



life in the hill  
editor margot crack

The ladies auxiliary to Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion, take this opportunity of wishing all its members and members of other organizations with whom they've worked during the past year, a merry Christmas and a very successful New Year.

Management and staff of Little Ford, enjoyed a Christmas dinner and dance on December 12 at the Aurora Highlands Golf and Country Club.

During the evening a gift to commemorate 25 years of service was presented to Whit Johnson, of the new car delivery department.

The Guaranty Trust Company of Canada has announced the appointment of Robert Biggin as manager of real estate for Metropolitan Toronto.

He has had a wealth of experience in the real estate field and most recently was a director of Yonge and Biggin Limited.

Mr. Biggin, his wife and family, live on Millpond Court.

A family service will be held Christmas Eve at 7:30 at Richmond Hill United Church with the Seekers presenting a contemporary version of the Christmas story.

All the small fry are invited as the service will be most informal and finish in plenty of time to hang their stockings by the chimney.

Many Curtain Club members, husbands and wives, attended the Green Room Party held following the final performance of "Next Time I'll Sing To You" at the home of Roz and John Anderson on Centre Street West.

The "hostess with the most-ess" lived up to her reputation with an excellent repast and later in the evening tribute was paid to Director Dagmar Matyas by a poem written and read by Brian Moore (Dust) and a presentation, from the cast and crew in appreciation of her guidance and ability.

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Miss Janet French of Thunder Bay will be spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl French and brothers in their Church Street home.

Anne and Ted Shaw and children, John and Judy, formerly of Crosby Avenue, now residing in San Jose, California, would like to wish all their many friends and past acquaintances a very merry Christmas and a most happy and prosperous New Year.

At the 10:30 am service on Christmas morning at St. Mary's Anglican Church, two young boys — Danny Smith, son of the Richmond Hill United Church minister, Rev. Robert Smith and Mrs. Smith, and Richard Vermeulen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Vermeulen, will have a spirited discussion with Rev. Fred Jackson on Christmas 1970.

The service will not only have special appeal to children, but also to parents, enabling them to get an insight into the viewpoints of the younger generation.

**Celebrates 80th Birthday**

Entertaining on Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. William Pollard of Altamira Road who held a surprise family dinner party for his mother, Mrs. Helena Pollard in honor of her 80th birthday.

On Sunday, she was the guest of honor at an Open House held by her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. George Pollard of Tyneview Lane, with over 100 guests dropping in to convey their good wishes.

"The Liberal" joins with her many friends in extending congratulations, good wishes and many happy returns.

The volunteers of York County Mental Health Association wrapped 1,026 gifts for the 513 mental patients living in 34 approved homes in York County recently, then learned that they were responsible for 63 patients in another approved home. The small gifts for each one were added to the original number reported last week.

Gifts were still being received last week and these, along with other surplus gifts will be sent to Metro to help reduce some of the gifts lost there when a fire broke out in the basement of the Canadian Mental Health Association's headquarters.

St. Mary's ACW President Shirley Switzer recently entertained members of the executive at her Starlight Crescent home and during the brief business session, Treasurer Anna Little reported a total of \$2,000 available for disbursement.

Of this, the executive voted \$1,000 to the churchwarden to be applied to the mortgage principal, \$600 for outreach purposes and \$400 to charitable organizations.

Recognizing that the need is particularly great in Toronto this winter, \$100 was sent to Downtown Church Workers, \$150 to the Salvation Army, \$100 to the Scott Mission and finally \$50 to the Co-ordinated Welfare Services of Richmond Hill.

Congratulations to the ACW on an enviable record of accomplishment.

The Delta Lambda Chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa Sorority held its annual Christmas party at the home of June Worsdale in King.

Members began the evening with a three mile hayride returning to June's for warmth and cheer.

The Allenbrae Branch of the YCHA met November 23 at 443 Bent Crescent.

It was reported that the hat and jewellery show "Bonnets and Baubles" held November 19 was a great success.

The draw for the knitted afghan was won by Carl French and the second prize, a teddy bear, won by Mrs. E. Schmarowski.

The next meeting will be held January 11 at the home of Chairman Jennie Polyniak, on 68 Beaverton Road South.

As a Christmas project, members of the Richmond Hill Jayettes entertained residents of Union Villa in Unionville on December 14 with a program of choral selections by the Jayettes and neighboring teenagers, and a sing-along with the residents.

Falling snow on the trees as seen through the picture windows provided a perfect Christmas setting for the evening, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. After leaving Union Villa, the Jayettes returned to the home of Chairman Mrs. K. Thompson of Kerswell Drive for refreshments. Other committee members were Mrs. P. Blake and Mrs. T. Wallace.

Did you realize that all the stamps on your regular and Christmas mail can be put to good use.

They are used to aid the leprosy cause and the only requirement is that the stamps are cut from the envelopes leaving a ¼ inch or more around the edges.

