

KING CITY, OAK RIDGES

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"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 Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox is Mrs. Lillian Acheson, Wildwood Avenue, 773-5479, in King City Mrs. Theo Dawson, 773-5448.



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Three Generations Oak Ridges Scouts

One hundred and forty-five fathers and sons enjoyed the annual banquet provided by the ladies' auxiliary February 22 for 1st Oak Ridges Scout Group. During the after dinner ceremonies the Oak Ridges Lions presented two Canadian flags, one to the Cubs and the other to the newly-organized Venturers.

Fred Lynn on behalf of the group committee then presented a Venturers' flag to Leader Dave Smith. Three generations of Scouters are seen above as they prepare to enjoy the delicious repast.

Assistant Scoutmaster Frank Warden (centre) with sons (left to right) Scout Ted, Scout David, Scout Raymond and Cub Danny are served by Frank's father, Art Warden, a former King's Scout.

The banquet was held in the gymnasium of Our Lady of the Annunciation Separate School, Bond Avenue.

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Home & School
Nineteen interested parents attended a meeting of the home and school association, which under the recently adopted constitution will be known in the future as the "Oak Ridges Public School Home and School Association."

A very interesting film was shown on children's emotional problems. Finn Madson, grade 7, was presented with a trophy from the home and school for public speaking. Finn was awarded the township prize in a recent contest. He gave his speech on "The Vikings" for those present.

George Waldrum, assistant superintendent of education in the supervisory section of the Department of Education will be guest speaker at King Senior Public School March 25. All members of PTA or home and school groups in the township are invited to attend.

Cancer Society
A few members of the local branch of the cancer society met at the home of Mrs. Doris Smith to assemble the canvassers' kits for the campaign which begins April 1. The ob-

jective for this branch is \$1,300 and for the Aurora and District Unit \$17,000. It takes hundreds of volunteer canvassers to reach this goal and additional ones can always be used. Would you care to give some time to canvass a street or about 10 houses?

March 14 there will be an open meeting for those interested in the society's work in St. Paul's United Church, at 8 p.m. Unit Campaign Chairman Mrs. Isobel Rubin will be present to answer question and Unit President Lou Pinkerton will give a short talk. A film will also be shown.

Clean, old nylons and new remnants of cotton or other soft material are needed by the branch to make small pillows for patients at Princess Margaret Hospital. If you have any, please call me at 773-5479.

Scouts & Cubs
Members of the ladies' auxiliary to Scouts and Cubs held a very successful father and son banquet February 22 with 145 boys, fathers and guests present. During the evening several badges were awarded with the team players' badge going to

Billy Metcalfe; pet keeper's badge to Michael La Riviere, Steven Plews, Steven Orton; blue stars to Chris Hall, Leslie Sayers and Michael Harrison.

Cubmaster Art Little was presented with a green Akela pin in exchange for his assistant Cubmaster red pin.

Auxiliary President Mrs. Isobel Plews expresses her thanks to everyone who helped with preparation of food, serving and washing dishes or any of the other many necessary tasks. The next meeting will be March 21 at the home of Mrs. Plews.

First Oak Ridges Cub Pack was successful in winning four ribbons at the recent York Summit Hobby Show, out of eight entries. Michael Harrison won a second for photography, Leslie Sayers a third for baking, Ralph Schorer "good effort" ribbons in baking and Michael Gray "good effort" for woodwork.

Four ribbons were also won by the Jefferson Cubs, with Mark Daines getting two seconds, one for a butterfly collection and the other for a paper

mache poodle; Bobby Waters won a third for baking and Stanley Ensor a third for map making.

Brownies
Twenty mothers attended the thinking day program for 2nd Oak Ridges Brownies at Our Lady of the Annunciation Separate School and enjoyed a short play presented by the Brownies.

Tweenie Sherry Richardson was enrolled in the Brownie troop. Jo-Anne Zetka and Vera Katkauskas of 2nd Oak Ridges Guides served the refreshments.

