

LIFE IN THE HILL

Editor Margot Crack

During July and August, St. John's Baptist Church, Richmond Hill, will be meeting in Thornhill Baptist Church for the 11 a.m. morning service.

Friends of Mrs. Fred Hoover will be pleased to hear that she is now making steady progress and has been moved from Fairfax Hospital to the Hill Nursing Home, Dunn Loring, Va.

The United Church Women of St. Matthew's United Church wound up their season on Tuesday last, with a Pot Luck Supper held at the church.

In honour of their Silver Wedding anniversary on July 3rd, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kerslake will be holding a Garden Tea "rain or shine" from 7 to 11 p.m. at their home, 16 Knolls Drive. Friends and neighbours are all cordially invited.

The Couples' Club of St. Matthew's United Church are holding their June meeting in the form of a Barbecue Supper, tomorrow (Friday) at Bud and Betty Justice's home, 30 Rockport Crescent. Dessert will be served later at the home of Spence and Ruth Urquhart, 397 Alencourt.

Featuring the closing exercises of the Presbyterian Sunday School on June 24 was the presentation of a Bible to Mr. John Moorhead Sr., in appreciation of his services as teacher for the past thirteen years. Mr. Moorhead, an elder of the church, will continue as a teacher when the school reconvenes in September. Rev. J. N. Hepburn made the presentation.

A coincidence was that thirty-seven years ago in June, on his departure from Ireland, Mr. Moorhead had been presented with a Bible by the minister of the church he had attended there.

A large number of pins and bars for perfect attendance were also presented to boys and girls attending the Sabbath School and Miss Ruth Francis received a certificate for memorizing the Shorter Catechism.

The occasion marked the 151st anniversary of the Richmond Hill Presbyterian Sunday School.

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Mrs. Wm. Mirreles and family attended an Armstrong Family Re-union held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Craig, Stayner, Ontario.

Among the fifty members of the family present was Mrs. Mirreles' father, Mr. T. S. Armstrong, the sole representative of the original family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Tyler, from Bath, England, are at present enjoying a two month holiday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. C. Hughes, Balkan Rd.

Mr. Tyler, M.B.E. is the former Chief Public Health Inspector for that city.

The Presbyterian Young People held their last meeting before the summer holidays Sunday evening. A film on the 1952 24-hour race at Le Mans, France, was enjoyed and several items of business settled.

Miss Mary Dawson, who has helped with several programs during the year was presented with a silver maple leaf pin and earrings to wear on her trip to Great Britain.

Mrs. F. Davis, who always has such a warm interest in the welfare of all local citizens, has now discovered that it is time for all senior citizens to write in for free tickets to the Canadian National Exhibition or they may leave it too late and be disappointed.

It is very generous of the C.N.E. to "honor" senior citizens with free tickets but they naturally are too busy to send out tickets once August comes. J. M. Garrick, Queen Elizabeth Building, Exhibition Park, Toronto 2B, will be glad to hear from all senior citizens during July.

A most successful piano recital was presented last Friday at St. Mary's Anglican Church by the pupils of Estelle Markham A.R.C.T.

Seventy-five parents and friends were present to provide a most appreciative audience as the pupils presented an interesting display of their year's work including everything from little five year old beginners to a grade 10 student. Since the certificates had not been issued yet for the Royal Conservatory examinations, the six students who had tried these were given gifts as recognition of their hard work.

These were Marietta Evans, grade 1; Laura Flynn, grade 3; Marjorie Spencer, grade 4; Kathy Flynn, grade 5; Kathy Kennedy, grade 6; and Miss Zeta Milnes, grade 10. There was a tie between Kathy Kennedy and Douglas Charlton for a prize for selling the most tickets, which was broken by a musical quiz, won by Kathy Kennedy. Flowers decorating the recital hall were presented by three of Mrs. Markham's original students, Kathy and Laura Flynn and Kathy Kennedy.

