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The other day I got a call from Lido Bertoia. Lido was one of a number of people who were active in the formation of the Rossland Colts organization at the time the young Rossland team, under coach Bev Berry, was taking on all comers and winning a good share of the games. They made frequent trips below the border to take on teams as far away as Spokane.

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will be a lot shorter now and not all uphill as they once were. A lot more convenient for me and lots of people around for Mum's company.

The Retirees Curling Club is running the upper course now and we are getting good response from our members, a lot of them taking a turn on the job of collecting green fees. So far, the weather has been great but the old bugaboo of falling leaves is starting to make itself felt and as I write this the sky looks a lot more like a fall sky than it has for awhile.

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Well, we are finally settled in here at the Golden City Manor, in a really swell apartment. My treks over to the arena during the coming winter

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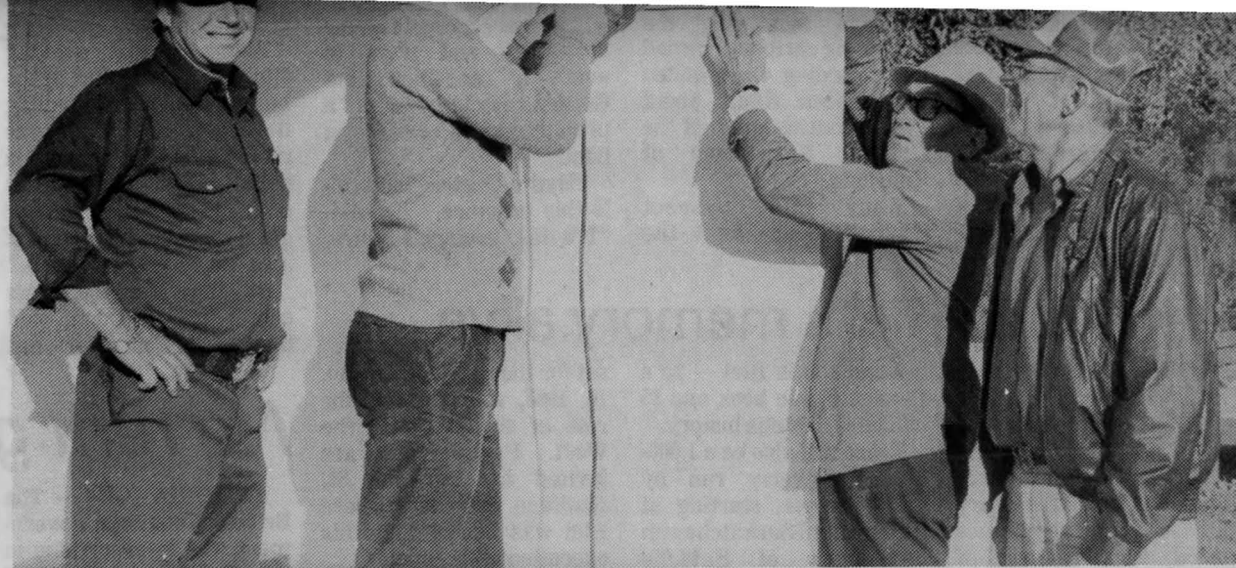
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Well, the Cubs went down to defeat and I thought one fan put it quite clearly when he said, "Well, we've waited for 39 years, why not go for 40."

And with that we'll say, till next time!



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