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"Ways and Means Chairman Jane McKenzie, Delta Lambda Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi reports preparations are progressing well for the annual fundraising Yellow Rose Ball February 19 at Heintzman Home. A highlight of the evening will be the crowning of "Girl of the Year."

Thanks are extended to Anna and Dan Apenis for their hospitality at their home on Sugar Maple Lane after the mixed bowling Saturday evening.

The Canadian Federation of University Women, York County Branch, will hold its next meeting on Monday next, January 24.

The meeting will take the form of a workshop on pollution, presented by club members.

New members and guests are welcome to attend and to find out what is being done in their community to fight pollution. For further information call Mrs. Janet Fayle at 884-3348.

January 17-23 is being observed across Canada as National "Y" Week and the following item will show the extent and scope of this organization in Canada.

The newest and most northernly YWCA was opened recently in Whitehorse, Yukon, and since the population of Whitehorse is made up in part, of people from every province in Canada, an appeal has been received in the Hill for small donations towards the cost of furnishing a room in the centre.

If any readers have relatives or friends in Whitehorse, or have other ties there, perhaps a donation would be a nice gesture. It is in remote areas such as Whitehorse that the "Y" fulfills its three-fold purpose of administering to the spirit, mind and body.

Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau met with three representatives of the "Y" on Wednesday afternoon in his office, when he was presented with an honorary membership in the Ottawa YM-YWCA for his son, Justin Pierre, and a jogging suit with the "Y" Week WCA crest.

The young "Y" members from across Canada, who are 21, 17 and 16-years-old respectively, have a total of 39 years of "Y" membership between them.

The 1st Beverley Acres Cubs held their annual Christmas Party at Beverley Acres School on December 20. Accompanied by Mrs. Mary Brown on the piano the boys played carols on instruments of their own making. With candlelight providing an appropriate setting the Christmas Story was told by Raksha Mrs. Moira Boardman.

After games and an exchange of gifts the boys enjoyed refreshments served by Mrs. Alberta Barber, Mrs. Barbara Duce, George Smalley and Mrs. Mary Brown. The beautiful snowman cake was decorated by Robin Smalley.

On December 29 the 1st Beverley Acres Cubs, Scouts and Venturers visited the David Dunlap Observatory where they were taken on a grand tour of the main buildings and then over to the Observation Dome. A most rewarding outing for anyone - young or old to take.

Thanks are extended to those who looked after the transportation department and also to the staff at the observatory.

Conductor Philip Budd took his York Regional Symphony to Park Avenue Public School in Holland Landing on December 20 and with a most instructive performance that delighted everybody, rounded out a very satisfying beginning to a new season. Round the corner peeked the infant nineteen-seventy-two and with the orchestra in high gear, Maestro Budd dedicated himself and his musicians to maintaining impetus.

Watch for this fine orchestra.

Joint winners of the second draw in Lucky Draw YCAMA #500 were Miss Cathy Bellavance and Miss Judy Jones with token No. 256.

Both girls are on the staff of the Yonge Street branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

AMO, a morning out program for mothers and pre-schoolers has its next program on January 26 at 9:30 am at Richmond Hill United Church.

The film "Wherever There Are Children" is being shown, along with a speaker from the Children's Aid Society. Everyone is welcome.

The programs for mothers are held on alternate Wednesdays, but supervised activities and facilities for children are provided every Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 am.

Monday night the 2nd Richmond Hill Girl Guides were guests of the 1st Richmond Hill Guide Company at MacKillop School as they were led in a song training by Mrs. Jacky Neun. The Guides were taught songs from all over the world including rounds, campfire openings and closings from Africa, Mexico and Denmark.

A quiet campfire game developed into a humorous story with each girl adding her own special twist. Mrs. Neun also told the older girls of the new Campfire Leader Badge and urged them to try it at their own meetings.

