

Patchwork: West Potsdam Area News

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This Thursday started out in a sad way. The sudden death of young Brian Emerson has been a shock for many to overcome. Apparently Brian was doing repair work on his car in the garage and death was due to carbon monoxide poisoning. One thing for certain, our prayers are with his mother, Barbara and family.

For all the southern readers, we still have very little snow. There is a lot of bare ground yet. We are experiencing a cold wave and the temperatures have been zero and below. Many are wondering what the cold will do to plants and trees as the bare ground heaves and thaws and heaves and thaws. I was talking with Jackie Swingle and she mentioned that she and daughter Beth drove to Bethlehem, Pa. to visit Jackie's parents, James and Esther Heller. The concern for no snow and the unusual weather is not just in the North Country. From Cortland on down they couldn't help but notice how green the fields were. Jackie said looked more like April than January. In Bethlehem, Jackie's mother said that in many places around buildings that receive the warm sunshine and little wind the crocus and tulips are up three inches and more.

Also while talking with Jackie I mentioned that I had heard the sawmill that son Chris is building was coming along just fine. It will be operating soon. Chris has purchased second-hand equipment and was going along great guns until the weather got too cold for him to work. The saw will operate off a tractor. In the gathering of parts and knowledge for their sawmill, the Swingles have met many new and interesting people, and they say it's been a fun adventure.

I recently heard Bill McKentley talk about raising nut trees in this area and I found him to be very interesting. He operates the St. Lawrence Nursery about one and a half miles out of Potsdam on the Madrid Road. Jackie also mentioned that the Amish have also brought nut trees with them and theirs also are doing well.

That nut tree thing got me thinking. I wondered if I could go to the store and buy, say an English walnut, and plant it in a container maybe as you do an avocado seed—would it grow? I doubted it—how would anything like a fragile root get through that hard shell? The more I thought about it the more I wondered. So I called Bill, who lives in the A-frame house on Madrid Avenue. The answer is yes. Plant the nut on its side so the root will go down and the sprouts will go up. But, if I planted an

English walnut and I did manage to grow a tree it wouldn't survive the cold weather.

Had a nice talk with Marion Kingston. She's trying to get bookwork caught up. I asked how her son Don's wife Marilyn is. I don't see her since she's moved. Marilyn is still teaching at the A.A. Kingston School in Potsdam and enjoying it. She expects her baby in early June.

Marion answered a question I had wondered about for a long time. I have always wondered just what a cutter cow is. It's a dairy cow sold for beef. Thanks, Marion.

Josie Murray of Pennellville drove up Thursday for a visit with family and friends. She stayed with brother Jack and wife Joretta Creighton and family until Saturday, when she returned home. Her sisters, Cathy Wilson and Liz Ramsdall, managed to get together and enjoy her visit.

A birthday party was given Ward Chase, a former teacher in Potsdam's system. The party was held in the Potsdam Hospital, where Ward is a patient. Joretta Creighton was one who attended the party on Sunday.

Hear Dorothy Evans is home and recuperating after her stay at the Potsdam Hospital.

A bowling team with members Weldon Lumley, Lyle Wheeler, Claude Burdick, John Sheehan, and Bill Grant entered the Potsdam Businessmen's tournament last Sunday. The men bowled well, but still came in seventh place.

Bill Grant has done it again. He's getting to be like a professional. This time Bill bowled a 662 in Sunday night's Couple League in Potsdam.

Last Sunday was a lovely winter day. Rosemary Sanford called that afternoon to say that the Bonno boys and, I think, others (but forgot just who) decided to do some skating. They shoveled off Sanford's pond and with all that nice ice showing, Rosemary called a spur-of-the-moment skating party and asked the 4-H members to join in. It was a great idea and a perfect day for it.

The Agri-neers 4-H Club held their meeting at Pam Mason's house recently. One interesting thing planned for next month is a talk on Indian Creek Nature center from a representative who will know all about it. I'll have more on that when the time comes. The club's next meeting will be Saturday at 7 p.m.

at the Firemen's Hall.

Ed and Barbara Gordon have a nice way of celebrating their children's birthdays. Besides a family recognition of the birthday, they take the child out for a nice dinner. The latest child to celebrate a birthday was Jerry, who is now seven years big. He celebrated with his special dinner in Massena. Since Barbara also had a birthday three days later, it was a double celebration.

Recently I mentioned the nice cookbook I purchased, called "Ridge Recipes" and published by the Mothers and Daughters of the Dailey Ridge Presbyterian Church. I just received a copy of the Dailey Ridge News, which is a newsletter put out by members of the church. It mentions all kinds of fun things, and even includes a monthly calendar with members' birthdays and "cleaners of the month" for keeping the church clean. They happen to be Coons, Crowley, Donnelly, and Gies. The church is heated with wood and it's mentioned they are in need of seasoned wood. They thanked Chuck Coons and Allen Colbert for their recent donations. After all this I simply must admit that I don't think I could honestly say just where Dailey Ridge actually is, that is where does it start and where does it stop? Thank you, whoever, for the newsletter. Maybe if Donald Colber Sr. puts together that bean soup for 3,000 we'll all get invited and then we'll all know.

