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This month's cover was designed by the lovely and talented Carolyn Megill. We printed 100 extra copies, they're available at the Volunteer Desk. (for colouring families.)

THANKS, JOHN... for attending the last General meeting and for counting the ballots. John Sewell came to the aid of Bain members when a secret ballot was held and some trust-worthy soul was needed to tally the white slips.

Though Spring is here, the rads are still on, and some are likely causing problems. If yours is one of the guilty ones, let the office know and they will work on a solution to banging and clanging.

If your vehicle vanishes in the night, it may be that you parked it in the south laneway. Don't do it, unless you want your car towed away. Anyone parked illegally in the south lane or west or east parking lots can expect the worst.

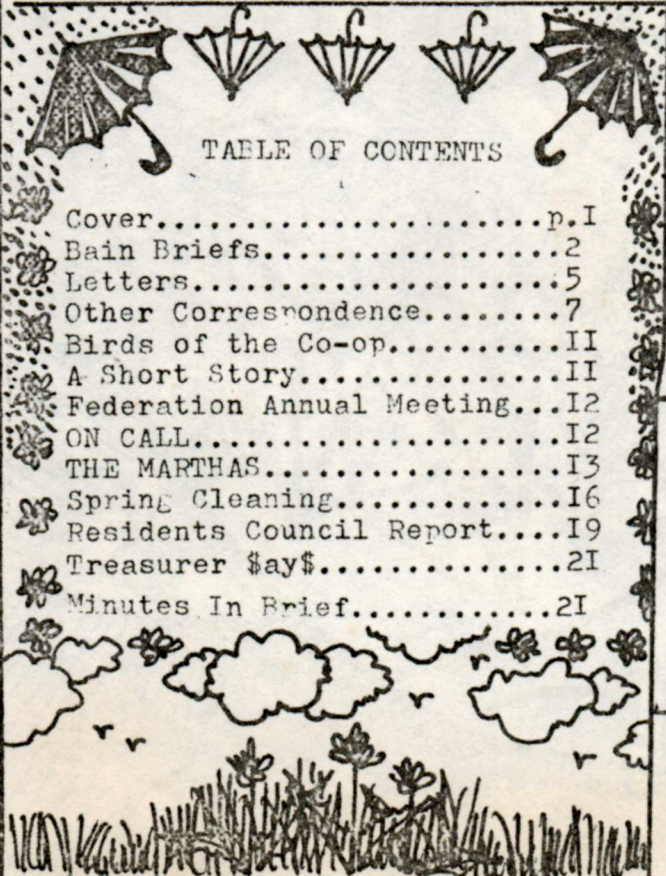


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The deadline for the May Issue of the Bain Co-op News is Friday, May the fifth. thank you.

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We wish to extend our sympathies to friends and relatives of Walter 'Nobby' Clarke, long time resident of 6 the Pines, who passed away last month while on vacation in the United States.

We wish to remind all residents that we will accept all social notices. Please let us know what's going on where you live.

Report to the office at once-- that is, if you want your broken or missing screens repaired or replaced. The sooner you put in your order, the faster your screen will be ready.

MR. CLEAN HITS THE DIRT.

Norm Miller tackled the basement of 1 to 4 the Aberdeens on April 1, and got rid of much debris. A nice gesture on Norm's part. Thanks. Since Norm needs his rest in order to look after the laundromat, please let him get to bed early by making sure your laundry is out of the dryer by 10p.m. (9p.m. on week-ends). The laundromat closes at these hours, and it's a drag for Norm to wait around for your drawers to dry.

This month's super clean crew is WARREN RICE, MICHAEL CARR, CHARLOTTE MORGAN, RAY LEE, HEATHER BARKER, JANE EDWARDS, PIRKKO WIGGINS, NORM MILLER, BRUCE HARDING, CATHY BEECRAFT, GARY VOYSEY, and BOB JONES.

The apartment that benefitted the most was 20 the Aberdeens. If you plan to leave Bain CO-op for any reason, please try and leave your unit CLEAN.



Speaking of cleaning... many thanks to Barbara Bateman for tidying up 18 the Lindens. And thanks, too, to Warren Rice and Michael Carr for their help.

A year or so ago, in the days of our Rec. centre, someone struck upon the idea of making a Rain Co-op quilt along the lines of that produced by residents of Ward's Island, to display in our Rec. centre.

Now we have no Rec. centre, but we do have an office for which a personal quilt would be a great backdrop.

If each interested household contributed one square, combined with those from the summer of 76 we could have quite a hanging... please think about it, the squares were originally not too much to ask.

CLASSIC COURTYARD CLEAN\*UPS

On April 29 all courtyards will be cleaned - but only with your help.

Watch for details from the Maintenance committee. Or get your own act together and start the clean-up now.

Make BAIN BEAUTIFUL - it's your home.

AH ONE AH TWO...

On the first Saturday in April, a dance was held at Unlimited Space, for any Co-op people who wished to attend. The space, in fact, is not unlimited, which made the dance very cosy for the forty-five or so people attending.



It started very quietly and it was feared that the strong winds had kept people in their homes; however, soon after ten everyone came pouring in and danced away merrily until two.

A happy time was had by all, and comments were heard such as, 'Why not a masquerade ball?', 'Why not a hootenanny?' and 'Why not a dance with music for the older generation?' but, most of all,

'WHEN IS THE NEXT ONE?'

Thanks to Ron for Unlimited Space, and thanks to all the organizers.

The Maintenance Committee wishes to thank all those who helped make the back basement clean-up ( South Side) such a success:

- |                              |                |                |               |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| CO-ORDINATORS: Bruce Harding |                | Craig Bernardo | Jane Edwards  |
| Joe Sprokk                   |                | Ilene Stennett | Norm McKinney |
| HELPERS: A. Smith            | C. Laidlaw     | B. Smith       | C. Smith      |
| P. Lebrun                    | A. Christopher | J. Abbott      | E. Third      |
| D. Third                     | T. Wallace     | L. Stephen     | D. Wolfe      |
| P. Schultz                   | M. Welton      | R. Tanner      | C. Baum       |
| P. Tabuns                    | M. Watson      | C. Ramm        | G. Keith      |
| M. Potter                    | C. Rodgers     | J. Lapointe    | A. Rutledge   |
| N. Miller                    | F. Ardal       | B. Bateman     | L. Jain       |
| E. Alexiou                   | P. Murphy      |                |               |

Thank you from the Staff and the Maintenance Committee for such a good turnout. Hopefully we'll see everybody APRIL 29 for the Outside Clean-up. Adults and Children Invited!

