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WHAT SORT OF COMMUNITY SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES should a town like Baie D'Urfe plan for, in view of the probability that its population will keep growing rapidly for years to come? That is the question--in addition to a normal business session--before the house at the Citizens' Association meeting next Friday, when an expert in this aspect of Town Planning will be on hand to help with the discussion.

As you will remember, the Association went on record last May in favour of building the new Community Centre on the Town Hall grounds. The chief reason, perhaps, was that the first building inevitably will be outgrown; but a building adjoining the town hall will always have some value, as an annex to provide office space for civic services if nothing else.

Your executive feels that a discussion of the precise nature of a Baie D'Urfe Community Centre is highly advisable before the Town Council gets too far into the planning of the new building. We know that a large hall is needed because the Citizens' Association has had to discontinue its program of indoor social events for lack of space, the Teen-Age club had to move to Ste. Annes because there was no place in Baie D'Urfe for it to meet, and so on. Beyond the need for a hall, however, what do we want? Should it serve as a boating club? Provide for indoor sports such as badminton, table tennis, billiards? Offer a teen-age roosting place complete with juke box and coke dispenser? Provide always-open washrooms accessible from outdoors? (This, incidentally, is a "must" before the next swimming season.) Just what do we want our civic centre to provide and accomplish?

The Association has been fortunate in securing, as guest speaker next Friday, Miss Audrey Vaughan of Montreal, a social worker who has had a great deal of experience with community social activities in many parts of Canada. During the late war, for example, she was active in organizing community centres in many of the large settlements established to provide housing for war plant workers. We know Miss Vaughan will have some useful advice and suggestions for a community starting from scratch such as ours, and she will be available to answer questions.

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ALSO ON THE AGENDA, BY HAPPY CO-INCIDENCE, is a related subject arising out of last month's meeting--a report by Elsie Persson on ways and means in connection with the proposal for a children's day camp next summer, as a complementary program along with swimming at the Town Hall grounds.

Mrs. Persson has been busy on this project, and arranged for a visit to Baie D'Urfe by Capt. W. Bowie, executive director of the Montreal Parks and Playgrounds Association, who made a number of recommendations. The Association, which is a Red Feather agency, is extending its activities along the lakeshore, and would be able to offer the services (free) of a handicraft teacher one day a week.

Captain Bowie's suggestions plus the offer of a handicraft teacher could lead to a day-camp for children from 6 to 10 years old, if enough mothers are interested to provide a volunteer staff. If you have children in the 6-10 age bracket, you will be interested in this discussion at next Friday's meeting.

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#### NOW IS THE TIME TO PAY THOSE FEES--\$3 THIS YEAR

Membership fees in the Citizens' Association are due and payable now for the 1953-54 season, and you are urged to save the Membership Committee some trouble by paying yours voluntarily, right away, before a member has to call on you. The membership year, by a decision of a recent executive meeting, has been altered to coincide with the Association's fiscal year, with memberships to run from Sept. 1 to Aug. 31 yearly.

In line with the decision at the October meeting, the fee is now \$3 per year for the whole family. Of this \$2 is for the general activities of the Association while \$1 is earmarked for the Lifeguard Salary Fund. The \$2 fee, incidentally, includes your subscription to News & Views for the year.

The Membership Committee under Una Grimm soon will be canvassing all parts of the town. Save your local member some time and energy--slip your \$3 in the mail today. Address it to Lars Firing, Treasurer, Citizens' Association, Baie D'Urfe P.O.

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#### D'ARCY LITTLE NEW PRESIDENT OF SATURDAY NIGHT CLUB

Democratic election procedures got a good workout at the annual meeting of the Saturday Night Club a few weeks ago, when three or four candidates were nominated for each office and a wide-open election among the teen-agers resulted in a new executive for the 1953-54 season.

