

Village Board Holds Special Meeting

A special meeting was held at the Village Office Monday, April 23, 1974, at 7:30. Those present: James Bliss, Mayor; Robert Baker, Paul Hyland, Avery Mead and Michael Brace, Trustees; Gabe Karolyi, Engineer; and Robert Costello, Electric Supt.

Evaluation sheets on the new proposed Sub-Station were distributed and discussed. It was moved by Robert Baker, seconded by Michael Brace, to table the bids until further information could be obtained.

Moved by Avery Mead, seconded by Paul Hyland, to appoint Virginia Gaus as crossing guard under the jurisdiction of the Police Department.

Mayor Bliss appointed Avery Mead and Paul Hyland to the Senior Citizens Advisory Council.

Moved by Michael Brace, seconded by Avery Mead to advertise for bids for a sander according to specifications drawn up by the Street Department; bids to be opened on May 13.

A Brush Pick-Up was scheduled for May 1 and a Trash Pick-Up for May 6.

This concluded the business and the meeting was adjourned.

BARBARA I. WALKER,
Deputy Clerk

Andover Lions Club To Sponsor "Leo Club"

A new youth activity open to all young people, age 15 through 20, has been announced by the Andover Lions Club. The Lions will sponsor a "LEO CLUB", whose members will have the opportunity to initiate community service projects of their own choosing.

In announcing the formation of the Leo Club, Tom Smith, Lions Club President, noted that the young people of Andover have tremendous talent and energy and view the needs of the community from a definite perspective. The Leo Club will provide them the opportunity to join together and develop their own approaches to solving community problems. The Lions will advise the Leo members but they will be free to design their own projects and elect their own officers. They will also have their own budget.

Past President Jorge Bird of San Juan, Puerto Rico notified the Association's then 21,900 clubs of the Leo Club program during the early part of his Presidential Year.

"Lions Clubs have always been involved in youth activities", he said. "We are the largest single sponsor of Boy Scout troops in the world; our youth exchange and youth camp programs are rapidly expanding. The potential of these young people must be cultivated while they are still young if they are expected to become wise parents, interested citizens and capable leaders. Every Lions Club has been authorized to start a Leo Club in order to provide the young people in their communities the opportunity to gain experience and develop leadership in community service activities," he added.

"Friendship, fellowship and a mutual understanding of the problems they are trying to solve will be the principal goals of the Leo members. Their accomplishments will enable them to become more responsible citizens." Bird stated. The Lions are quite enthusiastic about the Leo Club, and are encouraging every young person in Andover to investigate the club's possibilities.

Anyone interested in further information about the Leo Club may contact Lion Carmine Caglia at 478-8937, or Village Barber Shop in Andover.

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RANDOM THOUGHTS FROM AN AIRPLANE.

Dear Editor:

I just finished re-reading the Andover News — particularly the editorial column. Please don't ever give in to the "easy money boys" from New York City. The Off-Track Betting referendum could be the death knell to our concept of education.

I find it repugnant that the future financing of our educational system lies with the "have nots or never will be's" who advocate horse racing as a panacea for all our education financing problems.

In my opinion at least, the problem is two-fold — practical and moral. Practically, the State lottery, promulgated in the name of education, is a most recent and prime example. I believe that the State budget shows that the proceeds to education from the lottery have resulted in a net gain of \$300,000 to our own school system. It took the "city legislators" less than one year to allocate the proceeds of the lottery to the General Fund. (Editor ask the Andover School Board for accurate figures on the increase in State Aid for our school from the State lottery).

As citizens and taxpayers, we who can and do pay school taxes can be proud of the job our educators are trying to do. Of course, they are not perfect — but then, are we? Will approving a mandate to set up horse-betting parlors throughout Allegany County, under the guise of educational support, help our teachers or ease our financial and moral burden to our children? Somehow I doubt it.

I am opposed because the principles personally bequeathed to me by several generations of Scotch-Irish Methodists tell me that financing education by "betting on horses" is morally and financially unsound. I must confess that in this day and age perhaps these ideals may be a little passe. However, it has been my own experience that those conservative mores practiced by many of our forefathers are closer to the real truth than perhaps some of the thoughts and/or ideas of our more liberal thinkers today.

I urge each of you to vote AGAINST the Off-Track Betting proposal on May 7th.

GERALD L. McCARTNEY.

Ed. Note: According to the figures we examined, there was no "net increase" in State Aid for our Central School that was labeled as proceeds from the New York State Lottery!