The Maintenance Committee would also like to add the following, who were overlooked when we put in our thanks for assistance on the North Side. Humble Apologies... and THANKS! to

- |              |             |               |                |
|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|
| Jane Edwards | Andy Taylor | Francis Faulk | Theresa Sprokk |
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# DANIEL THE MAGICIAN



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To the Editor of the Co-op News-  
letter.

Even though the Hiring Committee and the Co-op government could not understand why it was perfectly reasonable to circulate a petition to support Bill Binney for Project Manager, the 90 people who signed that petition certainly felt it was alright. I would like to point out that my brother died in World War II to defend basic democratic rights, and the right to petition is one of them.

We have had to do things the Co-op way for a while now. Maybe it's time the Co-op saw our point of view. There may be strong differences of opinion on some issues but we should be able to sit down and work them out in a reasonable way.

We should not be harrassed for petitioning or be so strongly attacked at the General Meetings, the way Bill Binney was.

Mary Marie McCarthy  
3 the Oaks

April 5, 1978

To the editor of the Bain Co-op Newsletter:

After speaking to a number of fellow residents, I have decided to write in response to Norman McKinney's letters to the Co-op Newsletter (March 78), denouncing the 90 people who signed and supported the circulation of the petition regarding Bill Binney's application for the job of project manager.

McKinney recommends that those "responsible" be "publicly chastised...expelled from the membership...or evicted" for "subverting the democratic process". He prescribes specific places, times and ways for us to gather and make our needs known. Other ways he condemns as "ignorant" and "reprehensible".

When McKinney denies us the right to petition, he presumes that the handful of people on committees are the only tenants contributing to the co-op -- the rest of us he says, are "deadwood". But in reality, we are all contributing, whether we go to meetings or not. As McKinney rightly points out, "the co-op neighbourhood is the workplace". All of us, especially women, already work hard in our apartments, for nothing, keeping them clean and pleasant places to live in. And the co-op benefits from the upkeep we ensure. Even the most tyrannical landlord would never get away with demanding big extra chunks of volunteer work on top of our high rents - as a condition for giving us living space.

We are all tired after working all day in factories, offices, and at home. We don't want to be told what to do with our leisure time. It's one thing to organize extra activities in our community -- gardening, recreation, helping each other out with our kids, or whatever, for pleasure. Tenants at Bain and elsewhere had been doing so for years - co-op or not. But it's quite another ball game to advocate a forced labour camp, with public disgrace and eviction as the penalty for not participating. Those extra activities must always be our choice and optional. The coercion in McKinney's letter should alarm anyone concerned with upholding basic civil liberties.



We heard the Hiring committee support McKinney's stand at the March general meeting.. Do the Residents Council, co-op staff, and other members in positions of power here also aim to curtail our freedom?

The Co-op must make clear to everyone whether or not it is willing to recognize our rights to freedom of speech, to petition and to freely associate with our neighbours. If the Co-op bureaucracy and by-laws prevent us from expressing our needs the way we want to, who then is really subverting democracy?

Yours,  
*Steve Oltuski*  
Steve Oltuski  
Apt. 26 the Maples

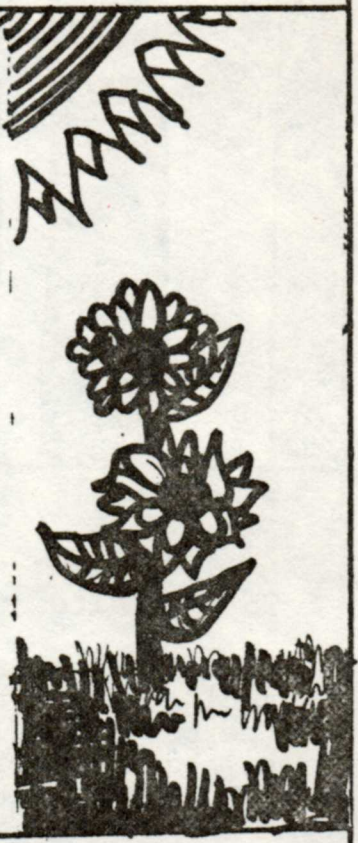


Not so long ago some people said to me; we have peat pots left over and seeds, earth is easy to come by;-why don't we invite people to plant a seed and watch over it to see what it would become, ending with a Flower Show.

This seemed a good idea, so in our courtyard every child is going to be presented with a peat pot, some earth, and a bedding plant seed, so that towards the end of May, at planting time, each child will have a plant to plant in the courtyard.

Giving them a personal interest in this way I hope I will help them have more regard for the other plants bushes and flowers and may even kindle a constructive interest in their surroundings. We shall see.

Trowel-toting Tanner,  
South Maples.



# THURLESTONE CO-OP

MAR 17 1978

Bain Apartments Co-operative Inc.,  
100 Bain Ave.,  
Toronto, Ontario  
M4K 1E8.  
Attn: Newsletter Committee.

22 Fishleigh Dr. #3,  
Scarborough, Ontario  
M1N 1G9  
March 8, 1978.

Dear Bruce,

We thank you very much for the copies of Bain's Newsletter, enclosed is our March issue. We have added your name to our mailing list and are looking forward to the news and idea exchange.

Our address is 22 Fishleigh Drive, #3 not 18 Fishleigh Drive, #3 as on the mailing sticker.

We at Thurlestone send you best of wishes for now and the future.

Yours Co-operatively,

*Dorothy Deigan*

Dorothy Deigan, Editor.

Pages 7 to 10 are clipped from  
Newsletters from:  
SARCEE MEADOWS COOP  
CASTLEGREEN COOP  
When we have space,  
we'll print our mailing list.



A MODEST PROPOSAL

(with apologies to Jonathan Swift)

It's February, and Dog Days are with us again. As I view the mess on my lawn and brace myself for the unsavory spring clean-up, it occurs to me that instead of bitching (pardon the pun), we could do something positive about the dog invasion.

I think of how successful the newspaper drive has been, and mentally picture Sarcee Meadows dotted with blue spruces. Why not use a similar approach to the dog problem? We could establish a compost heap behind the office, and set up in fertilizer business. With member co-operation we will achieve not only clean lawns, but also, in time, better vegetables, enhanced beauty in our flower gardens, or, if we choose, cash from organic fertilizer sales.

