

Campaign Launched For \$750,000 Seneca Sports Centre

Scale models, sketches, architects' drawings and sports equipment adorned a large assembly hall at Seneca Community College at Finch and Woodbine Avenues on April 2 when students and administrators held a reception for business and political leaders in the Borough of North York and the County of York.

The purpose of the reception was to introduce plans for a campaign to raise funds for the Seneca Sports Centre.

The project initiated by the students, includes facilities for all types of sports and recreation facilities which will be available to the community as well as to students and alumni.

In welcoming the guests, President William Newnham remarked that a unique situation exists at Seneca. In an era of student activities, the students of Seneca have been activists, but in a positive way.

When they are confronted with problems, they do not march or demonstrate — they solve them. When they moved to their new campus more than a year ago, there was no public transportation service, so the students bought their own bus. When they decided the college

and the community needed a sports centre, they did not march on Queen's Park demanding a centre. They undertook a campaign with "not only a different twist, but a meritorious one."

They formulated plans for a project that will include an entire complex at an estimated cost of \$4.5 million.

Phase 1 will be a field house designed to Olympic specifications, with a 220 metre track, a 50 metre swimming pool with diving platforms up to ten metres, a triple gymnasium, a central area which can cater to a wide range of community, social and student activities, and seating capacity for 2,000 spectators. Cost of the field house is estimated at about \$750,000 and the students are out in force looking for pledges and cash donations.

A unique feature of the facility is the translucent vinyl air-supported "bubble" which will cover the entire 87,000 square foot structure.

The college, founded in 1967 to serve residents of York County and North York, now has a student population of more than 6,000, including many part-time and evening students. In his brief address to the

assembly, Dr. Frederick Minkler, chairman of the board of governors commented, "I hope you are as enthused about the student program as we are. What the students are doing is far greater than just building a sports centre. It is a development of responsible citizenship."

Dr. Minkler conceded that when the student committee came forward with the plan, which will ultimately provide a complex for both outdoor and indoor sports and recreational facilities, seating for over 4,000 participants, and parking for over 3,000 vehicles, "We thought it was too rich for their blood, that they were dreaming."

However, Dr. Minkler continued, "We caught a part of their dream, their confidence in the future of the college, of their own future, which would ensure the success of this project."

The committee, chaired by Student Bob Greer, past president of the student administrative council, received full approval of the board of governors and of the Minister of Education in its proposals for the project, and five acres of the campus site has been set aside.

"We are going to support the students," Dr. Minkler declared, "but we are not going to take over. It is, and is going to remain the responsibility of the students."

Dr. John McCarthy, Deputy Minister of Education, assured the students and guests, "The Minister heartily endorses the students' power not only to demonstrate their energies, but to work as part of the community."

The student plan to involve the community in the fund raising as well as in participation in the activities of the centre, said Dr. McCarthy, are in keeping with the philosophy of setting up community colleges in the first place.

"This is a fine demonstration of the students' desire to pass on something to the community, though you here today may have very little use of it yourselves."

Student Council President Alan Alyard added that in a day when youth is said to be in rebellion, the students of Seneca look upon the sports centre as a step to a positive goal.

"We are asking for a responsible position in our society. We are asking for moral support as well as financial support."

Mr. Greer reiterated that the centre is not oriented solely to

the students and alumni of Seneca—"it is designed to Olympic proportions for the use of Canada's athletes as a whole."

The college's Director of Information Harold Sellers added his voice, "The interesting thing is that the students have something positive going, not only for themselves, but for the community. It will help to round out their college education."

If the students succeed in their plan, declared Richard Kirkup, director of student affairs, (and he firmly believes they will), "Every Senecan and every member of the Seneca community will have a recreation facility for the rest of his life — they are not building for the college, they are building for the community and for the future."

Designed to help fill many of the health and recreational needs of the area it will serve, Mr. Greer declared, the Seneca Sports and Community Centre is the one project in the area that can best help develop the quality of human resources.

Future projects will include facilities for ice sports, theatre arts and other indoor and outdoor recreational needs of people of all ages.

Present Ice Fantasia Friday, April 17, 18, 19

"Ice Fantasia" will be coming to Crosby Memorial Arena in Unionville, April 17, 18 and 19. Occasion will be the 19th skating show sponsored and performed by members of the Unionville Skating Club.

Pinocchio will be the junior theme this year featuring Karen Newton, the 1970 tri-state winner; Irving, the world's most intelligent mouse as portrayed by Ricky O'Neill; the Blue Fairy is Donna Harding, double gold medalist.

These and other performers will bring this age old fairy tale to life on ice with a cast of over 100 children.

The second half of the show features Hotel La Grande, Fiddler on the Roof with Michael Bradley and Debbie Jones, Novice Pair Champions of Canada for 1968 and Rendezvous in Space with Eileen Pettit, gold medalist.