The training ended with Captain Barbara Pfennig thanking Mrs. Neun for the lovely evening and Taps were sung with the Guide Promise made by Janet Robbins and Carol Anne Riddell.



DEREK MILLER "A man of many parts" aptly describes Derek Miller, who plays the lead role in "The Gioconda Smile" by Aldous Huxley, which opens February 12 at the Curtain Club Theatre.

Shortly after his arrival in Canada he joined the Stables Theatre in Rosedale, a highly professional little theatre group, where he worked with George Robertson (author of the Quentin Durgens series and co-author of Face Off) and the late John Drainie. His first play in this country "I Spy" by John Mortimer was followed by numerous plays for the group including "The Day's Mischief" directed by Robert Rose (at that time one of the best television commercial directors in the business) who was so impressed with Derek's acting ability, he asked him to take part in a Campbell Soup television commercial he was then directing. This led to many more commercials, some of them which were destined for fairly long runs eg. Tums (currently running) and one for FP which ran throughout the football season.

He has also acted on many occasions for the CBC appearing in several plays, the Quentin Durgens series, Famous Jury Trials and more recently on Program X for Rudi Dorn, which will be aired on CBLT during the current series.

In the Curtain Club he will be remembered for his fine performances in many plays, including "The Odd Couple," "Boeing-Boeing" and "Barefoot In The Park." He is a fine character actor and in "Diary of a Scoundrel," the club's successful entry in the 1965 Central Ontario Drama Festival, he received the best supporting actor award for his portrayal of the 70-year-old General Kroutitzky.

The election of officers for 1972 was held at the January meeting of the ACW of St. Gabriel's Anglican Church.

New co-presidents are Mrs. Donald Richardson and Mrs. Robert Gilpin.

After the election, Mrs. Victoria Cox showed slides of her trip around the world.

In spite of the combination of weather and school examinations, Richmond Hill Youth Band, under the direction of Bob Thiel, had another excellent rehearsal on Thursday last at the Pump House.

Music Director Thiel welcomed three additional members to the group but would still appreciate hearing from more clarinets and low brass.

If anyone knows of, or has instruments that could be loaned to this enthusiastic group, please contact Business Manager Herb Smith at 884-4279.

The band meets at the Pump House on Mill Street every Thursday at 7 pm.

Booster buttons for the annual Winter Carnival, scheduled for February 4, 5 and 6, are now available from secondary school students or any member of the committee. These buttons entitle you to attend any or all events during the three days, and are the carnivals main source of revenue.

Be a good citizen, buy a button and show your neighbors and friends that you are a supporter of this annual time of winter fun.

Symphony Club We offer congratulations to the four members of the Bayview Secondary School's four-member team for the Top team, which won its first round in the CBC contest for high school students across Canada.

Members of the local team - Sara Graziani, Randy Henderson, Sharon Crooks and Peter Frise.

They won the first round by defeating Gravenhurst High School January 12. The tape of this contest will be shown on Barrie's Channel 3 TV January 28 at 8 pm.

It is expected they will meet Barrie's St. Joseph's in the next round, as they continue their efforts to win area, provincial and Dominion championships.

At the January 10 meeting of the Curtain Club a small but very appreciative audience saw an excellent workshop production of N. F. Simpson's "The Form," directed by club member Brian Moore with Paula Wilson, Paul Wood, George Truss and Carole Moore in the cast.

The program was preceded by a short business meeting chaired by President Chris Steel with the main discussion centred on the forthcoming play "The Gioconda Smile," the club's entry in the CODL Travelling Festival.

Rehearsals are well underway for the play, a suspenseful mystery drama, and tickets may be obtained by calling Ann Cook at 884-8864.

The Ladies' Auxiliary to Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion, entered two teams in the Zone E2 Bowling Tournament held at Newmarket last Saturday.

Champions were Newmarket, with Aurora 2nd and Richmond Hill 3rd. These teams will be competing in the regional tournament to be held at New Toronto in March.