The new president is D'Arcy Little, who will be supported by the following officers and executive committee: Vice-president, Kathy Wilson; secretary, Liz. Hamilton; treasurer, R.D. Hamilton; publicity chairman, Don Banting; members-at-large, Alan Baker, Vince Spicer and Bill Phillips. Danny Murray will be in charge of music, a vital ingredient of most Saturday Night gatherings, with other program activities in the hands of Bobby Sands and Warren Hanna.

Retiring executive members, who guided the club through an active program of 35 events during its critical first year, were: president, Ted Yates; vice-president, Jean Barnes; secretary-treasurer, Alan Baker; membership, John Temple, publicity,

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CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION FEES INCREASED TO PROVIDE LIFEGUARD'S SALARY  
NO POLICY ADOPTED ON COMMITTEE'S PROPOSALS TO EASE TAX BURDEN

Baie D'Urfe citizens belong to a strange and hardy breed of home-owners who have no objection to the continually rising tax spiral caused by the town's rapid growth, if one may judge by the October 9th meeting of the Citizen's Association. A small turnout considered the report of the committee on taxes and assessments which suggested that property taxes might be amended to take a bigger bite from the subdivision promoters and new home builders who are responsible for the steadily increasing taxes, but no one present seemed inclined to urge any specific action for consideration by the Town Council. Considerable discussion of the assessment system resulted in a request that Alderman Herb Brookhouse secure further information for the Association, especially on the question whether or not the market value of a property is supposed to be taken into consideration in establishing the taxable value.

Recreation Committee activities came up for a good deal of discussion. Chairman Bill Norcott gave a detailed report of the committee's expenditures, in particular to show how \$2,000 of Town Council funds had been allocated. He reported that \$493 had been spent in the College Green area parks for grading, ditching, grass seed and stone dust; \$1,025 went to the Morgan Road park for pump, well, hose and electrical work and grading; and \$490 was spent at the Town Hall beach for bulldozer, sand, boat and incidentals. This did not include the lifeguard's salary, which was paid out of Association funds and currently has it in a delicate financial position. It was agreed that a lifeguard is needed and after some discussion it was agreed to increase the Association annual membership fee from \$2 per family to \$3, with the extra dollar earmarked for lifeguard activities. This will not pay the entire salary, but it will help.

Business of the meeting included the introduction of Amy Wickson as recording secretary to replace Marion Amys, who has resigned for health reasons, and Harold Dickson, the new vice-chairman, succeeding Tony Kingsmill who has moved to British Guiana. Newcomers to town introduced to the meeting included Mr. and Mrs. Paul Glowa, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Grisley, and Messrs. McCartney, Arter and Murray. The treasurer reported a balance of \$11.33, with about \$100 accounts receivable for advertising. Mrs. Elsie persson suggested a "day camp" for children in the 6-10 year age bracket as a possible project for next summer at the Town Hall grounds, and was asked to gather further information for a report to the November meeting.

Chairman Clary McGuire outlined the major changes to be effected in the amendments to the Town Charter which currently are before the Quebec legislature. The town's fiscal year, which now ends June 30, will coincide with the calendar year. Election day, which now is July 1, will be at the beginning of October starting in 1955, the end of the present Council's term. Of the six aldermen, three will be elected each year for two-year terms, providing continuity in the Council. Provision will be made for women to hold office. There was some doubt about who can vote for the Council, but the opinion was that property-owners and tenants could vote, but not wives or other adults who do not own real estate. The Charter changes do not include provision for a ward system, as this is something the Council can arrange on its own initiative.

