



life in the hill editor margot crack

The many friends of Mrs. Marguerite Glass are happy to hear she is making good progress at her home on Richmond Street following a short stay in York Central Hospital last week.

Peter and Bonnie Smith and their children Deborah and Todd are spending this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Smith on Centre Street, West.

Following his short visit to the Hill, Peter, who has just completed his post-graduate studies at McMaster University, Hamilton, will leave with his family for St. John's, Newfoundland, where he has been appointed assistant professor at Memorial University, assuming his duties early next month.

Mayor William Lazenby and Mrs. Lazenby hosted a social evening at their residence recently on behalf of the executive committee of the York Central Branch of the Order of St. John. Those present included Lieutenant Colonel H. Lawlor Brown, Deputy Provincial Commissioner Ontario Council; Acting Police Chief R. P. Robbins and Mrs. Robbins, Acting Deputy Police Chief Robert Hood and Mrs. Hood of Markham, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Routledge, Mr. and Mrs. William Hood, Robert Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Savers.

Representatives from the St. John Ambulance Brigade included Division Superintendent Al Plummer, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dobson, and Mr. and Mrs. George Doherty.

Entertaining for Miss Edith Broad prior to her marriage to Bob Mills next Sunday at Knox College Chapel, University of Toronto were, Bridesmaid Jennifer Wilson, a fellow staff member at Crown Life Assurance in Toronto, who held a miscellaneous shower attended by members of the firm's basketball team, of which both girls are members, and Mrs. Reg Folk (nee Ann Dewsbury) and Mrs. John Bowerman (nee Veleete Carnell) who co-hosted a linen and personal shower at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Carnell of Oxford Street.

The groom was the guest of honor at a party and presentation held by Mr. and Mrs. Harry McGuire of Toronto. Many relatives and friends attended a wine and cheese party held on March 6 by the bride's parents, Dr. A. G. Broad and Mrs. Broad of Bedford Park Avenue.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mills of Brantford.

Returning from the sunny south? Planning a birthday or anniversary celebration? An interesting guest speaker at your last club meeting? Why not keep up to date on your social and group activities for inclusion in "Life in the Hill" columns — the service is free — just phone the Social Editor Margot Crack at 884-1105/6 or drop a line to 63 Yonge Street South. We'll look forward to hearing from you.

Rotary News
At the March 1 meeting of the Rotary Club the guest speaker was Regional Police Chief Bruce Crawford who explained the new organization of police service for this region.

He explained that the police would be centralized and administered from one location and expected that most police stations that now exist would be closed and reopened into two or three operational centres. The centralizing of administration and the improvement of communications would provide better police service to the whole of the region. The police personnel will be moved from area to area instead of remaining in one location as at present, giving each man a wider experience. Police cars and uniforms will be standard for the whole of the region and the police chief stated that these will be easily recognizable.

By regional organization the chief expected ultimately to be able to effect economies by the closing of buildings, by central purchasing and re-employment of personnel but he admitted that this year's budget is higher than previous year's expenses.

Chief Crawford then answered many questions from the floor and when asked his opinion regarding the controversial question of location of the regional administration building, he stated that he did not mind where the building was as long as the location was suitable for police administration of the region. The next show in the Travelogue Series "Wheels Across America" is being held March 18.

The general meeting of St. Matthew's U.C.W. will be held March 16 at 8 pm in the church. The program, being presented by the Afternoon Unit, will consist of four skits, taken from a Mexican story "The Assembly Line," giving members a better understanding of people from one of the many unprivileged countries. Refreshments will be served.

"For the Hill of It," a new, wild and wonderful musical review opened last night at Bayview Secondary School. The show which takes a gentle prod at Richmond Hill, is a joint effort between students, staff and the Theatre Arts Department (Miss Sandra Lawrence and Barry Pearson) and the Music Department (Ray Barton).

The entire production oozes with originality — from its title and lyrics to the fact that several staff members are also appearing in the show. It will run tonight (Thursday) and Friday, the price of admission being \$1 for adults, 75c for students and 50c for students with a student card. Join in the fun at Bayview — it's an experience that shouldn't be missed!

