

VICTORIA SQUARE NEWS

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Lions Charter Night

The ninth anniversary presentation of the charter of the Victoria Square and District Lions Club was held in Buttonville WI Hall Wednesday evening of last week.

A delicious hot roast beef dinner was served by the Buttonville WI.

The head table guests were piped to their places by the president of the Golden Mile Lions Club and were introduced by Past Deputy District Governor Lawson Mumberson.

President Gordon Draper welcomed the guests including several Lions Clubs representatives and a number of district officers, both past and present, and Past International Director John F. Lin.

General chairman of the charter night arrangements was Lion Frank Brumwell, assisted by committee members Lions Ed Gibson, Bob Butterworth, Gordon McWhirter, Don Boynton and Carl Walker.

The guest speaker, District Governor Arthur Chambers, introduced by 1st Vice-President Terry Besley gave a very interesting talk on Lionism.

Lion Past President Don Boynton on behalf of the district Lions Club presented Martin McClosky, director of Union Villa, with a cheque for \$1,000.

Past Deputy District Governor Gordon Orr made the presentation of perfect attendance awards — 1 year, Terry Besley and Herman Mortonson; 4 year, Don Boynton and Gordon Draper; 5 year, Ed Gibson; 6 year, Fraser Gee; 8 year, John Smith; 9 year, Max Hazel, Gordon McWhirter, Lawson Mumberson, Clarence Steckley and Carl Walker. These latter five men are charter members of the club.

A pseudo barbershop quartette was then presented by the following Lions: Terry Besley, Alex Gowley, Gordon Draper and John Smith.

Following two quartette numbers and in keeping with the barbershop theme, a customer was sought from the audience. Lion David Tinker was chosen and to his surprise and the surprise of the audience, his luxurious black whiskers were skillfully removed.

A draw for an electric ice cream freezer was won by Mrs. Gordon Orr and an oil painting donated by Mrs. Gerald Hoadley of Gormley was won by Mrs. Joe Robinson.

Euchre. There were 18 tables of euchre players at the first euchre game of the fall season held in the community hall Friday evening last. Prizewinners were, ladies, Miss Olive Glover, Mrs. George Tooley and Mrs. John McCague; men, Keith Carson, Cec Latham and Alvin Caseley. A lucky draw on a box of groceries was won by Fred Gibson.

The next euchre game will be held in the community hall October 18 at 8 pm. Please note the time! Everyone welcome!

Church News. The Sunday morning church service last week was World-Wide Holy Communion.

October 13 is Thanksgiving Sunday. The Sunday school children will be decorating the Sunday school and are asked to meet at 9:30 am in order to do so. They are also asked to bring fruits, flowers and vegetables. Sunday school will follow at 10 am.

A special Thanksgiving church service will be held at 11:30 am. Everyone welcome. There will be a special message and special music.

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In Markham Township

Intensive Safety Instruction For The Drivers Of School Buses

By JEAN LEAF

The excellent record of school bus drivers in Markham Township should continue unimpeded as the result of a recent two-evening intensive driver refresher course held in Victoria Square Community Centre. Twenty-six school bus drivers attended the course arranged by Richard Tribbling of Tribbling's Bus Lines. It was presented by the Transportation Safety Association of Canada and the Accident Prevention Department of the Workers' Compensation Board. Instructors were Dennis Hill and William Murray.

In the group there were nine women and 17 men from Morton Bus Lines, Reid Bus Lines (operated by Donald Tribbling) and Tribbling's Bus Lines (operated by Richard Tribbling). Heise's Buses were not represented.

Mr. Hill stressed the importance of drivers keeping up with change and Mr. Murray pointed out the necessity for defensive driving.

The latter stressed LIGHT as a safety factor — see and be seen. Windshield wipers are important in this category. Drivers of public vehicles must adjust to road and weather conditions — fog, rain, sleet, snow, smoke, road construction, grading, curves, hills, concealed intersections, type of pavement. "Unless you make allowances for these you are in trouble," he warned.

Traffic conditions which specifically affect school bus drivers were studied — rush hour, day of week, holiday weekends, etc. The manner in which a bus is driven is also dependent on the area — shopping centres, main highways and farm machinery or livestock on the roadway.

Condition of both vehicle and its driver is of the utmost importance. "You cannot drive safely without proper brakes, lights, tires, steering, defrosting, muffler, stoplights — and the driver must be in good mental and physical condition. If he or she is sleepy, angry, worried or afraid, he is a poor risk."

