

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. Lillian Acheson, Wildwood Ave., PR. 3-5479.

Community Notes From King City

In its double role of school and community social centre, Kinghorn Public School was the scene of a pre-Christmas celebration arranged by teachers.

Principal Evelyn Courtney and John Arnott were assisted by parents in arranging the fun-packed program.

The school's music supervisor, G. Rigler led the carol singing to the piano accompaniment of Miss Helen Hunter.

The junior class sang, "Angels Cry In Bethlehem," "Bethlehem City," and "Bring A Torch, Jeanette Isabella." The senior grades contributed, "Why Do Bells For Christmas Ring," "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," and "Ding Dong, Merrily On High."

Glen Weis played piano selections, "Twas The Night Before Christmas," and "Let It Snow, Let It Snow."

A group of seniors, Jane Curran, Summer Jackson, Andrea Schmidt, Donnie Flucker, Ches-

GUIDE AND BROWNIE NOTES



6th GIRL GUIDE COMPANY
Totally unexpected—a real innovation highlighted the Christmas party held by the 6th Girl Guide Company of Richmond Hill East—on December 20.

As a gag—which went over well—two senior Guides, Cheryl Edwards and Joyce Stitt, dressed up as Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and presented the exchange gifts.

Under the direction of Captain Mrs. G. Rimmer, Lieutenant Jan Milligan and Provincial cadet Charlene Rayson a variety of games were engaged in, which was followed by carol singing and dancing.

An excellent supper—comprising hot chocolate, freshies, sandwiches, cookies and cake—was enjoyed by the 32 present.

This party to be remembered was held at the home of Mrs. G. Cobb, sister of Lieutenant Milligan, and was appropriately decorated in Guide colours of brown and gold for this event.

4th GIRL GUIDE COMPANY
9th BROWNIE PACK

The 4th Girl Guide Company of Richmond Hill East and the 9th Brownie Pack had a lively night when a combined fly-up and enrollment meeting was held in Beverley Acres School.

Bonny Brinkles, a Golden Hand Brownie was presented with her wings by Brown Owl Mrs. M. George.

Brownies Heather Barker, Heather Martin and Peggy Dunford walked up to Guiding—assisted by a "big wind" blown by the Brownies. The four recruits—Carol Plummer, Linda Snow, Brenda Robinson and Gail Alder—were then enrolled into the "Great Sisterhood of Guiding" by Captain Mrs. B. O'Rourke.

Pam Arsenault, Judy Davies, Kathy Kew and Diane Mowat were presented with their 2nd class badges, which are of the new design and first to be presented in this area.

Kathy Kew also received her child care and first-aid badge. Service stars—equaling 18 years in Guiding—were presented to other members of the company.

Pat Palmer, Pam Arsenault and Kathy Kew were the three hostesses for the evening. The leaders were very encouraged at the record turnout of mothers (also fathers), grandmothers and relatives for this combined event.

12th BROWNIE PACK

Enrollment of eight Brownies featured the December 10 meeting of the 12th Brownie

Pack, held in Our Lady Help of Christians School.

This brings the total to 33 members, under the leadership of Brown Owl Mrs. E. Poulin, Tawny Owl Mrs. Rita Beland, Snowy Owl Mrs. Ethel Riley.

The meeting of December 17 was highlighted by the exchange of gifts, games and songs. The Christmas party planned for December 30 will be a "first" — somewhat of a novelty — and will take the form of a bowling party at the A.B.C. Bowling Lanes, to be followed with refreshments at the home of Mrs. Beland.

1st YORK CENTRAL RANGERS

Fifteen members of the 1st York Central Ranger Company enjoyed their first social event on December 13, when Rangers and Rovers of the area met in the Scouts Hall, Newmarket for an evening of entertainment and dancing.

This event was by invitation of the Newmarket Ranger Company—who also staged a farewell party for their Captain, Mrs. Harrison, who is moving to the Pacific Coast.

Having been actively collecting toys and food for the past month, the 1st York Rangers packed these into parcels at the Legion Hall, Richvale on December 21 for distribution to 12 needy families.

13th BROWNIE PACK

The regular meeting on December 18 of the 13th Brownie Pack of Richmond Hill East also included an enrollment ceremony followed by the 13th annual Christmas party.

