

## Annual Rod & Gun Club Dinner Held At ACS Cafeteria

A fairly large number of members and guests attended the Annual Rod & Gun Club dinner meeting held at the Andover Central School Cafeteria Saturday night, January 17. Several of the invited guests were unable to attend due to bad weather and road conditions with quite a few local members unable to attend due to sickness.

The dinner-meeting was called to order around 7:00 p. m. with Al Barden, Toastmaster, greeting members and guests, and calling on Dave Ormsby to give the benediction.

A tasty roast beef dinner was then served by members of the Andover Central School Senior Class under the guidance of instructor Michael Brate, Class Advisor, with seconds being served family style after every one had been served initially.

Following the dinner, Mr. Brate, the kitchen staff, and members of the Senior Class were called on to take a bow for the wonderful meal served.

While the tables were being cleared off, James Jackson, President of the Club, assisted by Howard Nichols, Treasurer and Harold Rice, Vice-President, awarded the many door prizes that were given away.

Guests at the head table were then introduced which included Lou Burton, Exec. Sec., of the Allegany County Bird Society, and main speaker; James Mulholland, Village Mayor; Howard Burdick, Town Supervisor; James Kessler, Principal; and Rod & Gun Club Officers.

Howard Nichols, Treasurer, then presented the annual financial report and stated that deposits had been made in the interest bearing account with the funds earmarked for Clubhouse improvements or the much talked about new building; and that all current bills were paid and up-to-date.

"Jim" Jackson and Harold Rice then gave a summary of the accomplishments of the local Rod & Gun Club for the past year which included:

Sponsorship of fishing contest for Andover youths; Stocking of local streams with Trout (both spring and fall); sponsored a trophy and took an active part in the Annual Fourth of July Celebration as well as handling of the Chicken Bar-B-Q dinner; Holding of Annual Coon Dog Trial; annual Clam Bake; many Turkey Shoots; a donation to Christmas Package Fund for "Boys in Vietnam"; Improvement program for the Andover Free Library; helped sponsor the "Wally Taber Show"; and the pick-up of Christmas Trees after the Holidays and then using them for small game cover in rural areas.

In addition to the above programs, Club Members also worked on the Stream Improvement program that had been started the previous year; built Pheasant pens; raising around 200 adult birds from chicks; and then releasing them in the fall; conducted a Fox-Trapping contest; held a Game and Vermit Hunt; a Buck Contest; Turkey Party; conducted a NRA school with "Jim" and Doris Ann Jackson as instructors and sent several boys to the Conservation Camp at Rushford.

Al Barden then explained the scholarship fund that was set up last year and discussed the Fox Trapping Contest with the following winners announced and prizes awarded: "Jim" Jackson, first prize having trapped 2 foxes and 9 possums; Larry Nevoll, second prize with 1 fox and 6 possums; and Dave Ormsby and Dennis Herr tied for third with 3 possums each.

Lou Burton from Belmont, guest speaker, was then introduced and presented two colored films: "World in the Marsh", which had been purchased by the Allegany County Federation of Sportsmen's Club at the cost of \$280; and

## Lee A Wallace

Lee A Wallace of 5 Jackson St., Canisteo, died Thursday, January 22, 1970 in the St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell, following a brief illness.

Born Aug. 19, 1891 in the Town of West Union; he was a son of James and Sarah White Wallace. A farmer until he moved to Canisteo 46 years ago, Mr. Wallace was a retired machine operator for the former Hornell Woodworking Corp. He served as street commissioner for the village of Canisteo at one time, and also was a patrolman for the police department there.

Surviving with his widow, the former Eloise Brownell, are a daughter, Mrs. Joyce Dempsey of Greenwood; three sons Donald of Canisteo, James and Robert, both of Rochester; three sisters, Mrs. Edith Pease of Andover, Mrs. Rita Briggs of Dundee and Mrs. Clifford Frost, Whitesville; 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Smith Funeral Home, Canisteo, Sunday at 2 p. m., with the Rev. David Owen of Canisteo First Baptist Church officiating. Interment was in the Canisteo Woodlawn Cemetery.

## Chief Of Police Issues Warning

As a result of the theft of several insulators (circuits glass) from Railroad Telephone Poles Gary Brown, Andover Chief of Police, reports that Erie-Lackawanna R.R. Police notified him of the theft of these insulators with the thefts apparently using snowmobiles for their operations. In addition to it being against the law, with the thefts being subject to prosecution by the R.R., it is pointed out that it is also extremely dangerous.

The wires that are fastened to the insulators carry anywhere from 110 to 440 volts of electric current depending on the distance between circuits, according to Railroad Officials. And, according to their report, one man has already been self-electrocuted in this area while he was attempting to steal one of these insulators.

## Attention Motorists!

Clerk, Helen S. Ackerman, today reminded motorists whose registrations expire at the end of the month that they have an extra day in which to renew.

