

KING CITY, OAK RIDGES LAKE WILCOX

"The Liberal" is always pleased to publish items of interest regarding people and events in the Oak Ridges-Lake Wilcox and King City districts. Our news correspondent in King City is Mrs. William J. Houston, telephone Temple 3-5457; and in Oak Ridges-Lake Wilcox, Mrs. Eleanor Charuk, Bayview Ave. North, phone PR. 3-8334.

King City Notes

Presbyterian Conference

Mrs. Howard Clegg and Mrs. Donald McCallum visited Leaside Presbyterian Church for the Central Committee conference of Evening Branch W.A.S. in East and West Toronto Presbyterials recently.

Mrs. Hugh McMillan gave first-hand information about mission work in Formosa, where she said there were 165,000 communicant Presbyterians, comparing favorably with Canada. She and her husband are retiring after spending years as missionaries.

Rummage Sale

While housewives are in the midst of spring housecleaning, local Girl Guides are asking them to keep in mind the rummage sale planned for May 18 and 19 at Oak Ridges.

Good used clothing, costume jewelry, shoes or any saleable household articles will be accepted by the mothers of Guides and Brownies.

Grass Fires

Nearly all the alarms these days are for grass fires that have quickly spread out of control in the strong winds.

Frequently King City fire brigade has two calls in an afternoon to fires just outside the village limits.

King Township City fire brig-

ade is seeking the co-operation of ratepayers in observing the by-law regarding lighting fires in open air.

"No person shall set a fire in the Township of King in the open air for burning grass or brush until he has first notified the constables and obtained a permit", the by-law states.

The ruling carries a fine up to \$50 for each conviction.

Euchre Party

Nine tables of euchre were played at the party sponsored by the Brigade Women's Association in the Fire Hall recreation room recently.

Mrs. Carson Bice and Archie McDonald retained the traveling gifts. Mrs. William Houston and Mr. George Robson won high score prizes, and consolation awards went to Miss Roberta Wilson and Brian Knight.

Willing Chauffeurs

It's a nice thought members of the Kingsmen Rod and Custom Club have for Easter Sunday.

The car enthusiasts have asked local ministers to supply names of those who need transportation to church Easter Sunday. The young drivers expect to escort a dozen parishioners to their churches.

The Kingsmen Club was formed nearly seven months ago by boys doing their best to keep their hot-rodding interest in good public standing.

"We spend a lot of time working on our cars", Rick Sankey told "The Liberal". We try to make them safe for the road and uphold the safety rules of driving. We're trying to make hot-rodding a good safe sport."

Garageman Ken McQuarrie

is loaning the boys the former B and A station on South Keele Street for a car wash service morning and afternoon.

All eight members are in their teens, with 15 the minimum limit. Allan McLean is president and Bill Roberts secretary-treasurer. Others who enjoy tinkering are Paul Smyth, Neil McLean, Ricky Sankey, Mike Royster, John Hird and Fred Shields.

This is one of the few village clubs which closes its membership to girls.

Speeding is out, the boys say, although they are looking forward to trying the quarter-mile drag strip at Cayuga, south of Hamilton.

Meet Candidates

King Township Electors' Association has arranged for the public to hear federal candidates in a panel discussion on April 30 at eight p.m. in All Saints' Anglican Church, King City.

C.A. Cathers, Conservative M.P.; John Addison, representing the Liberals, and Stanley Hall, the New Democratic Party, have accepted the invitation of the electors' group to discuss current issues in the forthcoming federal election.

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Oak Ridges & Lake Wilcox Socials

Brownie News

Last Thursday marked the final spring meeting of First Lake Wilcox Brownie Pack. There will be a two week vacation for Easter holidays, and meetings will resume May 3rd. During last week's meeting two Brownies were presented with proficiency badges. Lynda Ash and Sandra Charuk were both awarded their collectors badge and house orderly badge.

Enrolment ceremony recently

took place in First Oak Ridges

Under the direction of Brown Owl Mrs. Terry Whitehorn and Tawny Owls, Mrs. Mary Crittenden, and Mrs. Diane Meyer, nine new Brownies were welcomed into the pack. They were Mignonne Brouwers, Heather Cartner, Barbara Connor, Elizabeth Duncan, Dianne Hall, Susie Loch, Ruth McDowall, Debbie Whitehorn and Fay Gibson.

During the first weeks in May both Brownie packs, as well as the Girl Guide Company, will deliver Girl Guide cookies which were ordered last month.

Mothers' Auxiliary

The April meeting of the Cub, Scout, Brownie and Guide Mothers' Auxiliary, which was to have taken place April 9, has been cancelled. The next meeting will be May 17th at the home of Mrs. C. R. Smith.

One of the main topics will be the annual mother and daughter banquet for Brownies and Guides.

A spring garden party and bazaar is also being planned.

The ink was hardly dry on the Lake Wilcox copy submitted to "The Liberal" last week when the car parked on Lake Wilcox by Branch 570, Royal Canadian Legion, to mark the time of the official break-up, went for its dip. The official time that it went under was 5:20 p.m. April 6.