Cathy Reid, Marion Hester and Debbie Lumsden were the three Brownies enrolled by Brown Owl Mrs. Josie Fleming, with Tawny Owl Mrs. Vera Smart and Snowy Owl Mrs. E. Sambrook assisting.

At the Christmas party held at St. Matthew's Church, games were played, carols sung, and an exchange of gifts—drawn by numbers, followed by delicious refreshments.

In addition to the 31 Brownies present out of a possible 32—25 parents were present—24 mothers and one father!

The leaders are very appreciative of the valued help given by Guides Donna Fleming and Patty Smart to make the party the success it was.

"Top sales-ladies" in the successful Christmas card sales drive were Elaine MacPherson and Linda Bagg who were awarded silver Brownie rings; Hazel Hester and Grace Murphy received Brownie World Pins as a reward for their efforts.

Couse and Gordon Cooper, sang, "I'm Getting Nothing For Christmas", accompanied by Vivian Love.

Madame Nehera, who gives the students extra-curricular French instruction, led the junior choir in, "Sur le pont d'Avignon" and the senior group in, "La Belle Nuit," ("Silent Night").

Gifts were presented to special friends of the school, to Music Supervisor Mr. Rigler, to Miss Hunter who plays at school functions, and to the French teacher, Madame Nehera.

Rev. Martin R. Jenkinson, who visits the students every Friday morning, received a book of the poems of John Greenleaf Whitier.

Two students who brought honor to Kinghorn School by showing outstanding ability at the township field day in June were honored with gifts. Miss

Courtney presented individual trophies to Tjeerd Tenhove and Keith Jenneret, now grade 8 students.

Ron Lindsay came from Scarborough to entertain the youngsters by drawing cartoons.

After chocolate milk, sandwiches and cookies were served to the children. Santa arrived to distribute gifts. Parents enjoyed their own social period with sandwiches, cookies and coffee.

Bags of treats were provided for the children by Kinghorn Parents' Association.

Town School Addition

Ratepayers in School Section 2 attending the school board's annual meeting January 8 at Doris M. Patton School will have an opportunity to see the newly-built room for teachers.

The addition is on the west side of the building.

Besides the usual annual reports, one trustee is to be elected. This year's chairman, Gordon Orr, is completing his third term.

William T. Heaslip, ending his second year of a three-year term, will be board chairman for 1964.

Gordon Tetley, completing six years on the board, has two more years in his term.

Solicitor Continuing

Although Richmond Hill Town Council recently accepted the resignation of J. D. Lucas, Q.C. as town solicitor, his lengthy service for King Township Council will not be interrupted.

King Township Clerk Harold Rose assured "The Liberal" Mr. Lucas' efforts on behalf of the township would not be lessened.

The distinguished advisor aided Richmond Hill more than a quarter of a century. One of Toronto's best-known municipal solicitors, he has been connected with Markham Township and several other York County and Metro municipalities.

Lasky Euchres

With holiday festivities at an end, Lasky Women's Institute is resuming euchres in the hall January 3.

Mrs. Clyde Cairns and Mrs. Marvin Hunter are convening the program.

The December euchre was the most successful of the current series, with 39 players present.

Ladies' prizes were won by Mrs. Jesse Richards of Aurora, Mrs. Norman MacMurchy, Mrs. Fred O'Brien and consolation, Sara Ann McDonald.

Men's prizes went to Mrs. Archie McDonald, who had top score on a gentleman's card; David Gee, Paul McMann, and consolation, Harold Dooks.

Parents' Nights

Next Tuesday and Thursday evenings, the principal and staff of King City Composite School will meet in the various classrooms to discuss pupils' progress.

Five-minute interviews will be arranged in the classrooms between 7 and 9:30 p.m. Light

Need Cheering Section For King Badminton Tourney

King City Badminton Club will host January 9 to members from Toronto district "C" badminton clubs.

Member members from the five North York clubs will play against the Toronto district "C" members. King City Club President Jack Hamilton advises, "This will be badminton at its best, so any one wishing to witness some excellent games is cordially welcome to attend."

"There is no admission charge, so come and help to cheer the King City players who will be in the tournament", urged Mr. Hamilton.

refreshments will be served in the cafeteria at 8 p.m.

