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THE NEXT ASSOCIATION MEETING IS ON COTOBER 12 - SEE NOTICE INSIDE FOR FURTHER DETAIL

CONCERNING OUR YOUNGER CITIZENS

Now that the strains associated with gardening weather are easing off and the post-vacation sloth has been dispersed by the recent frost, we can begin to belabor our consciences again with items from the "things to be done" department.

Zoning and town improvement have moved from the planning to the legislative stage and therefore have passed into the hands of the town council. The Association, through its town planning representative, continues to keep in close touch with the subject but no longer regards it as a major project. Building of the new school has begun, as result of the leadership and work of a few far-sighted enthusiasts rather than of any effort of the Association's. Horticulture is being admirably promoted by the Horticultural Society. Since our function is to originate and develop town policy, the Association should now take on another project.

One problem which keeps recurring when citizens begin to talk about the future of the town is that of providing for the leisure-time activities of the increasing numbers of teen-age persons in the town. The 10 to 16 age group now includes about 60 boys and girls. Counting only the families who are already settled here, this group will have grown to 75 within three years, to 100 in five years and will have doubled in 7 years. The steady flow of new families into the town will add considerably to these figures.

Between April 1943 and April 1946 the Canadian Youth Commission conducted a nation-wide survey of the leisure-time activities of Canadian youth between the ages of 15 and 24. The introduction to the report states:

"It requires but a cursory study to show that recreational onnortunities for the majority of young people in Canada are limited in number....Recreation along cultural lines is (especially) limited, and without sufficient experience of these activities, even the demand tends to be small. The barrenness of social life, particularly in the rural areas but often enough in large cities, is underlined emphatically in the young people's replies to our questions....

"Young people are at an age where recreation is sought and enjoyed with the greatest zest, but chosen with the least experience. It is, therefore, not enough to multiply facilities and equipment. Guidance and stimulation must also be provided, as the briefs submitted to us from young people clearly recognize...."

The need for community planning (in which both adults and young persons participate) to fill recreation needs is emphasized throughout the report. We believe that this sort of planning is now needed urgently in this town. We suggest that the Association should undertake it as a project without delay. If you have a feeling that you could help in a group formed to investigate the problem, please let the executive know of your interest.

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THE RECORD

The regular monthly meeting took place in the Town Hall on September 14th with an attendance of 60. After the reading and adoption of the minutes, committee reports were presented. At the end of the fiscal year there were 134 members. New members introduced to the meeting were Messrs. Desrosiers, Hutton, Lint, Gosselin. It was announced that the floats would be taken out of the water on Saturday, 15th, and men were asked to come and help. Mr. Vauthier mentioned the problems of maintenance of the playing-fields, cutting of grass, etc., which must be considered for next year. Mr. Windebank presented an age survey of the children of our members, as follows:

	1-2	3-5	6-9	10-12	13-16	17-21	Total
Boys	16	25	27	10	11	6	95
Girls	15	27	26	12	11	7	98
	31	52	53	22	22	13	193

Reporting on school affairs, Mr. Fry stated that the current steel shortage is holding up the start of the work on the new school. Tenders were called for, for a bond issue, but not taken up. The issue was finally handled by A. E. Ames & Co. Mr. Windebank announced a programme of 15 movies to be shown every other Saturday morning. These cover an age spread of 4 to 16 years. The children attending come from 80 families. If these families were to pay an annual subscription of \$2.50, the cost of the programme could be defrayed without help from Association funds. Mr. Tuck will handle the projection of the pictures. Volunteers were called for to drive the projection equipment to and from the Adult Education Centre. Mr. Perks read the annual statement of finances showing a balance at the end of the fiscal year of \$140.87. Mr. Evans read correspondence, including letters to Prof. Heimpel and the past sessions' Council members. There was discussion around the editorial appearing in a recent issue of the "Lakeshore News," which berated the Association for seeking entertainment for its meetings and not devoting time to serious matters such as fire protection. Several citizens offered to write suggesting that in future their editorials should be based on facts, and not on hearsay or conjecture. Mr. Peter Smith told the meeting that our Council has discussed Fire Protection and is making a study of comparable localities. Mr. Milletts then introduced the speaker, Mr. E.C. Duff of the Fire Underwriters' Association, who was accompanied by Chief Elikstean, Chief Instructor of the Montreal Fire Department. At the close of Mr. Duff's talk and the showing of movies on Fire Prevention and Safety, tea was served by krs. Proudfoot's committee, Mesdames Comber, Shippee and Laird.