If anyone ever wondered if teenagers around the world are about the same, I'd like to at least say that the English teenagers seem to be. Daughter Mary Kathryn has a pen pal named Lynn living in England. Her letters are so enjoyable. Lynn is about 15 years old. Here is her latest letter:

"Hi Mary Kathryn"
"I hope you are well and working hard at school (just joking!) Hasn't 1979 flown by? I can remember last Christmas as if it was last week. The hardest thing about Christmas is buying presents for everyone—don't you agree? Especially school friends. At school we can decorate our classroom with tinsel

and balloons—our class looks great—actually I didn't do any work on it—it was all done by a girl called Dawn and some other girls in our class. On the last day of school the teachers come around and judge the decorating on originality and enthusiasm—we are all keeping our fingers crossed that our class will win a prize! Preferably 1st!

"Class 5 F, my friend Catherine's class, have made a tiny cardboard piano to use as a port-box-it looks really great! Do you have parties and celebrations at your school at Christmas? Every year at our school the "sixth form" or A level students organize entertainment and they do little plays and things, telling jokes and "taking off" famous popstars. It's really good, but this year will be even better because the boys are helping with it! Everyone seems to be panicking now as our year at school have exams—important ones—after Christmas. I am really worried, I haven't done any revision yet!! Have

you got exams in the New Year?"

"Have you been to any Christmas discos or parties yet? I have been to 4. The boys at our local disco are really great and some are dishy too! I don't know if you have any special Christmas traditions in America, but here in England, if a girl or boy goes round with mistletoe (bit like holly) above their head or in their hand they can choose whoever they want to kiss underneath the mistletoe and that person cannot object! This is a fun way to grab your fave guy and see if he's as tasty as he looks! I have got my own piece of mistletoe hidden away ready to pounce on my guy at the moment—Eddie Pinsky—wow is he a hunk! (Notice American saying! I hope you don't mind). He plays rugby for our local team and seeing him in his shorts makes me go weak at the knees! Have you a special guy at the moment?"

"At the disco I go to every Sunday night, everyone is "into" David Bowie,

my best friend Lesley is wild about him! Personally I am crazy about The Police especially Sting—what a dish! Please if you have any pics of The Police to spare will you send them and I will send you some of your fave stars if you tell me who they are.

"Has the Mod's film "Quadrophenia" been shown in the U.S. yet? We have had it over here, but it was an "X" certificate and you have to be 18 to see it, and so I am too young-Pity, I wanted to drool over Phil Daniels who plays Jimmy and of course Sting, who plays Ace.

"Well, I must go now and do some revising of maths! Please write soon! I look forward to hearing from."

Happy Christmas—All you mothers with teenagers—Don't you feel better? They're the same in England! Also, I must mention, that letter is dated 5-12-79 and arrived here today.

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Parishville Rally Raises \$250

PARISHVILLE—The snow never did come but the show went on just the same. A roast beef dinner, raffle, and card drawing in lieu of the scheduled Snowmobile Rally were enjoyed at the Dugway Tavern.

Stockholm Town Board Handles Varied Agenda

STOCKHOLM — The new supervisor of the Town of Stockholm, Lincoln Chapman, presided at the regular meeting of the Stockholm Town Board Jan. 8 in the Municipal Building, Winthrop.

Guests present were: Seth Noble, Arthur Sweeney, Legislator Gus Marscher, Neil O'Brien, Francis C. Copp, Bev Steenberg, Elaine Lemarsho, Floyd Deleel, Bob Deleel, Inez Hutchins, Carolyn Cheney, Morris Jr. and Elizabeth Ramsdell, Justice Wayne Williams and his wife, Marlene, Edwin Marsh, Eugene LaBrosse, Edgar and Jean Kelly, Lawrence and Judy Russell, and Virginia Williams.

The minutes of the December meeting and Supervisor's report for the month of December were read and approved. Payment was approved for the December bills as follows: general fund, \$14,937.72; highway, \$3,668.06; recreation, \$7,422.80; sewer, \$6,499; health center, \$835.87; revenue sharing, \$2,473.60; trust and agency \$1,120.

Julie Euto was present as a representative from the Youth, General and Employment Program. The town board appropriated a sum of \$250 for this program, and Councilman Robert Scott will serve on this board.

The town board authorized Highway Superintendent David Gebro to have work done for the repair of the front end loader at a cost of \$12,410. The memorandum of understanding of the highway superintendent and the Department of Environmental Conservation was approved.

Town Clerk Jacqueline White was authorized to publish a summary of the annual report (short form) in the designated newspapers. The long form is available at the town clerk's office for inspection.

Supervisor Lincoln Chapman appointed Councilmen Keith Dyke and Kenneth Steenberg to the sewer committee; Councilman Robert Scott to the BHLS (Brasher, Hopkinton, Lawrence, Stockholm) Housing Committee; and Councilmen Leo Lynch and Robert Scott to the recreation committee.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ramsdell, tax collector for the Town of Stockholm, is now receiving taxes at the Municipal Building, Winthrop, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., Mondays through Fridays until Jan. 31. Taxes paid on or before Jan. 31 may be paid without charge or interest. On all taxes received after such date, there shall be added interest of one percent for the first month (month of February) and an additional one-half percent for each additional month until the return of unpaid taxes to the county treasurer.

The audit meeting was set for 7 p.m., Jan. 17.

The next regular meeting of the Stockholm Town Board will be held at 7 p.m., Feb. 12 at the Municipal Building, Winthrop.

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