



St. Matthew's Senior Choir will be presenting its annual "Carols by Candlelight" service this Sunday, the 12th, starting at 7 pm.

Everyone is welcome to attend this service — geared to the whole family.

Christmas parties are in full swing — dinner, cocktail, wine and cheese, etc. — how are you planning to celebrate the festive season?

Why not let us know of your social 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 be pleased to hear from you.

The wardens of St. Mary's Anglican Church have announced the appointment of Bishop Snell of Rev. Gerald Loweth, B.A., M.Th., as "Locum Tenens" (priest-in-charge) for the parish until such time as a new rector may be chosen.

Mr. Loweth is employed full time as executive secretary of the Metro Toronto Urban Church Board, whose work is to co-ordinate, and where possible, integrate the activities of the United Anglican Churches in Metro.

Before coming to Canada to study for his Master's Degree in theology at Trinity College, Mr. Loweth served three years in the Episcopal Church in Connecticut, and was rector for eight years at Hilo, Hawaii, where he was deacon of the island. For four years he was assistant rector of Grace Church on the Hill. He is married and has four children, who were born in Hawaii.

At The Curtain Club

"Joe Egg" — Missed Chances In A Competent Production

BY GEOFFREY MITCHELL
Peter Nichols' "A Day In The Death Of Joe Egg" served as a starring vehicle for Albert Finney in the West End and on Broadway and for Noel Harrison on a North American tour.

It's about the efforts of a married couple to cope with their spastic (and only) child, based on playwright Nichols' own experience when he was a schoolteacher in Bristol, England. If that brief description of the plot sounds sombre and morbid take my word for it, the play isn't that way at all. It's warm, human, often very funny and at the same time, a moving exploration of two intelligent people devising a method of facing a terrible truth. And it's also one of the most theatrical plays to have been written in the last few years.

At the Curtain Club in Richmond Hill it's getting a straightforward production (directed by Tony Miller) which makes most of the points and gets many of the laughs. But perhaps that's the main fault of the production, too. It's too straightforward. Director Miller seems to have decided to play down the theatrical aspects and present a more traditional type of production. Maybe that's the answer when "Joe Egg" is performed by amateurs but I would like to have seen more style in this production, some effort to lift it out of the ordinary.

Trevor Stanley in the leading — and demanding — role of Brian has the right appearance and the right approach and makes the most of the lines but seems too restrained when he's into the "vaudeville" aspects of the role. A pity. I have the feeling Mr. Stanley, once he lost his inhibitions, could do a great music hall turn.

In the less flashy part of the wife (Sheila). Iris Stringer keeps our sympathy and in a wide-eyed naive sort of way arouses some genuine moments of compassion and pity.

These two actors paint a believable portrait of a marriage under considerable strain — I just wish they'd taken hold of their roles with greater confidence and developed some of

Rev. Fred Jackson officiated recently when the following infants received the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Mary's Anglican Church — Christopher Richard son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard George; Marc Robert Weldon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Guillard; Laura Miriam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Haughton; Elspeth Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Haughton; and Heidi J., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Josef Mross.

The Ladies' Auxiliary to Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion, presented its show "375 Happy Gang" to the auxiliaries in Zone E2 Monday last. Unfortunately, the weather was so bad that only two auxiliaries, Newmarket and Aurora — a total of 40 members. The show was also presented to 150 members and guests of the North York Veterans Club, Willowdale, on Saturday last.

The auxiliary threw a Christmas party for 115 children, grandchildren and parents Sunday last. The Christmas dinner meeting will be held this Friday, December 10, at Legion Court.

The 3rd Richmond Hill Ladies Auxiliary met November 17 at St. Gabriel's Anglican Church. Guest Speaker Mrs. Helen Todd chose as her topic "Ladies' Auxiliary — What Is It?" and left members with many thoughts on the do's and don'ts on raising children.

On December 15, at 8:30 pm, the auxiliary is invited to the home of Mrs. Ruth Brown, 384 Becker Road. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Shirley Fifield, district chairman of ladies' auxiliaries.

The boys are currently selling Christmas trees on the church lawn, all proceeds from which will go towards Scouting activities.

The Richmond Hill Chapter, IOOE, held its monthly meeting with Mrs. Frederick Catlin in the chair. Amongst the business discussed were several charitable donations.

The Christmas dinner meeting will be held December 14.

There was yet another jackpot winner at the weekly bingo held on Tuesdays at St. Mary's Parish Hall — Helen Matchett of Maple, who won the top prize of \$500, an unexpected Christmas bonus.

R. H. Senior Citizens Members are reminded of the annual Christmas dinner being held December 9 at Richmond Hill United Church starting at 6 pm.

The seniors are making an excellent showing at Allencourt Lanes with the latest scores — Bert Cook, high triple 738, Mrs. Barbara Winger high triple 637. Individual high scores for one game — Heber McCague 297, Jo Swan 288, Albert Hunt 273, Mrs. Emma Masters 271 and Mrs. William Braid 223.