After prize giving, Donna Percival, representing the rest of the class, presented Mrs. Markham with a bouquet and everyone dispersed for a well earned summer holiday.

After attendance at Mass, celebrated by Rev. Dr. Kokins, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. F. C. Robinson, a delicious luncheon was served to the graduates and their parents. The table was most attractively arranged, with the school colors of blue and gold predominating through the room.

Mrs. R. Dillon and Mrs. M. St. Louis poured, while the girls of grade seven assisted in serving.

Peter St. Louis, acting as chairman, then introduced Rev. Dr. Kokins, who addressed the guests, followed by three selections rendered by the choir girls of grades five and six, under the direction of Miss E. Wright.

Mrs. V. Hanna presented trophies to the winners of the C.W.L. oratorical contest, Beverly Dillon and Peter St. Louis. The C.W.L. scholarships were given to Gail Lynham and Gregory Hanna by Mrs. H. O'Toole, with special mention being made to Honor Students Patricia Belleavance, Beverly Dillon, Mary Parker, Cathy Wilson, Richard Watjka and Douglas Ingram, followed with the awarding of prizes donated by the school board by Mr. F. Shorter, vice-chairman of the separate school board, to Patricia Belleavance and Beverly Dillon.

Leaving on the B.O.A.C. Britannia, on Friday for a three week holiday in England and Scotland are Miss Mary Dawson, Mrs. R. Ryland, Mrs. P. Bracey Gibbon, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Smyth and their daughter Sharon.

Richmond Hill Post Office will observe the following holiday schedule on Monday, July 2: Box lobby will be open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. General delivery and registration wickets will be open from 8 to 10 a.m. No money orders will be issued, and there will be no letter carrier delivery. Mail from all street letter boxes will be collected at 11 p.m.

The Pleasantville Bridge Club spent an evening on the town last week - dinner in the Franz Josef Room of the Walker House Hotel, a performance of "Guys and Dolls" at the O'Keefe Centre, and a midnight snack at Fran's Restaurant.

Enjoying the congenial company, excellent food and first class entertainment were, Mrs. W. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. J. Major, Mrs. J. McEwen, Mrs. J. Dick, Mrs. R. Stevens, Mrs. R. Webb, Mrs. C. Walker, Mrs. M. Maxwell, Mrs. D. Beaumont, Mrs. G. Rice and Mrs. D. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Thomson were entertained by Colonel John Craig and Mrs. Craig at the National Club, Toronto, prior to accompanying them to the 100th Anniversary Ball of the Royal Regiment, held last Friday in the Canadian Room at the Royal York Hotel. It was attended by the Colonel-in-chief, the Princess Royal.

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Miss Sandy Phillips held a miscellaneous shower at her home Monday evening for Miss Audrey Beatty in honour of her forthcoming marriage to Kurt Jeppson.

Many of Audrey's former classmates and friends were present to help surprise her and make the evening successful.

Robt. Lewis, seventeen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis, Pugsley Avenue, a graduate of Richmond Hill High School, has successfully completed his first year in the Arts course at Victoria College, University of Toronto.

On graduating, Bob hopes to enter the teaching profession.

Dr. Helen Hogg, received an Honorary Degree, Dr. of Science from the University of Waterloo. Her son, David E. Hogg received his Ph. D. in Astronomy from the University of Toronto. He is on staff of the National Radio and Astronomy Observatory, Greenbank West Virginia.

David is a graduate of Richmond Hill High School.

The annual Sunday School picnic of St. Mary's Anglican Church gave way this year to a parish picnic at the Albion Hills Conservation Area last Saturday afternoon. A record number of parents and children turned up to enjoy the day.

The children of the Orange Home were included in the family parties at the picnic and this added immeasurably to the enjoyment of the occasion. Arrangements were under the direction of Bill Lennox and a committee including Don Ross, Don Fettes, Jim Fletcher, and Lois and Bill Nidrie. Swimming and the usual races were enjoyed by both parents and children.