There will be a number of advantages besides money - most notably a boost in morale. Instead of feeling anger and helplessness when we see a large dog unload next to our favourite rose bush, we will jump for joy at the prospect of watching our neighbors eye us enviously as we haul the largest load of the week to the compost heap. No longer will we mentally place irresponsible dog owners in the dog house. Instead we will dream up ways of enticing neighborhood dogs from far and near to visit even more regularly than they do now. We can erect new signs (for example "Sarcee Meadows Goes To The Dogs"). We can sponsor annual events such as dog sled races in the winter and dog shows in the summer. We can create a new image thereby, which will bring in new dogs.

How should the fertilizer money be used? Here are some suggestions that seem appropriate.

1. This money could be divided by the members winning the garden beautification awards. (Well-deserved, since it will be a feat to maintain a garden at all.)
2. We could reward members owning the largest dog, or the greatest number of dogs, or bringing in the largest load of raw material for compost.
3. Since more children will be attacked, we could give prizes to the person requiring the greatest number of stitches to close the wounds. This would serve to transform trauma into pride. Scars from dog bites would become status symbols, and victims might even become dog fanciers instead of developing dog phobias.
4. We could pay compensation to, or buy new kittens for, people whose cats are disembowled (as happened about a year back, just beyond my backyard).
5. We could build bleachers in the central playground to watch weekly dog fights (which could provide additional revenue from ticket sales).

No doubt the list is endless. We could invite submissions of your favourite suggestions, to be printed in the newsletter with a view to publishing the most creative ones in book form (akin to Columbo's Favourite Quotations in the Weekend Magazine). Who knows, we may have started a fad that will sweep the nation, and the whole country can go to the dogs.



# QUIZ

for would-be dog owners

		Yes	No	Don't Know			Yes	No	Don't Know	
<b>Selection</b>										
Would you, before buying a puppy or dog, try to make a wise choice of breed, temperament, size and characteristics by reading as much as possible about it beforehand?					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>Health care</b>										
Are you willing to spend the time and money to provide your dog with:										
1	Complete veterinary examination before taking him home?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11	Train him not to howl incessantly when left alone?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2	Immediate inoculations to protect against rabies, distemper and other canine diseases?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12	Train him in good manners - not to beg at table, jump on people, generally behave?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3	Annual booster inoculations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	13	Train him not to soil or damage neighbours' lawn, shrubbery, or gardens?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4	Regular veterinary check-ups on caring for the dog's teeth, ears, glands, nails, paws?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	14	Train him not to frighten or attack service people such as paper boys, postmen?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5	Emergency treatment if necessary due to accident, a fight or otherwise taken ill or injured?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>General care</b>					
6	Spaying or neutering - are you willing to have your dog fixed to avoid adding to the pet-population explosion?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	15	Are you willing to comply fully with local dog laws, and particularly make sure you buy a new dog license annually?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Training</b>					16	Will you make sure your dog always wears his collar, with license and I.D. tag?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are you willing to spend the time each day to train your dog in these basic requirements:					17	Will you take full legal responsibility if your dog attacks or bites another person?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7	Elementary house-breaking?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	18	Will you observe the rules concerning "Stoop and Scoop" programs, if your dog soils sidewalks, parks, schoolyards or neighbours' property?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8	Leash training?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	19	Will you endeavour to educate others in your family on taking proper care of the dog and precautions to prevent him running loose?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9	Obedience to commands 'Sit', 'Stay', 'Heel', 'Down'? (could save his life sometime)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	20	Are you prepared to treat the dog as a real friend and member of the family and provide him with all the creature comforts of a good home?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10	Keep him away from temptation and chewables in the house? (it's usually a bored dog that chews slippers, furniture)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total check points ..... ..					

Results of quiz on page 124

## PEOPLE AND CO-OPERATIVES (taken from the Castlegreen Commentary)

If a co-op fails to provide an alternative to regimentation, then it has failed as a co-op. In a co-op, you have the right and the duty to act as an equal partner in the decision-making process. If you fail to exercise that right or perform that duty, then both you and the co-op are losers. Co-ops are the most democratic of all organizations. They pattern their by-laws to allow free expression of opinion and to protect the rights of the individual, while preserving their fundamental social purpose.

It is only when members fail to participate, that co-ops lose sight of their social purpose and regimentation takes the place of free consensus. Democracy is a slow and cumbersome form of government. It makes demands on us and forces us to choose. The alternatives are autocracy, technocracy or bureaucracy, under which we cannot choose.

It occurred to me that we might all benefit from a refresher course on the fundamentals of the co-operatives.

Whether we talk about the weavers of Rochdale who originated the principles of the modern co-op movement, the DesJardin movement of Quebec which founded the Credit Union Movement, or the Western Farmers who organized the giant pool elevators, co-ops have one thing in common, they are based on the desire of ordinary people to regain control over the important aspects of their lives.



I have heard it said, that co-ops tend to regiment people. That is far from the case. People are regimented by mass marketing and mass advertising. They are regimented by fixed incomes and shrinking dollars and fabricated status symbols. They are regimented by their own passive acceptance of the way things are.

Winston Churchill once said, "Democracy is the worst possible form of government -- except for every other kind." If you fail to turn out to your cluster meeting, then someone else will decide where to park your car. If you fail to participate in decisions about garbage control or grass cutting, then someone else will do it and send you the bill. If you fail to attend general meetings, we will likely hear you say "Castlegreen is run by a minority clique!" And you will be right.

Al Nelson, Development Manager,  
Castlegreen Co-op, Thunder Bay.

by John Turnbull

# You Do It:

## Build A Newspaper Bundler

I read a complaint in the newspaper recently from a fellow who is responsible for collecting newspapers for recycling. He said that just when he has begun to develop a market for the newspapers and the price has gone up to where it becomes profitable for the municipal government to make the collection, people aren't separating their newspapers for special collection the way they used to. The initial burst of enthusiasm has worn off and we are sliding back to our old wasteful ways.

I folded up the newspaper and realized just then that there may be thousands of people reading this magazine who don't have, maybe even have never heard of a newspaper bundler.