The ladies' auxiliary of the 8th Richmond Hill Scouts and Cubs enjoyed a wine and cheese party at the home of Adele Downey on December 1. Final arrangements are being made for a Christmas party for Venturers, Scouts and Cubs of this group on December 15. Boys are to meet at 6:45 pm at Walter Scott Public School and will be driven from there to the Centennial Pool for a swim, then to the home of Jean Surtrees for refreshments. The party should end at approximately 9:15 pm and the boys will be transported home.

All parents are most welcome to join in the swim which they may be assured will be well supervised.

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?

FRYING PAN COOKIES

2 eggs
1 cup granulated sugar
1 1/2 cups dates (cut in small pieces)
Salt to taste
2 cups rice crispies
Small quantity of coconut
Place unbeaten eggs, sugar, dates and salt in cold frying pan. Stir until well mixed. Cook over low heat for 10 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and add rice crispies. Roll into balls and dip in coconut. Makes about 2 1/2 dozen cookies.
Mrs. A. Liptrap.

The 3rd Richmond Hill Scouts Group Committee has successfully completed a sale of Halloween candy and a fall dance. It's next project will be the annual sale of Christmas trees at St. Gabriel's Anglican Church, which is located at the corner of Crosby and Bayview Avenues.

Early in October 11 Venturers participated in an "End-to-End" hike in the Caledon Hills section of the Bruce Trail. The hike covered 33 miles in 90 degree weather and each boy who finished was presented with a badge.

Thirty boys and leaders of the 3rd attended a recent district-wide rally, enjoying the African Safari near Rockton. Group Committee Chairman Bill Wright invites each and every parent of 3rd Richmond Hill to participate by coming out on the first Tuesday of every month to St. Gabriel's Church at 8:30 pm.

Many members weathered the storm Monday evening to attend St. Mary's Immaculate CWL meeting.

Vice - President Mrs. Claire Woods chaired the meeting in the absence of President Mrs. Mary Matthews.

The season opened with Father Clement Schwalm leading in the reading of the league prayer. He then made a few brief comments on the future work of the CWL and praised the national council in its fight against the abortion bill and stressed how each parish council could help this grave concern.

Members of the East Central Branch of the YCHA will meet at 8 pm on December 14 for a Christmas get-together at the home of Jessie Grainger, 130 Yonge Street South.

A "Merry Christmas Tea" to which everyone is invited, will be held in the quarters of the YWCA, 25 Yonge Street North, on Tuesday, December 14, from 2-4 pm.

This open house will feature a display of articles made by members of the Christmas Workshop, held for the past several weeks as part of the "Y" program, and conducted by Mrs. Mildred Kirchen, Mrs. Nancy Case and Mrs. Ursula Shephard.

The traditional "hanging of the greens" will take place Monday evening when the "Y" offices will take on a festive air in preparation for the tea.

R. H. Rotary News At the November 29 meeting Chris Hart introduced Al Bradshaw and Doug Robertson who spoke to members about "Junior Achievement of Canada."

J.A. is a non-profit educational organization supported by business and industry, service clubs and interested private citizens, whose program is aimed at teaching high school students the economic value of individual initiative and effort. Through a practical, learn-by-doing process, students organize and manage their own small-scale businesses, with an advisory assist from local business executives.

On Tuesday of last week a group of members went to York Central Hospital to decorate the children's wards. This is an annual custom of local Rotarians, who get as much pleasure doing it as the young patients who are hospitalized during the festive season.

The sale of Rotary Christmas trees started last week in front of the Dairy Queen, Yonge Street North. There's an excellent selection, reasonably priced and all proceeds go towards the many community projects undertaken by the club.

A unique Evening of Music for Young People will be presented December 14 at Nobleton Public School by the York Regional Symphony under the leadership of Phillip Budd.

Starting at 8 pm, the concert, sponsored by the student council of the school, will feature Bach's Air on a G String; Canadian Godfrey Ridout's colorful music for a Young Prince; Vaughan Williams' Fantasia on Greensleeves and his English Folk Song Suite; a Medley of Carols by Sir Ernest McMillan; Handel's famous Viola Concerto, with Andy Twa as soloist; a William Boyce Symphony and the eerie Mussorgsky Night on Bald Mountain.

Of particular interest will be the opportunity afforded the young audience to gain a closer understanding of the composition of a symphony orchestra, when they will be invited to meet the vital orchestra components — strings, woodwinds, brass — and percussion via appropriate selections.

The interest of young people in orchestral music is growing and this concert will have good general appeal.

Tickets, available at the door, will cost \$1 for adults, with free admission for their children.

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Circle February 1 on your calendar if you are a bride enthusiast.

Mrs. Gwen Bell has been named convener of an evening dessert bridge for men and women at the Lions Hall, sponsored by the YWCA.

More details will appear in this column at a later date.