The patients at the Villa Private Hospital were treated to a fine evening entertainment last Thursday, by pupils of Mrs. Sylvia Carson and Miss Ruth Garson. Since they had enjoyed a show put on last year so much, they had requested another one again this year. Those performing were: Brenda Bradshaw, Brian Toogood, Susan Kirkpatrick, Vicki Scott, Meredith Scott, Shelley Scott, Robin Lindsay, Mary Anne Derrick, Lesley Nichols, Paul Borcham, Cindy Copp, Sandra Bry, Cheryl Matthews, as well as Cindy Manners, Laura Ivens from Toronto; and Dawn James, Tove Fyombo, and Julie McBrien from the Maple studio. Pianist Robert Freeman, Dayle Wagner, Geraldine Bruce and singers Judith Dodson and Debbie Goodier also appeared. The show ended with a group singing and dancing "That's Entertainment"; after which a word of thanks to the performers and Mrs. Garson and Miss Garson was extended on behalf of the patients. Refreshments were then served, and it seemed that not only had the patients enjoyed the performance, but the performers had such a good time themselves.

A garden tea was held last week at the home of Mrs. R. L. Carter, Cartier Crescent. In the garden, decorated in Japanese style, complete with gay umbrellas, thirty guests while enjoying a very pleasant afternoon were also busy making prizes for a fish pond, one of the many attractions being organized for a bazaar, to be held in October, sponsored by the C.W.L. of Our Lady Queen of the World. Pouring tea were Mrs. J. Daley and Mrs. Oude Remrick.

All monies raised through this event are for the new church building fund.

Families of St. Mary's Anglican Church are encouraged to attend church during the summer months together. The ten o'clock service is specially geared for this with a Junior congregation provided during the sermon period. The care of tiny tots is also provided during the 10 a.m. service. The evening service continues during the summer at 7 p.m.

Last Saturday St. Gabriel's Anglican Church held their annual church picnic. The very successful event took place at the Maples Park near Uxbridge, where over 300 were in attendance. Highlights of the day were two fully costumed fun provoking clowns who thrilled the youngsters with their antics, and the youngsters in turn, under the leadership of Mrs. A. Price, delighted all the picknickers with several songs including singing grace before supper. Races were run, pop and potato chips consumed, and quantities of candy disappeared. Facilities of the park, which includes swimming, pony rides and horseback riding were enjoyed by all.

A vote of thanks to the picnic committee for a job well done.

Members' Moments were done by President D. Featherstonhaugh, Wendy Thatcher, Marilyn Louw and Cecily Thomson. The very popular Gallagher and Sheen skit done by Margot Crack and Beth Jones was a great success, but ended on a tearful note inasmuch as Mrs. Beth Jones is returning to England next week to join her husband. In appreciation of her contribution to the club, she was presented with an oil painting of spring flowers, painted by Ann Featherstonhaugh.

Special invited guests were Mr. K. Levinson, president of CODL and Donn McCarthy of D. Albert Brown.

"Briarwood", the picturesque farm of the Dean Hughes in Unionville was the lovely setting for the Curtain Club's annual picnic.

Nearly one hundred members and guests enjoyed a delicious buffet supper on the grassy slopes of a stream. Entertainment expertly lighted on the green ramp up to the old barn was the outdoor stage. Skits on Curtain Club activities were hilariously received; one on an executive meeting with clever characterizations of certain strong individuals, thinly veiled! Then the Don't Listen Ladies enacted as a bedroom farce recalled all the innuendoes of the festival entry which went to Winnipeg.

The Senior Choir of Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church recently held their final practice of the season. The choir, under the direction of the organist, Mrs. Vera Diamond and the social convener, Mrs. Margaret Lemon, entertained the husbands and wives of the members, along with the Music Praise Committee.

The beautiful summer evening was spent mostly by chatting and games, after which everyone joined in a delicious barbecue, prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Diamond. The occasion was also marked by the retirement of Magistrate J. Butler from the choir.

