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Pamela Lawrence presented a gift to Alice on behalf of her friends.

Fran Graham spoke briefly on behalf of Alices' friends, and J.J. Prince on behalf of the audience, stating "Ray is a toastmaster of toastmasters, having acted as such on many occasions through the years."

In response to all the nice things said about himself and Alice, plus gifts received, Ray admitted that for once in his life he was at a loss for words, so thanked the audience for attending, and for making a recliner chair their gift, which he assured he and Alice will enjoy for years to come.

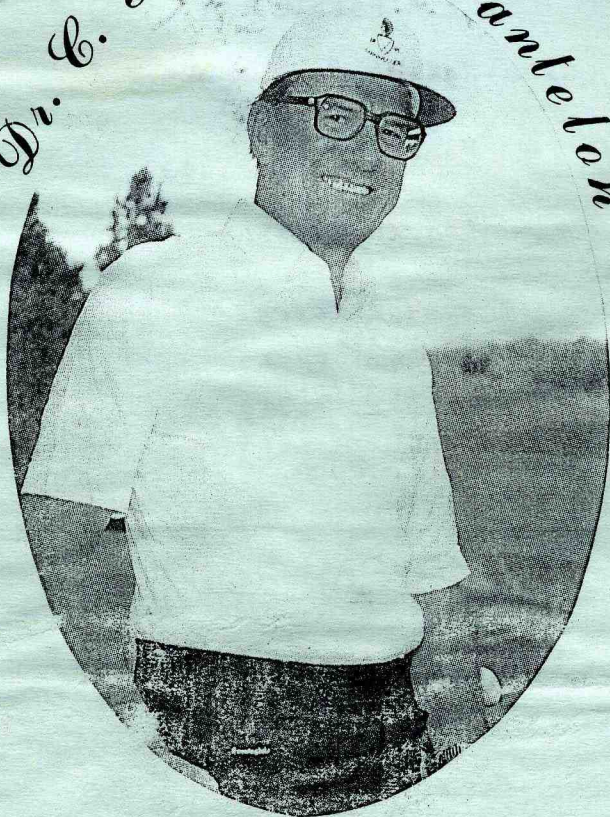




*Souvenir Program*

*Appreciation Night*

*Dr. C. B. - Bruce - Canteloni*



*Saturday May 12, 1990.*

## DR. C. BRUCE CANTELON

Dr. Charles Bruce Cantelon was born in Lucknow, Ontario. His father was a banker. He received his elementary schooling in many schools in Ontario; Meaford, West Lorne, Toronto and Ridgetown.

Dr. Cantelon went to the University of Western Ontario Medical School. He interned at St. Joseph's Hospital in London.

Dr. Cantelon set up his first practice above the J.T. Lemon store on the west side of Graham Street. Later in the year he moved his office to the Campbell and Craig building which is about where the Krebs Jewellery store is today.

In 1949 Dr. & Mrs. Cantelon moved from their apartment on Main Street to their new home at 190 Graham Road and built an office attached to the house.

Dr. Cantelon's favourite sport is golf. He was a charter member of the West Lorne Kiwanis Club when it was organized in 1950. He served for a few years on West Lorne Council and he was coroner of Elgin County for over twenty-five years.

He has two sons from his first marriage, David and John. He later married Joyce (Miller) and has a step-son, John, and a daughter Catherine.

Dr. Cantelon retired in 1990. He spends a great deal of time golfing now. He was a truly dedicated family physician.



# Dr. Cantelon sees 300 patients in one day

Yes! It's true! West Lorne's Dr. Bruce Cantelon greeted over 300 of his patients as he welcomed them to an Appreciation Night in his honour at the International Club on Saturday night, sponsored by West Lorne Kiwanis Club.

Cantelon, who has been in practice for 42 years, said hello to some adults he brought into the world four decades ago. "We'll miss him. He was a good doctor," said Jack Ripley, who was brought into the world by Cantelon the first year the doctor came to practice here.

Donna Ripley, a nurse, worked with Cantelon at Dutton's Bobier Convalescent Home. "He was good. He put himself out for people," she said. Cantelon, a country doctor of the old school, was on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Nowadays it is practically impossible to get a doctor to come to West Lorne. But Cantelon was present at a lot of births of people from West Lorne. Betty Krzyworaczka said, "He brought all mine into the world and helped with seven grandchildren. A great guy!"

Winn Leipmann provided cocktail hour music at the piano.

Entertainment following the dinner was provided by among



Dr. Bruce Cantelon received a certificate of congratulations from MP Ken Monteith, right, on the occasion of his retirement after serving

the people of West Elgin 42 years. Cantelon is seen here with grandson, Stephen Todd and Mrs. Cantelon. Mercury-Sun Photo

others, Shirley Walker accompanying Barbara Bijker and Earla Walker who sang some old favourites, Carol Ripley on piano, and Ann Prud'homme and Sharon Leipmann sang several numbers. Kiwanian Bill Graham sang a song he wrote about "the doctor", accompanying himself on guitar.

The International Club has recently acquired some classy scarlet cloth-covered cushion chairs, which are wider than the ones replaced. Therefore, fewer people can sit at the tables. But if more is merrier, which it was Saturday night, then a little crowding made the evening a success.

Elgin MPP Marietta Roberts

presented him with a plaque from the people of Ontario, as well as a certificate, well as a certificate from Premier David Peterson.

A very special gift was a painting of his home on Graham Road, painted by Marie Spence, given him on behalf of everyone there.