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" Public notice is hereby given that the TOWN OF BAIE D'URFEE will apply to the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, at its next session, for the passing of an act to revise its charter entirely, to maintain some special powers and to obtain some new ones, for the following matters: encouragement to sciences, establishment of recreational centers and organization of games and sports; to change the date of the elections and also the date of some procedures concerning the said elections; fixation of hours of opening and closing of polling-stations for municipal elections; proceedings concerning the recount of votes given in an election; duration of votes on by-laws; procedures concerning the adoption and amendment of zoning and construction by-laws; obligation for the proprietors to have a cadastre made on certain subdivisions of lands built on or to be built on; fees on building permit; to regulate the maintenance of vacant lots; right to issue notice of summons for offenses to the traffic and public security by-laws of the Town; manner of imposition of taxes for water-works; change of the financial year; proceedings for execution of permanent works; proceedings concerning the payment of permanent works; proceedings concerning the approbation of borrowing by-laws by electors proprietors; to ratify the adjudication and sale of a certain number of lots, which have been sold for non-payment of taxes by the secretary-treasurer of the Town on November 27, 1944; confirmation of Town's ownership of certain streets; and for all other purposes.  
Montreal, October 13, 1953.

The Attorneys for the Town of  
Baie d'Urfee  
LACROIX, VIAU & POUPART. "

#### SCHOOL BUS PROBLEMS BRING NEW THREE-SHIFT SCHEDULE

The new Lakeshore school bus schedule which went into operation on the 2nd of November has proved to be practical as far as stops and timing are concerned.

Understandably enough there has been some dissatisfaction with the early hour of the first trip which starts at the east end at 7:50. A petition from 34 families in the east end has been presented requesting that the last trip be made from their end. The matter is under review by the Board and it is probable that a compromise will be arrived at whereby the first trip will run from the east end for the first half of the season and from the west for the second half. Changing schedules is not a simple matter since it means a complete change in timing with the first west end trip starting earlier than 7:50 together with the mimeographing, mailing and addressing of 150 letters.

Arising from the discussions about bus schedules there seems to be considerable misunderstanding about the question of admission of children to the school buildings when they arrive.

The arrangement which we have now was first set up in 1952 when the first bus trip from Ile Perrot began at 7:30 and arrived at the school at approximately 8:15. It worked satisfactorily then and has not been changed since.

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The reason for having the children play out-of-doors in ordinary weather is that, while one or two teachers can adequately supervise many hundreds of children in the open, it requires almost a full staff to look after even a relatively small number inside. - W. SPRIGGS

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DON MacDONALD RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY  
AS MEMBERS HEAR REVIEW OF ACTIVE AND SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Members of the Horticultural Society heard an outline of the past year's activities, which not only aided the community greatly but also showed a slight profit for the Society, at the Annual meeting on Oct. 26 in the Town Hall. Following the reports and election of officers, the meeting was addressed by Mr. R.G. Snyder of C.I.L., president of Montreal's West End Horticultural Society, who spoke of the chemist's help for the gardener in the form of fertilizers, herbicides, fungicides and pesticides.

The thanks of the meeting were expressed to retiring members of the executive, with a particular bow to Miss Frida Kruse, who has been a vice-president of years and now becomes honorary president. Retiring members are Herb Brookhouse, for a number, Cecil Coulter, Sture Persson, Albert Turnau, Tommy Martin Jr., Una Grimm and Nina Christian. The nominating committee of Cecil Coulter, Herb Brookhouse and Brad Prøudfoot submitted the following proposal for the 1953-54 executive, which was duly elected:

Miss F. Kruse,	Hon. President
Mr. D.W. MacDonald	- President
Mr. Ewing Tait	Past President
Mrs. P. Dawson	Secretary
Mr. N.R. Brown	Treasurer
Mr. Ross Davidson	1st Vice-President
Mr. Peter Smith	2nd Vice-President

Committee:

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Mrs. G.S. Delmar  
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The Baie d'Urfe Horticultural Society closes its fourth year of operation with a membership of 168 families which is an increase over all previous years indicating that the society is keeping pace with growth of the town.

The program planned by the executive shortly after the last annual meeting was the most ambitious so far undertaken and results, I believe, justified the more extensive activities.

At our first general meeting in 1953, W.J. Tawse, president of the Quebec Federation of Horticulture, aroused considerable interest in gardening and home beautification in an informative and enthusiastic address.