ELGIN MILLS AND JEFFERSON NEWS

Evening Branch St. John's Anglican Church TU. 4-3008

Congratulations to Linda and Beverley Locke, Elgin Mills Rd. Linda came first in grade 9 in the oratorical contest held recently at Richmond Hill High School. Her sister Beverley was runner up in the contest for grades 11, 12.

Many happy returns are our wishes for Caroline Whelan, Colin Ford and Bobby Waters, who have birthdays on December 28, and to Karen Greig and Bonnie Saul who will celebrate their birthdays with the coming of the New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Carson and children, Jefferson, had a happy time on Christmas Day when they entertained their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Carson, Toronto and Mr. and Mrs. F. Barnard, Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. George Topper held a family Christmas dinner. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. John O'Halloran and children from Galt, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Abram and family from Midland and Mrs. G. Gardner with David and Brenda.

The Terry family spent Christmas Day with Mrs. H. W. Terry, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Browne and family and Mr. and Mrs. Hynde and Mary Ellen spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. B. Browne, Willowdale.

Andrea and Tracy Goulding accompanied by their parents Mr. and Mrs. George Goulding celebrated Christmas with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Goulding.

Mr. and Mrs. George Patton visited relatives in Orillia, last Sunday.

A large congregation gathered at the "Carols by Candlelight" service held at St. John's Church on December 22. St. John's is a lovely old church and the simple garlands of cedar decorated the chancel emphasized the church's particular charm. Combined with soft candlelight, it made one remember what these Christmas services must have been like in the days gone by.

Passages of scripture were read by several younger members of the congregation. The Rector, Rev. Tom Robinson, brought a Christmas message. We very much appreciate the work of Mrs. Hardon in bringing together the choirs of Leominster and Melville Public Schools with the choir from St. John's. Also to Mr. Baker who assisted at the organ.

The children from Jefferson School who attend kindergarten were treated to a party on the last day of school. As well as exchanging gifts, they enjoyed ice cream and cookies.

Letter from Rev. Michell

The many friends of Rev. D. C. H. Michell, former rector at St. John's will be glad to hear he is well and enjoying life in England. Mr. Michell writes as follows:

"I have charge of the Parish of St. Margarets, Uxbridge an interesting link with the Town of Uxbridge, Ont. This church is an ancient one, part of it dating back to 1250."

Another interesting part of Mr. Michell's letter reads:

"The Rev. Gerald Gregson has been appointed Vicar of St. Matthews, Rugby. Rugby of course is the town in which is situated the famous public school of that name. It was also the setting for the book "Tom Brown's School Days." I am sure that Mr. Gregson, who has such a great appeal for young people, will in due course become the friend and spiritual councillor of many of the present generation of "Tom Browns".

We send both Mr. Michell and Mr. Gregson our very best wishes in their new parishes.

Scouts' Christmas Party

Lake Wilcox Scouts held their Christmas party December 19 and enjoyed movies, along with their gifts, and refreshments of cake, ice cream and cookies.

Scouts attending the party were Chris Jones, Gene Mason, David Windsor, Jim Mella, Wayne Forster, Tom Post, Bob Coplestone, Rick Nelson, Rick Mason, Larry Moore, Don Ross, Cliff Whitehorse, Danny Needham, Martin Needham, Doug Dukelow, Brian Mella, Andy McLean, Keith Arnold, Lorne Mayes, Miss Carroll Nicholls, helped her father, William Nicholls, who is scoutmaster making the evening a success by helping with the refreshments and gifts. Johnny Nicholls also helped although he was a guest at the party.

Guides and Brownies

Oak Ridges Guides and Brownies both enjoyed Christmas parties last week enjoying games and refreshments. The Brownies took a white gift to their party, and they in turn were taken to St. Paul's Church to help make up the many baskets that are given to needy families for Christmas.

The Guides had an exchange of gifts at their party and they were out singing Christmas carols December 23.

At the Brownie party, all the mothers were entertained, along with special guest, Mrs. June Cartner, guide commissioner. The Brownies were hostesses, preparing the plates of sandwiches and cookies, and serving the lunch. Some of the Brownies decorated the tree in the afternoon and others brought along their decorations and added them when they arrived for the party. Entertainers for the party were Susie Locke, Kendra McLeod, Debbie Whitehorn, Janet and Janice Marr and Sheila Spilja. They all sang "Away in a Manger", and after the program the mothers were asked to join in a singing game with their daughters.