The current show "The 375 Happy Gang" was presented on Tuesday last to the Independent Order of Foresters and on Saturday last to Newmarket Legion. Among the 300 guests at Newmarket were the Gravenhurst Legion and Zone E2 members.

The auxiliary general meeting will be held on Monday next, January 24.

R. H. Senior Citizens The regular monthly meeting was held in the Christian education building of the Richmond Hill United Church with President Stuart MacPherson presiding and 157 members and seven new members in attendance.

A humorous reading "I Am Fine Thank You" was given by Mrs. Edna Harding and a film was shown on the work of the VON.

A trip to the Ontario Science Centre has been planned for January 26. Buses will leave the centre at 10:30 am sharp. Tickets are available at the centre.

Bowling Notes - High singles, Doris Neil 261, Kay Seymour 239, Beth Braid 231, Arch Seymour 251, Norm Stevenson 246, Bill Marshall 243, Tom Battersby 237. High triples - Doris Neil 726, Kay Seymour 619, Barbara Winzert 592, Arch Seymour 666, Al Attridge 643, Bill Marshall 642 and Stu MacPherson 626.

The 5th Richmond Hill Scout Ladies' Auxiliary will celebrate its 14th birthday on January 25. Court whist will be played during the social part of the evening and new members are cordially invited to attend.

Bingo! There was yet another lucky winner at the regular Tuesday bingo at St. Mary's Parish Hall - Mrs. P. Croyer of Thornhill, who walked off with the \$500 jackpot.

Why not go along at 8 pm next Tuesday - Lady Luck may be smiling on you!

Duplicate bridge winners on Monday were Bob and Edna Dunn and Friday winners, N-S - Stewart and Marie Cole, E-W - Alan and Barbara Hanks.

There will be a novice side game for new and inexperienced players on Friday, January 28. For information call 773-4280.

The Couples' Club of St. Gabriel's Anglican Church enjoyed a sleigh ride on January 15 after which everyone returned to the church hall for games and refreshments.

Co-hosts for the evening were Brian and Kathy Beasant, Jim and Mary LeMoine and Peter and Ada Bryden.

The Richmond Hill Naturalists will meet next Friday in the chapel of St. Mary's Anglican Church at 8 pm.

The guest speaker will be Dr. Helen Hog, professor of astronomy at the David Dunlap Observatory. The subject will be "Canadian Craters on the Earth and Moon." Everyone welcome.

The annual duck and hawk trip will be held Sunday the 23rd.

Dark Is My Destiny Now On The Shelves

Heather Smith Hurst of Centre Street South has achieved a long time ambition - she recently celebrated the publication of her first full-length novel "Dark Is My Destiny."

The book, published by Thomas Boreury and Company Limited Inc. of New York, is a mystery-romance set in Wales with native legends and superstitions adding to the suspense.

Heather has also written several children's stories, which are currently being illustrated prior to publication. Her future plans include a play and historical novel.

It is difficult when reading "Dark Is My Destiny" to associate it with the attractive, quiet-spoken author, who is very modest about her achievement and feels that an essential rudiment for would-be authors is "to be honest with yourself and admit there's something wrong with it when it's initially rejected by a publisher."

Unfortunately the novel is not yet available in Canada but may be ordered direct from the publishers.

Are you unhappy with the status quo? Would you like to learn how you can help get things changed? Then you are cordially invited to attend a panel discussion at Richmond Hill United Church at 8 pm on February 6.

The subject to be discussed is "How To Affect Change." The panelists are Fiona Nelson, a member of the Toronto Board of Education; Mike Quigan of Thorncliffe Park United Church and Harvey McCue, professor at Trent University.

A fascinating study on birds televised on Sunday last on the CBC weekly program "A Way Out" featured Mrs. George Smith of Oakville, who, as a hobby, started a bird sanctuary in her garden which today attracts naturalists from far and wide.