Defensive driving is important in keeping out of accidents in spite of conditions, the instructor stated. "Ordinarily a driver can handle one driving hazard, but there are times when everything bad could gang up on you. In such cases driver education helps the driver to recognize the hazard, understand the defence and act in time to prevent an accident."

"In defensive driving," Mr. Hill continued, "the proper approach to any trip is a mental inventory. Are there any unusual conditions? Is the vehicle in top order? Is the driver rested or tired? Has he had medication?"

The simplest accident should be reported to the employer, so he may determine the cause, according to Mr. Hill. "Chance alone determines the severity of an accident, that is why even the most minor must be investigated," he said. "If the driver was in error the company wants to correct the situation before a serious accident occurs."

An important safety rule is to allow plenty of following distance, one vehicle length for every 10 mph of speed, he noted. He also pointed out that the lady behind the wheel whose skirt is too tight is a hazard; the driver who hugs the centre line instead of keeping to the extreme right is another. The danger of driving in extreme weather conditions was also stressed — "Stop and wait for conditions to clear," was his advice.

Mr. Hill also told his pupils, "When you have that professional licence, you have a moral obligation to drive safely at all times."

He warned that in driving, haphazard experience is a poor teacher — a high degree of knowledge, is best obtained from experienced instructors in a good course.

The drivers found a great deal of help in films depicting various traffic situations and the accidents which resulted.

But to one question about a school bus driver's daily problems, the instructors had no answer. To the query, "Have you any help on handling children in buses?" the reply was, "not in this course."

Mr. Murray explained afterward that his association has no such instruction available, but recommended a film put out by the American National Safety Council, designed to be shown in schools, and in which children participate in the right and wrong way to behave on a school bus. He said the film costs about \$300, but school boards may find it helpful in clearing up behaviour problems on school buses.

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BUTTONVILLE NEWS

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Neighborhood Notes

Don Mills is slated for new widenings within the next year or two, at least below Highway 7.

Survey crews have been active most of the summer, and word from the top has it a four-lane road.

And speaking of road widening, the new stretch of Highway 7 through Locust Hill could be an example for Toronto and York Roads Commission.

That small community was put to a good deal of inconvenience while the new bridge was being constructed, but the Department of Highways has left it in beautiful condition with driveways and approaches looking better than they did before.

"I'm happy to report this week that all last week's neighborhood hospital patients have returned home — Mrs. Mary Brumwell, Mrs. Betty Donaldson, Mrs. Mary Sherman and Mrs. Orena Stephenson. Get well quickly."

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkins have returned from a trip west to California through the States. Bob flew to Los Angeles to join them for the duration of his vacation.

The Ernie Waltons were guests of friends at Newcastle last week.

The salty comment of a bus driver in the Bayview area, who was dodging school children on their way home for lunch one day last week, is worth repeating.

He had just been obliged to stop his vehicle and warn a teenager on a bicycle to watch where he was going. He started the bus and saw through the rear-view mirror that the youngster was weaving on his merry way in a manner no wiser for the warning: "Kids don't listen!" he worried. "A couple of good belts on the backside might clean out their ears!"

Hear Speaker on Leprosy
Wednesday last week when Brown's Corners UCW held its autumn thankoffering meeting, guest speaker was Miss A. Cuthbertson who is promotion secretary for the Mission to Lepers, 67 Yonge Street, Toronto.

This disease of the nervous system which affects the victim's hands and feet is being controlled more and more by surgery, and is much less contagious than it was thought to be in early times.

The speaker said, it is estimated that there are 15,000,000 persons with leprosy in the world, but only about 3,000,000 are being treated. The mission owns a hospital in India where much research has been done, and in Indonesia there is a new medical mission for reconstruction surgery; there is also a leproarium in Vietnam, and the Mary Gleason Hospital in Biafra.

Mrs. William Rodick convened the meeting and the dessert luncheon which preceded it assisted by President Mrs. Walter Craig and Secretary Mrs. Dorothy Steffler, and other executive members.

Mrs. S. J. English provided music, and accompanied the soloist, Mrs. Clayton Jones who sang "Just for Today," and "A Voice in the Wilderness."

Mrs. Rodick and Mrs. Steffler conducted the worship service, and Mrs. Craig welcomed guests from neighboring churches — Headford, Victoria Square, Markham and Stouffville.

Dates To Remember

October 21, 22, 24, 25 — UCW group will cater for Master Feeds group luncheons at church.