As you can see from the diagram, bundlers are extremely simple so you have no excuse for not making one. Find yourself a sturdy cardboard box

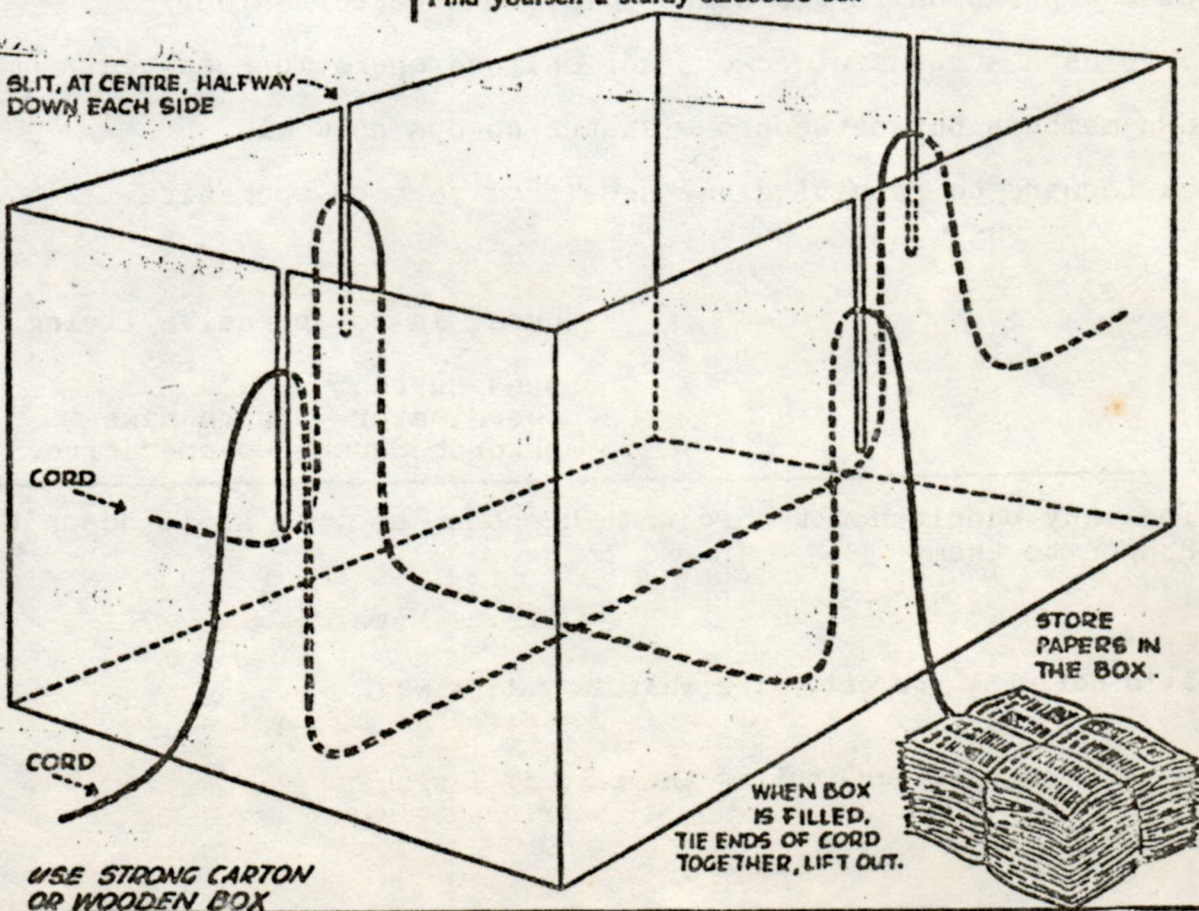
and cut a slit into the top edge on all four sides. Lay two lengths of cord in the slits and across the bottom of the box. That's all you have to do.

When you're finished reading the newspaper, fold it up and put it in the box. When the box is full, tie the cord ends together and lift out the bundle.

If you're a little more ambitious, or don't have a carton handy that's the right size, you can make a bundler out of plywood. Use glue and nails on the edges.

Leave a ball of twine near the bundler and make sure that whoever empties it puts in some new string for the next bundle.

Find out when newspapers are collected in your area and if they aren't collected for recycling, suggest to your sanitation department that they should be. Every bundle of newspaper that is re-used saves part of a tree.





**WITH LOVE - FROM A LONELY DOG**



I wish someone would tell me  
What it is that I've done wrong;  
And why I must be chained outside  
And left alone so long.

They seemed so glad to have me  
When I came here as a pup.  
There were so many things we'd do  
While I was growing up.

The master said he'd train me  
As a companion dog and friend.  
The mistress said she'd never fear  
To be alone again.

The children said they'd feed me  
And brush me every day.  
They'd play with me and walk me  
If I would only stay.

But now the master "hasn't time".  
The mistress says I shed.  
She won't allow me in the house,  
Not even to be fed.

The children never walk me,  
They always, say, "Not now".  
I do wish I could please them.  
Can someone tell me how?

All I had, you see, was love.  
I wish someone could explain  
Just why they said they wanted mine  
And then left it - on a chain.

*Edith Lassen Johnson*

## Ashworth Square Co-operative

February 23, 1978.

Phone 279-9819

3180 Kirwin Ave. #10C  
Mississauga, Ontario L5A 2K7

Dear Sister Co-Operative:

As of this month we will be forwarding you a copy of your monthly newsletter. If your co-op puts out a newsletter we would very much like to receive it.

We feel it is important for co-operatives to share and prosper from the knowlege attained by other co-ops. We all share common problems, and by working together a solution attained by one co-op could aid another. We all share the goals and aspirations, trials and tribulations; common to co-op living.

We feel co-operation is the utmost important factor in our existance as a successful co-op, not only co-operation between ones own members but between our sister co-ops as well.

We look forward to receiving any news from your co-operative.

Yours, in co-operative living

Donna Burnham  
Co-ordinator--Square News  
Ashworth Square Co-operative.

Too many people don't care what happens, so long as it doesn't happen to them.

William Howard Taft

It's not what you eat, it's what is eating you.  
Joe Sprokk's father

I can change colours during the day, if I wish.  
Shirley Spalding.

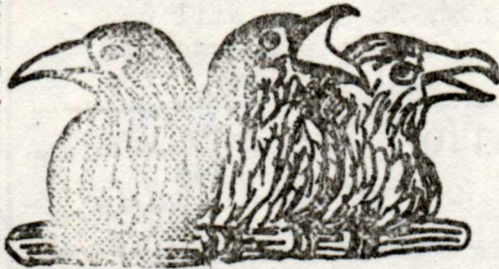


## BIRDS

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### BIRDS OF THE CO-OP: The Crow



young crows

If you see a large black bird being chased through Co-op air space by one or more smaller birds, it would be a safe bet that the large one is the Crow, known to invade nests of smaller birds in search of eggs or young.

