

Honoured At Graduation



Pictured above are the Powell Road School Graduates honoured at a recent banquet by the Home and School Association. Seated (left to right): Dyanne Snary, Bonnie Barnes, Lorraine Anstey, Jeanne McHoull, Marilyn Kantor, Freda Banas, Sharon Sturgess, Penelope Morse, Patricia Gazey, Marie Fuller, Lynn Flear.

Standing (left to right): Mrs. A. LeRiche, Frances Barrett, Kathryn Buchanan, Catherine Lennie, Barbara St. John, Roddy Leonard, David Royce, John Petick, David Davis, Martin Francis, Mr. R. Colvin, Principal.

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The Powell Road Home and School Association held its 10th Annual Graduation Presentation for the graduates of Grade 8, 1958-9, Friday evening, October 30, in the Parish Hall of St. Patrick's Anglican Church, Lillian Street.

Mrs. L. Young and Mrs. T. Bradbeer, assisted by the mothers of the present Grade 8 pupils, prepared a delightful roast beef dinner. Several young ladies from grades 7 and 8 waited on tables with quiet efficiency.

The evening commenced with the singing of the National Anthem. The Chairman, Mr. T. Bradbeer, introduced Mr. A. Lennie who proposed a toast to the Queen. Grace for the dinner was expressed by Rev. H. L. Newton.

After the enjoyable meal, Mr. E. Sand, Supervising Principal of the School Area, opened the presentation ceremony in place of Inspector M. Hallman who was unable to be present due to business commitments.

In offering his congratulations to the graduates, Mr. Sand repeated the oft-quoted words of Ralph Waldo Emerson, "To thine own self be true."

He also pointed out the importance of completing secondary school education. Mr. Sand mentioned the regretful number of young people who leave school in grades 9 and 10, regardless of their intelligence, due to the earning powers of today. He turned to the parents and requested

them to keep their young people in school as Canada needs educated men and women and it is their responsibility to see that their children receive this education.

Mr. R. Colvin, principal of Powell Road School expressed his best wishes to the graduates and proposed a toast to them.

This toast was very ably acknowledged by graduate David Royce who thanked the teachers for their guidance and patience in the past year.

The Rev. H. L. Newton stated that it is not the genius of the class who always succeeds but rather the average student who makes a niche for himself in business, law, medicine, etc. He told a little anecdote about a teacher who was testing some pupils in arrow shooting. He placed an imitation bird on the bough of a tree and asked the first pupil, "What do you see?" He said, "I see the tree, the field and the bird. When he shot, he missed. The second pupil was asked, 'What do you see?' He saw the bird, but when he shot, he missed. The third pupil when asked what he saw, said, 'I see the head of the bird.' His arrow hit the mark. The moral of this story is that if you want to get somewhere, weed out the unnecessary, set your sights on a goal, aim high and go.

The presentation of the School Citizenship award was received

by Miss Freda Banas, from Mr. S. Griffiths. This award remains in the school from year to year. Freda was then awarded a smaller replica of this award for herself. Freda was acclaimed the best all round student of the year.

Mr. Roy Bick, chairman of the School Board expressed his best wishes to the graduates, after which the other guests at the head table were presented. Among these were Miss P. Campbell, County Health Nurse, Mrs. R. Bick, Mrs. H. Newton, Mrs. Sand, Mrs. A. LeRiche.

Two of the teachers, Mrs. E. McIntosh and Mr. M. McRoberts, presented the graduates with souvenir programs of the evening and graduation pins.

The gift of a very useful barometer, was presented to Mr. Colvin by Roderic Leonard on behalf of the graduates.

The final note of thanks for an enjoyable dinner and the kind wishes expressed to the students was given by Mr. A. Kantor.

Approximately 85 students and parents were in attendance. Twenty of the twenty-four graduates were present.

The girls looked very lovely in their pretty party dresses and outnumbered the boys about 3 to 1. Everyone had a wonderful time and enjoyed the dance which was held after the floor was cleared of the dinner tables.

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Nominations November 16 For All Candidates Vaughan School Board

Representative trustees of the various school areas and school sections in the Township of Vaughan — which sections will be dissolved at the end of this year — to be replaced by a five-man school board for the whole township — have been meeting since August 5th, 1959.

At a meeting held in the Municipal Building at Maple on October 8, the following persons were in attendance: Public School In-

spectors Messrs. J. A. Gibson, (referee), Maynard Hallman and W. J. McLeod, Mr. H. A. Constable (Maple) Provisional Secretary, Mr. J. M. McDonald Clerk of Vaughan Township, Mr. C. A. Chevis, School Area No. 1 M-V, John Nesbitt, Carville, Wilbert Hadwen, Hope, Earl Boechner, Maple, Amos Baker, Concord, Roy Bowen, Bryson, William Kerr, Purpleville, Allan Prouse, Pine Grove, Gordon Williams, Lower Ninth, Mr. Burns, Elder Mills,

Mr. S. Redman, Pine Grove, Mr. J. Gilbert, Lower Ninth and Mr. Jones, Lower Ninth.

