

# Maple, Concord and Edgeley District News

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(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

## A Real Sky Hook

The old Bryson School, located at the corner of the Sixth Line and Kirby Sideroad, Vaughan Township, was crowned with a new belfry on September 13. When it was discovered that the timbers of the old belfry had succumbed to dry rot, a new one was built by Derek Rolfe of Maple and after waiting for some days for proper weather conditions it was put in place by John Schultz of Dominion Helicopters at the controls of a Sikorsky S-55.

Assisting in the operation were Andy Bremner and Phil Weston of Aurora, Mr. Rolfe and Constable Tom Shield of Vaughan.

A good sized crowd was on hand for the exciting moments as the old belfry was removed and the new placed in position.

The schoolhouse was purchased 16 months ago by Rev. B. F. Andrew and Mrs. Andrew and has been turned into a pleasant home now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Barrett Partridge and Mr. and Mrs. W. Williamson.

## Busy Fall Program

# Film Of War Of 1812 Is Shot At Pioneer Village

(By MRS. RAYMOND STUART) History repeated itself last week at Pioneer Village when the National Film Board filmed sequences of the War of 1812. It was from this very spot, a newly created pioneer village called Kaiserville 153 years ago, that six men answered the call to arms when the bugle summoned the volunteers of York to assist in stemming the American invasion of that date. From the little community went Abraham Burkholder, William Burkholder, Peter E. Kaiser, Jacob E. Kaiser, Joel Kinnee and Jacob Snider. Today, descendants of these brave men still live in and around this part of the country.

The film, which is to be shown during Canada's Centennial year, featured a cast of 14 principal actors and 150 extras.

The showing of the film, will naturally be of very special interest to many people in this and surrounding communities.

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**MASS BAPTISM**

A unique mass baptismal ceremony was held recently in the Fisherville Presbyterian Church in Pioneer Village.

A total of twelve infants were baptized during the service by Rev. Ray McCleary, minister of Woodgreen United Church, Toronto.

It marked the first time the 109-year old church has been used for such a service since it was moved to the Pioneer Village in 1960.

Another religious event will take place in the church October 3 when the traditional "harvest home" service is held. There will be two services conducted that day at 1:30 pm and

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# People And Events In Maple

Mary-Ellen Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hamilton of Richmond St. was married September 25 to Dennis Hails of Richmond Hill, in St. Stephen's Anglican Church, Maple.

Mary-Ellen was honored at several bridal showers prior to the wedding. A community shower was held for her in the parish hall of St. Stephen's Church September 15. Over 100 friends and neighbors in the community participated in this shower and presented her with a variety of gifts. Among them were a steamer iron, various bathroom accessories, linens, towels, ovenware and many gift items.

Hostesses and organizers of this shower were Jo White, Linda Rose, Flo Strachan, Jean LaRiviere, Muriel Rose, Betty Jackson, Pat Johnson, Joan Smith, June Wilson, Alice Miller, Lillian Miller and Dorothy Murchison.

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**9TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL**

Among the twenty-seven different demonstrations of pioneer arts and crafts was the churning of butter by dog power at the 9th annual festival at Pioneer Village last Saturday.

Pioneer farm women saved their energy for their many other chores by having their dog supply the motive power for churning the butter by running a treadmill in a basket. This in turn revolved the churn and served as a form of primitive mechanization.

Other demonstrations included sausage making and processing, sauerkraut making, rug hooking, spinning, weaving, bread-baking, and many other activities. The Edgeley Women's Institute members were kept busy supplying visitors with home-made apple pie, Canadian cheddar cheese and fresh apple cider.

The contests in horseshoe pitching, musket shoot, sheaf pitching and the adult and children's spelling bee attracted many visitors, as did the various dancing and singing groups which performed at various times during the day.

This year the visitors had the opportunity to inspect eighteen buildings which have been restored to date.

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Pat Davis of Gram St. visited her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Harding at their home in McLean, Virginia from September 10 to 19. Jim is stationed in Virginia where he is with the Canadian Air Force under the Canadian joint staff. Marlene and her daughter Mailea then returned with Pat to visit in Maple for two weeks.

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Sam Stanley, of RR 2, Woodbridge is the co-owner of a thoroughbred jumping horse named Maple Lee, who placed second in the qualifying trials held September 19 in Aurora. Maple Lee placed first in these trials for the last two years and just missed by a point being the first horse to ever win them three times. As it is the same very close second and will be on the Canadian Equestrian Team which competes at various international jumping events all over the world.