Ruth Tait, Recording Secretary.

SCHOOL AFFAIRS

Work has commenced on the new school as all those with school age children will have heard. The necessary steel has been secured and is on its way across the ocean.

E. B. Fry, School Affairs Committee.

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NEXT MEETING

At the October meeting which is called for the usual 8.15 opening at the Town Hall on October 12, Professor Bland will review the Town Planning Report and there will be some consideration of future problems. Mr. Bland's talk given last winter caused a good deal of interested comment. Because of the low attendance on that occasion, a good part of the citizenry will want to hear him this time and be brough up to date.

PLANS FOR DANCE UNDER WAY

There has been considerable enthusiasm shown in having another community dance since the very successful one held on Baie d'Urfe Day.

Mrs. Jack Burridge accepted the executive's invitation to act as chairman of a committee to plan such an affair and announcement is made that a dance will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, November 3, at 8.30. Prizes and refreshments are amongst the attractions and in order to cover necessary expenses, a charge of \$1.00 per couple is being made. Lots of time to engage a sitter, but circle the date on your calender.

CHIMNEY SWEEPING TO BE DONE

The Town Council has secured the services of a chimney sweep who will commence work within the next couple of weeks. The charges will be the same as last year, \$1.00 per flue.

COUNCIL NOTES

A very active Council meeting commenced on September 11 and continued during the evening of September 12. The following subjects will be of particular interest to the citizens:

Fire Protection - The Mayor appointed the Roads Committee and Building Committee to investigate and recommend on a form of fire protection for the town after making a study of actions taken in this matter by other similar-type towns. He presented a description of a pump wagon which at that time seemed to be the best suggestion, according to Chief Lepine of Ste. Annes. Costs including garage were considered. The newly formed committee was asked to follow further. The representative of the Association at the meeting exhorted the Council to give the subject careful consideration and also to check further with Ste. Annes to ascertain whether or not protection by that town's department could be given to Baie d'Urfe. The Mayor advised that this had already been investigated and practical difficulties precluded such protection.

Roads - The council reported that financing plan for the road in Sunny Acres had been arranged with Provincial government and the contractor had agreed to do part of the work this Fall, including part repair job on other town roads and to complete the Sunny Acres road in the Spring. Roads, on this basis, will be quite usable after the completion of the Fall work.

Stewart Duncan

A lengthy Council meeting held on October 3rd included completion of unfinished business and much time was spent on financial matters, including tax rate. It was reported that work was already under way on the Sunny Acres road and it was expected that the repair work on the other roads would be begun shortly.

Lionel Evans

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The winding-up meeting for this season will be held in the Town Hall on Friday, October 19th, at 8.00 p.me. This will be the Annual Meeting and the principal business will be election of officers and directors for the coming year. Brad Proudfoot has accepted the chairmanship of the Nominating Committee responsible for preparing a slate. He will be glad to receive suggestions to put before his committee. In addition to the slate to be presented by the Nominating Committee, nominations may be made at the Annual Meeting.

After the short business meeting, we shall hear a talk on the "Care of House Plants" by Mr. Archie H. Walker of Ste. Anne's. Mr. Walker is now retired, but was a well known lecturer in Floriculture at Macdonald College for many years. The talk will last about half an hour, to allow time for members to ask questions on any gardening problems encountered during the past season. So that questions can be grouped, they should be brought to the meeting in writing.

In view of the increasing interest among the children, a special programme is being started for them. In the Town Hall, on Saturday morning, October 27th, at 10.00 a.m., Mr. Gar Zandbergen will give a lecture and demonstration on potting bulbs and growing them indoors. The children will then be supplied with a pot and several narcissi to be potted and grown by them at home. Then, around Easter, a show will be held for the children, so that they can exhibit the results of their work, and prizes will be awarded. Age groups will be 6 to 11, and 12 to 16. A nominal charge of 10¢ will be made for the pot and bulbs.

While this lecture is primarily for the children, adults will probably find much to interest them as well, as Mr. Zandbergen is an authority on bulbs.

