

# Music festival plans announced

JAN 26, 1967

As part of the Centennial Celebrations this year in the North Peace, the Centenary Music Festival classes have been included in the Peace Country Arts Festival syllabus.

The following are procedures that must be followed when entering any of the classes for the festival:

Entries must be made on the special yellow entry forms (these may be obtained from Mrs CC Brooks, Box 100, Fort St John) and submitted to local entry secretaries. The entry fee will be as listed at each festival.

Centenary classes as listed in the centenary syllabus will be held at each festival.

Winners of these classes, if the adjudicator so recommends, will automatically go on to the semi-finals. There will be no further entry forms or fees.

Semi-finals at Prince George will include competition from Burns Lake, Terrace, Williams Lake, Prince George and Fort St John festivals.

Winners of the semi-finals will go on to the provincial finals in Vancouver, again with no further entry forms or fees.

Adjudications in centenary classes at the local level will be written and will be retained by the secretary until the zone semi-final competitions are completed. Marks only will be given at the local level. Both marks and oral adjudication will be given at the zone semi-final competitions.

Test pieces (a) and (b) for the

centenary festivals classes may not be selections used in other classes in the local festival.

A competitor may not enter the same centenary class in more than one local festival.

General Meeting of North Peace Festival Association in Central Elementary School staff room at 8:30 p.m.

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## Arts festival

### goes next week

APR 27, 1967

Beginning at 8 p.m. on Saturday evening, May 6 a Grande Finale of Peace Country arts festival winners will be presented in the North Peace Senior Secondary Auditorium. At this time trophies will be presented.

This will climax the three day festival which starts Thursday, May 4.

No pre-schoolers will be allowed in the auditoriums while sessions are in progress and no one will be permitted to enter or leave during the sessions.

Sessions will commence at 9 a.m. and continue throughout the day and evening in the Central Elementary, North Peace Senior Secondary School and the Bert Bowes Junior Secondary School auditoriums.

Classes will be held in music, both instrumental and vocal, speech arts and dancing. Creative writing entries will be on display in the North Peace Senior Secondary Auditorium Thursday, May 4 in the evening.

Centenary Festival of Music classes are also included.

The public is cordially invited to attend any or all of the festival program.

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# ARTS FESTIVAL

## PROGRAM

### THURSDAY, MAY 4, 1967:

**Morning — 9:00 a.m.** — Instrumental, Central Elementary  
Speech Arts, Bert Bowes Junior Secondary  
Vocal — North Peace Senior Secondary

**Afternoon — 1:00 p.m.** — Instrumental, Central Elementary  
Speech Arts, Bert Bowes Junior Secondary  
Vocal — North Peace Senior Secondary

**Evening — 7:30 p.m.** — Vocal — North Peace Senior Secondary  
Creative Writing Adjudication — North Peace Senior Secondary

### FRIDAY, MAY 5, 1967:

**Morning — 9:00 a.m.** — Instrumental, Central Elementary  
Speech Arts, Bert Bowes Junior Secondary  
Vocal, North Peace Senior Secondary

**Afternoon — 1:00 p.m.** — Instrumental, Central Elementary  
Speech Arts, Bert Bowes  
Dancing, North Peace Senior Secondary

**Evening — 7:30 p.m.** — Combined program — entries from each section

### SATURDAY, MAY 6, 1967:

**Morning — 9:00 a.m.** — Instrumental, Central Elementary  
Dancing, North Peace Senior Secondary  
Vocal, Bert Bowes Junior Secondary

**Afternoon — 1:00 p.m.** — Instrumental, Central Elementary  
Dancing, North Peace Senior Secondary  
Vocal, Bert Bowes Junior Secondary

**Evening — 8:00 p.m.** — Grande Finale — representative group of winners. Scholarships and trophies to be presented.

Creative Writing will be on display in the North Peace Senior Secondary Auditorium Thursday, May 4th, in the evening.

### ADMISSION PRICES

Any single day session: Adults 35c Students 25c

Evening: Adults 50c Students 35c

Grande Finale: Adults \$1.00 Students 50c

Season Tickets: Adults \$1.25 Students \$1.00

(does not include Grande Finale)

NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER OR LEAVE DURING A PERFORMANCE

### ADJUDICATORS

Instrumental — Peter Turner, Mount Royal College, Calgary

Vocal — Alex Henrickson, B.A., B.Ed., L.R.S.M., A.T.