About People
Birthday wishes are sent to Mrs. Peggy Bullock, March 4; Ernie Ensor, 6, March 4; Frances Raymond, March 5; Eddy Arnold, March 6; Edna Cook, 8, March 8; Nancy Henderson, 8, March 7.

MEMO: Well Baby Clinic, March 12, 1.30 - 3 pm, St. Paul's United Church, South Road.

We would like to add our congratulations to a couple of local girls, Kim Harper and Call-Jo Harper. Kim took second place in senior ladies at recent Aurora Figure Skating Club competitions, and Call-Jo placed first in the junior ladies' competition.

We were also very pleased to hear that Vicki Willis and partner were high bowlers recently in a doubles competition and will now go on to the Plantation bowling alleys in Toronto. We wish them high scores.

Anniversary wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Foerter, Maple Grove Avenue, who will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary March 9. Fourteen people attended the euchre held by members of the local association recently, with prizes going to Mrs. May Watson, Mrs. Mary Ellen King, Mrs. Jean Haddock and Mrs. Doris Smith.

There will be a Guider's meeting at the home of Mrs. Mary Ensor, Willowbank Avenue, March 7 at 8 p.m. Mrs. Ensor is district commissioner for Lake Wilcox and Jefferson.

Cathy Dines was the winner of the transistor radio in the Elmwood Park Cottagers' Association draw. Her lucky number was 169.

We wish Mrs. Rita Szeler a happy birthday. She will be spending a month visiting her son in Montreal, then on to New York and other interesting places.

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County-Wide School Bds. Subject Of Controversy

"It would seem we're not the only board that has strong feelings about the provincial government's proposal to regionalize school boards."

This was the bemused comment offered up last week by King Township Public School Board Chairman Jack Van Luyk.

His remarks followed a letter from the Tavistock and East Zorra Union School Section reporting on a march to Queen's Park by its members and 125 other trustees to protest Premier Robarts' recent decision to reduce the province's public school boards from 1,500 to 100 county-wide boards.

The letter criticized the province for its failure to consult with the present boards before making the change and also its failure to provide sufficient information since its decision.

It also questioned the mot-

ives of the Robarts Government which stated its "primary objective is the desire to provide equality of education".

The letter suggests such an objective will be impossible to attain and that a better way would be the provisions of additional grants to the existing township boards.

"Furthermore the reducing of 1,500 boards to 100 will result in placing more power in the hands of civil servants and less in the hands of the peoples' elected representatives where it belongs."

The delegation requested the government to table the proposal or amend it until further consultation has been arranged with the various boards across the province.

It also asked the King Board to submit similar sentiments to William Hodgson

MLA, York North. A Conservative, Mr. Hodgson is a member of the Robarts Government.

Mr. Van Luyk noted the King Board has been questioning the government's proposal for the same reasons—lack of information.

"I haven't made up my mind either way," he said, "simply because the information to make a decision has been unavailable."

Discussion then turned to the regional school organization committee — set up by the Department of Education to gather pertinent information regarding next January's changes. This committee comprises 21 elementary and secondary school boards in York County.

Trustee Mrs. Dolina Patterson, an alternate on the committee, (David Bachly is the regular appointee from

King) said there had been only one meeting held to date to elect an executive.

She added that further clarification and intentions of the committee will be forthcoming at the March meeting.

"It would seem at the moment," she said, "we're a body intended to collect and disseminate information on the regional program. Whether we can function in other ways remains to be seen."

At a special meeting a few weeks ago the King Board passed a resolution of its own stating it was "opposed to any new legislation that does not give proper time for the township board and its ratepayers the opportunity to study and present a brief on the new legislation."

Trustees feel it is their duty "to study such proposed legislation, educationally and financially, to be able to place such matters before

the parents and ratepayers."

In other business last week:

Chairman Van Luyk initiated a proposal and it was approved that the minutes of any special meetings be mailed to the local press. This hasn't been the case in the past.

He also suggested that the minutes contain the opinions of all board members on any subject voted on "so that the ratepayers will be informed on the stands of each person on a given issue."

The board accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Rosalie Sutton who has taught at Oak Ridges Public School for the past two years.