At this October meeting of the Provisional Committee, Mr. McDonald, Vaughan Township Clerk, advised that the Ontario Municipal Board declined to approve of the by-law passed by the Council of the Township of Vaughan "to establish Wards for council purposes and the re-division of the Wards for Public School purposes."

Following an interpretation of the Statutes by various officials, and inquiries into the implications respecting the establishment of Wards for council and school purposes — the members acknowledged, "that the School Board to serve the newly created School Area for the year 1960 would consist of five members elected at large by the ratepayers in the newly constituted School Area."

The Provisional Committee also requested the Council to "pursue further the establishing of Wards for council and school purposes and prior to submission of any proposed plan for the establishing of wards to the Provincial Authorities, approval be obtained from the Provisional Committee." Mr. C. A. Chevis moved the adoption of this motion which was seconded by Allan Prouse and carried.

On Monday, November 16th, 1959 the first Nomination Meeting for the 5-man Township of Vaughan School Area Board will be held in the Maple Community Hall from 7.30 to 8.30 p.m.

To date the following residents of the township have stated their willingness to serve on the new area school board for 1960: Warren Bailey, Concord, C. A. Chevis, Langstaff, Mrs. Jane Manning, Carville and Mrs. Mona Robertson and Herb Constable.

Elections (members elected at large) will be held on the following Monday, November 23, and the support of all members of home and school associations, community clubs, and parents in general in electing the right people for the gigantic task of reorganization which lies ahead, is earnestly needed so that the proper standards of education may be maintained (and even improved in many sections of the township).

BUTTONVILLE NEWS

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Neighbourhood Notes
Next week is a busy one for local women!

On Monday Buttonville W. I. members will meet at Buttonville Hill for a pot-luck luncheon and a business meeting to hear reports of the convention which is being held this week at the Royal York Hotel.

On Tuesday, Mrs. A. W. Miller is entertaining the Harmony Club (all ladies of Brown's Corners Church) at a pot-luck luncheon in her home. November 25th is the date set aside for the Harmony Club Christmas Bazaar, and the needles are flying in preparation.

Mr. and Mrs. James McQuay motored to Pembroke, Petawawa and North Bay for a brief vacation recently. While at Petawawa they visited the former Audrey Scott whose husband is stationed there.

Thornhill High School students are riding high at present — their team is tops in the football field. Fraser Craig is one of the stars.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Terry have sold their home and some of their lots, and are hoping to move to Michigan before long. The building erected on property they formerly owned which borders Don Mills Road is a real estate office.

Berta Storey is convalescing from a tonsillectomy performed at the Uxbridge Hospital on Friday of last week.

Miracle is the only word to describe Mrs. Ken Stots' reprieve from a serious accident on Thursday evening of last week. Mrs. Stots was struck by a south-bound car as she crossed Don Mills Road from Buttonville Hill to the Hooper home. Her shoe was thrown off and she was spun head over heels as the car struck her, but the only injury was a small cut above her ankle and a torn stocking.

Buttonville School Parents' Club Mrs. Carol Helfenstein taught a demonstration reading lesson assisted by six grade 1 children on Wednesday evening of last week when the Buttonville School

Parents' club met at the school for their November meeting.

Prior to the lesson the school principal, Mr. Howard Atkinson, warned the audience that hilarious situations might arise, but in that event everyone must keep perfectly quiet and controlled lest they upset the children.

The pupils in attendance were Johnny Yeates, Phillip Christian, Barry Holland, Linda Jones, Trina Leitch and Susan Venus.

That the procedure was of interest to the parents was attested to by their rapt attention.

At the close of the evening coffee was served and lights were out by 10.30.

Brown's Corners United Church Joins Sector Plan

At a congregational dinner held in Buttonville Hall on Thursday evening of last week, Brown's Corners churchmen announced their intention of becoming participants of the Sector Plan.

Hostesses of the evening were: Mrs. John Brown, Mrs. Jean Cook, Mrs. Walter Craig, Mrs. John Donaldson, Mrs. Alice Gardner, Mrs. Douglas Hood, Mrs. A. W. Miller, Mrs. H. R. Paterson, Mrs. Norman Reid, Mrs. Wm. Dick, Mrs. Milton Sherman, Mrs. Aubrey Stephenson, Mrs. Rae McTavish, Mrs. S. J. English, Mrs. Elgin Sherman, Mrs. Harold Steffler, Mrs. James McQuay, Mrs. John Storey and Mrs. F. Leaf.

Following a delicious dinner served by the Buttonville W. I. members Messrs. Norman Reid, Bob Hood, Hank Coleman, Bill Hood and Milton Sherman introduced the various phases of the church's proposed programme.

Mr. Binnington spoke briefly on the role Brown's Corners church has played in this community since early settlers first planned its inception in 1836.

For the children of the party there was a movie in the basement of the Hall, with Mrs. Bob Hood and Mr. Harold Wright in charge.

The men are now working on plans for the visitation to be carried out in the community on Sunday, November 15.

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