# Adjudicators named for arts festival

APR 21, 1967

The Peace Country Arts Festival is to be held in Fort St John May 4, 5 and 6.

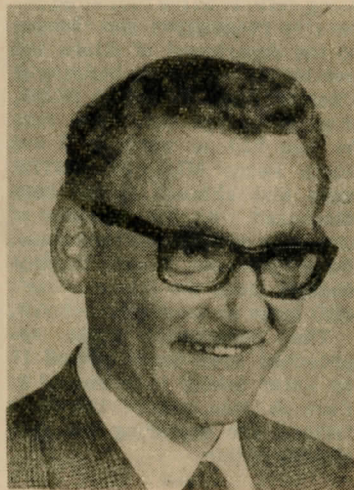
The festival committee is very pleased with the number of entries that have been sent in for the festival.

The entries are under the following categories: creative writing, dancing, vocal, instrumental, speech arts.

The adjudicators for the festival were named this week they are:

## AB HENRICKSEN

Mr Henricksen is a graduate of UBC and holds a high school music specialists' certificate for BC. He is a licentiate of the associated board of the Royal Schools of Music and has studied



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tival at Kamloops.

## MRS JO CORMACK

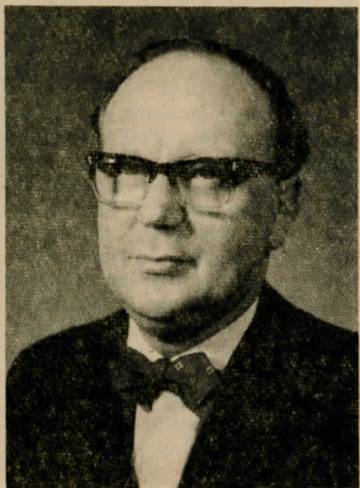
Mrs Cormack has worked for a number of years at Mount Royal College, Calgary, in the speech arts program.

She has taught all phases of drama although directing is her main interest. Mrs Cormack received her degree in drama from University of Alberta and along with her husband has organized a drama group in Calgary called the Buskins.

## PETER TURNER

Peter Turner came to Canada in 1965 to teach at Mount Royal College.

As a student in England he



PETER TURNER

won a scholarship to the Royal College of Music and also studied at Reading University.

He later had lessons from the well known English pianist, Dennis Matthews.

His professional career has included teaching at musical institutions, giving recitals in London and the provinces and playing concerts with orchestras and adjudicating at festivals.

## BETTY FARRALLY

Betty Farrally is a director of the Canadian School of Ballet, co-founder with Gweneth Lloyd of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet.

She was born and educated in England and came to Canada in 1938 when she and Miss Lloyd opened a school in Winnipeg.

She started a ballet company in 1939, this later becoming Canada's first professional ballet company.

Betty Farrally remained as director of this company, traveling all over the continent with it on tour until 1958 when she and Miss Lloyd opened the Okanagan branch of the Canadian School of Ballet.

She has adjudicated at many festivals all over Canada and with her teaching and company work has had a wide experience of judging the potential in young dancers.



BETTY FARRALLY

voice with the late John Goss and organ with Dr Charles Hutchings of the Royal Academy.

He has served as organist and choirmaster at Holy Trinity Church in Vancouver and Holy Trinity Cathedral in New Westminster.

For many years Mr Henricksen was a music specialist in the Vancouver school system and has had numerous festival, concert and radio successes with choral groups.

He has considerable experience as an adjudicator and has been music adjudicator at several BC festivals including the Fraser Valley festival at Chilliwack and the Yale/Cariboo Fes-

MAY 18, 1967  
An interesting bit to come out of the Peace Country Arts Festival concerns former Fort St John resident LEONA DOHLAN. Mrs Dohlan who was left crippled following a polio epidemic here a number of years back travelled to the festival from Fort Nelson with a singing group. They returned north triumphant with three gold medals.

## TIME GETTING SHORT

MAR 9, 1967

Entries will close March 23 for the Peace Country Arts Festival and they should be sent to Mrs CC Brooks, Box 100, Fort St John.