Mrs. Russell Cripps of Bala Road, is the lucky winner of \$300 at Our Lady Queen of the World weekly bingo. The bingo is held on Thursdays at the church, Crosby Avenue, starting at 8 pm.

Suburban Final announces its programming highlights for the week beginning March 10. Wednesday, Dennis LaFond, 1971 Timmy, who discusses the Easter Seal Campaign which starts March 11. Thursday, a discussion with Dale Cloughlin of Stouffville about the Stouffville District High School's forthcoming production of "Our Town"; Friday, Don Parr, Markham discusses with Mrs. David Crombie the forthcoming art festival at St. Andrew's United Church, Markham; Monday, Barney Danson MP, York North, discusses his recently completed trip to the Orient with Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and on Tuesday, Bonnie Sheppard of Richmond Hill talks with Rich Shannon about the role of the Canadian Ski Patrol Unit.

Suburban Final is produced by Richmond Hill Cable TV in the studios at 244 Newkirk Road. Guy Snaith of 68 Rockport Crescent is one of 27 University of Toronto undergraduate students who have won Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation awards for 1971-2. Mr. Snaith, who is in his fourth and final year at Victoria College, was designated as a finalist. He will be recommended for support by a graduate school in his first year of graduate study.

Woodrow Wilson awards are recognition of a high degree of academic excellence among graduating undergraduate students in the humanities and social sciences and are intended to encourage outstanding students to consider university teaching as a career. This year Harvard University, with 33, led in the number of winners from universities and colleges in 10 provinces and 46 states. University of Toronto was second overall and first in Canada. The awards went to 122 students in 30 Canadian universities and colleges.

Sporting a good tan and looking thoroughly relaxed is Mrs. Margaret Southwell of Church Street South who has just returned from holidaying in the South Pacific. Accompanied by her daughter Barbara of Vancouver, they spent three days in Honolulu prior to flying to Tahiti, where they boarded the "West Star" for a ten day boat cruise to Moorea, Bora Bora, Pago Pago, Apia, Tonga and Suva, Fiji. At the last port of call all the passengers were given a special edition of "The West Star" as a memento of the six ports of varied culture, nationality, scenery and activity.

Taking the scenic drive along the coast to Korolevu, they spent three days at the Korolevu Beach Hotel before leaving for Nadi, there they took the beachcomber cruise to Beachcomber Island, a perfect coral island with white sandy beaches, coconut palms and clear blue water. They enjoyed swimming and a steak barbecue before returning to Nadi, where they took a car trip into the mountains, 1,500 feet above sea level before leaving for Honolulu enroute for Vancouver. There Mrs. Southwell spent two weeks with her daughter before returning to the Hill.

Mrs. Southwell admits she has lost her heart to these enchanting isles, their natives and customs and plans to return in the not to distant future.

The Couples' Club of Richmond Hill United Church will have an evening of bowling with the Couples' Club of St. Matthew's on March 20.

Everyone welcome — further details may be obtained by calling Joan or Peter Thomson at 884-6507. Mrs. Harry Walburn returned on Sunday to her home on Baker Avenue having spent nine weeks in Victoria, B.C., staying with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Victor Brown, during her brother's hospitalization with a serious illness. She returned to the Hill with a large bunch of daffodils from a friend's garden in Victoria, a tangible reminder that spring is really on its way!

Monday night winners at the Duplicate Bridge Club held in the Lions Hall, Oak Ridges, were, north-south, Bob and Edna Dunn, east-west, Ron Dickie and Marie Cole. At the last meeting of the WA of the Presbyterian Church plans were discussed for the Evening of Fashion to be held at the church on April 22. The evening will include dessert and coffee and tickets are already available by calling Ticket Convener Mrs. Ena Allan at 884-5086.

A short discussion also took place on the snack luncheon and bazaar and November 5 was set as the date for this annual popular event. Mr. and Mrs. Jack White of Trench Street attended the convention of the Canadian Automotive Electrical Association, held Thursday at the Park Plaza. Attending the convention — a dinner dance — were electrical dealers from across Canada and Mr. White, a life member, who had met many of them during his tenure as sales director for Smith's Instruments, was given a very warm welcome from his old friends and former business associates.