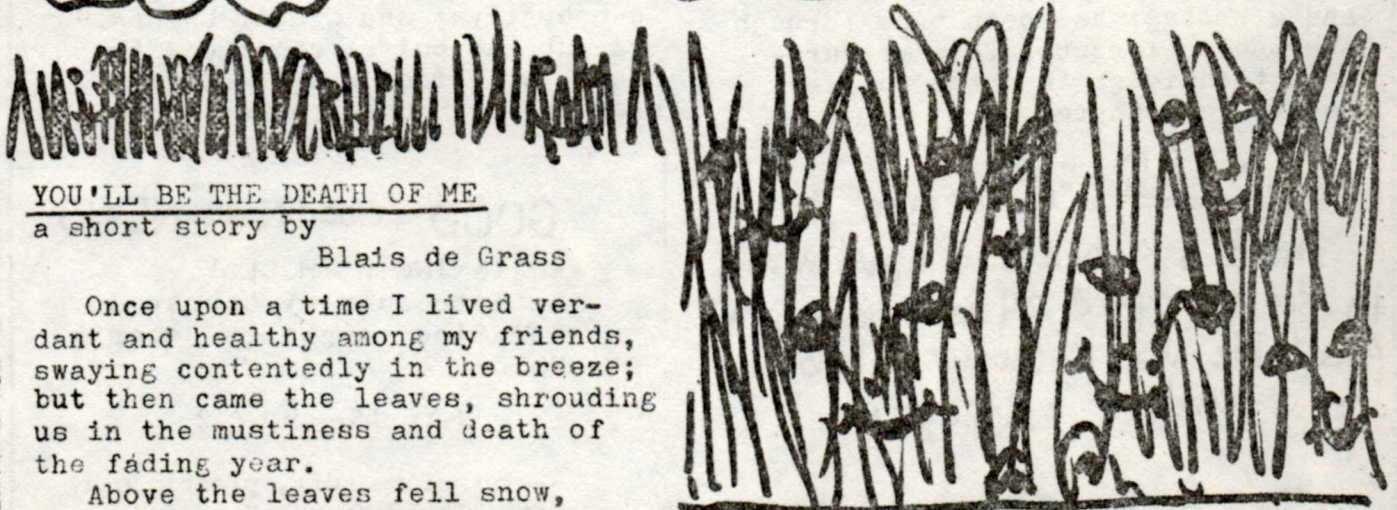
Considered both a pest and a sure sign of spring the Crow will eat almost anything, from grubs to garbage, from beetles to barnacles.

Crows nest from February to May, in a platform of sticks built around a deep bowl lined with whatever materials are at hand. There are four to six greenish eggs with brown spots, and both parents sit on the nest during the 18 day incubation. Bold and aggressive, with keen eyesight and a sharp bill, the Crow ranges almost worldwide.

Many people have raised crows; they are quite intelligent and eager to learn.

Crows have faced many attacks, but, by wit and agility, they are today more numerous than ever. They know all about guns and keep a safe distance from any weapon. Long ago they learned to live with the Scarecrow.

Henry Ward Beecher, American 19th Century preacher, remarked that if people wore feathers and wings, very few of them would be clever enough to be crows.



### YOU'LL BE THE DEATH OF ME

a short story by

Blais de Grass

Once upon a time I lived verdant and healthy among my friends, swaying contentedly in the breeze; but then came the leaves, shrouding us in the mustiness and death of the fading year.

Above the leaves fell snow, which kept me warm and safe from Jack Frost's mean and icy ways, and above the snow I could make out the sound of harpy voices, the tramp of many excited feet and the swish of sleds gliding over my head.

And then winter began melting into...

Spring, when the sunshine and the rain fill us with the joy of new life, when we send out fresh shoots, and flourish...but still the children come with their tramping feet; no sleds now, but sticks and bikes and slithering boots and bottoms. Many of my friends have already been mashed to a pulp, and I am anxious for my own safety. Maybe I too won't live to make a green and luscious carpet in the summer.

If you don't leave me alone, you'll surely be the death of me.

### COURTYARDS CLOSED...

Please, people, explain to your children that this is the time of year when the grass grows new shoots and those grass patches trodden on now will become dustbaths in the summertime.

Courtyards are officially closed to all except those cleaning up or gardening from now until the Victoria Day holiday weekend; it's really not such a sacrifice in order to guarantee us healthy lawns to enjoy during the summer months.

This is as good a time as any to remind everyone that wheeled vehicles and ball sports (including frisbee) are frowned upon at ALL times (for obvious reasons). We have plenty of park space a stone's throw East or West.



Delegates and guests met from 1 to 5 p.m., on Saturday, March 11, at Innis College. The meeting started with a review of last year.

1977 was a good year for the Federation. Changes include a new Board structure, the Newsletter 'the Circuit', and the bulk purchasing service.

1978 has begun with no committed government grants. CMHC has not honoured the final year funding of their 3 year commitment...pending a review of low income housing programmes.

Development proceeds with the Athol Green Co-op in Whitby, the St. Lawrence Project (Woodsworth Co-op) in Toronto, and the Primrose Co-op, being developed in conjunction with Wood Tree Co-op.

The Federation is fighting a series of new, restrictive CMHC regulations introduced in 1977. The method and timing of obtaining construction tenders has been changed. Mortgage commitment will come only after the work is tendered. Any land in question may well be sold to others before this process is completed and CMHC is satisfied. Lobbying is essential, and a protest has been made through a press conference. These procurement techniques threaten the way Co-ops get started.

The Federation is fighting a new CMHC requirement that 90% of residents in a project must be low income; the previous requirement was 10%. No money will be supplied to offset problems of lay-offs, social problems, etc.

### FEDERATION BOARD COURSES... applications at the Office.

The Federation continues to press for an acceptable Operating Agreement. The membership of any project is the ultimate authority for the management of that project, a right that must be safeguarded. CMHC is inserting clauses in the Agreement which would give them unwarranted rights to interfere in Co-op management.

Special guest speakers at the meeting were Glenn Haddrell, of the Co-op Housing Federation of Canada, and Paul Meehan, Director of the Housing Department at the Ontario Credit Union League.

The meeting was enlivened by a skit starring Federation staff, plus a co-op song written by Jane Edwards. There was also a sound and slide show on "Exploring Co-operatives and Credit Unions."

A pub and buffet concluded the event, with food excellently catered by Karen Christopher.

**WANTED:** 3<sup>rd</sup> woman to  
share a 4 bedroom apartment  
in the Co-op. \$109 each per month.  
Available May 1<sup>st</sup> (sooner could be  
negotiated). 461-9873

## ON CALL

APRIL 3 -9 Pat Lebrun  
19 the Aberdeens  
461-2508

APRIL 10- 16 Cec Rodriguez  
1 the Elms  
463-0878

APRIL 17-23 Leo Machado  
56 the Oaks  
466-8692

APRIL 24-30 Pat Lebrun

MAY 1-7 Cec Rodriguez

MAY 8-14 Leo Machado

MAY 15-21 Pat Lebrun

### GOOD Good News NEWS

BEGINNING WITH CLAY  
an introductory course in  
ceramics taught by Deborah  
Wolfe.