## 10 YRS AGO — OCT 24, 1967

Mrs Mildred Lambly has been chosen Woman of The Year by the Business and Professional Women's Club in Fort St John and received the award from the club President, Ruth Mitchell. Mrs Lambly was introduced by Mrs Billie Friend, who told of her many accomplishments in the musical field and women's clubs. She helped to launch the musical festival, taught the school choir and conducted the community choir. These choirs gave two concerts a year - one at Christmas and again in the spring. The money raised was given to the Retarded Children's Association and bought the Grand Piano for the high school as well as an electric typewriter.

NO PRESCHOOLERS ALLOWED IN THE HALL DURING SESSIONS

Dancing — Betty Farrally, Kelowna  
Mount Royal College, Calgary  
Speech Arts and Creative Writing — Jo Cormack, B.A.,  
L.I.C.L., Prince Rupert.

# Festival appreciative

MAY 25, 1967

Editor,  
Alaska Highway News  
The Peace Country Arts Festival committee would like to thank the many people who helped with the three day event, May 4, 5 and 6, 1967.

A very sincere vote of thanks to the many teachers who trained entrants. It was evident that much time and effort had gone into the various performances. Also thank you to the individual entrants. We were pleased to have visitors from Fort Nelson, McBerly Lake, Beaver Lodge, Woonowon, Dawson Creek as well as from our own North Peace district.

To have a festival of this magnitude, much space was required. The school board came to our help and allowed us the use of three schools. Mr Richards and staff at Bert Bowes hosted the Speech Arts sessions and one vocal session. Mr Adiard and staff at North Peace Senior Secondary hosted the vocal, dancing and three evening sessions. Mr Raham and staff hosted the instrumental sessions at Central Elementary. It was a great help

to have things carefully arranged and set up in these halls.

For the advertising help the newspapers, radios and tv were of great assistance, CJDC and Peace River Block News in Dawson Creek; Fort Nelson News, Fort Nelson, and CKNL and Alaska Highway News, Fort St John. Also, the Fort Music, Corner News, Fort Pharmacy and the Glacier Drugs sold programs.

We would like to thank the many workers, typists, door keepers, secretaries and hall marshals who contributed their time throughout the festival.

The festival is always on the border re finances so the town council grant of \$100 was much appreciated.

The money donated to the awards committee was also much appreciated. A list of donors will be in the paper in the near future.

Last but not least, we thank those who did attend the sessions. Those who did not come missed some good entertainment. Thank you all!