A surprise 30th birthday party was held February 27 for Mrs. Carley Moore at her home on Bluegrass Boulevard. Her husband Bill was a tremendous asset — as one of the organizers and in keeping the party a complete surprise until the arrival of the first guests. These included Mr. and Mrs. Richard Loitch, son and daughter, Randy and Valerie from Unionville, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clayton of Bolton and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Clayton and Miss Pamela Abrams, all of Richmond Hill.

Visiting the Hill this week is Mary Monks, formerly of Woodlane, now living in Vancouver. Staying with her daughter, Louise in Toronto, Mary intends to spend her short holiday shopping, seeing her many friends, and confirming arrangements for her daughter's wedding to take place June 5 in Vancouver. Sitting next to Mary on her flight to Toronto was a Richmond Hill resident, Mrs. Harry Walburn of Baker Avenue, who was returning from an extended stay in Victoria! It's a small world!

The seventh annual Coin Show of Richmond Hill Coin Club is being presented March 20 at the Lions Hall, Centre Street East. Display competition classes will include Canadian and foreign coins, tokens and medals, paper money, and classes for those under 16 as well as non-members. There will be awards for the best displays in these classes and also a special award for the best display in the show. Feature exhibits will be included. Light lunches and refreshments will be available with door prizes given every hour from 10 am to 10 pm and several coin auctions and bourse dealers will be offering a wide variety of coins for the collector. For further information phone 884-8434 evenings.

There was a good turnout for the last meeting of the Curtain Club held March 1 in the theatre, rear of 25 Yonge Street North. With President Dennis Stainer in the chair, business included reports of the last play "Devil's Advocate," suggested improvements to the theatre and a short discussion on a children's play. Program Director Dagmar Matyas then introduced the program for the evening "Ochi Chornive," a humorous, satirical takeoff of Russian history, sex, literature and politics. Directed by Dagmar the cast included Judy Swift, Anita Stainer, Beth Jones, Val Haworth (making a very successful debut on the Curtain Club stage) and Narrator Margot Crack. Although Women's Lib permeated the club for the evening — an all female cast — the program was very well received by club members and guests, with the seasoned actors having to admit the superior talent of the club's actresses! A sincere vote of thanks was extended on behalf of the club, to Arnie and Val Haworth of Lawnwood Court for hosting the Green Room Party following the final curtain of the "Devil's Advocate." A record number of guests attended and enjoyed a convivial evening, highlighted by a presentation to Director Tony Miller and refreshments convoked by Peggy Gosling.

A group of members from the local Horticultural Society spent last Wednesday at the Spring Flower and Garden Show at the Royal Ontario Museum. One of its members, Flavia Redelmeier, also a member of the Garden Club of Toronto, which organizes this annual event, won an honorable mention in the decorative planting and second place in the flower arranging class — "Afro Beat."

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The Ladies' Auxiliary to Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion, sent a group of nine and fourteen members on Friday and Saturday to assist the Newmarket Ladies' Auxiliary in the preparation and serving of dinner to 420 bowlers participating in the regional bowling tournament. Head table guests were Provincial President Rose Manning, Orillia, Provincial Secretary Treasurer Elsie Duffield, Aurora, Zone Commander Gloria Sanford, Richmond Hill, Regional Sports Officer Rita Rudiger, Georgetown and Ladies' Auxiliary President Fran Keeley, Newmarket. The winners of the tournament were first, New Toronto, second Barrie and third Collingwood. The Newmarket team, who placed tenth, will compete in the provincial playoffs to be held in May. Due to inclement weather conditions many groups of visiting auxiliary members were unable to leave Newmarket and spent the night at the homes of local members. Richmond Hill Auxiliary presented its current show which was received enthusiastically. Although the cast had planned on this as their last performance, the Simcoe and Watford Auxiliaries have extended an invitation to Richmond Hill to perform at their respective Legion Halls in the spring, and consideration is being given to the invitation.

The "beautiful people" — the mysterious eight from the Pleasantville area, spent several glorious days last week on the slopes at Collingwood.