Contributions, however small, would be very much appreciated and may be left at the office of Richmond Hill United Church or with Mrs. Edith Boynton of 47 Centre Street East.

Sincere thanks are extended to all who have contributed in the past and every good wish for a very happy Christmas.

The Christmas Eve Communion Service being held at 11 pm at St. Mary's Anglican Church will be preceded by an hour of carols by the church choir. The rector, Rev. David McGuire will preach the sermon.

On Christmas morning, Communion services will be held at 8 am and 10:30 am. The latter will be a family service and the sermon given by Rev. Fred Jackson.

On December 27, the service will be a little different, with participation by children of the church school and Christmas carols. The sermon, Rev. Jackson.

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BRIAN EDWARD MORRISSEY

An enjoyable Christmas gathering was held December 13 by pupils of Mrs. Ruth Croucher ADCM, the former Ruth Garson. Santa visited and refreshments were served.

The final Curtain Club meeting for the year was held December 14, chaired by Vice-President Chris Steel.

Business included reports on the last play "Next Time I'll Sing To You," an impassioned plea for unpaid dues from Membership Secretary Beth Jones, discussion on the children's play and the casting dates for the next play "Devil's Advocate" being directed by Tony Miller.

The program "Yes Virginia, there is a Santa Claus" directed by Dagmar Matyas, included original material from the pens of Ron Solloway, Tony Hiscocke, Gerry Crack, Neville Cross and the director.

It dwelt on many aspects of Christmas — some amusing, several distressing and others unknown, giving members much food for thought about the festive season.

What are your plans for Christmas? At home with the family, with out-of-town relatives or friends, or on a trip to the sunny south?

Why not keep "Life in the Hill" columns up to date with your seasonal activities by calling the Social Editor Margot Crack at 884-1105/6 or by dropping a line to 63 Yonge Street South? The service is free, but all news items must be in the office by 10:30 am Tuesday morning for inclusion in the current issue.

The editor would like to take this opportunity of wishing one and all a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Enjoying Christmas and the New Year in joyous old England is Mrs. Arthur Rickard of May Avenue, who is staying with her mother, Mrs. Lucy Ashby of Eastham, near London.

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ANN SIMONE WAERN

**To Be Married December 28**  
Mr. and Mrs. Lennart Waern, 283 Conestoga Avenue, Richmond Hill, are happy to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Ann Simone to Brian Edward Morrissey, son of Mrs. E. J. H. Morrissey and the late Col. E. J. H. Morrissey of Ottawa. The marriage will take place December 28 at 7:15 pm in Centennial United Church, Highland Creek.

Miss Barbara Southwell, a stewardess with Canadian Pacific Airlines, returned from Vancouver on Monday to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Frank Southwell on Church Street South.

Mrs. Southwell's son and his wife, David and Joanna, from Kingston will be arriving on Christmas Eve to join in the family festivities.

Mary Monks, formerly of Richmond Hill, now living in Vancouver, was a most attractive and interesting guest on the series "Man At The Centre" televised recently over CBC on "Extrasensory Perception."

She gave a vivid description of two experiences — of "seeing" her husband Harold in a motorcycle crash, then finding out shortly afterwards that he had indeed crashed, suffering the identical injuries she had foreseen and "seeing" the Malton air disaster of July 5 two weeks before it actually occurred, and discovering that the details were exactly as she had dreamed them.

It was a fascinating program, with the host taking the skeptical viewpoint, leaving viewers to decide for themselves whether it was the subconscious at work or ESP.

The many friends of the Monks Family have missed them during the festive season and extend best wishes for a very merry Christmas and every success for the New Year.

The Richmond Hill Day Care Centre began its celebration of Christmas last Wednesday when the children and staff presented a concert attended by a large audience of parents, brothers, sisters and interested friends. The highlight of the afternoon was the singing of "O Tannenbaum" in the original German, by the senior group under the direction of Nursery Director Mrs. Johanna Kunze.

On Wednesday, parents and children were entertained at a grand Christmas party at the centre. In spite of his busy schedule, Santa Claus dropped in to extend his best wishes for the festive season.

A full Christmas dinner, instead of the usual hot noon meal, will be served on December 24, a fitting windup to a busy pre-Christmas season.

The thanks of the community go out at this time to Mrs. Kunze, Mrs. Gwen Cardwell, Miss Angela Forsythe, Miss Doreen Apps, Miss Nancy Fisher, Mrs. Gertrude Coffin, Mrs. Lois Ball, Mrs. May Wilson and Mrs. Emmy Bubeloff for making this first year of operation such a successful one.

A pilot project in York County, the local centre serves as a model day nursery for many other communities in the area. Much of the credit for this goes to Mrs. Kunze and her staff.

**What's Cooking?**

Almost everyone has a special dish which family or friends enjoy — why not share the recipe with our readers, be it main course, dessert or snack? Each week one will be published in this column — how about yours?