FSJ - MRS R D DARNALL,  
Publicity Chairman  
Peace Country Arts Festival

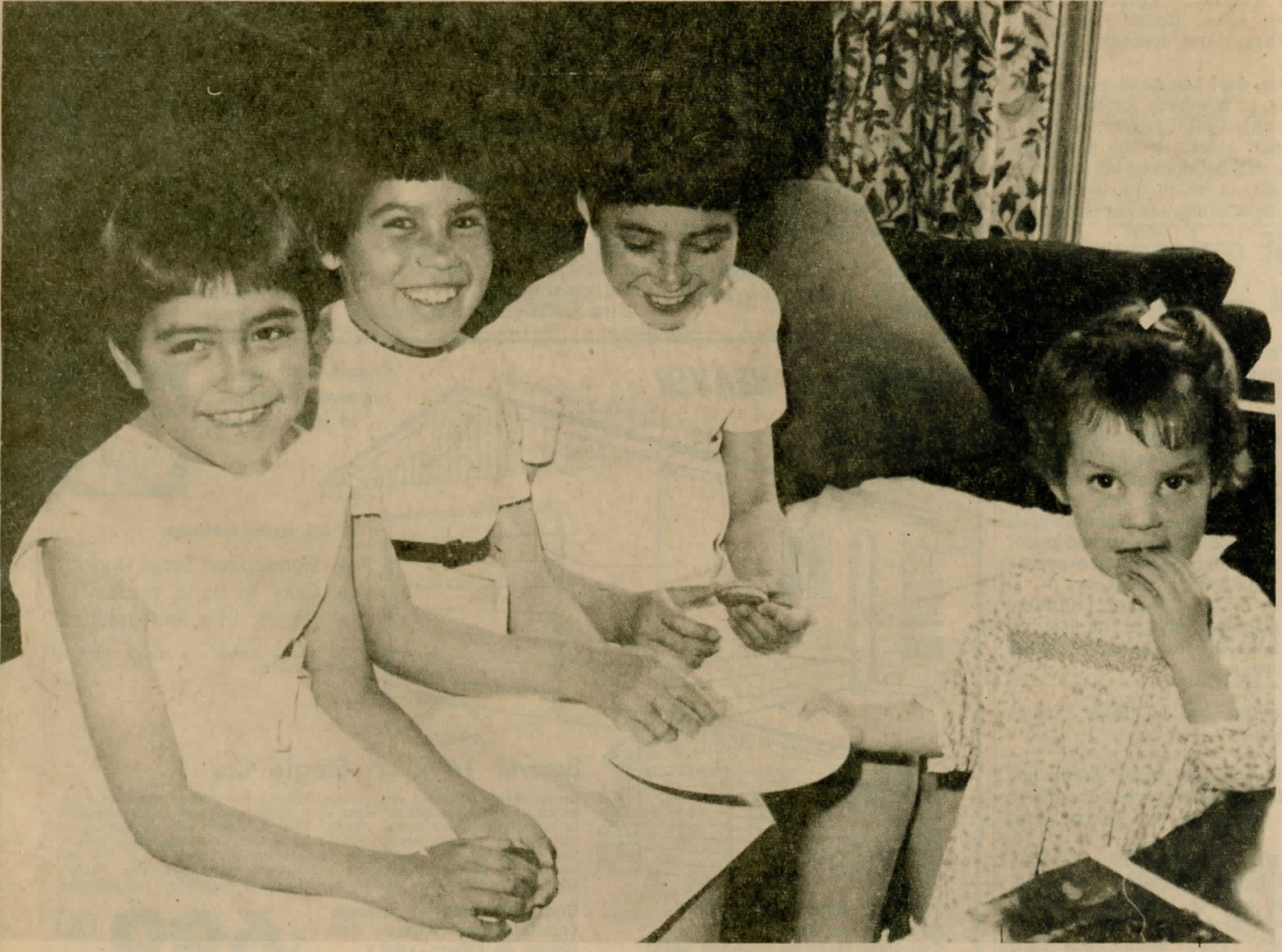
# Supporters thanked

Editor,  
Alaska Highway News  
As chairman of the Peace Country Arts Festival Awards committee, I would like to express my thanks personally and also on behalf of the festival committee, to the many people who so graciously gave financial support to the festival. Their money, trophies, and medallions were most important to the success of the festival.

Would you be so kind as to help me recognize the contributions made by these people through the medium of your paper.

Association; Fort St John Rotary Club; George's Electric; D N Weicker; M Pettit; E John; Spicer's Bakery Ltd; Spicer's Travel Service; BR Leboe MP and both Beta Sigma Phi Chapters. Also from Dawson Creek, Mrs Natalie Kazakoff; Bob Whyte BC Ltd; Mrs Marilyn Smith; Poldi Seidl and Braemer Construction Co.  
FSJ - OLIVE WEICKER,  
Awards Com Chairman

We wish to thank sincerely, The Fort Motor Co; Winspear, Higgins, Stevenson and Doane; Fort St John Lions Club; Mills-Barton Co Ltd; Plains-Western Gas and Electric Co; Pacific Petroleum Ltd; Mrs Ross Smith; Mr and Mrs D Wilkinson; C C Brooks; M K Finch; Carlsonia Theatre



ATTENDING THE NORTH PEACE Arts Festival last week were contestants from all over the Peace. Here are three visitors from the Halfway. They are (left to right) Edna Jean Wokeley,

7; Roslyn Lilly, 8 and Faye Lilly, 9. While in Fort St John, the girls were house guests of Mr and Mrs Ross MacLean. Here daughter Judy MacLean passes around the cookies.

# Many take awards in Peace festival

MAY 18, 1967

The Peace Country Arts Festival, May 4, 5 and 6 was a tremendous success with regards to the number and calibre of entries.

All planning and organizing was done by six to ten faithful workers willing to take charge of the various sections.

Anyone who has any suggestions or comments to make in relation to festival organization should be at the next meeting, Monday, May 29 at 8 pm in the Central Elementary staff room.

Following is a list of festival award winners:

General - Grand award perpetual trophy with individual trophy, to be the most deserving entry or entries to be chosen by the adjudicators. Presented by Russel Daneluk to Mrs Elaine Pitt, Dawson Creek.

Peace River South School Board perpetual shield to the best school entry (group) to Moberley Lake singers and dancers.