During the program viewers saw many species of birds (obviously quite unperturbed by the television cameras) and gained many useful tips on feeders and the type of food our winter visitors enjoy.

Mrs. Smith who has been a resident of Oakville for the past six years, is the sister of Jack White of Trench Street.

STOFFVILLE: An increasing demand for quality homes here and a serious shortage of this kind of accommodation is driving prices "out of sight" it is reported. In the last 12 months house prices have risen at least \$1,500. No new subdivisions have been approved since 1967.

The January meeting of the Richmond Hill Horticultural Society will be held in the Lions Hall, Centre Street East, on Tuesday next January 25 at 8 pm.

It will be the occasion of the annual Color Slide Photographic Competition and we are assured of an excellent showing. This is always a fine evening, very colorful, with slides being shown of local, national and international interest.

The judge will be the well known authority Mrs. William Hussey, and the show is under the direction of Douglas Boyd. A reminder - 1972 fees are now due!

Taking off to the sunny south? Celebrating a birthday or anniversary? An interesting guest speaker at your next club meeting? Planning a unique fundraising project for your group?

Social events and club activities make interesting news items for "Life in the Hill" columns and we enjoy hearing from you.

The service is free - why not call the Social Editor Margot Crack at 884-1105/6 or drop a line to 63 Yonge Street South today?

The CWL of Our Lady Queen of the World Parish held its regular monthly meeting on January 12. President Mrs. Con Thompson welcomed members and announced that the guest speaker for the evening was Brother Leo.

Mrs. Claudette Wintzes read thank you notes and President Thompson, on behalf of Mrs. Ethel Englehutt, thanked all those who had baked for special events during the latter part of last year and reminded members that Mrs. Joyce Bryan had the material for making clothes for the Red Cross which could be picked up at her home.

She also announced that the Girl Guides will be having a "Luncheon is Served" on February 15 at 7 pm. A hundred tickets are available at \$1.50 each.