**POINSETTIA PETAL COOKIES**

- ½ cup shortening
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- 1 egg yolk
- 1 tbsps. lemon juice
- ½ tsp. vanilla
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1 slightly beaten egg white
- ½ cup finely chopped California walnuts
- Candied cherries, cut in eighths.
- Cream shortening and sugar. Beat in egg yolk, lemon juice and vanilla. Sift flour and salt together; stir into mixture; chill one hour.
- Form into one inch balls; dip in egg white and roll in nuts. Place on cookie sheet and top each with 3 cherry pieces arranged on petals. Bake at 350 degrees for 18 minutes. Let stand a few minutes before removing from cookie sheet. If desired, wrap tightly and freeze. Makes 20 cookies.

Christmas belongs to little children — whoever said that, must have had in mind just such a service as the Nativity Tableau presented Sunday morning by the children of the nursery and kindergarten of Richmond Hill United Church and directed by Dorie Hiscott and choir leader Mrs. Jean Thompson. In a real manger filled with straw and watched by a donkey's head, lay the baby Jesus who was seven week old Martha Jane Monkman — in keeping with the times and Women's Lib!

All the little ones wore suitable costumes — the Mother Mary, Jane Ferratt, and Joseph, Christopher Clark, were kneeling by the manger. The three Wise Men bearing gifts were Drew Thompson, Mark Dimpfel and Scott Judge. The little angels with wings and stars and the shepherds complete with crooks and lambs joined in the chorus of "Away in the Manger." Following this, the children walked down the aisles and a full sanctuary rewarded them for their efforts. It made so many other aspects of the Christmas "rush" pale into insignificance, as the congregation watched the faces of these "small types." The youngest shepherd, Robbie Smith, son of the Rev. Bob Smith, decided to return to the pulpit for a "repeat performance" to the delight of everyone.

There were forty-six children in the tableau, capably assisted by four teenagers dressed as angels. They were Marion Babcock, Heather Wilson, Elizabeth Miller and Cheryl Rogers.



DENISE HARCOURT CHARMING BRIDE OF WAYNE MCKILLOP  
**Roses Theme Of Lovely Fall Wedding**

A champagne luncheon with her bridesmaids preceded the picturesque afternoon wedding of Denise Irene, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Harcourt of Richmond Hill, held October 3 at St. John's Anglican Church Jefferson. The bridegroom, Wayne McKillop, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McKillop of Winnipeg.

The bride was radiant in a superb wedding dress designed by David Rea — of French ribbon lace, with a sheer yoke enhanced with a ruffle trim of lace, long sleeves and high waist accented by lace-edged ribbon and the full skirt incorporating a cathedral train. Her veil cascaded from a matching headpiece embroidered with seed pearls and she carried a bouquet of white roses.

The Maid of Honor Irene Wilson and the Bridesmaid Ann Honeyman wore full-length gowns of cranberry red Lacard with lace trim, tulle shoulder veils with headpieces of velvet roses, and carried bouquets of deep red roses. Junior Bridesmaids, the bride's sister, Darlene, Jodi Farber and Dale Snider were dressed in ethereal white chiffon floor-length gowns and Juliet each held a long stemmed red rose. Flower Girl Kerri Snider also wore white chiffon, with a sash of cranberry red velvet and carried a flower basket filled with pink roses. Ring Bearer Grant Meder was striking in a black velvet Tom Jones outfit with white lace and ruffle trim.

A very elegant full-length flowing gown of champagne beige silk knit was worn by the bride's mother with matching gold trimmed sari scarf, gold accessories and a corsage of gold roses on her lame muff.

The groom's mother looked charming in a rose crepe gown with beaded bodice and wink accessories.

Officiating at the marriage service was Rev. Bruce Fraser and the soloist was the bride's uncle, Oliver Harcourt, a well known professional singer from Ireland, who sang "Whither Thou Goest." In variance from the traditional service, the bride entered the church to the choir and the congregation giving a vocal rendition of the processional hymn "O Perfect Love."

A reception for 120 guests was held at the country home of the bride's parents, with exquisite floral arrangements of roses (the bride's favorite flower) which predominated throughout the wedding. Entertainment was provided by the bride's father, with his dance group "The Ambassadors," which later in the evening played music for dancing.

For her going away outfit the bride wore a tailored navy blue pant suit, with red accessories, CBC Dance Instructor Brian and the happy couple flew from Buttonville in a private plane, piloted by the groom (a pilot with Toronto Airways) for a honeymoon in the Bahamas. They are now living in Don Mills.

Out of town guests attending the wedding were Major and Mrs. John Croft, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Croft, Oshawa; Mrs. John McIntyre and Mr. and Mrs. A. Meder, Winnipeg; Mr. and Mrs. W. McKillop, Sault Ste. Marie; Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harcourt, Belfast, Ireland and Mr. and Mrs. Brian Foley of Toronto.

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