The Royal Conservatory of Music Alumni Association, Markham Township Chapter, is holding a business meeting March 15 at the home of Mrs. E. Mildred Temple on Meadowbrook Lane, Unionville. Get well wishes are extended to Susie Harold of Lillian Street who is convalescing at home having spent several days last week in Erivan Hospital with a bout of pneumonia.

Enjoy lunching in convivial company? Why not gather your friends and fellow workers and attend the Come and Go Luncheon and Bake Sale being held March 31 at Richmond Hill United Church? Sitings are at 11:30 am, 12:15 and 1 pm and tickets at \$1.25 may be obtained by calling 884-2128 or at the door.

The annual meeting of the YWCA is being held March 25 at 6:30 pm in Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church. A pot luck supper is being prepared by Y members, and many of the classes in the fall and winter program will be represented by displays and demonstrations. Members of the public are most welcome — please call the Y at 884-4811 if you plan to attend.

Next Sunday at the 10:30 am service at St. Mary's Anglican Church — "Help Sunday" — the guest preacher will be Rev. Bob McRae, secretary of the Primates World Relief and Development Fund. The service will be followed by coffee and "hunger lunch" of some foods prepared for use overseas.

A charming guest at the Rotary Dinner Dance at the Summit Golf and Country Club on Friday last was well known CBC television and radio personality, Juliette, currently starring in the daily CBL Radio program, "Afternoon." She was accompanied by the show's director and producer, Ron Solloway.

After a week of rest, to enjoy the visit to the Bayview Secondary School of "Crowbar," the Purple Pickle people are ready to open the doors once more this Saturday evening to Richmond Hill teens. Featured will be the local music group "Mud" who will be jamming from 8 to 11 pm. The local rock group "Flack" will entertain at the big hockey dance which will be held during hockey week. The Pickle also intends to open the drop-in on weekday afternoons during the hockey tournament as a service to the many visiting team players in the town during the week of March 22-28. Jeff Snook and Vicki Pugh are hammering out the final details of the hockey bash.

The success of the "Battle of the Bands" and the rather healthy state of the Pickle bank account because of it, has led to the donation of \$50 to the local floor hockey league. The Purple Pickle will have live sound, pop and chips for the next four weeks for the benefit of the young people of the town. The program is made possible through the generosity and understanding of the outreach committee of Richmond Hill United Church.

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Rotary Festivities At The Summit

The Summit Golf and Country Club was one of the liveliest night spots in town Friday evening when over 200 guests attended the gala Rotary Dinner Dance held by the local club in aid of community work. It was a most successful event and above, some of the guests are shown enjoying a brief period of relaxation after dinner, prior to tripping the light fantastic to the swinging music of the "High Hats". Throughout the evening many door prizes were won, all of which were kindly donated by Richmond Hill firms and businessmen, a gesture very much appreciated by the Rotarians.

Kindergartens To Admit Some 4-Year-Olds Again Next Year

York County Board of Education has set forward the date on which children under five may be admitted to kindergarten. The board agreed a year ago that, in schools where kindergartens have fewer than 25 children enrolled as of October 1, children whose fifth birthday falls after December 31 of the current year may be admitted on a basis of age priority. At a meeting of the board on March 8 it was pointed out that grants from the Department of Education are based on enrolment as of September 30. Trustees agreed, therefore, that children under five should be accepted into schools that have room for them before the cutoff date of September 30. Children whose fifth birthday falls between January 1 and December 31 have already registered for kindergarten in September, and according to board policy, all will be admitted. Children whose fifth birthday falls between January 1 and March 31, 1972, and children whose special home situation makes early admission advisable, will be accepted into kindergartens. Associate Director Gordon McIntyre told her that this sort of thing has been tried in other areas, but so far no truly reliable "readiness tests" have been developed. Trustees agreed to the policy as recommended by staff.

Markham Trustee Louise Almon of the York County Board asked that staff study the matter of early kindergarten admission to see how successful it has been. Are the younger children really getting full benefit from kindergarten? She also wanted to know how much it is costing the board. King Trustee Margaret Coburn said she would like to see a "readiness testing" of children under five before they are accepted into kindergartens. Trustee Gordon McIntyre told her that this sort of thing has been tried in other areas, but so far no truly reliable "readiness tests" have been developed. Trustees agreed to the policy as recommended by staff.

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