The 1st. Beverley Acres Scouts and Cubs had a going-up ceremony on October 18 and Drew Napier, Roy McGill and Steven Steel were received into the Scout troop by Scouters Ken Boardman and Terry Cameron. Scouts and Cubs got together for a game of dodge-ball at the closing of the Cub meeting.

Parents and boys had a very enjoyable time on October 25 when they were invited to go in the costume of their choice for an evening of fun and games. Awards went to Cub Tom Boardman for his fat clown outfit and parent Mrs. Barbara Duce, who was attired in the guise of a baseball player. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Albina Barber and Miss Sheila Brown.

November saw the following boys invested — Ted and Tom Boardman, Frank Barber, Lenn Barentin, Mark Hayward, Bruce Lloyd and Billy Vranitidis. Four Blue Stars were awarded by Doug Duce, Neil Harrietha, Scott Patterson and Drew Ryland.

Badges were awarded to Doug Duce — house orderly and swimmers; Scott Patterson — gardeners, carpenters and house orderly; Edward Widdifield — house orderly and team players.

N. Roy Clifton of Richmond Hill High School is in the process of compiling a record of former principals of Richmond Hill High School and would appreciate, if possible, any of the principals preceding James Stewart, who headed the school in the 1930's and 40's.

If you can assist in any way, please call him at the school, 884-2131, or at home, 884-1355.

Dorothy Flint of Pemberton Crescent and her friend, Mrs. Flora Ness of Willowdale have recently returned from a trip to Fiji, New Zealand, Australia and Hawaii.

One highlight in Fiji was being taken by Peni, a Fijian, to his native village, Kavutu and meeting his wife, Mereia. They were very British and had many pictures of the Royal Family hanging on the walls of their living room.

In New Zealand the first World Rose Convention, Roseworld '71, was the focus of attention. The roses in the competitions and the huge floral arrangements in the convention centre were unbelievably beautiful. Each day there was a bus tour into the bush countryside which was dotted with sheep and cattle as here is one of the greatest concentrations of these animals in the world.

They visited both private and public gardens, where, besides roses, entertainment and refreshments were provided. The beautiful rose garden at the Awamutu has been developed in less than three years by the Jaycees "from a rugged piece of wasteland." There they discovered a bed of roses called T. Eaton — yes, the T. Eaton!

The South Island of New Zealand provided the most rugged beauty in the southern Alps on the flight from Queenstown up Milford Sound and next day to Mt. Cook and the Tasman Glacier. Mt. Cook, like Fiji, is often obscured by cloud, but that day, it, and all the snowcapped surrounding peaks, were beautiful in sunshine.

In Australia the animal world was most interesting. In a protected area out from Melbourne three Koala bears in a small gum tree feeding on the eucalyptus leaves was an unexpected treat and at dusk the parade of the Fairy Penguins was an unforgettable sight.



(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

"Three Little Jungle Girls Are We"

Animals have no hang-ups when it comes to modelling, even when they're not in their own habitat and the three magnificent four-month-old female African cheetahs pictured above were no exception and quite happily posed for the photographer, who quite honestly admitted was not too sure about the assignment!

The cheetahs and their brother, were imported into Canada for Joe Orsatti of Maple Avenue, who is housing them in a converted barn during their three-month quarantine, after which he will sell them at \$2,500 each. They are easily tamed and trainable and make excellent hunters or household pets.

On their arrival in Canada they spent several days with local veterinarian, Dr. John Mollard of Centre Street West being inoculated and receiving all the necessary shots and of particular interest is the fact that they received both canine and feline distemper shots, as they are susceptible to both.

Mr. Orsatti also has a wild mountain lion and a leopard and if he tames the cheetahs as he did the leopard, it won't be long before they'll enjoy having their tummies tickled!

Duplicate Bridge Monday night winners of the Howell movement were Andrea Stemmler and Verda Moore.

Winners of the St. Gabriel "Steer Draw" made November 30, were George Donneral of Nestleton (ticket number 258), Lloyd Hawkes, 95 Roseview Avenue (642) and C. Dudley, 772 Glencairn Street, Oshawa (733). The first prize-winner received a half a beef and the second and third prize-winners a quarter of a beef.

The lucky tickets were drawn by Mary Richardson.

The church's three wardens, Tom McKeage, Len Potten and Jack Seymour, were in charge of the draw and express their appreciation for the support of the community.

The 5th Richmond Hill Scout Ladies Auxiliary would like to extend its thanks to all who contributed in any way towards the success of this year's movie show, "The Computer Wore Tennis Shoes."

The following boys won prizes donated by the group committee for high ticket sales — Scouts, James Murray, David Wood, Frank Glen and Douglas Garlick; Mang Cub Pack, Glen Woodbridge, Mark Chaffield, John Glen, and Danny Kelly; Lobo Cub Pack, Bill Bruels, Neil Wrighton and Andrew Arai.

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