hundred over the face value of the stamps.

ADD TO YOUR DIRECTORY

Cunliffe, Elliott	Roxburgh Road	B.D.	..
Brenchley, Charles	20360 Lakeshore	B.D.	—
Walter, A.R.	17 Sunny Acres	B.D.	—
Wells, W.	7 Sunny Acres	B.D.	—

DELETE FROM YOUR DIRECTORY

McKenzie, J.F. 20360 Lakeshore (moved to Toronto)

BAIE D'URFE COMMUNITY CHEST

The Community Chest will conduct its combined canvass from Monday, April 20th to Saturday, May 2nd. Four, or possibly five, organizations will be represented in this one canvass, namely the Canadian Cancer Society, the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, the Lachine General Hospital Women's Auxiliary, and the Salvation Army. We have approached one other group, offering to handle their canvass at the same time; and await their answer. The general campaigns of these associations will not necessarily take place elsewhere during the weeks of our Baie D'Urfe campaign, but they have expressed their approval of our plan and in some cases, have already sent us their campaign material.

Canvassers will make a house-to-house canvass, and will accept contributions for each of these organizations, giving a separate receipt for each. As has already been explained in the report to the Citizens' Association and at the Association meeting on February 13th, to get Government permission to issue one all-inclusive receipt, valid for income-tax deduction, would entail another permanent executive, and it was felt we might better try out one year under the separate-receipt system.

We would plead with our citizens to keep up their former level of contributions. These different campaigns are being gathered into one at your request, in order that you may not be bothered by so many calls, and that those generous canvassers might be spared, who last spring went out on two and even three canvasses within five weeks.

Each canvasser will be asked to telephone the householders on whom she will call, and you are earnestly requested to have the combined contributions ready and waiting for her.

As the canvassers must carry so many books around with them, we hope to give them fewer houses to visit. That, plus the fact that there are more houses than ever in the Town, means we must have all our old canvassers back on the job, and new ones too. Would all of you who have helped with any of the campaigns represented - Salvation Army, C.N.I.B., Lachine Hospital W.A., and Cancer Society - and any other dear kind people who heed the call, please phone Mary Coulter (2978), or Nancy Dawson (2391), or Ruth Tait (876), and offer your services? This will save your Committee many hours of phoning.

Ruth Tait, Chairman.

# BAIE D'URFE BUYERS' GUIDE

## BANKS

BANK OF MONTREAL ..... 93 STE ANNE ..... 844

## BOATS & MARINE SERVICE

STE. ANNE MARINE SERVICE ..... 46 STE ANNE ..... 2426

## BUILDING CONTRACTORS

MORRISON, G. ERNEST ..... 23 LAKEVIEW, BAIE D'URFE ..... 2818

PILON, LIONEL ..... 29 CHRISTIE ..... 2905

## BUILDING MATERIALS

DAOUST, JEAN ..... 4 CHRISTIE ..... 373

## BUTCHERS - GROCERS

A & P STORE ..... 43 STE ANNE ..... 422

FRANCOEUR & FRERE ..... 31 STE ANNE ..... 522

PORTELANCE, ROSAIRE ..... 25 ST. GEORGE ..... 2487

RICHARD, LUCIEN ..... 16 LEGAULT ..... 731

WATIER, MARCEL ENRG. .... 166 STE ANNE ..... 851

## CLEANERS, DYERS

RAYMOND CLEANERS ..... 74 STE ANNE ..... 457

## DEPARTMENT STORES

G, D Aoust & Cie, Inc. .... 73 STE ANNE ..... 334

## DRUGGISTS

CYPINOT PHARMACY ..... 100 STE ANNE ..... 681

GUENETTE PHARMACY ..... 67 STE ANNE ..... 667

## ELECTRICIANS

STE ANNE ELECTRIC ..... 10 PERREAULT ..... 804

## FIREWOOD, COAL

MME, ROULEAU REGD ..... 1 COLLEGE ..... 612

## FLORISTS

SMITH & SON, REGD ..... 70 STE ANNE ..... 432

## GARAGES - SERVICE STATIONS

BEAULIEU & FRERE ..... 18 COLLEGE ..... 573

CARDINAL, LUCIEN ..... METROPOLITAN BLVD. .... 688

COOPER S GARAGE LTD. .... METROPOLITAN BLVD. .... 343

LAC ST. LOUIS AUTOMOBILES LTD. .... 90 STE ANNE ..... 661

LAVIGNE, O. GARAGE ENRG. .... 4 MONTEE STE MARIE ..... 327

TEXACO STATION ..... 56 STE ANNE ..... 9058

## GIFTWARE

GYM GIFT SHOP ..... 87 STE ANNE ..... 331

## HAIRDRESSERS, BEAUTY PARLOURS

DEGUIRE, MISS GERMAINE ..... 71 STE ANNE ..... 404

SALON PARISIEN ..... 110 STE ANNE ..... 538

SALON PIERETTE ..... 2 ST. PIERRE ..... 2447

## HARDWARE

DAOUST, J. B. .... 27 STE ANNE ..... 890

FORTIER, J. E. REGD ..... 103 STE ANNE ..... 524

HUB, THE ..... 449 BEACONSFIELD, BEAUREPAIRE  
PTE CLAIRE ..... 2896

## INSURANCE

GREENFIELD, ALAN ..... CARON PT, BAIE D'URFE .... 577

## JEWELERS

LABROSSE ..... 84 STE ANNE ..... 381

## LAWYERS

JOHN W. LONG, Q. C. .... 204 NOTRE DAME W, MONTREAL  
MARQUETTE ..... 4525

## MEN'S FURNISHINGS

BRUNET, L. P. .... 65 STE ANNE ..... 2477

## MILLINERS

MME, O, MALLETT ..... 82 STE ANNE ..... 470

## PHOTO SERVICE, SUPPLIES

TOP HAT PHOTO ..... 91 STE ANNE ..... 2512

## PLUMBING, HEATING

DUQUETTE, F. .... 98 STE ANNE ..... 400

## RADIO - TELEVISION

BOILEAU, ED. L. .... 27 STE ANNE ..... 2473

## RESTAURANTS

NEW STE. ANNE SWEETS ..... 75 STE ANNE ..... 9083

## STATIONERY - OFFICE SUPPLIES

GARAND, J. H. R. .... 41 STE ANNE ..... 2657

## TAXICABS

BELLEVUE RADIO TAXI ..... 39 STE ANNE ..... 2000

## THEATRES

REX THEATRE ..... 83 STE ANNE ..... 341

## WATCH REPAIRS

DUROCHER, L. L. .... 41 STE ANNE ..... 2657

## WOMENS WEAR

YVES VALLEE SPECIALTY SHOP ..... 105 STE ANNE ..... 701