Forty eight families signed up for the special course of six lectures designed to provide members with helpful hints on improving the home surroundings. Richard Fitzelle proved to be a popular and well informed tutor.

Early last spring the society again took orders for fertilizers and other garden supplies. Through bulk buying the society managed to distribute these to members at considerable saving. Orders totalling \$780.42 were received. The retail value of these materials has been calculated at \$1107.25 thereby effecting a saving of \$322.66 to members.

The society arranged a garden competition for boys and girls of Guide, Scout, Brownie and Cub age. Three lectures were given early in the season and seeds and plants supplied to the children who were then required to cultivate a flower and vegetable garden all summer. Forty two youngsters started the project and thirty eight completed all requirements. Through arrangements with the Boy Scout and Girl Guide organizations twenty four contestants received certificates entitling them to gardener's badges.

The tree planting committee of the society was again active and was responsible for planting out more than \$200 worth of trees purchased by the Town Council. Shade trees were planted in park areas of Sunny Acres and College Green and a poplar wind-break or shelter was set out along the Metropolitan Boulevard between Morgan and Lakeview.

In the home grounds project this year the judge visited all member's properties selecting some of the more outstanding gardens for special recognition. The R.H. Christians were awarded the Quebec Federation of Horticulture Trophy for the best home surroundings and the C.H. McGuires received a suitably inscribed serving spoon for best view from the street.

The annual flower and vegetable show in August again proved to be a popular feature. Because the show appears to be out-growing the Town Hall a marquee had to be obtained to house the vegetables. The Binz Trophy for grand aggregate went to the Brookhouse family. The trophy for flowers donated by Mayor J. Gelinas went to the Vidlers while the Taitts won the society trophy for vegetables. Silver plated spoons with an inscription of the Town Hall on the handle were presented to winners of the various classes.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1953

<u>CREDIT</u>		<u>DEBIT</u>	
Balance Carried Fwd., Oct. 1, 1952	\$131.41		
Fees - Membership	\$ 168.00	Horticultural Show	\$47.08
" Lectures	98.00	Lecture Expenses	85.53
" Children's Competition	21.50	Children's Competition	40.25
Fertilizer Sales	784.59	Home Grounds Competition	15.00
Provincial Grant	131.50	Fertilizer Costs	780.42
Re-deposit Fert. Sales	10.46	Mailing Costs	13.39
		Printing Costs & Stationery	34.86
		Projector & Film	2.00
		Quebec Horticultural Fees	8.15
		Annual Meeting 1952	9.87
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		Mr. Robinson Services Rend/52	10.00
		Bank Service Charges	3.12
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		Balance in Bank Sept. 30/53	<u>285.33</u>
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AROUND OUR GROWING TOWN

Peter Davies of Sunny Acres is coming along satisfactorily after his recent polio attack, wife Betty reports, and now is out of the respirator a short time each day. No doubt he would greatly appreciate some letters from his Baie D'Urfe friends. The address is: Alexandra Hospital, Point St. Charles, Montreal.

The Gordon Armstrong family of 4 Sunny Acres is partly moved to Hamilton, Ont. That is, Gordon is working there, the rest of the family is still here until the house is sold.

Christmas is coming, and Elsie Vidler (Not Eleanor Sidler, as the name was printed in a story last month) has a ready answer for your gift problems-magazine subscriptions which she will arrange at the lowest gift rates. Her phone is 537.

Newcomers to Sunny Acres recently include W.E. Smith and son and daughter, at No. 24, and the Gordon Davidsons and two daughters, at No. 31.

Refrigerator for sale--a six year old Norge, 7.8 cubic foot capacity in top condition for \$150. Phone Prue Godwin at 2475.

The stork has been showing renewed vigour after a quiet summer. Our reporters tell of a girl, Sue Anne, for the Steve Albulets of Oxford; a boy for the E. Arters of Somerset; a girl for the Doug Combers of Lakeview; and a boy for the Don Menzies of Lakeview.