Other featured performers include Cathi-Lee Irwin, runner-up for senior ladies in Canada this year and a member of the world team 1968-69 and 1969-70; Mary Church and David Sutton, senior dance champions for 1970 in Lubljana, Yugoslavia and Roger Duemas, competitor in junior men's in Canada.

There will be four performances, Friday night, April 17, a Saturday matinee, Saturday evening and also a Sunday afternoon matinee. Tickets are now on sale at Crosby Memorial Arena, Unionville.

For tickets and information call 444-4574, 884-1529 or 297-1492.

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So I chuckled quietly the other day when I read in one of the Toronto Dailies about the exercise kick all our luminaries (Mayor William Dennison, Bruno Gerussi) are on. I can see the reader say to himself, "Gee, that's a good idea." He'll talk about it, then go out and stuff himself to death with food and drink. And his stomach gets bigger and bigger.

But do I exercise you say? Certainly do. Every morning, mostly that is. I've been missing a few weekends lately. It's been my misfortune to have suffered from food poisoning for the past few weekends. Strange. It goes away during the week but always returns on the weekend. Terrible luck I've been having. It weakens you after awhile. Just getting out of bed Monday morning is plenty enough exercise on these occasions. Oh, well.

TID-BITS

It's slap my wrist time again. In last week's write-up on the Richmond Hill hockey tournament I forgot to mention that Ottawa Slack Shacks were Consolation "A" winners and Hamilton, Consolation "B", (I hope).

Ottawa also deserves special mention because the team stayed around for the whole tournament thereby losing out on a chance to play in a similar deal way out in Dauphin, Manitoba. The tournament executive thanked the Slack Shacks for remaining in the tournament and contributing to its success. So do we. Real sportsmanlike gesture.

Also, tournament-wise, Mrs. Ruth Cowan, 47 Church Street North, called to say she had received several thank you calls from here and there from young lads who stayed at her home during the tournament. Also some letters.

Mrs. Cowan, billeted and fed 15 hockey players during the tournament. That's a lot of eating. Six of the Fort Erie team boys stayed over the entire tournament even though their team was eliminated. That's hospitality for you.

She received a letter from the Sudbury team thanking her for her efforts. The letter says in part that "we enjoyed the tournament in Richmond Hill more than any other tournament we've attended."

SOFTBALL

Finally, Russell Cripps and Vern Dynes of the Dynes Jewellers Fastball team, attended the annual OASA meeting in Peterboro on the weekend.

Russ was elated because a ruling was passed barring hurlers from jumping off the pitching mound before releasing the ball. Long a complaint of "Casey's". More on this later.

REALLY, FINALLY

And, really finally, Ron McAndrews of the Mic Macs is inviting girls 16 and under to try out for his juvenile ball team this season. If you're interested, call Ron at 884-0086 or Dale McAndrews (who will be handling the team too this season) at 884-8382.

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Richmond Hill CURLING Club

Kingfield Trophy Returns To Richmond Hill

Oshawa Curling Club was forced to return the Kingfield Trophy to the local club last week when Joan Kirkpatrick and her rink were winners of the annual Ladies Invitational Bonspiel.

During the past few years, Joan has been runner-up for the trophy but this year with Audrey Graydon, Peggy Welsh and Faye Weiss curling for her, she was invincible. Ironically Joan beat out Jen Miller of Oshawa to capture the honors.

The Calypso Bonspiel was held March 21 and from all reports the curlers enjoyed the various activities. Top prize of two live lobsters went to Murray Meeres and his rink of Peggy Welsh, Ed Hay and Mary Jane Murphy. Second prize was won by Will Simpson and his rink of Shirley Bruce, Larry Lang and Cathy Richards. Jack Thompson with Shirley Leach, Bob McGregor and Doris Bonny were third prize winners.

The second draw was won by Dalt Hicks and his rink of Norma Lavender, John Johnson and Muriel Clarke; second prize went to Ed Baines, Sadie Lucas, Shirley Hicks and Max Berman; and the third went to the foursome of Bill McLeod, Mary Barrow, Harold Elkins and Janet Thompson.

Jim Stephenson and his committee, assisted by Bob and Dianne Whittaker deserve a special thank you for a good day.

The closing spiel is planned for the coming weekend. No big plans are arranged such as Ross and Muriel Clarke's well remembered shows, but curlers can be assured of the usual good time. Be sure to bring your skates for later on in the evening.

Speaking of Ross Clarke, it's good to see him back at curling after his accident earlier in March.

All curlers are reminded of the annual skating party for themselves and their children this Sunday afternoon.

All finalists in the season-long mixed curling league were treated to something different this year thanks to the ingenuity of John and Audrey Graydon. Instead of the usual playoffs taking place over a period of two or three weeks, they were planned as a three-game spiel over Friday and Saturday last. All rinks were guaranteed three games, treated to a dinner and had a chance at the trophies and prizes.

