

# Maple, Concord and Edgeley District News

"The Liberal" is always willing to publish items regarding people and events contributed by its readers in Maple, Concord and Edgeley districts. Our representative in Maple is Mrs. Len Shore ALpine 7-1037; in Edgeley and Sherwood, Mrs. Raymond Stuart, AV. 5-1934; and in Concord, Mrs. Ruth Keffer, 285-6805.

## The Week's Happenings In Maple

Not too long ago it was folk from the "fringe" area that would call up and comment on "Maple Notes". It's interesting (and very nice) to note that lately I've had more local calls than ever before and they've even gone so far as to chide themselves for neglecting to tell me about some of their own news! We might get a newer, more varied and all round hodge podge of community and family doings, to interest a greater majority, if these same people just follow through to keep our local columns up to date on birthdays, holidays, celebrations, and just the general interesting happenings.

When you or yours, or even a neighbour, celebrates or travels, etc., pick up the phone and call our new number for local news—257-1037.

**Postscript**  
In mentioning phone calls, I'd like to thank the 11 people who took time to phone about the "traffic hazard" item of last week and those who stopped me on the street to comment. Indeed, there seems to be other sections in Maple where the motorist has the same problem of young children taking over the public roadway and parents blissfully letting them go unchecked.

The main feeling is the concern felt for a fellow motorist who may be unable to take to the ditch, swerve or stop in time and thus, though not his fault, may injure a child. If and when this should happen, it's most difficult to remove the remorse and false guilt the driver of such a car naturally assumes, more so because it's a small child who has been the victim.

Let's do something constructive before an accident happens rather than because it did happen.

**M.M.H.A.**  
Last Saturday, 105 eager aspirants to the Hockey Hall of Fame (or at least a chance to play at Schomberg Arena) lined up to register at the Maple Community Hall.

Boys within the age groups of August 1, 1947, and August 1, 1955, attending George Bailey and Patterson Public Schools and Maple students attending the area high schools, snowed-keen interest in the hoped-for forming of the O.M.H.A.

President Dalton McArthur, his executives and directors, have put much thought and preparation into finalizing arrangements for Maple's second year of organized hockey.

Vice-president Bob McIntyre informed us he was elected to see that "Maple Notes" got all the news and scores so that interest, enthusiasm and support among the fans would be kept at a high pitch all season.

Here is at least one group who kept right up to date re their games and activities all through their entire season last year. Larry Stevenson was right there with names of teams, players, and their scores last year.

Now with a chairman appointed for publicity, let's hope he will break the jinx we've had trying to eke out other sports news.

Bob McIntyre reported although there were 105 registered, some of the active ones of last year didn't show up and there were several new ones not associated before with this league, so they are holding registration again on October 5, at the community hall, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. If you missed out last week, here's your chance.

With the response so far in the 14-16 age group, it's hoped a league may be formed for them now and in time have an all-star O.M.H.A. league to play other such teams throughout Vaughan Township.

Could be not too far off! Look what happened in last year's short season!

Coaches and referees were being signed up as well.

**Good News**  
Youngsters attending George Bailey Public School, especially last year's grade 7 pupils now in grade 8, have found occasion for smiles and happiness even at school!

Reason for such good feeling is that their teacher, Mr. Merrill McPhail, is now out of hospital.

He had been taken back to the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay, from Toronto General, and is now home with his parents, Rev. A. G. McPhail and Mrs. McPhail, of Lindsay.

His wife, Donna, is still in Lindsay hospital but progressing favourably.

The class of grade 8 took time out at school to each write a letter to Mr. McPhail, to say hello and wish him a speedy recovery and a not-too-distant return to George Bailey.

**Maple Brownies**  
The first meeting this fall of the 1st Maple Brownies will be held in the downstairs room of the George Bailey School, Oct. 7 at 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Any girl between the ages of 8-11 interested in joining Brownies can get her application from Mrs. Sheila Ansell, 257-1328.

This group meets each Thursday at this time, same place, with Brown Owl Mrs. Shirley Lobraico earnestly looking for leaders to help out as the group grows. If you are interested in this worthwhile work with girls, or have had experience, please call the Brown Owl at 257-1525.