Mrs Ross Smith award - centennial pins to each centenary entrant.

Dancing - Beta Sigma Phi trophy, group ballet, no winner. Spicer's Travel Service trophy, rural school (national) - Moberley Lake singers and dancers for Tribal Dance.

Beta Sigma Phi trophy, folk character (national) - Murray Syrnyk and Peter Syrnyk, DC.

Mr and Mrs D Wilkinson trophy, square dancing - Elizabeth Whyte Dancers, DC.

CC Brooks awards, medallions - 1; Margaret Wilkinson Dancers, FSJ; 2, Debbie Scheck, FSJ; 3, Mile 0 Majorettes, DC; 4, Airport Elementary School, FSJ.

MK Finch awards, medallions - 1, Jill Duncan, sword dance; 2, Jill Duncan, highland fling; 3, Grade 3 Alwin Holland action songs; 4, highland dancing group, Taylor School, Brenda Mayer, Heather Logan, Sharon Kary; 5, Brenda Mayer, highland, Taylor.

Carlsonia Theatre Ltd awards, medallions - 1, The Alley Cat Dance, DC, Moreen Anderson, Melanie Whyte; 2, Minuet, FSJ, Bernice Ominayak, Christine Aalhus; 3, Cha Cha, DC, Elizabeth Whyte Dancers; 4, Can Can, DC, Elizabeth Whyte Dancers; 5, Charleston, DC, Moreen Anderson, Melanie Whyte.

Bob Whyte BC Ltd Dawson Creek awards, solo - Majorette medal, Moreen Anderson, DC; majorette trophies (couple), Moreen Anderson and Melanie Whyte; majorette medals (group), School of Baton, DC.

Anonymous trophy, folk (solo), - Melanie Whyte, DC

Poldi Seidl trophy, accordion, 1st in class, Bonnie Laakso. Braemer Construction trophy, 2nd in class, Tony Viola.

CC Brooks medallions, Shelley Morton, FSJ, Debbie Hipkiss, FSJ, Randy Jenkins, FSJ, Bruce Balden, FSJ.

Choirs - Fort Pharmacy shield, Central Elementary Grade 2, FSJ.

Lothar's Jewellers Ltd, Dawson Creek perpetual shield, tie, Dawson Creek Elementary, North Peace Senior Secondary.

Fort Pharmacy trophy, The Tones and Semi-Tones, DC.

Order of the Eastern Star Dawson Creek perpetual shield, St Luke's United Church, FSJ.

Fort Pharmacy trophy, Notre Dame School, DC.

Pacific Petroleum \$10 scholarship, Irvine Dean, rural school, DC.

Vocal - Fort Pharmacy trophy, Linda Patrick, DC.

Elaine Pitt perpetual trophy with medallion, Wayne McNiven, DC, Harry Wuthrich, FSJ.

Marilyn Smith bronze medals, Barbara Nedlund, DC, Darlene Amundsen, DC.

Fort Pharmacy medallion, Elaine Pitt, DC.

Medallion winners who have not received their medallions please phone Mrs D Weicker, 785-3767.

Speech Arts - BPOElks 289, DC, perpetual trophy, Central Elementary division 1, FSJ, Tremblay Elementary, DC (tied). Spoken Verse - Beta Sigma Phi trophy, Kathleen Ardill, Attachie School.

Peace River North Teachers' Association trophy, Joey Judge, Tremblay School, DC.

Spicer's Bakery Trophy, JoAnn Lewison, Tremblay School, DC.

Creative Writing - Beta Sigma Phi trophy, Ted Alexander, Tremblay School, DC.

Plains Western Gas \$15 scholarship, Robln Gunn, Tremblay School, DC.

Plains Western Gas \$10 Scholarship. Catherine Simmons.

Carlsonia Theatre Ltd, medallion - Mrs Merle M Box, Mrs S May White, Elaine Gregory.

Pianoforte - Fort St John Lions Club perpetual trophy, tie, Cheryl Lowther, DC, Robin Gunn, DC.

Natalie Kazakoff \$15 scholarship, Keith Hateld.

DN Weicker, Superintendent of Schools \$20 scholarship, Murray Syrnyk, DC.

George's Electric trophy, Cheryl Lowther, DC.

Fort Motor Company perpetual trophy with medallion, Theresa Mooney, North Pine.