Local Lions Club To Sponsor Free Hearing Clinic

On May 4, 1974 from 10:00 a. m. til 4:30 p. m., the Andover Lions Club will have a hearing clinic at the Andover Central School for pre-school children 3 1/2 - 5 years. We will be able to process one person every five minutes. If you wish to make an appointment please call the school nurse. You may also call Dale Green, Lions Club Hearing Chairman, after 5:00 p. m. If we have room and time we will do anyone from school age to Senior Citizens. If you have a problem with your hearing, please call.

News Briefs of Local Servicemen

Army Private First Class Ronald House, 21, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Leon, live on Route 1, Andover, N. Y., is assigned to the 506th Infantry at Ft. Campbell Ky. PFC House is a member of Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion of the Infantry.

Lions Club Annual Maple Festival A HUGE SUCCESS!!

The second annual Allegany-Steuben County Maple Festival and Honey Display, sponsored by the Andover Lions Club, held in Andover on April 6th and 7th turned out to be a huge success and is slated to become an annual affair with next year's dates set for April 5th and 6th — with the promise of "being bigger and better".

Despite the snow squalls and cold weather for the parade, more units participated in the line of march than last year although many Bands that had made commitments didn't show.

The Parade, led by the American Legion Color Guard from Canisteo and followed by Town of Andover Supervisor Howard Burdick and Mayor James Bliss riding in a convertible (with the top UP), was very colorful with Bands, Drum & Bugle Corps, Floats, Marching Units which included the Andover Girl Scouts, Antique Cars Horses, and Special Vehicles with the Andover Rescue Squad Ambulances and the Andover Fire Department's new Fire Truck bringing up the rear. Somewhere near the front of the Parade, the 7 Queen Contestants rode in "splendor" in their "luxurious convertible" — a hay wagon — with four Alfred University ROTC Cadets in uniform as Color Guards which was very "appropos" in keeping with the theme of the Pageant.

PARADE PRIZE WINNERS were: Greenwood Central School Band — 1st — \$100; Allegany Highlanders — 2nd — \$50; Canisteo Legion Color Guard — 3rd — \$25; with the Andover Central School Band winning a Special Award. First place trophy for floats went to the "Still Seekers", members of the Andover Brothers of the Brush, sponsored by the Village Barber Shop. Second Prize went to the "Sugar Shack" sponsored by Everett Fantom; and third, went to the oxen team owned by Charles Burdick from Alfred.

The special trophy for Antique Fire Trucks went to the Greenwood Fire Department.

Frank Cahill, Parade Chairman for the sponsoring Lions Club of Andover, extended thanks to all the participants in the Parade, especially in view of Saturday's weather, which began with about an inch of snow on the ground and continued cold, breezy and damp.

Saturday afternoon, during the "Queen Program", Miss Cheryl Spike, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spike of Canaseraga, sponsored by the Canaseraga Lions Club, was crowned "Queen of the second annual Allegany-Steuben Counties Maple Festival" by Miss Yvonne Mathison of Andover, who was last year's Queen.

First runner-up was Miss Judy Ann Bliss, 18, of Andover, who was sponsored by Maple Producer Carroll Burdick of Andover; and second runner-up was Miss Laura Coleman, 16, Almond sponsored by the Almond Lions Club.

Following the Coronation of the Queen, Assemblyman James L. Emery, R-Genesee, presented Tom Smith, Andover Lions Club President and co-chairman of the Festival, a State Flag that had flown over the Capitol in Albany, together with a Certificate signed by Governor Malcolm Wilson. Lion President Smith then presented the Flag to Andover Mayor James Bliss for Andover's forth coming Sesqui-Centennial.

In the contest for "Maple King" winners of the maple products display were: Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Vossler of Wellsville won the grand prize trophy with a score sheet of 92 for their products; Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCormick of Andover were first place runners-up with a score of 91; and only one point separated the second runner up, the Cartwright Maple Inn of Appleglia with a score of 90. Honorable Mention went to Mr. and

Brush, Limbs and Shrubs Pick-up Wednesday May 1

BRUSH, LIMBS, and SHRUBS will be picked-up by the Village Crew on Wednesday, May 1st.

NO WHOLE TREES — TRASH — FURNITURE or GARBAGE.

Please have all Brush, Limbs and Shrubs at the Curb.

Village Board
JAMES BLISS, Mayor

Wednesday Night Softball

Anyone interested in playing Softball this year be at the School Field Wednesday, May 1st at 6:00 P. M. Captains will be selected and Teams chosen. We would like to have four teams. So if you want to have some fun and get some good exercise — come on up.

Mrs. Lester Harris of Whitesville with a score of 88. Trophies were presented by Burdick's Maple Supplies of Andover and the judging based on quality of product, density of syrup and display of products.