**Sixteenth Birthday**  
The 16th all-important birthday was celebrated by Eric Weir on September 25. Congratulations.

**Auxiliary Elects Executive**  
The 1st Maple Boy Scout Ladies' Auxiliary's fall meeting was held in the community hall, September 25, and chaired by the president, Berit Plunkett.

Following a business meeting and arrangements to cater to a district banquet in the hall at the end of October, the slate of officers was presented to the members by Dot Moore.

Using the official suggested ceremony for the installation of officers, Past President Toby Shore installed the 1963-64 executive as follows:  
Past-President Berit Plunkett

## Concord Station Makes Way For Hwy. 7 Progress

A familiar landmark, Jones Service Station at Highway 7 and Keele Street will soon give way to the widened road.

Built by Thomas Keffer in the 1920's, the station was operated by his son Joseph until 1947 when Charlie Jones became the owner.

The service garage was added during the time Mr. Keffer operated the station.

A dance hall was operated on the premises until the early 1930's when because of several thefts the Keffers converted the hall into living premises.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones with son Billy are moving to a new Willowdale Avenue home where "a bus goes right by the door".

Concord residents bid farewell to a family and a business and wished them success in new endeavors.

## Whitmore Family At Edgeley Post Office From 1886

A large crowd recently attended the late L. A. Whitmore sale of glassware and furniture. All items, especially the antiques, sold briskly and although the sale commenced at 12:30 p.m., auctioneer and bidders were still hard at work long after dark.

The building, which housed Edgeley Post Office and General Store and living quarters for the Whitmore family is to be removed to make way for the widening of Highway 7.

The post office was opened in 1862 with John Barnes as the first postmaster (1862-1874); Joe Smith, postmaster 1874-1879; Jake Shunk 1879-1884, Abe Winger 1884-1886.

From 1886 to 1904, Lafayette Whitmore served as postmaster. His son, L. A. Whitmore became postmaster in 1904 and served in that capacity until his death in 1958.

Through many years his daughter, Miss Ella Whitmore assisted her father in the post office and general store, and on her death in 1960, the post office was closed and the patrons then commenced receiving and sending their mail in postal boxes at the Edgeley corner.

## AURORA: Aurora Firemen's Annual Soapbox Derby will be held October 5 at 1:30 p.m. The age is limited to children 15 years and under.

## Hold First Stuart Family Re-union

Mr. and Mrs. John Stuart were the hosts for the first re-union of the Stuart family September 21.

Mrs. R. B. Stuart of Elgin Mills arranged the reunion which was attended by 16 of the 20 members in three generations of the family of the late Alfred and Elizabeth Stuart of Edgeley.

## Display Old Coins At Edgeley W.I.

Mrs. Allen Aitchison, convener of Edgeley Women's Institute Historical Research and Current Events Committee, is planning a program on "Old Coins" for the October 3 meeting of the institute.

Members are asked to bring their old coins for display at the meeting which will be held at Mrs. Roy Keffer's home in Thornhill.

Mrs. James Spencer and Mrs. Keffer are the social committee.

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## Hockey Registration

If the number of boys registering last Saturday for the Maple Minor Hockey Association is any indication of the love of the sport, the Toronto Maple Leafs will never fall short of recruits when these lads are eligible. Shown above are Gordie Morris, Dale and Vernon Bone, Darcy Shank, Vincent Cudia, Stephen Morris and Bruce Prentice. Registering them for the coming season are Norman Russell and Reg Thacker. Another session for registering will be held Saturday at the community centre.

## Concord Socials

**Brownie Notes**  
On September 18 sixers and seconds received their stripes. New sixers are Marsha McClymont, Paula Sanders, Robin Clark, Robin Taylor, while those receiving seconds stripes were Sherry Barrett, Ann Hansen, Susan Hallawell, Elizabeth D'Eath. There are 29 girls in the pack, including 10 "teenies," and the leaders are looking toward a successful year.

Following, in all its originality, is an account of the Brownies' recent hike and cook-out.

On September 25, Brownies, tweens and leaders hiked from Concord School to Wilf Bowes' farm at Dufferin Street and the Langstaff Sideroad.