Sent to citizens with children between 5 and 16

The children's movies will begin again on Saturday, October 20. The enclosed list gives the titles and dates; we believe that they will appeal to boys and girls of a wide range of ages. Many of the films are classies which no child should miss, but which are not ordinarily available for them to see. All of these films are fire-proofed.

The cost of the season's movies will be just over \$200, made up of film rental, express charges and projector rental, the film rental being the major item. At a meeting of the Association recently it was proposed, and agreed, that participating families should be asked to share the cost. Since there are just under eighty families with children between five and sixteen years old, \$2.50 from each family will enable us to just about break even.

The person whose name appears at the bottom of this note will be getting in touch with you before long. Will you be kind enough to let us know at that time whether you will take out a movie club membership for your family. The money (\$2.50) can be either turned over to the person who calls you, or sent (preferably by cheque, made out to the Association) with your child to the first movie.

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Mr. Ken Tuck will be at all showings, taking charge, and he will have some of the senior boys and girls to help him. We hope you will be joining us in Movie niub.

MOVIE CLUB

Showings begin at 10 o'clock

Oct. 20	DANIEL BOOKE - George O'Brien; Indians - adventure
Nov. 3	THE LOST JUNGLE - Clyde Beatty, Hagenbeck Wallace - wild animals
Nov. 17	TOM BROWN'S SCHOOL DAYS - Freddie Bartholomew, Ceiric Hardwick
Dec. 1	MINSTREL MAN - Benny Field, Gladys George - music and comedy
Dec. 15	THE WEDDING OF PALO - The famous Greenland film
Dec. 29	LITTLE LORD PAUNTLEROY - Freddie Bartholomew - a film classic
Jan 5	NR. CELEBRITY - Horse racing film, featuring a boy jockey
Jan 12	THE HEALER - Mickey Rooney - life story of a children's doctor
Jan 26	ADVENTURES OF MARTIN EDEN - A Jack London story
Feb. 9	AFRICA SPEAKS - Documentary of Paul Hoefler's explorations
Feb. 23	I CONQUER THE SEA - Whaling adventure story.
Mar. 8	SILVER TRAIL - Rin Tin Tin in the James Oliver Curwood story
War. 22	FARDON US - Laurel and Hardy comedy
Apr. 5	ADVENTURES OF CHICO - Mexican film of a boy's Triendship with forest animal

LAKESHORE POTTER'S GUILD

SWISS FAMILY ROBINSON - The famous story of a family adventure

Apr. 19

Considering the success of their Spring Session and Exhibition the Lakeshore Potters' Guild were surprised and disappointed to learn that Macdonald College could not see its way to including Fottery in their Fall programme of courses under Adult Education, or to allow the working group of the Lakeshore Potteries' Guild the use of their pottery rooms and equipment.

Nothing daunted, however, the Guild continues to function. A working group has been formed, a place to work in has been found, and the money still in hand for materials from the last session voted for the building of a kiln for a small fee set by the group.

This group will be self-supporting within the Guild, members not joining the group, but having pieces to be fired will be able to use the kiln for a small fee set by the group.

The Guild as a whole will continue to hold meetings for discussion, to hear lectures and have demonstrations and compare work for comment and criticism. It-isobviously of advantage to anyone interested in Pottery to belong to such a Guild.

Anyone wishing to join the Lakeshore Potters' Guild may do so by sending a membership fee of \$1.00 to the Treasurer - Miss Frances Wren, Macdonald College. They will then receive notices of meetings and all Guild activities.

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The meeting will be addressed by Mr. Archie H. Walker, retired Lecturer in Floriculture of Macdonald College on the "Car of House Plants." Mr. Walker will also answer questions from the members on problems encountered during the past season. To expedite matters, questions should be in writing. Verbal questions will only be dealt with if time permits.

SPECIAL FOR CHILDREN

On Saturday, October 27th at 10.00 a.m. a special meeting for children will be held in the Town Hall. Adults may also attend.

Mr. Gar Zandbergen of Macdonald College will give a demonstration on potting bulbs and talk on growing bulbs indoors.

The children will be given a pot and several narcissi so they will be able to pot and grow them at home. These will be exhibited at a children's show to be held a round Easter and prizes awarded for the best grown bulbs. A small charge of log will be made for the pot and bulbs.

Prizes will be awarded in the age groups of 6 to 11 and 12 to 16. The children must pot and care for the bulbs themselves.

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