MAY 15--JULY 2

---transform soft, plastic clay  
into glazed stoneware pieces  
---learn basic handbuilding tech-  
niques and try out the potter's  
wheel  
---work on functional and sculp-  
tural pieces  
---small classes!

Deborah Wolfe has worked  
with clay for 5 years, and  
has taught in community  
centres and privately

Fee: \$35 for 7 weeks. To con-  
tinue into the summer for those  
who want to go on, at \$5 per  
class. Additional \$5 for each  
25 lbs. of clay used.

Times and place: Mon., Wed.,  
and Sun. 1 to 4 p.m.; Thurs.  
7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Right here  
at Bain Avenue in my workshop!

CALL 461-5368.

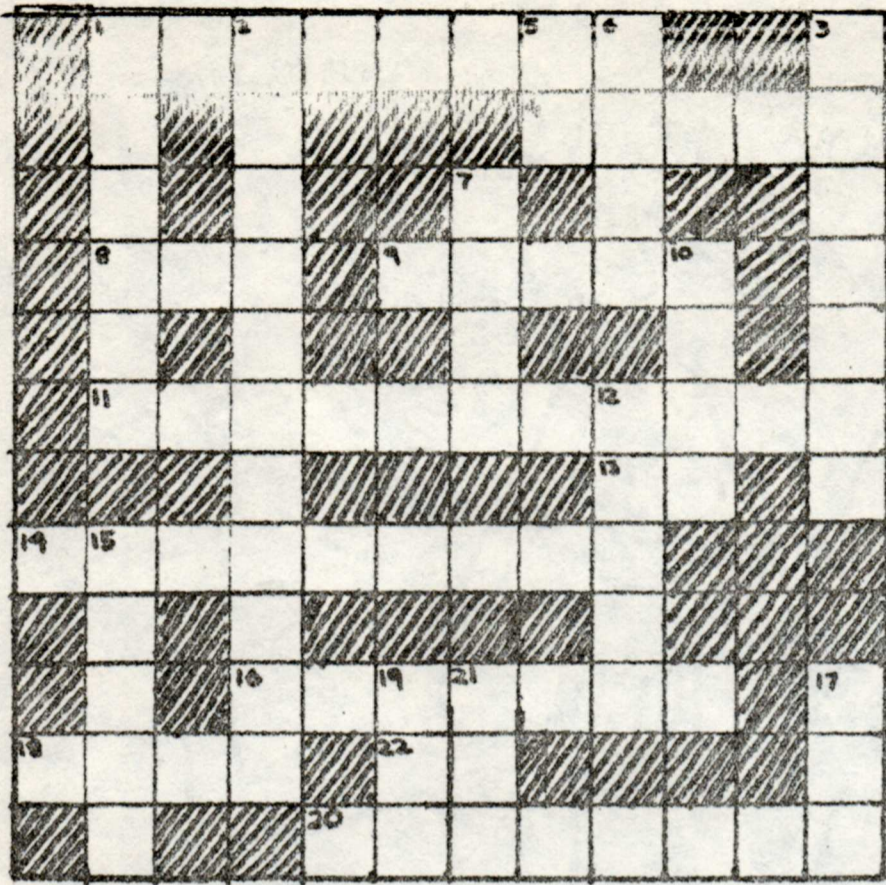


COLOUR US IN!



LOOK  
OUT!!  
THE MARTHAS HAVE  
SPRING  
FEVER!





## DOWN!

1. THE FIRST FLOWER OFSPRING.  
 2. HE HID CHOCOLATE EGGS IN YOUR HOUSE A FEW WEEKS AGO.  
 3. APRIL — BRING MAY FLOWERS.  
 5. NED THE TURTLE'S INITIALS.  
 6. HAS HORNS AND EATS CANS.  
 7. BIRDS DO THIS EVERY MORNING NOW.  
 10. A BEE'S HOUSE.  
 12. AN — BEAVER BUILDS HIS LODGE INDUSTRIOUSLY.

## ACROSS!

1. SPRING —: WHEN YOU MAKE THE WHOLE HOUSE SPARKLE.  
 4. ONE OF THE WHITE THINGS IN YOUR MOUTH YOU CHEW WITH.  
 8. WHAT A DOG LIKES TO CHASE.  
 9. "HAPPY — DAY!"  
 11. WHEN YOU HAVE THIS, YOU DANCE A LOT AND SMELL FLOWERS.  
 13. ALBERT EINSTEIN'S INITIALS.  
 14. IF HE SEES HIS SHADOW, IT MEANS SIX MORE WEEKS OF WINTER.  
 16. A LOT OF BABIES ARE THIS AT THIS TIME.  
 18. WHAT MANY OF 16 ACROSS ARE.  
 20. THE BIGGEST APARTMENTS IN THE CO-OP.  
 22. WHAT YOU MIGHT SAY IF YOU SAW A MOUSE!
15. THIS RED-BREASTED BIRD IS ONE OF THE FIRST SIGNS OF SPRING.  
 17. WHEN IT SHINES, IT MAKES THE FLOWERS GROW.  
 19. WHAT A SPIDER WEAVES.  
 21. HE LIVES IN 10 DOWN.



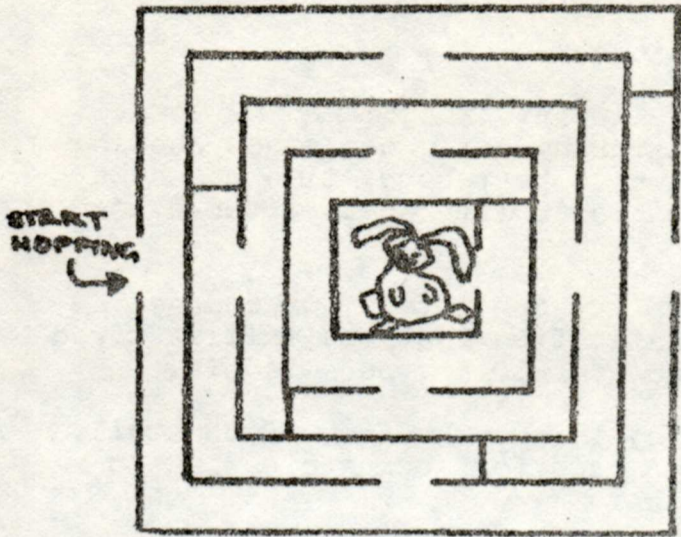
# MARTHAS PUZZLE

HAPPY SPRING !!