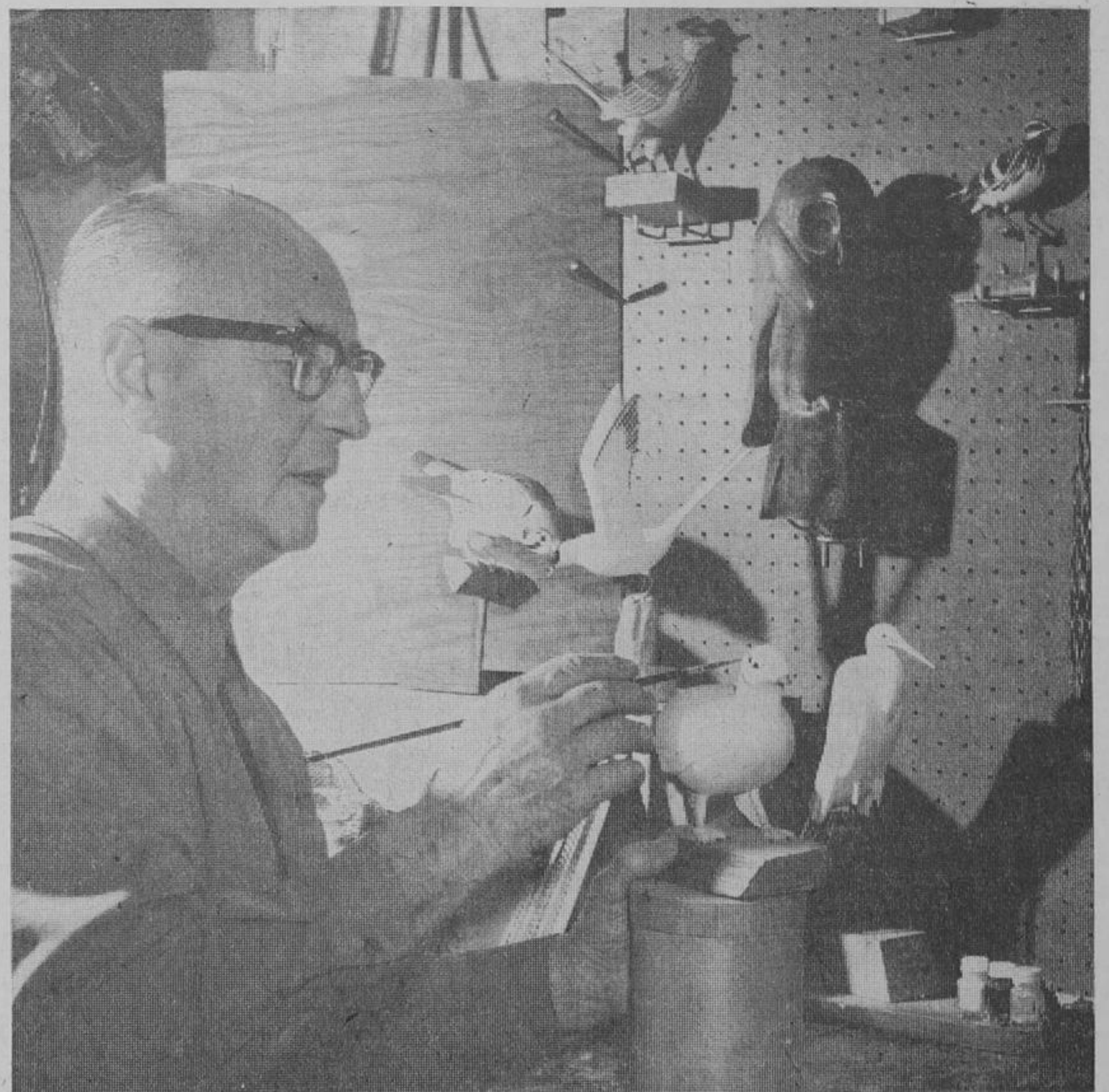
A report on the euche was made by Mrs. John Daily, in the absence of Mrs. Patrick McCarville. This is being held on the third Monday of each month in the church hall and Refreshment Convenor Mrs. Stella Dickinson would appreciate assistance with baking and serving.

Mrs. Marg Lawlor will be the convenor of the St. Patrick's Bridge and Euche to be held February 13.

President Thompson reminded members of the lectures at Regis College and asked those interested to check the bulletin board at the back of the church. She also extended thanks to all members who had helped with sewing drapes.

There being no further business, Mrs. Bart Doeden moved that the meeting be closed and Mrs. Eileen Quinn introduced Brother Leo, who spoke on, and showed a collection of beautiful slides of his trip to Lourdes last Easter, on which he was accompanied by boys from Daybreak. At the close of his talk, Mrs. May Doeden, on behalf of the CWL, extended sincere thanks to Brother Leo for his most interesting presentation.

The evening concluded with pot luck dessert and coffee.



(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

Surrounded by the lifelike products of his hands, Ted Mansbridge is seen above in his Leventdale Road, Richmond Hill home, busily engaged on still another carved bird. Seen in the picture are a gull, a hawk, a ptarmigan, a crane and a grouse. All are whittled from softwood and then painted with several coats of paint until each specimen takes on the appearance of the real thing. Mansbridge has also donated about 20 bird carvings to Richmond Hill Parks Department. They are on display in the department's building in Mill Pond Park (the old pump house). The large stylized owl was carved from hardwood and then oiled to a glossy finish.

Still Wields A Skillful Knife In Bird Carving

Intrigued by an exhibit by the public of Richmond Hill as a village and on his father's and a member of Richmond Hill Lawn Bowling Club. Born in Southampton, England, until the property was sold to his parents at the age of four and to Richmond Hill 58 years ago. In 1918 he joined his father Bill Johnson of Maple. He also playing the next, so I can see on Yonge Street South in the is an accomplished lawn bowler the finished product."

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