Received an invitation from the King Public School Teachers' Association to participate March 8 in a tobogganing, square dancing, volleyballing evening at the King Senior School.

Socially Speaking in King City

Long on Energy ... Short on News

Our present home was put on the real estate market last week and for you who have been through this game "that people play" you will understand what I'm going through.

A place for everything, and everything in its place is the standard rule around here these days, all is tidy, each speck of dust is caught before it lands, and the boys are perfecting methods of walking down the hall without touching the floor. (all very normal).

I really can't say that I don't enjoy the challenge as the whole house looks great and I don't feel as frantic as I thought I would under these conditions. This is merely in the form of explanation why this column may look a little shorter these days, so please bear with it and keep in touch.

Hockey Results

Types

Sputniks 0, Jets 0
The above speaks for itself ... so 'nuff said.

Flyers 7, Rockets 2
The Flyers literally bombed their opponents in this one with Clelland getting a hat trick, G. Cook a pair, and singles by Simon and McKechnie. Kent and Barnard got a goal apiece for the Rockets.

Intermediates

Hershey 1, Quebec 2
Ben Hawkins was the lone scorer for the Hershey team with an assist from Lawson.

Coughlin found the mark twice for Quebec with an assist going to Heenan.

Rochester 2, Buffalo 2
A good contest and evenly matched as both teams found the mark twice, McGeehan and Matson for Rochester, and McPhee and Aspdren for Buffalo.

More Games People Play ... Euchre!

Six tables of players were at Laskay Hall on February 23. Jean McMurchie won first for the ladies, with Mrs. Pearl O'Brien and Mrs. Jean McDonald coming second and third respectively. Archie McDonald, Austin Rumble and Milt Wells came one, two, three for the men. Mrs. Finch and Marshall McMurchie were the lucky door prize winners.

The next euchre in Laskay will be held on March 8 and the good weather should bring out a few more players.

Over in King, seven tables of players met at the Masonic Hall on February 28 and winners for this one included, Mrs. Percy Leatherdale first, Mrs. Len Robb second and Mrs. Will Orr, low. Elmer Hadwen first, Archie McDonald second and Percy Leatherdale low. In honor of good old St. Patrick, a special euchre will be held on March 13 with additional prizes.

Kingcrafts

It was decided at the general meeting held February 28, that a cookbook will be compiled by the members, consisting of company main course recipes with no holds barred. On completion some time this fall, this promises to be a collection of culinary arts, not restricting it to "our fair domain" but the world over.

Proceeds from the sale of this book will be used to purchase a much-needed vacuum cleaner for Kingcraft House.

The needlecraft group has been busy and has three hand embroidered luncheon cloths and two cushion covers up for raffle with tickets a mere 35c or 3 for \$1.00.

Special lessons in drawn thread work will be given by Mrs. Ann and those interested in availing themselves of instruction would be advised to enroll as soon as possible. There are still a few openings in all Kingcraft groups (with the exclusion of ceramics).

Mrs. Dorothy Duncan from Black Creek Pioneer Village was the guest speaker of the afternoon and gave a most interesting and informative talk on the history of Pioneer Village, from its establishment in the mid 1950's to the present plans for improvement and expansion.

From its conception following the devastation of Hurricane Hazel, the Humber Valley Conservation Committee acquired the property, which consisted of less than 20 acres with the prime purpose of halting land development in this flood area. Residents in the area fought to

have the old log barn in the Jane-Steeles area kept intact and with the assistance and persistence of Mrs. Elsa Neill of Thornhill and interested parties, the barn was restored, furnished and opened to the public on a budget of a mere \$400.

Five more old buildings were discovered on the southeast corner but at this time were included in the 100 acres owned by Central Mortgage and Housing. Again the persistence of Mrs. Neill and friends resulted in acquisition, forming the nucleus of the village. These dated back to the 1813-32 period. Eight years later, 18 buildings were opened to the public and at present five more are under construction for a planned new street.