Mrs. Esther Bork, president, introduced Mr. Wes Middleton, who paid inspiring tribute to Mr. Butler, as he presented a gift on behalf of the choir. Rev. J. N. Hepburn had words of praise for Mr. Butler - not only as a former choir member but as a very able speaker in the pulpit during the summer holidays.

"A lot of hard work and patience is required on the part of the director of any choir," said Mr. Butler, also stating that "Mrs. Diamond deserves a lot of credit for her efforts and time."

Mr. Bill Mirreles gave a vote of thanks to the ladies, and Dr. A. Broad expressed his appreciation on behalf of the Praise Committee for a very enjoyable evening.



The class of young people confirmed Pentecost, June 10, by St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Richmond Hill, are seen above with Pastor Albert Myers. Front row (left to right) Pirjo Forsstrom, Allen Miller and Eddie Miller. Back row (same order) Kenneth Miller, Wayne Mezo, Ulla Forsstrom, Jerry Dumais, Jane Mezo, Pastor Myers, Nancy Nyman, Ursela Solich, Gunnar Forsstrom, and Charles Nordgren. (Photo by George Chaplin)

Mary Monks left this week for Jackson's Point, where she will be appearing in the Red Barn's opening production of "Breath of Spring" commencing July 2nd.

Friends of Mrs. Alma Bettridge will be pleased to hear that she has returned home from Newmarket Hospital and is progressing favourably.

The annual Sunday School and congregational picnic of the Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church will be held Saturday, June 30, at Boyd Conservation Park. A bus will leave the town park at 1 p.m. Honored guests at the picnic will be a number of patients from the Villa Hospital.

Mrs. Erika Kusnicki of Alsaice Road, played hostess to the Women of St. Paul's Lutheran Church when they held their June meeting at her home. Following devotions a short skit was presented which pointed out that although we sometimes find ourselves being pushed into church programs, the results are usually very rewarding.

Plans for an outdoor service and congregational picnic to be held in July were formulated. Items needed by Edgewood Lutheran Camp were donated by each lady, and thank-offering banks, entire contents of which will be forwarded to missions, were presented.

The meeting adjourned until September and refreshments were served.

At a special Vestry Meeting, Monday night members of St. Mary's Anglican Church voted to take certain steps toward the ultimate goal of a new and more adequate church.

The planning and development committee under the chairmanship of Mr. D. M. Langton presented certain recommendations for the consideration of the wardens and congregation. Of these, three steps are to be taken in the near future. It was agreed the present rectory must be removed to make way for the new church. The meeting voted to empower the wardens to secure a suitable site and make plans to construct a new rectory on it. The parish architects of Bruce Brown and Brisley also will be asked to proceed with preliminary plans of a proposed church to be built immediately south of the present one. These plans will be the product of the thinking of several committees which have been at work seeking the requirements of the parish.

It is hoped that these preliminary plans could be presented at the annual vestry meeting in January for consideration and study by the congregation as a whole.

Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Campbell of King City announce the engagement of their daughter, Kay Noren, to Mr. John Arthur Brooks, son of Mrs. Albert Scott, Vandonr and the late James H. Brooks, Aurora. The wedding will take place on Saturday, July 21st at 3:30 o'clock at King United Church. *1w52

The two United Churches of Richmond Hill will co-operate again this year for summer services.

The two ministers and boards of session in the town's United Churches will co-operate to provide a continuous ministry throughout the holiday period again this summer. For the five years since St. Matthew's received their full time minister the arrangement has continued. Rev. Charles Higginson will be on vacation in July, and Rev. William Patterson will conduct services in both churches during the month. The service of worship will be in St. Matthew's at 10 a.m. and in Richmond Hill United at 11:15. Mr. Patterson will also take care of the pastoral needs of both congregations for the period.

The same arrangement will continue through August, and September 2, with Mr. Higginson on duty for the month. For pastoral service please feel free to phone your minister at any time.

At St. Matthew's on September 9, the services will revert to 11 a.m.

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