October 30 — The Smorgasbord — Tickets are now available from members.

The November meeting will be at the home of Mrs. James Grant — November 6; and the bazaar sponsored by the Happy Timers is scheduled at the church November 9.

Buttonville Branch Hostess

On Friday October 4, 16 members of the Buttonville Branch of YCHA met at the home of Mrs. A. W. Miller for their monthly business meeting.

Mrs. Joan Bush was chairman and plans were discussed for the autumn fund raising event — a euchre, sale of gifts and home baking to be held at the WI on December 6.

The bake sale is under the sponsorship of Miss Mary Rodick, Mrs. John Brown and Mrs. B. Gardhouse. Gift table convenors are Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Reg. Allen.

Announcement was made of the Hospital Auxiliaries Association Convention to be held at the Royal York October 27-30. The banquet is to be held October 28, with Rev. Finlay Stewart guest speaker.

In September the meeting was held at Mrs. Allen's home when summer talent efforts were reviewed.

It was noted that members will no longer buy their own hospital smocks, but will pay a \$2 fee for their use and are responsible for laundering.

Gormley Neighborhood Notes

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A Happy Thanksgiving to All!

O Lord, with humble hearts we pray,
Thy blessing this Thanksgiving Day.

And ask that at each table place Where grateful folks say words of grace,
That Thou will come to share the yield
The bounty gave to farm and field.

We pray Thy love will bless, O Lord,
Each hearth, each home, each festive board;
And that Thy peace will come to stay

When candles glow — Thanksgiving Day.

Church News

Wednesday evening after prayer meeting at Heise Hill Church, Clifford Winger and Russell Heise presented Mrs. William Heise and Miss Marjorie Heise were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brillinger.

Eric Horn, a Christian businessman was guest speaker at Heise Hill Church Sunday evening.

Heise Hill Church's intermediate sewing circle met at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Wideman Tuesday evening.

Mrs. John Bell of Fenelon Falls, who spent 25 years as a missionary in China, gave a very challenging message at the WMS thankoffering service at the Missionary Church. Mervin Pickering was guest soloist.

The ladies' sewing circle met all day Tuesday in the Missionary Church Fellowship Hall.

Golden Wedding

A highly esteemed Gormley couple, Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Heise celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home October 5.

Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Heise, married Miss Martha Stickley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Stickley October 2, 1918, at the home of the bride's parents in Mount Joy (Markham), in a ceremony performed by Rev. Fred Elliott of the Brethren in Christ Church. Miss Ella Cober was bridesmaid and Edgar Stickley was groomsmen. To this union were born three children, Lorne, now of Windsor, Verna (Mrs. Lewis Heise, Unionville) and Ruth (Mrs. C. Cullen, Gormley). There are 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mr. Heise's brother, Landon, fled from Kindersley, Saskatchewan for the occasion. Greetings were received from his sisters, Annie, (Mrs. Wesley Cullen, Kindersley, Sask.) and Agnes, (Mrs. Alvin Baker, Saskatchewan, Sask.) and his brother Milton of Port Arthur. Mrs. Heise's brothers, Edgar and Peter were present also.

On Friday evening, 45 relatives enjoyed a dinner at Bridlewood Church, 480 Huntingwood Drive, Agincourt in honor of the occasion. Saturday, over 75 guests were entertained at the Heises' home to extend congratulations to this delightful couple.

Missionary Mail

It's that time of year again when Christmas Cards to missionaries overseas should be in the mail if they are to arrive by Christmas. Until November 1, sealed cards may be sent for five cents to the following addresses: Rev. and Mrs. Willis Hunking, Box 171, Ilorin, Nigeria, Africa — Mr. and Mrs. Allan Doner, c/o UMS, TTC, Mokwa, via Jebba, Nigeria, Africa, Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Sider, Banmankhi, NE Railway, District of Purnea Bihar, India, Miss Velma Brillinger, Box 115, Choma, Zambia, Africa, Miss Miriam Heise, PBS 180, Bulawayo, Rhodesia, Africa, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Lehman, PO Box 711, Bulawayo, Rhodesia, Africa, Miss Marjorie Sproton, Casilla 3207, Quito, Ecuador, South America, Miss Betty Sproton, Apartado 67, Huancayo, Peru, South America. The following require ten cents postage: Miss Audrey Gee, House 618, Kuruzawa, Japan, Mr. and Mrs. Desmond Meed, Box 27, Shashamane, Ethiopia, East Africa.

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