The Temperance Hall from Kettleby will be restored as a printers' and weavers' shop to show the progress of itinerant spinners and weavers, a fire-house to house an ancient "puffer", the Wilmot Township Building will be converted to a courthouse and township council building and of greatest importance will be the development of a new entrance to the village.

On a new road to the east between the present site and York University, plans include the construction of a large orientation building in the modern vein and this will house two film-viewing theatres, executive offices and washrooms, the rest of the village to be surrounded by a screen of trees.

Visitors will be shown films pertaining to the many attractions of the village prior to entering, at this centre. With its opening coming up on April 29, one can look forward to many more interesting facets of pioneer life at Black Creek.

On behalf of Kingcrafts, Mrs. Betty Love presented Mrs. Duncan with an attractive hooked seat cover of Centennial design, and the smoking and silk-screeners group served refreshments.

Members are advised to attend the general meeting on March 13 at which time a panel discussion pertaining to insecticides will be presented by the Garden group, with speakers including Bob Keith and a representative of the Audubon Society.

The art group, not to be outdone, is planning an exhibit in King City in addition to the showing at Downsview. These

gals have also had valuable instruction from a teacher of the Ontario College of Art of late, and while I personally can't for the life of me, see what else they could possibly learn after seeing their work, this was included in the report.

King City Secondary Prom
Pert Denise Wallace, a grade 11 student, won the approval of the crowd over her grade 13 "sisters" and was deservedly crowned Prom Queen at the "Soiree Parisienne" held at the High School on Friday, February 23.

Reigning Princesses included Ann Bishop, Nancy Elison and Carol Fenn. With the up-coming exams rearing their ugly heads, everyone enjoyed the opportunity to relax and unwind during this big evening.

Plan Variety Night For King Teachers

It'll be fun and games for everyone come March 8 at the King Senior Public School — but especially for the teachers. The name of the game is "social" with the King Township School Teachers' Association initiating what may be an annual event.

Doug Walmsley, teacher at Eva St. Denis School, reports the event will feature bridge, euchre, court whist, checkers and volleyball.

An added feature will be tobogganing on Tory Hill located west of Highway 400 near Concession 6.

A barn dance will follow and coffee and doughnuts will be served.

Some 50 teachers are expected to attend along with the school trustees and other officials.

TEMPERANCEVILLE NEWS

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UCW

The United Church Women of Temperanceville United met at the home of President Mrs. Fred Hare on February 22. Owing to inclement weather, there was only a small attendance.

Dates were set for the annual strawberry supper which this year will be held June 26, while the date for the turkey supper is October 30.

The Easter meeting will be held on April 9, and the autumn thanksgiving on October 8. Plans were made for a used clothing drive for the Toronto Mission to be ready for the April meetings of the groups. There is a special need for children's clothing, particularly underwear, shoes and stockings. Anyone wishing to donate may leave articles at the church or at Mrs. Fred Hare's.

The Evening Unit ask us to keep in mind the date for their euchre — March 20, in the Sunday school room.

WI
Nine tables enjoyed the WI euchre held at the school on February 27. Prize winners were: ladies 1st, Mrs. Everett Phillips, 2nd, Mrs. Lil Wilson, 3rd, Mrs. Nelson Thompson; gentlemen, 1st, Fred Hare, 2nd, Ewart Jennings, 3rd, William Craig.

Travelling prizes were won by Fred Hare, and Mrs. Violet Baker. Door prizes were won by William Mitchell and Mrs. William Craig.

Prizes were donated by Mrs. Hare, Mrs. Don Chalk and Mrs. Fred Gardiner. The WI would like to thank those who came, and those who helped in any way.

The March meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Clayton Beynon, and the History

happens.

There was a large crowd in attendance for the farm machinery and equipment sale held at Cloverholm Farm on February 28. People came from near and far, and some of the equipment went as far away as Shawville, Quebec. Auctioneer was Walter Atkinson of Stouffville.

March is a very important month for some of our senior citizens, and we send our congratulations to William Hare who will be 89 years of age on March 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Arwood Harman who will be 61 years on March 6, and to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lloyd who will celebrate 58 years of marriage on March 9.

Our very best wishes for many more years of health and happiness.

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