FROM  
 THE  
 MARTHAS



# MARILYN MAZE!



## ANSWERS to quiz

To see how you qualify, give yourself 1 point for every check mark under "Yes".

For every check mark under "No"; deduct 5 points from your "Yes" total.

For every check mark under "Don't know", deduct 2 points (and do some reading before you get a dog).

If your total points are 80 or over, you qualify as a responsible citizen, and well deserve to own a dog. But try to reach 100!

Between 50 and 80 points, you're pretty good, but promise to be better.

Less than 50 points indicates there's something missing in your attitude. Better think the situation over before you take on the responsibility of a pet.

DMBCSARLE

RWDOS

(SCRAMBLED WORDS)



ETSO -----



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**ANSWERS:** **ACROSS:** 1. CLEANING 4. TOOTH 8. CAT 9. BIRTH  
 11. SPRING FEVER 13. A. E. 14. GROUNDHOG 16. NEWBORN 18. TINY  
**DOWN:** 1. CROCUS 2. EASTER BUNNY 3. SHOW-  
 BERS 5. N.T. 6. GOAT 7. SING 10. HIVE 12. EAGER 15. ROBIN 17. SUN  
 19. WEB 21. BEE.



April 14, 1978

THE RITE OF SPRING

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or otherwise known as  
A CLEAN SWEEP

by Ilene Stennett  
& Carol Baum did  
drawings.

with  
instructions

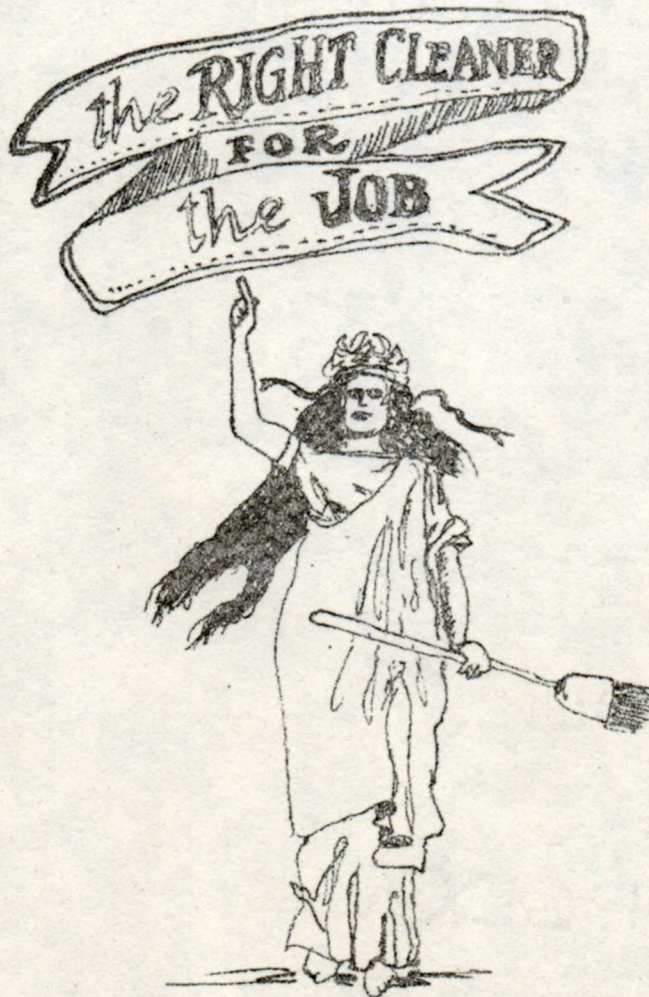
Well, it's that time again. Tulip and crocus budding time. Squirrel scurrying time. Birds twittering and green grass showing time. Time to renew the spirit, time to be reborn, time to shake the cobwebs loose and take charge of one's life again after a long winter's hibernation.

You do know what I'm leading up to, don't you? Of course. **SPRING CLEANING!** That wonderful institution that revitalizes tired blood, puts pep into your stride and sparkle in your windows.

Some of you are not impressed by this enthusiasm, I can tell. But, please bear with me, there's no need for spring cleaning to be a drag, a drudge, or a chore.

Why not make it a happy venture - throw out those dreary rags and go out and buy some colourful sponges! Get a new sunshine yellow pail - wear a paisley babushka (for you men - gun-metal gray pails and striped babushkas or striped pails and gun-metal gray babushkas, whichever).

Some of you of course need no prodding - some of you are actually hyperventilating at the prospect awaiting you! For those who are only slightly less enthusiastic: there is a forthcoming list of cleanables which should provide ample inspiration.





But before you go charging pell-mell in all directions with pail in one hand and sponge in the other why not pause for a moment and assess the work load.

Draw up a check list of priorities and schedule each day's activities. Get the whole family involved and a seemingly mountainous task can be reduced to a time of sharing and antiseptic bliss.

Get the old crock pot simmering the family's favourite stew, while everyone is tackling the cleanup.

EQUIPMENT

Drop sheets and newspapers, broom, sponge mop, hand brush, dust pan, pail, sponges, soft clean polishing cloths, foot stool or step ladder, rubber gloves, work clothes.

PRODUCTS

Spic & Span, chlorine bleach, Javex, Comet, Pine Sol, lemon oil, ammonia, 2nd Nature, detergent, silver polish, Windex, Fantastic, upholstery shampoo, rug shampoo, Floor wax, Hardwood Floor liquid cleaner, liquid wax stripper.

PRE-CLEANUP PREPARATION

- Remove curtains
- Remove rugs
- Remove Rembrandts and Chagalls
- Remove light fixtures (give all those dead flies a decent burial)
- Move furniture to the centre of the room and cover with newspapers or drop cloths)
- Open windows and doors in room to air place out as you clean
- Put on the radio - whistle while you work!





CLEANUP PROCEDURE

Rule of thumb - start at the top and work your way down.