There were 54 exhibits and displays set up by various Organizations and businesses, and live entertainment, free to the public, continuous throughout both days in the auditorium.

Free samples of fresh-made maple syrup were available at the Lions Club "sugar shack" set up on the grounds of the Blessed Sacrament Church where Lions Club members and Paul McCormick showed visitors how the evaporator operated.

Saturday night's program consisted of a demonstration of "Western Style" square dancing by the "Grand Squares" and also included a round and square dance for adults in the Gym and a "rock" dance for the "teen-agers" in the Cafeteria.

The rain held off Sunday until after the Air Show by Ralph Twombly of Wellsville and the Lions Club sponsored Easter Egg Hunt for the youngest Festival visitors. It also failed to halt the helicopter rides, the outdoor displays of motorcycles and machinery or the rides for the children — but did put an end to the game booths outside.

Festival visitors could buy all kinds and sizes of maple and honey products; just about anything they wanted to eat; handiwork made by Senior Citizens; pottery; art displays; yarn and weaving products; souvenirs; as well as order bridal gowns, electric organs, farm supplies, or all kinds of merchandise at the various "flea markets".

Highlights of the entertainment that was free to all visitors, on days included: the art of making maple cream and maple candy in the ACS Cafeteria by the Ladies of the Syrup Producers; the pottery demonstration by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Beaumont; the interesting displays of antique gas machines in the ACS parking lot; the wonderful model steam engine display and demonstrations in the industrial arts classroom; music by the "250 year-old-timers group" of Allison Baker, Oliver Baker and Eddy Ryan the ACS Band Concert, the Seneca Council Indian Dancers; the Antique Cars and the newly built high-powered prize winning Stock Cars that will be racing in area dirt race tracks; the Blus Grass Music Concert late Sunday afternoon; as well as many other things too numerous to mention.

A conservative estimate for the crowd for both days was around 14,000, with the gross proceeds \$15,000. And, after checking over figures, every non-profit organization contacted reports netting from \$50 to over \$1,300. All non-profit organizations were given exhibit and sales space free of charge with commercial exhibitors paying a modest display fee of \$25 for each location.



Sesqui-Centennial

The newest addition to progress in the Celebration is the little bells we see attached to the ladies' lapels. By the looks of things there certainly are a lot of ding-a-lings in the community. But say, aren't the bearded ones going to have to hurry around to out-do our numbers?

History has been the waking, sleeping, talking, typing thing with that committee this week. We are headed for the last round-up, so if you are a maverick, better get your brand sizzling. We plan to pull the whole darn chuck wagon into the printer's ranch by May 1. Mount up! Rite hard! Head toward a committee member.

Mrs. Virginia Gaus, new Crossing Guard, will be at the Sesqui-Centennial Headquarters to sell Souvenirs and Accessories on week-days 8 - 11 a. m. and 2 - 3 p. m., beginning Monday April 29.

SPECIAL NOTE: All requests for information regarding Sesqui-Centennial will be accepted during the above hours and information will be disseminated by the Committee.

Sesqui Headquarters phone number is — 478-8449.

Sesqui-Belle News

Sunday evening, April 21, a new Sesqui-Belle Chapter, the "Footsie Belles" was organized and held their first meeting. The main Belle President, Cathy Manion, was hostess to these events and a dinner preceded the meeting. The remaining Officers elected are:

- Vice-President — Marie Perry
- Secretary — Dawn Mosher
- Treasurer — Ruth Mosher
- Supreme Council Member — Tina Whittell
- Second Supreme Council Member — Aletha Hahn
- Coperettes — Kay Shaw and Judi Grant
- Publicity Chairman — Mary Harrington

A Queen Candidate has been selected. Initiation of Officers is planned for our next meeting May 24th. If anyone else wishes to join contact, Cathy Manion 478-8697.

The Mayor's Column

by Jim Bliss

We have a School Crossing Guard of Main St. and Elm St. She is on duty before and after school and during lunch hour. If she is going to be successful in eliminating the danger of crossing Main St. the students and their parents are going to have to help.

FIRST we ask that all students from the Rochambeau area cross at the blinker light where the guard is on duty. This means that a few children will have to walk a little farther, but it is for their own safety.

SECOND we ask that the students obey Mrs. Gaus when she gives directions.

THIRD we ask older students to set a good example so that the younger ones will learn the proper and safe way to cross Main St.

FOURTH we ask the parents to make sure their children understand that they must cross at the blinker where the Crossing Guard is.

We hope everyone will cooperate in this program.