Fort Pharmacy medallions, Linda Halverson and Laura Halverson, DC; Verlyn Foster and Rita Donn, FSJ.

Mr BR Leboe MP \$10 scholarship, Debbie Brown, FSJ.

Fort St John Rotary Club trophy, Bruce Ballantyne, DC.

Instrumental - Mills & Barton Co Ltd shield, Beaverlodge Community Band.

Fort Pharmacy shield, Alto recorder ensemble Alwin Holland School, FSJ.

# Next festival

Editor,  
Alaska Highway News  
Would you please include the following in your paper of June 8.  
The final meeting of the Festival Association will be held June 12, 8:30 p m in the Central School staff room. Election of officers will take place.

Fort St John next year.  
The following motion was passed concerning drama: If a Drama Co-ordinator can be found, the Peace River North Festival Association will sponsor a school and adult drama festival in the spring of 1968. This festival will not be associated with the BC Drama Association.

The Peace Country Arts Festival will be sponsored by the Dawson Creek Festival Committee in 1968. There will be no music, dancing, speech arts or creative writing in a festival in

Interested persons may contact Mrs RD Darnall, 785-2105 in the evenings.  
FSJ - MRS RD DARNALL  
Publicity, Peace River North Festival Association



SEATED ON THE RIGHT, Mrs Mildred Lambley, voted Woman Of The Year, by the local Business and Professional Women's Club receives the award from club president, Ruth Mitchell. The presentation was made Tuesday, October 24.

## 'Woman of the Year' is chosen

Mrs Mildred Lambley has been chosen Woman of the Year by the Business and Professional Women's Club in Fort St John.

To mark the occasion she was presented Tuesday evening with an engraved silver tray by club president, Miss Ruth Mitchell.

Mrs Lambley was introduced by Mrs Billie Friend who told of her many accomplishments in the musical field and womens' clubs.

Much outstanding work has been done by Mrs Lambley in the area of choirs and festivals. She helped to launch the music festival, taught the school choir and worked with the community choir. These choirs gave two concerts a year - one at Christmas and one again in the spring. The money raised was given to the Retarded Childrens' Association and bought the grand piano for the high school as well as an electric typewriter.

Mrs Lambley was active in the forming of the Local Coun-

cil of Women and is a past-president of the Fort St John Womens Institute.

Although Mrs Lambley has not been overly active for the past few years the effects of her work are still felt in the community.

Three new members were welcomed in the club by Joan Simpson, past president. They were: Mrs Dorothy Lamb, Mrs Ethel Thompson and Mrs Karen Sprague. Welcomed back were Mrs Vera Skoreyko and Mrs Jessie Pickell.

Also honored guests at the meeting Thursday evening were Mrs B Herron, past Woman of the Year and Mrs S Cranston whose daughter, Heather, won the student bursary.

As it was the club's fifth birthday, Mrs Esther MacKenzie regional organizer for the province, who inaugurated the Fort St John club was asked to speak and cut the birthday cake.

*Oct 25, 1967*

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# Festival planned for the Peace

The Peace Country Arts Festival will be held this year in Dawson Creek, May 1, 2, 3 and 4.

People interested in the festival are reminded the closing date for entries is March 15. The syllabus has been distributed in Fort St John by Mrs M Pettit and is available to anyone free of charge.

New and varied classes have been added again this year. The

following is a general list of classes for school children and adults: pianoforte, instrumental, woodwinds, strings, recorders, accordian, bagpipes, dancing, baton, musical drills, vocal solos, duets, trios, barbershop, family groups, show tunes, folk and traditional.

Creative writing classes including instruction in writing articles, plays, essays and poetry will be given as well as leadership classes for juniors and seniors. Speech arts and drama classes may obtain copies of spoken verse by writing Box 2000, Dawson Creek.

# Festival to fall?

Plans concerning the dubious future of the Peace River North Arts Festival are going to be thoroughly discussed at a meeting to be held in the staff room at the Central Elementry School on Monday, May 27, at 8:30 p m. In the past Fort St John and Dawson Creek have alternated each

year in hosting the festival.

All people interested in helping keep the festival going are invited to attend the meeting and if interested are asked to phone to

these numbers, 5-2208 or 5-2105 after 5 pm. The festival executive states the public must support the festival association or will fall flat on its face.