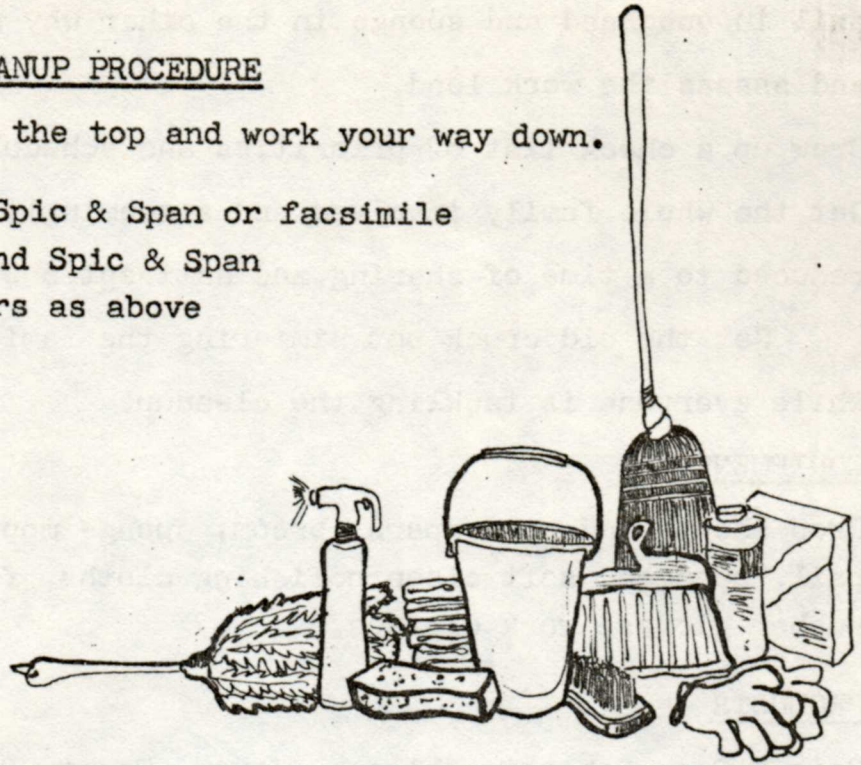
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Sponge mop ceilings with Spic & Span or facsimile

Wash walls with sponge and Spic & Span

Wash door frames and doors as above

Wash baseboards as above



Wash windows - using Windex or a solution of vinegar and water.

TIP: Wash one side of windows, using horizontal strokes and the other side with vertical strokes - if any streak appears, it will be easy to see which side of the glass it is on.

Floors

Urethaned floors - simply wash with Spic & Span and water- no need to wax.

Hardwood floors - strip off old wax with wax stripper or clean with appropriate floor cleaner and for the longest lasting shine, polish with floor wax - some elbow grease is required but the result is well worth the effort.

Tiles or linoleum - strip old wax with liquid wax stripper or cleaner (yes, Spic & Span will do) and polish with appropriate liquid floor polish, if you are lucky enough to figure out which of the numerous types available is the one suitable for your floor.

\* The reason Spic & Span has been mentioned is that it doesn't need to be rinsed off the cleaned surface and it does a superlative job. There are many other products of equal quality.

RUGS

Small area rugs of some value are best sent to the cleaners.

Wall - to - wall? If it is only lightly soiled, you can use any of the rug shampoos on the market, but be careful to use the one made to clean your rug-- i.e. wool rugs need a special cleaner, as do synthetic rugs, etc.

Once you have applied the cleaner, REMEMBER TO VACUUM IT UP. If you do not do this, the product will dry on the carpet and the chemicals will gradually eat away the fabric!

ALWAYS consult a professional cleaner if you are in doubt.

Adventurous types have been known to rent out one of those shampoo machines from the local supermarket, so you can do so also.



**THE TREASURER SAYS**

by Bruce Woodrow

Just a quick report to give you an idea of our financial position around the beginning of April.

Normally our Annual Meeting is in April, and we receive the financial statement for the previous year as well as appointing auditors and electing directors. However, our financial statement isn't ready, so the Annual Meeting will be in June this year.

Basically the problem is this. Our financial records are now all up to date past January 31st, the end of our fiscal year. (in fact, most of them are completely up to date.) This has taken a tremendous effort on the part of Peter Tabuns and numerous volunteers, including the Finance Committee. However, the City has still not finished their audited statement for the project as of Dec. 1, 1977. (Transfer Date!) Without the City's statement, we can't close our books and audit them. We expect to have the statement soon, but with the City, who knows? That's why the Annual Meeting has been postponed until June.

Once the audit is finished we have two priorities: accounting for all the mortgage money, and producing monthly financial reports. Once we know exactly how much money is left in each category of the mortgage, we can decide whether we want to do any more renovations. Both the Maintenance and the Renovations Committees have lists of things they would like to see done.

**Tapestry in Soft Sculpture**

by Beverley Smith

Galerie Scollard  
96 Scollard Street, Toronto

7th of April through 28th.  
Gallery hours 10 am to 6 pm, Tuesday to Saturday.

Our financial position continues to look good. Municipal taxes are increasing by less than 4%; we budgeted for a 12% hike. Hydro is only increasing 2% instead of the 5% we estimated. Gas is a little higher than expected, but much less than last year as a result of the renovations. A more detailed report will be presented (hopefully), next month.

Our arrears position is improving as the Arrears Committee has been administering our Arrears Policy more rigidly. We continue to have a problem with members who pay, but persist in paying late. This creates extra work for both the office staff and the Arrears Committee, and costs all of us money. Some changes to the Arrears Policy are in the works, and one of the main proposals will be charges for late payment. We had hopes that this would not be necessary, but it is not fair for the rest of us to carry those who pay late; - especially when most of them are just lazy or forgetful, not hard up. These changes will, of course, come to a General Meeting.

**TICK TOCK...****GENERAL MEETING**

Minutes of the General Meeting of the Bain Apartments Co-operative Inc. held at Withrow Public School at 7:45 p.m. March 21, 1978.

Chairpersons: Judy Haiven, Diane Saibil

Attendance: 97

Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m.

M/S Christine Killory/Alexandra Wilson

- to hire a Peter Holland as Property Manager of the Bain Apartments Co-operative to commence duties on May 15, 1978 at a salary of \$18,000 per annum
- to hire a temporary Property Manager under the terms of the Hiring Policy to commence duties as soon after March 31, 1978 as possible at a salary of \$242. per week
- to extend Lin Grist's employment with the Co-op as temporary office assistant at her current salary of \$175. per week until such time as the temporary Property Manager commences duties.

Carried 62 for  
32 against  
no abstentions





MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
17 education maintenance	18 Residents' Council	19 FINANCE	20 Food Coop	21 NEWSLETTER	22 DOOR clean-up	23
24 education Maintenance	25 Residents' Council	26 Renovations	27 Food Coop	28 NEWSLETTER	29 OUT- door clean-up	30
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 have a nice  
 month ☺