Carol singing was led by Mrs. Marjorie Hall, Brown Owl for the 1st Oak Ridges Brownies. The Brownies then served refreshments. East Brownie was invited to choose a gift from a bag of gifts brought to the party by Mrs. Terry Whitehorse.

Mrs. Pearl Wilson

A wealth of friends mourned with family the passing of Mrs. Pearl McBride Wilson, who died in the early morning of December 17 in the King City house where she had been born.

The sudden, fatal heart attack occurred a few hours after Mrs. Wilson had been happily joining in family preparations for entertaining her United Church Women's group, the Evelyn Jenkinson Unit, at a Christmas meeting.

It was their custom to invite club friends to the McBride home in December and they had been busy decorating a tree and preparing refreshments for a social program.

The funeral service in Thompson parlours in Aurora was conducted by Rev. Martin Jenkinson. Pallbearers were Mr. Harry McBride, Mr. Aubrey Wade, Mr. Bert Lutes, Mr. George Rumble, Mr. Pickering McQuarrie and Mr. Allan Gellatly. Interment was in King City Cemetery.

Mrs. Wilson was always a busy worker in King City Women's Institute and in the church groups, the W.A. and W.M.S., before the United Church Women organized. She was honoured with a life membership in the U.C.W.

In the past two years she cheerfully overcame illness, which meant hospitalization and surgery that would have handicapped a less-determined person.

Still residing in the farm house, where her father, Herman McBride, had also been born, Mrs. Wilson watched the gradual development on the homestead of 100 houses built in the last few years to form Clearview Gardens. She and her family took a personal interest in making new residents feel welcomed.

Several relatives live between King and Toronto and Vancouver. The immediate family includes a sister and a brother at home, Miss Annie McBride and Mr. Alfred McBride; a sister in Toronto, Mrs. William Thomson, a nephew, William Thomson, a student at York University, an older brother, Wesley, pre-deceased Mrs. Wilson. The McBride family presented three lots on Elizabeth Grove of the original farm land as the site of the King City United Church built this year.

Cookies left over from the party were added to the gift baskets for needy families.

The People's Church

About twenty-one children took part in presenting a program of short plays, dialogues and songs at the little church on Wildwood Ave., December 23. Mrs. Ruth Wiche, who has done so much work and given so much time to help the children open the program with a very nice speech, thanking everyone for making this evening possible.

Many of the merchants donated candies, ice-cream, chocolate milk and gifts. Mrs. Wiche also said that she was trying to carry on the good work done by Don Galbraith, before his sudden death, recently, and this evening was in tribute to the work done by him. Mrs. Galbraith played the piano for the selections of the children. Mr. and Mrs. Hill, also attended, making their way up from Toronto, and Mr. Hill will be conducting services at this church, from now on. Mr. Hill spoke a few words, welcoming the people who attended, and reading a few verses of scripture.

The Fern Leslie Fund

A special campaign has been started to raise funds for the surviving wife of a 47-year-old King Sideroad man, Robert Leslie, who was a fatally injured December 8 in a head-on collision.

The campaign, called the Fern Leslie Fund, hopes to receive enough donations to aid Mrs. Leslie who is in Newmarket Hospital with a possible broken neck as a result of the accident.

Heading the campaign are Rev. Gordon Finch of St. Paul's United Church and W. H. Houting, president of the Oak Ridges Legion.

Mr. Houting said Mrs. Leslie's condition is serious adding that the death of her husband has left her without any immediate means of support. It is believed Mrs. Leslie did not carry any form of insurance, he said.

Anyone wishing to contribute to this urgent appeal is asked to do so by writing Mr. W. H. Houting, P.O. Box 195, Oak Ridges.

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and thanking Mrs. Wiche for all the work she has done.

Santa Claus arrived and gave gifts to the children who attend Sunday school and everyone was presented with a bag of goodies, ice-cream and chocolate milk. The children presented Mrs. Wiche a gift of two cups and saucers, in appreciation of having them to her home every evening, teaching them their lines.

About People

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Forster and children celebrated Christmas with relatives in Guelph spending several days there.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cragg and Garnet spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Cragg and family at Pickering enjoying Christmas dinner with the family.