The winner was listed as L. Gledhill of 83 Seminole Avenue, Toronto. That guess, Gledhill will receive the keys to a 1962 Austin.

Legion members are presently conducting a hockey pool. The winner of the pool could be announced next week.

Cancer Society - Lake Wilcox Chapter of the Canadian Cancer Society met April 9th, at the home of Mrs. C. R. Smith, for an executive meeting.

Mrs. F. Bunn, campaign chairman, reported that the group was well on its way to reaching its objective for this year. "It is gratifying to know that the educational part of the campaign is also progressing", she said.

Hockey Season Over

Last Saturday marked the close of the 1961-62 hockey season, when all members of the Squirt and Atom teams of the Aurora House League gathered at the arena for the presentation of trophies and the crests.

A film of last year's Stanley Cup playoffs was a feature of the day.

Many Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox lads belonged to these teams and other divisions in the league. For the older teams, a banquet will take place next week at which time they will receive their trophies and crests.

Bob Wall of Bond Avenue, Oak Ridges and his team mates on the Hamilton Red Wings are giving the Toronto Saint Michael's boys a run for their money in their race for the Allan Cup.

Although I say the hockey season is over, you would never guess it by the scene in our backyard every evening after school. Johnny "Bower" Charuk, Brian "Glenn Hall" Horton, Kenneth "Keon" Davy, and Vaughan "Bobby Hull" Dobson, assisted by Blair "Kelly" Killick, 3 years old and Mark "Mahovlich" Charuk, 4 years old, have replaced the puck with a tennis ball, still carry on with their favorite sport. Anyone for baseball, say I?

Aurora Drama Workshop

The Spring production of the Aurora Drama Workshop's comedy, "George Washington Slept Here", was presented at the Dr. G. W. Williams Secondary School last week-end. Seen in the feminine lead was Joan Seager of Lake Wilcox, and in supporting roles her son, Jeremy and daughter Jade.

Members of the Aurora Drama Workshop, who attended all six plays at Hart House recently, wish to convey their sincere congratulations to their friendly rivals, the Richmond Hill Curtain Club on their triumph at the Ontario Drama Festival, and wish them continued success when they enter further competition in the National Drama Club.

Civil Defence

For the past seven weeks three Lake Wilcox ladies, Mrs. Matthew Sizer and Mrs. Stan Shaw and Mrs. Steven Charuk have been taking a civil defence first aid course.

In two more weeks they will try their examinations, given by a doctor.

They report that following this course on Civil Defence another will be started and will be held one evening a week for four weeks in June if enough interest is shown. However, of over thirty participants in the first aid course, only about six have signed for this follow-up. Instructors feel that this is not a sufficient number to warrant the classes and asked for more volunteers to take part. Registration is free and upon graduation you are obligated in no way. It is simply a course to educate the public on what to do in the event of a nuclear war.

Barents - Appleton Marriage

A recent wedding of Oak Ridges and Lake Wilcox interest took place at St. John's Anglican Church, Jefferson, when Mrs. Deane Petra Barents daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary A. Barents, Lake Wilcox, and Thomas Walter Appleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Appleton of Oak Ridges were married. Rev. D. C. H. Mitchell officiated and Mrs. F. Harnden was the organist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a floor-length gown of white satin, tulle and lace embroidered with seed pearls and rhinestones around the neck and waistline. Her fingertip veil cascaded from a crown of white roses and leaves and she carried a bouquet of red roses and white mums. Her attendant was her sister, Sophia Brunse who was gown-d in blue satin and carried a bouquet of pink roses and white

600 Present At Opening As New School Launched

Officially opening King City Composite School, W. R. Stewart, assistant superintendent of secondary education, termed the modern split-level building on King Sideroad "one of the most attractive new schools in the province."

He noted 740 pupils could be accommodated in the 15 ordinary classrooms, one art, one music room, a library, commercial classroom, three labs, two shops, one home economics and one clothing room, double gymnasium-auditorium and cafeteria.

When the proposed addition is completed there will be accommodation for a total of 1,050 pupils, Mr. Stewart explained. Costing an estimated \$890,920, the addition will contain four classrooms, a typewriting room, business machines room, lab., auto shop, electrical shop, machine shop, one carpentry mill work shop, one occupational training shop for boys, and alterations to two existing shops to provide occupational training for girls.

He said the addition had been approved for vocational grant purposes.

Mr. Stewart explained five and four-year programs would be available in each branch, as well as a two-year program for students leaving school early.

Promote Older Students

An innovation will be the occupational training course of one or two years for older pupils transferred to high school without passing elementary school. These students are usually around 15 years old, the speaker went on, and it was found preferable to have them in high school.

Each year Grade 8 pupils will be asked after Christmas to choose a branch, after a great deal of guidance by teachers, principals, parents and high school teachers, so that students will be well informed and prepared to choose," said Mr. Stewart.

He considered Grade 9 an "exploratory" year, with 80 per cent of the time spent on common subjects and 20 per cent in the specialized branch.

"The time for real decision will be at the end of Grade 9 and after further consultation, pupils will be free to change branches."

A special one-year course available to those completing four years and receiving a diploma will include commercial training, commercial art, home economics, and business training.