Jeannett Fisher of West Lorne, congratulated Dr. Bruce Cantelon at an Appreciation Night held for him on Saturday night at the International Club. Mercury-Sun Photo



*An Appreciation Night*  
*to honour*  
**LYNN LASHBROOK**

One Man's Opinion

*Editorials*

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*"I disapprove of what you say, but I will defend to  
the death your right to say it"—Voltaire.*

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Saturday, October 20, 1990

Royal Canadian Legion Br. #525  
Rodney, Ontario

Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Rodney Inc.

# Honouring a local legend

By Kathy Rumleski

Former editor and publisher of the Rodney Mercury and West Lorne Sun was honoured for his lifetime of dedication to the area this past Saturday evening. The Rodney Legion was the site for family and friends of Mr. Lashbrook to come together to express appreciation to him.

The evening began with a reception of punch and hors d'oeuvres prepared by Fairles K Food Market. The meal was served at 7:30 by the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary.

Following dinner, several members of the Ridge Players performed a few numbers for the enjoyment of the audience.

The Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Jim Price, of the Rodney Kiwanis Club, which sponsored the evening of appreciation.

Several politicians honoured Mr. Lashbrook and shared memories of times spent in council meetings. The Honourable Ken Monteith congratulated the Kiwanis Club for honouring one of its own. "Too many times those in their own community don't receive thanks," Monteith called Mr. Lashbrook a legend in the media.

Many of the politicians in a roundabout way said that they missed him, but C. I. Black came right out and said it. "Lynn, I miss you." He added that this former editor could never be accused of sitting on the fence.

Two Kiwanians told of his many services to their club.

"Lynn's been a faithful member of Kiwanis through thick and thin. We have appreciated your service," Harvey Miller told him. Lynn is one of three charter members still active in the Rodney club.

Lynn's brother Harley recounted the years he and Lynn spent working on the papers. "He never backed down from doing any job that had to be done he kept us informed for 49 years," Harley said.

Mr. Lashbrook was not only kept busy attending council meetings, anniversaries, etc., but for one year he was presi-

dent of the Canadian Community Newspapers' Association.

The people gathered to honour this man also heard from his wife Shirley and daughters Heather, Jane and Laurie. They admitted that it wasn't always easy being the wife and children of a newspaper publisher, but the pride in their husband and father was always evident during their speeches.

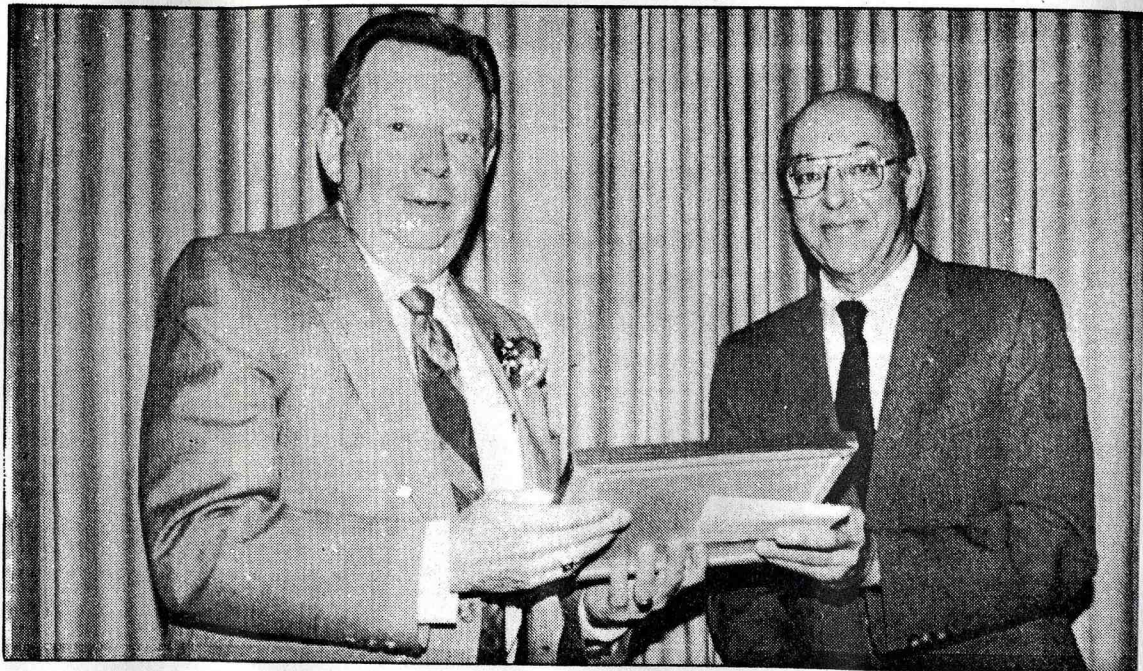
Finally, it came time to hear from the guest of honour himself. "I'm flabbergasted to

see how many people showed up to honour Lynn Lashbrook," he began. Mr. Lashbrook thanked all the people who supported the papers and supported him through the years. "I have a lot of good friends here tonight," he said. "It's a real thrill to see so many people here tonight."

Kiwanis President John Fisher officially closed the evening and presented Mr. Lashbrook with a plaque of appreciation.

Many of the speakers showed their true respect and admiration for this man throughout the course of the night. However, there were a couple of speakers who did not attend to honour Mr. Lashbrook, but rather to bad-mouth the present owner and employees of the papers. It was unfortunate that such a lovely night had to be dampened with this rudeness.





Lynn Lashbrook was honoured at a special appreciation night, held for him at the Rodney Legion and sponsored by the Kiwanis Club. At the close of the evening Mr. Lashbrook was presented with a plaque showing appreciation

for his many years of service to the community. Presenting him with the plaque, at right, Kiwanis President John Fisher.

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