Phyl Richards To Head Women Curlers

Phyl Richards was elected president of the business girls' section of the Richmond Hill Curling Club at its final general meeting of the year held April 1.

The meeting also saw a review of the year's activities. Kay Hardcastle, outgoing president, chaired the meeting and each member of the executive gave their final reports. Nominations and voting for the new executive followed and was directed by Eileen Garrett assisted by Marion McGill and Marg Standing.

New executive is: Past President Mrs. Hardcastle, President Mrs. Richards, Vice-President, Membership and Training, Helen Schenoff, Secretary, Cathy Brayshaw, Treasurer Elaine Elliott, Games, Eva Walker, Bonspiel Chairman Gloria Crotin, Social Helen Tonner, Prizes Liz McKay and Publicity, Hazel Olympe.

In March two of our rinks ventured to bonspiels, one to Dundas March 7 with Eileen

Everyone agreed that it was most successful and many spectators were seen rooting for their favorites, such as "Slim" Weiss and his rink of Faye Weiss, Bill and Joan Kirkpatrick. Having lost their first two games, Bob insisted on skipping the final game and after a great deal of help from many curlers, he scrambled to victory.

Tom Bush with wife June, John Johnston and Marj Sahr were the grand champions. Jack and Marg Rummy with Paul and Peggy Welsh were second and Bill Reid with Blanche Reid, Pat and Herb Thompson were third.

As curling draws to a close, our out of town bonspielers continue their winning ways. At Scarborough in a two-day spiel, Ruth Mabbett with Donna Stephenson, June Bush and Marj Sahr won five games and the E. Jones Trophy.

This was Ruth's third trophy win in as many weeks as she also won the Floyd Perkins Trophy with her rink of Shirley Hicks, Ruth Taylor and Faye Weiss.

At Parkway, Ruth's husband Bill and his rink of Frank Martin, Brian MacDonald, and Roy Weston beat out rinks from Deirson, Avonlea and Bowmanville as they were runners-up in the Ice Makers Bonspiel.

Jack Shropshire won two games at Uxbridge recently with help from Dianne Whittaker, Harry Trivett and Marj Sahr. Seen in the gallery were Hank Vos, Jerry Sahr, Bob Whittaker and two former Richmond Hill curlers, Roy and Jean McLaren from Ottawa.

At the closing bonspiel in Gravenhurst, Don Richards with Phyl Richards, Bob and Eva Walker were three-games winners.

Perry Sound should be a little quieter these days as Elgin and Mary Barrow, Marty and Nan Cormack returned from the Bunny Spiel with second place trophies. Elgin reports no injuries this year.

There are not too many more dates left on the curling calendar but the annual Men's Golf Tournament is planned for May 22. The ladies plan their golfing day for May 26.

Most curlers try for many years to achieve that elusive eight-ender but apparently John Bailey earned one a few weeks ago on his first try as skip. With him were his wife Sue, Bob and Esther Sheppard.

Garrett, Gloria Crotin, Marion McGill and Kay Hardcastle. This group won two games and were fourth over all.

On March 21 a rink travelled to Barrie. It was skipped by Eileen Garrett, with Gina Morlock, Cathy Brayshaw, and Marion McGill.

These able curlers won two games and were second in the second draw. It was reported that both trips were very enjoyable and well worth the while travelling such distances. The closing club bonspiel will be held this weekend on April 10, 11 and Sunday. All business girls are urged to sign for this event. Remember, it will be the last one, you will be able to participate in until next season.

STOUFFVILLE — The Towne Restaurant, Main Street West, owned and operated for the past 16 years by Harold and Helen Dafeo, has been sold. George Vossinakes of Scarborough has taken over the business. The Dafeos will remain until June when they plan to move to Huntsville.

BOWLING RESULTS

ABC BOWLING
The Arrows lead the race by the narrow margin of two points with only two more nights of the regular season remaining.

Arrows have 26 points, Wildcats 24, Diggers 23, Wots 22. The ladies were led by Shirley Price with 677 points (220, 240, 217); Helen Graham 619 (192, 192, 235); Helen Greig, 616 (204, 217, 195).

Frank Horton led the men with 707 (159, 270, 278); Jim Graham 665 (241, 201, 223); Ken Plews 653 (236, 214, 203).

All members are requested to attend regularly during the next few weeks due to the closeness of the team races. All bodies are required. It's anybody's ballgame.