The weather was perfect. Tawny Owl Doris Sherman and Golden Ladder Brownies led the way with Packie Jean Gilbert and Golden Hand Brownies following Brown Owl Audrey Baron and tweens tried to keep up, but did lag a little behind. (Why rush anyway?)

On arriving at the farm, the group climbed gratefully and wearily onto a hay wagon for a delightful ride through the fields, courtesy of Mr. Bowes on the tractor. Many interesting things were seen: one special delight was watching a beautiful frisky palomino mare being expertly exercised by an equally beautiful horsewoman.

The palomino's romp in the field was followed, almost shadow-like, by her delightful, zesty colt.

During the hay ride, two cooks, Tori McClymont and Marion Bateman were slaving over a smoky barbecue and a reluctant camp stove preparing supper for the hungry group.

The girls served by their leaders, sat on the wagon to enjoy a meal of corn on the cob, hamburgers, chocolate doughnuts, cherry tarts and milk.

After the meal, the girls played games while waiting their turn to ride a very patient pony led by an equally patient and willing ex-Brownie (sorry I can't say Guide) Gloria Bowes. Gloria is one of the disappointed Brownies who "flew up" to a now non-existent Guide company. We have the girls, the interest, a meeting place, lacking only a couple of interested women to train as leaders. Anyone interested?

Back to the hike — Everyone, cooks and leaders in particular, went home full, tired and happy.

Many thanks to Tori and Marion for their culinary delights, and to all the Bowes family, not only for the use of their lovely farm, but especially for the time they took from daily chores to make our hike and cook-out a real success.

**Socials**  
Birthday greetings to Heather Keffer, whose eighth birthday was October 1, and happy anniversary to her parents whose ninth anniversary was October 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Drew held open house on Saturday for Mrs. Drew's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wilkins who returned to England on Sunday after a three month visit. A complete surprise to the Wilkins, Mrs. Drew had a three-tiered wedding cake in honour of her parents' 40th wedding anniversary which will take place in January.

About 40 friends and neighbours signed the guest book. A feature of the afternoon was the showing of a film which the Drews had taken on visits to Pioneer Village, Niagara Falls, Humber Trails and other spots.

This film was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, so that they could take their Canadian memories back to share with their family in Wiltshire.

**Post Office Changes Hands**  
The end of September was also the end of an era in our postal service. Mrs. Lapping, who has operated Concord P.O. for over 30 years, has been forced to move because of the new highway. Mr. Lorne Madill will have the post office in his store on the south side of Highway 7 east of Dufferin Street.

**School News**  
The graduation banquet will be held on October 23 at the Maple United Church Christian Education building. For further details, contact Mrs. Ann Witte.

**Vandalism In Gardens**  
People in the Dufferin-Highway 7 area have been plagued by a group of small unsupervised boys whose chief aim in life seems to be to wilfully destroy property. Whole gardens and fruit trees, into which people have poured considerable time and money have been wrecked by these unfortunate souls who do not seem to know any better.

One man was growing pumpkins for church harvest festivals; these were smashed.