Tom Gayford who is her rider and trainer owns the other half of this horse. She was raised on Mr. Stanley's farm on the 6th concession. She will compete with the equestrian team next at Madison Square Gardens in New York City and after that at the Royal Winter Fair. She is 10 years old, started as a hunter, then used to race and now is a jumper. Mr. Stanley named her after the village of Maple and is understandably very proud of this excellent horse.

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George Lowell Myers returned September 26 from a 10 day trip to Holland where he was part of a group of 140 Canadians who have a close relative killed in the Second World War and buried in Holland. This group of Canadians was invited to Holland by the Dutch Government to be present at memorial services held at the large graveyards there, where the Canadian service men are bur-

ied. The visitors were all billeted in private Dutch homes and taken on several sightseeing tours while there. The tour was arranged by the Canadian Veterans' Association.

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A very successful evening was held in the Sunday school rooms of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church September 22 when the WA had a program called "Fall Fashions in Home Furnishings".

Speaker at this meeting was Mrs. Eleanor Brown, interior decorating lecturer for the Robert Simpson Co. Mrs. Brown gave a very entertaining and informative talk on styles and trends in home decorating. She had slides of rooms already decorated and pointed out their good and bad features. She also brought several samples with her of various interesting materials that can be used effectively in home decor.

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**Home and School Association**

The first meeting of the home and school association will be held October 6 at Joseph Gibson Public School. This is a joint home and school organization for the parents of children at both Joseph Gibson and George Bailey Schools.

This first meeting promises to be an interesting one for all parents, as it is a "Meet the Teachers Night". All teachers of both schools will be present. The parents will meet in the auditorium and then after a brief introduction they will be given the opportunity to go with their child's teacher to a classroom, where they will hear the

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teacher explain what he or she will be attempting to teach the class in the coming year. There will not be an opportunity for personal interviews, but it affords the parents a wonderful chance to understand the year's program, and what their child will be learning in the class.

All parents are also invited to register with the home and school at this first meeting, and an association member will be on hand at the door to take registrations.

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**Guide and Brownie Rummage and Bake Sale**

The parents' association of

the Guides and Brownies is holding a rummage and bake sale October 2 in the Maple Plaza. This sale will be in operation from 10 am to 4 pm. The baked goods will be sold from 12 o'clock on. The Girl Guides will be selling coffee during the sale and everyone is invited to drop in at some time on Saturday, have a coffee, and see what is for sale.

The parents' group asks that everyone who has promised to donate baked goods please have them at the plaza by 10 am Saturday. Also anyone who has rummage for the sale, please call Frances McCarthy at 832-1417.

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# Junior School Said Best Solution At Concord

After spending two and a half hours on September 22 discussing accommodation problems at Concord Public School and having Superintendent D. R. MacDonald outline three possible alternatives for improving things, the parents present at the meeting decided to ask only that the school board move a portable classroom onto the school property, leaving grade arrangements unchanged.

A delegation of parents had met with the school board on September 15 and presented a brief detailing complaints about the school; that the basement room formerly used as a lunch-play-visual education - room had been converted to a classroom leaving no place for these activities; that the school yard was too small for the growing school population and that six of the classrooms have two grades in them.

appeared to be fear of losing any of the present teaching staff at the school, particularly the grades 7 and 8 teachers, Mrs. J. Reid and Principal Malcolm McRoberts.

Other than the portable classroom, Mr. MacDonald outlined two possible alternatives. One was integration with Edgeley School, closest school to Concord, which now has eight grades in two classrooms. The school building is modern, only eight years old and cannot be closed by the board because of outstanding debentures on it.

Mr. MacDonald's proposal was that the 24 grade 6 children from Concord be bused to Edgeley. With the three grade 6 students there this would make a grade 6 class of 27 children. The other room would have 26 Edgeley children from grades 1, 2 and 3. With the remaining Edgeley children bused to Concord this would make seven classes there, each with from 28 to 30 students, all with a single grade with the exception of grade 3 which would be made up of 23 grade 3 children and six grade 2's. No Concord teachers would be moved and all would continue to teach the same grades as at present.

staff Public School, this had not been found feasible.

Mr. MacDonald pointed out however, that Vaughan was providing schooling at Langstaff for 60 students from Markham Township on a fee-paying basis. Although it was not possible to turn these students out now that the school term had started, it would be possible to inform TSA 1 Markham that this space would not be available to them next year.

However, rather than move grades 7 and 8 from Concord into this accommodation next year, Mr. MacDonald felt that the board might prefer to move the two special classes now housed in the basement at Thornhill Public School into better quarters at Langstaff.