ABC MEN'S MAJOR

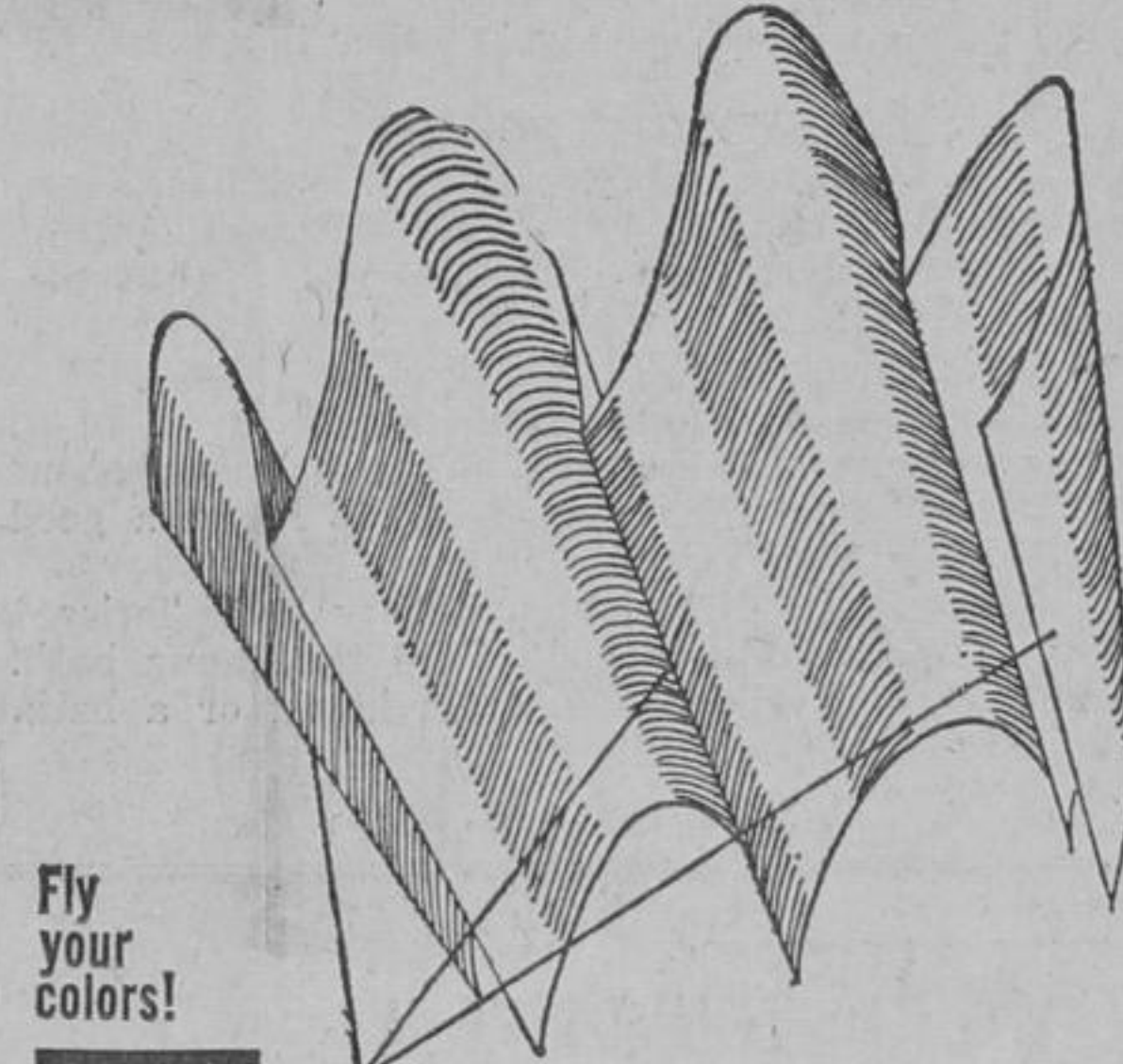
Doane-Hall No. 1 continues to set the pace as Henry Knuckey led them to a seven point sweep over ABC No. 1 rolling an 861 triple.

Hall's Fuels picked up seven from Tony's Esso and ABC No. 2, 3 cleaned up on ABC No. 2. Doane-Hall No. 2 widened the gap in its fight for second place, off spot bowling Team No. 10 for seven. Powell Fencing took the odd game from Allencourt Lanes for a five point night.

John Banks continues to set a hot pace in the high average race with 262. Bruno Pessin has 255, Tim Saul 252, Gord Dunn 252, Norm Roberts 251. Knuckey's 861 was high triple for the night. Ernie Hughes had 825, Doug Clubine 822, John Moore 808, Stew Smith, 804, Pessin 801.

Knuckey also had 335 and 313 singles. Jim Davidson (Hall's) 335, Ernie Hughes 331, Bob Julian 331, John Banks 327, and Roy Thompson 311.

Standings: Doane-Hall No. 1, 44; Powell Fencing 38; Hall's Fuels 38; Doane-Hall No. 2, 32; ABC No. 3, 32; Tony's Esso 22; Allencourt Lanes, 19; ABC No. 1, 18; Team No. 10, 11.



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