Since the final day of the month falls on Saturday and motor vehicle licensing offices will be closed, Mrs. Ackerman said that registrations will be valid until midnight, February 2.

## New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. David Wightman of Andover are the parents of a daughter, Jennifer Lynn, born Friday, January 23, 1970 at the Jones Memorial Hospital in Wellsville. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wightman of Andover are the paternal grandparents.

"Birds in Migration", the property of BOCES.

Following the film presentation, Mr. Burton explained the results of a Turkey trapping and banding program carried out in co-operation with neighboring states as well as the release of local Turkeys trapped in other counties and states in return for the furnishing and releasing of Snowshoe Rabbits in Allegany County. A question and answer period was then conducted which corrected false impressions that local hunters had about these exchange programs.

Due to the weather and lateness of the hour, the rest of the program was dispensed with.

"Jim" Jackson, President, and "Al" Barden, Toastmaster, then thanked everyone who assisted and participated in making the dinner and program such a success.

## News That's Print To Fit

Well folks, now we can say that we have had a real January thaw with the temperature being above freezing for five days in a row before it took a nose-dive.

Our week started like it has been all winter with the mercury dropping to zero or below the first three nights, and, despite the thaw in the daytime, there was only one night that it didn't go below freezing!

Here are the recorded lows and highs thru the courtesy of the boys "down at the Pump Station": Thurs. the 22nd. — L 10 below, H 13; 23rd. — L 0, H 16; 24th. — L 16 below, H 19; 25th. — L 22, H 37; 26th. — L 22, H 39; 27th. — L 22, H 39; 28th. — L 28, H 36; and today, the 29th. — L 35, H 45.

Quite a lot of snow softened up and melted and a lot of ice melted on the roofs of buildings — but — there is still plenty of snow on the ground, and ice on many of the roofs in town. The sun didn't come out and the temperature didn't reach the predicted high of 50 — so the thaw in this area didn't do any harm. However, up around Buffalo we noticed that there have been reports of Streets and cellars flooded.

Boy, it sure seems good to be able to see the curbs on Main St. again and to be able to park without having to leave your car sticking way out into the Street.

Yep, our Street Super had Main Street plowed (or scraped) so that the snow, ice and slush is cleaned back to the curb thereby opening up all of the storm sewer drains to prevent flooding, as the snow melts or in case we get the rain that has been predicted.

Of course, along with the improvement, came the usual amount of "growing" from a few people when their driveway entrances were filled up — but then, when they are growing about this — they are leaving other people and subjects alone. And besides, as we recall, some one is quoted as having said: "You can't please all the people all the time. 10-4"

We have noticed that several more area people have been killed on snowmobiles and in one instance, a father and his two children were killed when they were hit or run over in a traffic accident (On a public highway).

And, while on the subject, here is part of the statement made by Conservation Council Vice-President Wally Rudebusch at a snowmobile hearing held recently: "Excerpt from Conservation Council Comment"

"Gentlemen, we arrived at our recommendations after a thorough study and several meetings. There recommendations are those of Snowmobilers. They are very much perturbed by the actions of irresponsible snowmobilers. They realize the sentiment for and against snowmobiles and their uses. They realize that there are abuses and would like to have them corrected. They realize that there is destruction of reforestation areas and would like to see this practice halted. They realize that the thoughtlessness of a few are jeopardizing the pleasure of many. They realize that too many young people are operating snowmobiles without proper training and recommend that a method of correction be instituted through proper training and proper instruction by competent instructors.

"There is, not, nor has there been, any objection to registration or licensing of snowmobiles; but because it has been proven that ninety per cent of snowmobile travel is over public land, they recommend that the registration be through the Conservation Department and the Motor Boat Division, as this is the Department responsible for our State Lands Parks and Forests. The Conservation Department may be reluctant to undertake this task due to lack of equipment and personnel.



In a note to friends Bill Lang states that he is feeling better and that he has lost 8 to 10 pounds and expects to be discharged in a week or so. Also says the hospital is a wonderful place.

Mrs. Jessie Ahrens is a patient in the St. James Mercy Hospital.

Mrs. James Jackson, a patient in the St. James Mercy Hospital, returned to her home last Wednesday.

John Taylor, a medical patient in the Bethesda Hospital, returned to his home last Thursday.

Milford Bassett, a medical patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital, returned home last Wednesday.

Mrs. David Wightman and infant daughter, returned home Tuesday from the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Anthony Dougherty was admitted to St. James Mercy Hospital Friday as a surgical patient.

Cecil Clark, a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital has been discharged.

Mrs. Charles Burgess is a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Irene R. Tiffany, a patient in the St. James Mercy Hospital, has been discharged.

Jacqueline Conde is a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Lawrence Riker, a patient in the St. James Mercy Hospital, has been discharged.