We would like to wish belated birthday wishes to Terry Lee Pantling who was one year old December 10, Robin Elizabeth Phipps, one year old December 14 and Wendy Munro, who was fourteen December 21.

Mrs. H. P. Orton will be spending the Christmas and New Year's holidays with her son and family Mr. and Mrs. Bill Orton, Aubrey Ave.

Melissa, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gord Rowe was home for Christmas holidays. Melissa attends the School for the Deaf at Belleville.

Ken Lacey will also be spending some time at his home on Aubrey Ave., with his family. Ken is now living in Prescott, where he is employed by the RCA Victor company.

Mr. and Mrs. David Atcheson and son David enjoyed Christmas dinner with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson, Toronto.

On January 5 at the 11 a.m. service, Rev. Gordon Finch will hold New Year's communion at St. Paul's United Church, South Road.

On Christmas Eve, Bob and Betty, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Atcheson, North Road, attended an open house at the home of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perks, on Highway Rd., Toronto. Accompanying Bob and Betty were Pat Talbot, North Road and Brian Jones, Toronto. The two couples also visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brian Bailey, South Road.

We would like to say that Mrs. Fern Leslie, is progressing very nicely, after the accident just before Christmas, which took the life of her husband; Fern is still in Newmarket Hospital and everyone wishes

her a speedy recovery.

Their son, Jimmie is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beard, Wendy Way, who made it possible for Jim to be part of a family at Christmas time. Many thanks to this family, and also to the many people and organizations in the community who helped families to have a better Christmas, some of which would have been a very gloomy day.

May I add that I hope everyone had a very nice Christmas, and will all enjoy a very Happy New Year with best wishes for the year of 1964. Please drive carefully on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day and all the rest of your days and help next year to be a very memorable and prosperous year for everyone.

Original Manse Dedicated For Sunday School

The original manse of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church beside the church on North Keele Street has been dedicated as "St. Andrew's Church School".

Following regular Sunday morning worship, the congregation paid a brief visit to the refurbished red brick house while Rev. Gordon Agar officially dedicated the building for Sunday school use.

The name, "St. Andrew's Church School" had been approved by the church board of session. Sunday school Superintendent John Tanner recalled that five years earlier the new church, combining Strange and Eversley congregations, had been dedicated at the same time of year.

British Mortgage And Trust Co.

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The effect of government lending on the mortgage market was commented on by W. H. Houting, Q.C., newly-elected president and managing director of British Mortgage & Trust at the company's annual meeting at the head office in Stratford recently. He said that because of the subsidized interest rate and easy terms offered by Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation, "We are now forced to move more and more into industrial and commercial business as well as lending on the security of older homes. This is of course assistance to home owners who wish to raise a higher amount on an old home," Mr. Gregory continued.

Mr. Gregory also detailed plans for four more Toronto branches of British Mortgage & Trust, to be opened early in the new year. The offices are to be located at Eglinton Avenue near Dufferin, Danforth Avenue at Coxwell, Collee Street near Grace and Bloor Street near Runnymede. "This will enable British Mortgage to become better known in the Toronto area," Mr. Gregory said, "and to make our services available in several districts of this great metropolitan centre."

W. H. Gregory, president of British Mortgage since 1955,

Reunion At Christmas Annual Custom

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Garbutt of King continued a custom started 19 years ago by having a reunion with half a dozen friends, who used to be neighbours at Malton.

The party is always held the Saturday night before Christmas and during the evening gifts are exchanged.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Garbutt were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lawrence of Malton, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Westlake and Mr. and Mrs. William Lawrence from Brampton.

No Rehearsal For Play

More than 100 Sunday school children up to 11 years of age took part in the Saturday afternoon Christmas program at the new King City United Church. Superintendent Glen Ferguson introduced the different numbers, which ran smoothly considering there had been no rehearsal. Mrs. Verdon Gordon played the piano for the young performers.

Charles McPhee gave the opening greeting in the form of a recitation, followed by 7 and 8-year-old boys singing, "I'm Getting Nothing For Christmas."

Nine-year-old boys and girls presented the Christmas story. Ross McPhee recited about a Christmas shovel. Four and five-year-old children of the primary department sang, "Away in

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