

Community

Dr. Peter Glynn accepts prestigious post

Dr. Peter Glynn, son of former high school teacher Jessie Glynn of Limehouse, has accepted the prestigious appointment of President and Chief Executive Officer of Kingston General Hospital.

Dr. Glynn, 45, left his position as the Assistant Deputy Minister for the Health Services and Promotion Branch of Health and Welfare Canada and assumed his new responsibilities Monday.



Dr. Peter Glynn

The position will make use of his extensive experience and education in health care which began when he first started school at a one room schoolhouse, after Jessie and her husband, the late John Glynn, moved to the area. The school, located at the corner of Hwy. 7 and Limehouse Road, no longer exists.

Mr. Glynn attended Georgetown District High School from 1956 to 1961. His activities back then included playing flute in the Georgetown Citizens Band; membership in the science club, library club, I.S.C.F. club, drama club, cadets and a position as staff photographer on the 'Challenge' in 1959-60.

During his time in high school, he was taught Latin by his mother for two years, which Mrs. Glynn remembers as a "great time." She recalls one night while she and her son were doing dishes, when he commented on how good the lesson she had taught the class that day was, indicating Mr. Glynn didn't mind his mother teaching him either.

After high school, he attended Royal Military College in Kingston for his Bachelor of Engineering Degree which was granted in 1965. It was in Kingston he met his wife, Arlene. The couple has two children; Jennifer, who's attending Guelph University; and Jeffrey, who graduated from high school in Ottawa as an Ontario Scholar.

Dr. Glynn became a student at the University of Waterloo studying chemical engineering and earning his master's degree in the subject in 1967. Dr. Glynn and his wife travelled to Germany where they spent the next two years in army bases while Dr. Glynn worked for the Canadian Armed Forces.

Once back in Canada, Dr. Glynn went back to the University of Waterloo and earned his Doctorate in chemical engineering. His other post secondary education courses include management and executive development courses through the Canadian Armed Forces, University of Saskatchewan and Ontario governments.

He also took a Health Care management course at Yale University School of Organization and Management.

After completing his education, Dr. Glynn worked closely with the Ontario Ministry of Health in the role of Health Services Education Co-ordinator with the Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities. He had various responsibilities with the Government of Saskatchewan including the position of Associate Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health which involved funding and program policy responsibility for 132

provincial schools, 134 nursing homes and 45 home care units. While with the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health, he was a member of the Board of Directors for three teaching hospitals and the Saskatchewan Cancer Foundation.

In 1984, Dr. Glynn became the Assistant Deputy Minister of Health Services and Promotion branch for Health and Welfare Canada. In that position, Dr. Glynn controlled a budget of seven million dollars covering numerous departmental programs. In particular, he administered Canada's hospital insurance and medicare contributions to the province. Moreover, he created and implemented national policy and programs for health promotion.

Concurrent with that position, Dr. Glynn was also the acting Assistant Deputy Minister of the Social Services Program Branch for approximately one year.

In his new position, Dr. Glynn

will be responsible for the management of hospital affairs and health care services in the Kingston community.

Outside his job, Dr. Glynn is a director and member of the planning and priorities committee of the National Cancer Institute of Canada and a director and member of the executive committee, Canada Safety Council.

He is also a member of the advisory committee of the Centre for Health Economics and Policy Analysis at McMaster University.

Being involved in organizations that reflect personal interests is something Dr. Glynn may have learned from his mother who is also actively involved in local groups. She is the advertising convener for Arts and Crafts of Georgetown and a member of Friends of the Library.

But most people know and recognize Mrs. Glynn from her years teaching at Georgetown High School from 1958 to 1970.

Ballinafad church meeting

By BETTY SOJKA
The Annual Meeting for the United Church will be held this Sunday, January 20th. The meeting will see administrators of the Church property voted in for the upcoming year.

The recent Women's Institute meeting on Wednesday, January 9th was held at the home of Mrs. Margaret Jamieson. Reggie Slessoraitis was the Conveynor for the meeting which program was on Citizenship. The roll call of "How we can teach our children to be good citizens" brought some very thoughtful answers.

Betty Kooperdraad gave the motto of "Peace cannot be kept by force only by understanding." It was uncanny how this motto was selected for the meeting's program last April, but has a significant meaning this month

with the Middle East troubles. Ada Kirkwood gave the current events. The business section including plans to hold some Euchres in homes again, as a means of fund raising. The ladies also spent a time analyzing and discussing the GST.

After just a short time, tickets for the Robbie Burns Supper on January 26th have been sold out. The success of past years has promoted this event so much that advertisement was not even necessary. Everyone fortunate to have secured a ticket is going to have a most enjoyable evening.

Reminders to folks that Aerobics starts this week at the Community Center. Call Alice Strachan at 833-7425 for more information. Tickets are also now on sale for the Jim Dandies Sweetheart's Dance on February 16th.

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