Darlene Lehman is a patient in the Jones Memorial Hospital.

## Named To Dean's List

Roger A. Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Mills, Jr., of Andover R.D. 2, Susan M. Reil, daughter of Mrs. Doris E. Harder of 46 Dyke St., and Roger D. York, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas York of Andover R.D. 2, are among the thirty-one residents of Allegany County, attending Alfred Ag. Tech. who have been named to the fall quarter Dean's List, according to college officials at Alfred.

## No Legion Auxiliary Meeting In February

Due to weather conditions, there will be no February meeting of the Lynch-Burgett Post No. 397 American Legion Auxiliary.

They did not have this equipment or personnel when the registration of Motor Boats began; but they did it in a commendable manner. We believe that they can do this job and for that reason recommend a fee of three dollars per year for each vehicle.

"Ladies and Gentlemen, have you ever been driving on a highway in what we call snow country and have one of these vehicles dart from the shoulder of the road onto the highway? You instinctively reach for the brake and just as instinctively you realize that the road is slippery, and that if you apply the brakes you are lost. You age ten years in a few seconds. For that reason we recommend that they be restrained from using the highways.

"We urge you to give these recommendations careful thought and study and propose proper legislation to correct the abuses of the users of snowmobiles and still allow snowmobiles to be a great source of recreation. Thank you."

Well folks, that pretty well sums up the "entire ball of wax"! But — you will notice — that they realize that the thoughtlessness of a few are jeopardizing the pleasure of many!

So, for these few, if you can read — or have a conscience — if you get hurt, killed, or are responsible for someone else being killed — on a public highway — at least you have been advised and warned of the danger!

## Library News

The following Memorial Books have been added to Andover Free Library:

"Man On Fire", by LeGette Blythe, given in memory of Edna Youmans by The Ladies Aid, of the First Baptist Church of Andover.

"The World of the Red Fox", by Leonard Lee Rue III, given in memory of Douglas Vars by 4th Grade Class of Andover Central School.

"The Godfather", by Mario Puzo, given in memory of Lee J. Bostwick by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holmes and Mr. and Mrs. George Sackett.

"Americans and Their Guns", ed. by James E. Serven, given in memory of Floyd C. Vars by Kenneth and Wendell Vars.

"Automotive Engines — Maintenance & Repair", by Ernest Venk, given in memory of Gail Smith by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Taylor.

"New Moon Cove", by Ann Atwood, given in memory of Rose B. Vincent by Suzi and George Hoover.

"Colonial New York", by Gardell Dano Christensen, given in memory of Carl Monroe by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Joyce.

"13 Days: A Memoir of the Cuban Missile Crisis", by Robert F. Kennedy, given in memory of Mrs. M. V. Lynch by Mr and Mrs. Frank Holmes.

"Greece & The Greeks", by Lyn Harrington, given in memory of John Karcaneby by Andover Recreation Club.

"John F. Kennedy Man of the Sea", by Shepard Tazewell, Jr., given in memory of John Karcaneby by Greg and John Taylor.

"The Complete Walker", Joys Techniques of Hiking and Backpacking, given in memory of Douglas Vars by Ann Appier, Edna Baker and Andy Allen.

"Weapons of the American Revolution and Accoutrements", by Warren Moore, given in memory of Douglas Vars by Class of 1969 Andover Central School.

"The Boy", a photographic essay, ed. by George St. Martin given in memory of Douglas Vars by Friends.

## 4-H News

The Wranglers 4-H Club held their meeting at the Andover Central School Cafeteria, Wednesday, January 27. This meeting was called to order by Mrs. Russell, one of our leaders. Diane Stephens was called upon to give a demonstration on the "Anatomy of a horse". Following this, Dale Russell gave a report on Morgan horses. His brother Kevin, gave a report on the Appaloosa. Susan Church spoke on "The Tennessee Walker". Diane Stephens talked about the Quarter horse. Each member showed pictures and each report was very informative.

When Diane Hann arrived later in the meeting, the order of business changed to a discussion of parade riding. We decided on getting matching outfits.

Diane Hann then passed out topics of demonstration, to be given throughout the year. Each member was given his choice of topic.

The meeting was closed by Deborah Roeske.

Diane Stephens, News-Reporter

## Change Of Date Of WSCS Meeting

The February WSCS Meeting at Andover will meet on the first Tuesday (Feb. 3) instead of the third Tuesday. There will be a business meeting of the WSCS ladies at 7 p. m. followed by a public program at 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Donald J. Pletsch from Sierra Leone will be the speaker. A Committee for refreshments following the talk will be: Bea Common, Chr., Reva Nichols, Ruth Cook, Esther Connor, Judy Winslow.

Air pollution has raised the carbon-dioxide content of the earth's atmosphere by 10 per cent.