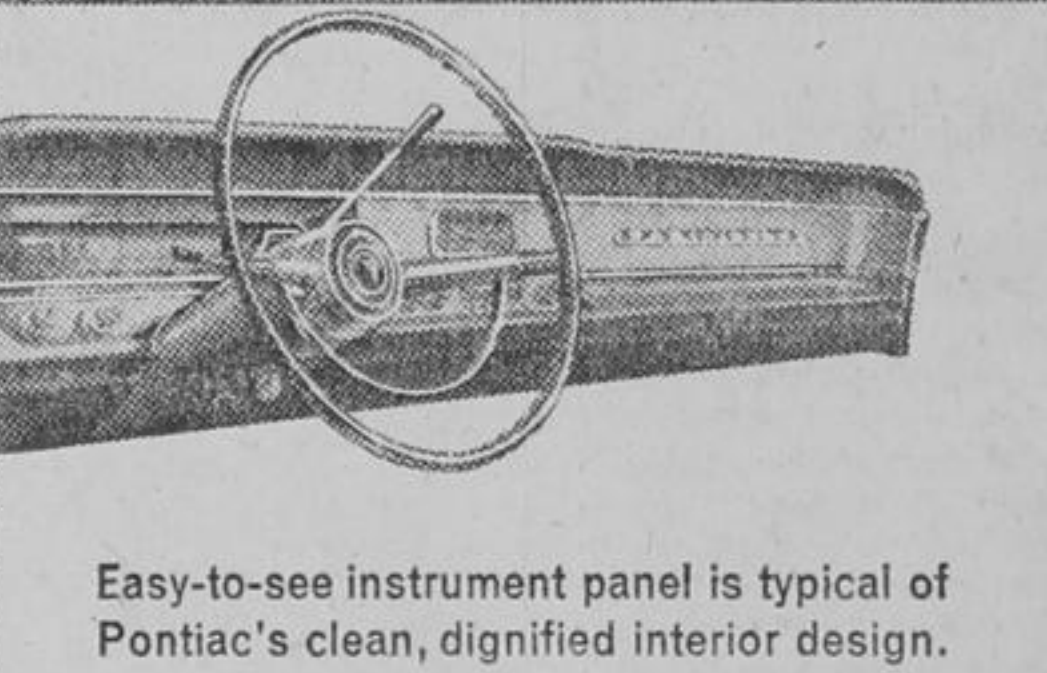
Another avid horticulturalist had prize squash and other vegetables ruined, and an apricot and pear tree stripped of fruit.

Possibly the police warning will suffice to convince these energetic kiddies to turn their talents elsewhere. This is not just a boyish prank; it's sheer vandalism and wanton destruction.

## Birth Party

Many happy returns of the day to Louis Kovacs on the occasion of his seventh birthday. Those who helped to make it a happy event were his playmates Digby Bourke, Allen and Patty Outram, David Lange, Teddy Allen, Jennifer Bird and Michael Fitzgibbons. The afternoon was enjoyed by all when they attended the Diamond T rodeo at Malton and on their return enjoyed refreshments.

## STOUFFVILLE: Persons wishing to contact municipal employees or Pickering Township officials during the after-hours periods at the Brougham Chambers are reminded to dial through the Dunbarton exchange 830-1137. A new switchboard system has been installed at the Brougham office and one line is left open to receive night calls but all others are shut down.



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## CARRVILLE NEWS

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**Communion Sunday**  
World wide Communion Sunday will be held on October 6, 1963. Service begins at 9:45 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend and to participate.

Carrville Church congregation was proud and happy to have in the pulpit last Sunday Mr. Jim Bushell. Jim related to us some of his experiences this summer after serving in a small mission field in Mystery Lake, Alberta. Jim up until he began his studies at Queen's University was the organist of Carrville United Church. This post has been taken over by his sister Miss Beverley Bushell and I might add is doing a wonderful job.

Mr. Frank Millman, grandfather of Jim and Bev Bushell visited with the Bushells on Sunday and was present at the service to hear Jim speak.

**Baptism**  
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Washington had their little son baptised Kevin Washington on Sunday.

**STOUFFVILLE:** The 221 pupils of the Ballantyne Public School in Whitchurch Township have been warned of the dangers of five bags of poisoned rat pellets removed on Sunday from the barn of Charles Montgomery, near Muselman's Lake.

day September 29.

**Birthday Tea**  
On September 27, Mrs. John Baker surprised her mother, Mrs. H. Ness with a lovely birthday tea. A very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by Mrs. Donald Smith, Mrs. A. MacKay, Mrs. Ken Baker and baby Connie, Mrs. Adam Read, Mrs. Gordon Read, Ronnie and Peter.

Mrs. Ness was also feted with lots of birthday wishes on Thursday evening of last week when all her grandchildren and their families enjoyed a birthday supper with her.

Happy anniversary greetings a bit belated go to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Winger who celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary on September 26.

Happy birthday to John Walker, Daniel Sellen on October 2, to Denise Middleton and Mrs. Doreen Middleton on October 3 and 4 and to Marnie Nesbitt on October 6.

Friends and neighbours of Mrs. Hayter are sorry to hear that she took quite ill and is in St. Michael's Hospital. We all hope for a quick recovery, and hope to hear that she is home again soon. How about dropping her a card to let her know we are thinking about her.