Moving the Concord grade 8 students to Roselawn School would mean that they could have the benefit of the new rotary system there, similar to that used in high schools and also of physical education and music supervisors, as well as a gymnasium. A portable classroom would have to be used there, however.

This solution would not change the double classes at Concord but would free the basement classroom.

It was stressed that both these solutions were for one year only and would probably have to be changed next year. Mr. Baillie stated however, that he would press the board to make Concord a junior school for grades 1 to 6 only and suggested that Concord parents should press for this too and make their wishes known to the board.

While Mr. MacDonald retired, lengthy discussion took place on the three possible alternatives. When a vote was finally called the Roselawn proposition garnered 24 votes, the combination with Edgeley 20 and no one voted for the addition merely of a portable.

This however, prompted a vehement protest from Mrs. Campbell Snider of Highway 7. "I object to my grade 8 pupil being taken away from Mr. McRoberts just so the children can eat in the basement", she said. "You will still have the split grades and the principal likes the children to eat in their own classrooms." Mrs. Snider also stated flatly that she wouldn't have her child moved from Concord School.

She was supported by Mrs. Bruce Snider, Keele Street who stressed, "We have grand teachers here, we don't want to lose them."

This brought on a deluge of further discussion. Ross Knight emphasized that the group must try to establish the greatest need, which he saw as lack of space. He felt that bringing a portable in might solve the space problem for more than one year.

A second vote was taken at close to 10:30 pm which completely reversed the first, with 30 people voting for adding only the portable, 12 voting for the combination with Edgeley and no votes for the Roselawn move.

A committee of five was elected to meet further with Mr. MacDonald. These were Chairman Allan Nash, Ross Knight, Mrs. Edward S. Hay, Mrs. A. Hewitt and Mrs. R. M. McLean. The members of the committee will then take turns attending monthly meetings of the school board to keep in touch with what is being done in the rest of the township and keep the board informed of conditions at Concord.

Mr. MacDonald stated that the portable could be moved onto the grounds within two weeks.

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This would require an additional small bus which Mr. MacDonald said the school board was willing to supply. A portable classroom could also be moved onto the site to free the basement room.

The other solution was to bus grade 8 students to Roselawn School. While it had been suggested to the delegation at the school board meeting the week previous that grades 7 and 8 Concord students could go to Lang-

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# Concord Socials

**Church News**

At the Concord Church of Christ a protracted series of meetings was concluded on Sunday evening, September 26. Ray Miller, preacher of the Church of Christ in Windsor was guest speaker during this campaign.

The services were well supported by congregations of the Church of Christ in Toronto, and friends and neighbors in the Concord area.

Friday, September 24 there were over 100 in attendance and after the evangelistic service an anniversary social was held in the lower hall.

On September 26, anniversary services were held. At the conclusion of the evening service, on behalf of the congregation the minister A. E. Atkinson presented Mr. Miller with a pen and pencil set in appreciation of his earnest labors during the week.

**Cubs and Scouts**

The Concord Cubs and Scouts are having a combined bottle drive October 2. The boys are also collecting baskets of all

kinds (not cardboard). The bottles drive is to start at 9 am. Please leave your refundable bottles on your doorstep.

If special attention or assistance is required call, Al Hewitt 889-4061, Frank Ward 889-6303, Dave Fraser 889-1964.

The 1st Concord Scout Troop near camp Oba-Sa-Teka near Cookstown last weekend. Nine Cubs who will be coming up into Scouts, November 30 were also invited to attend. The trip was devoted to giving the Cubs valuable experience in Scouting. The Cubs who attended were Randy Baillie, Rick Hay, Neal Hewitt, Tom Jacklin, Dale Marlatt, Steven Price, Michael Reesor and Frank Ward.

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**Birthdays**

Birthdays greetings are extended to Heather Keffer, Rockview Gardens, who was 10 years old recently. Belated birthday wishes to Sean Sweeney, Lawrie Road who celebrated his eighth birthday September 22. Greetings also are sent to David and Sid Mills of Vaughan Blvd.

**Neighborhood News**

Mr. and Mrs. M. Leppanen King High Drive had recent guests in the persons of Mrs. Leppanen's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bouchard from Florida.

A recent arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wright, Lawrie Road is a little black miniature poodle by the name of Mimi.

On Sunday afternoon the Humber River in Albion Township was the scene of a fishing expedition for Bill Lacey and sons Jimmy, Michael and Billy. Sean and Kevin Sweeney, John Cole, Jim Walsh and son Kevin from Richmond Hill. All they brought home was a fish in a small jam jar, cold wet feet, and hearty appetites.

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