If this issue seems a little off beat and also late, blame the fact that the editor stepped into his own dry well and tried to break a leg. Didn't quite make it, but was laid up for a couple of weeks with torn ligaments and such.

That also accounts for the lack of Council news in this number. The Council has been holding regular meetings and some special ones these last few months, some of which we have heard about and some not. About the only way to get some sort of a picture is to look at the minutes, which will have to wait until the editor gets mobile enough to go down to Secretary John Long's office and read them.

Baie D'Urfe hunters Harry Clarson, Bob Clarson and Reg Vidler have proof that their recent hunting expedition was successful--a photo of the trio along with a deer in the Lakeshore News. Photo by Vidler, as are so many of the better pix in the News, but without an explanation how Reg took the photo and was in it, too.

Rose Nairn has been receiving congratulations on her excellent job in writing the "Spotlight on Baie D'Urfe" column for the Lakeshore News while Ginny Higman was away for a vacation in Boston, New York and such places.

To demonstrate that someone does win those jackpots you hear about on the radio from time to time, Mrs. F.E. Kinmond of Morgan will be pleased to show you her new watch and sewing machine, won on a "News Quiz" program.

New Lakeshore residents, at the foot of Oak Ridge, are Ron and Fay White-side and daughter Anne, recently over from Coventry, England.

Names of the roads in the Oak Ridge development are Willowdale Road (the first to have houses on it) and Apple Hill Road, both stemming off the Lakeshore, with Elm Crest Drive and Oak Ridge Drive as cross streets.

First residents in the newly developed Oak Ridge section were Pat and Marian Patstone, with Bob and Ginny Higman hoping to move in from their Lakeshore home just about now. Closer to the highway, Ernest Sewell and family have moved into the Cunliffe house at 5 Willowdale, and the S.C. Smiths have moved into a new bungalow on Willowdale. Others planning to join the Baie D'Urfe community as soon as their houses are completed, according to Ginny Higman, are the Pay Boyles, Bob Buckams, and the Chambers, Hays and Tweedy families--all with two or more children each.

Nancy Dawson is looking for help in the form of some local lassies willing to assist in a committee serving tea and cookies in the Red Cross Lodge at the hospital. Her phone number is 2391.

Skates for sale--a pair of CCM girl's fancy white skates, size 6, in good condition, and a pair of boy's tube skates, size 1, black boots. Phone Mary Smith at 2611.

Elections for the Association executive come in January, along with annual reports and such. The December meeting, accordingly, will see the announcement of the names of the nominating committee, which is appointed by the executive.

Also in the offing is the winter carnival, probably in January. It is likely that the November meeting will see the announcement of the chairman in charge of this year's frigid frolics who, rumour has it, very well might be Jack Mitcham, noted camel trainer and impresario of last winter's corroboree.

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

## BUILDING CONTRACTORS

MELOCHE, A. .... 2 STE ANNE ..... 627

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

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## BUILDING MATERIALS

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## BUTCHERS - GROCERS

A & P STORE ..... 43 STE ANNE ..... 522

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

PORTELANCE, ROSAIRE ..... 26 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'ACUST & CIE, INC. .... 73 STE ANNE ..... 334

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CYPIHOT 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

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

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

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

## HOTELS

CANADA HOTEL ..... 36 STE ANNE ..... 565

## HAIRDRESSERS, BEAUTY PARLOURS

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

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

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

## HARDWARE

D'ACUST, J. B. .... 27 STE ANNE ..... 890

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

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## INSURANCE

GREENFIELD, ALAN ..... CARON PT, BAIE DURFE ..... 577

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

## LAWYERS

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MARQUETTE 4525

## LUMBER DEALERS

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

LAVIGNE, JULES ..... 89 STE ANNE ..... 487

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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

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

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

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

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