The new program places strong emphasis on business and technical education producing skilled workers for a society requiring them," Mr. Stewart said.

"This must not imply any corresponding decrease in emphasis on old, traditional education. The academic students still study the traditional subjects", he said.

"Commercial and technical students will spend 20 to 50 per cent of the time on practical subjects in the shop and the rest on academic subjects".

In presenting two flags to the new school, Norman Johnson, principal of Aurora and District High School, said they were "a physical symbol of our loyalties".

Accepting the flags, principal Bernard O'Brien replied, "We will try to uphold the traditions and prestige of Aurora High School and try to remember you gave us a good start".

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In his brief message Mr. O'Brien Principal, voiced appreciation to Dr. Urquhart and the board, to Dr. Williams and Mr. Johnson for initial planning resulting in this fine building."

Students Show Spirit

Mr. O'Brien said, "the school would be nothing without spirit and aims and from the first day, in the unfinished building, I felt students were enthusiastic and willing to do their best".

He praised the help of the student council and various clubs and committees.

Music Director N. J. Olynyk, B.A., directed the choir in "Bless This House", "Dry Bones", and the school song he composed.

Some 600 people attended the official opening and tour of the 25 teaching areas. Teachers were in the classrooms to meet visitors and students assisted with science and biology displays, shop work, home economics and sewing. Demonstrations on the trampoline and mats were set up in the gymnasium.

King City Lion's Club and Lake Marie and King Athletic Association, inviting them to nominate one person for the fire hall committee.

Trustee Sim reported the fire brigade had been called to three fires, a car fire at the town line and sixth concession, grass burning behind Heritage Park and at the Sacred Heart settlement.

Public Works Commissioner Robert Berwick said preliminary paper work was being done in connection with installation of new sidewalks.

When dog complaints were discussed briefly, the secretary reported the dog catcher comes regularly through the village on schedule and for specific calls.

Mr. Maurice Lee consulted trustees about extending the water main, which at present does not run the full length of Dew Street. No immediate solution was offered about financing the \$1,600 to \$1,800 waterworks addition.

Trustees agreed to co-operate and offered to contact by letter Mr. Lee's neighbours at the east end of Dew Street, who would be affected by the local improvement.

"You've approached previous trustees. We'll try to do the utmost in our power", Mr. O'Brien told Mr. Lee.

Following the regular meeting trustees discussed the long-since signed contract with a representative of International Water Supply Company.

The contract allows further test-drilling up to a \$3,000 limit in a concentrated area immediately south of the village. Successful drilling would result in the location of the third well to supply King City area.

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King City Village Trustees decided to check up on residents lighting outdoor fires illegally, when they met April 9 at the fire hall.

With the grass fire season already started, trustees pointed out permits should be obtained from the fire department or township office.

The fire permits are available free of charge and they place responsibility on those burning rubbish.

Little detracting from the main intersection was discussed and trustees authorized having a man tidy the downtown area twice before weekly garbage collections.

Chairman Robert O'Reilly said, "We are concerned with the vacancies arising month by month. Watson's plant is still vacant". Secretary-manager G. T. Thompson reported there had been two inquiries about village conditions and available labour force in connection with the building.

Mr. O'Reilly felt there were likely to be more business vacancies and trustees should do anything they could to alleviate the condition.

Trustee James Sim did not agree. "We are not a real estate firm. We are not goodwill ambassadors". He cited a prospective business man who was only interested in getting a lowered assessment, which Mr. Sim felt was no benefit to village taxes.

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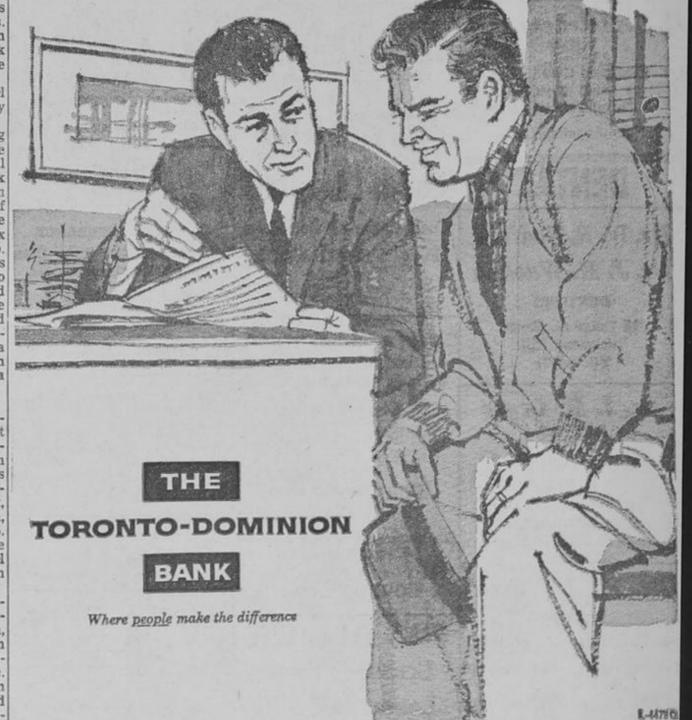
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