



# Legion honors and awards dinner - dance November 23

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Due to circumstances beyond our control, the column last week went missing. We hope you will forgive us.

Time has again come full circle and we have celebrated another Vets Night and Remembrance Day.

Annually members of the Royal Canadian Legion join in saluting veterans of all wars and honoring the memories of those who fell, never to rise. We of Branch 375 set a date each year during which time we toast the valor of the "old sweats" of WWI and remember with reverence the illustrious ones who form the ever swelling ranks of the passing parade. This year Branch 375 doubly felt the meaning of remembrance. When we were toasting the "old sweats", many silent glasses were raised in memory of Comrade Ken Barrott who had passed away that morning, November 9.

After a quiet social hour dinner was served. Comrade Bill MacPherson gave the blessing and the meal began. Following dinner, the head table was introduced. Among the honored guests were members of the Town Council (including Mayor and Mrs. William Lazenby), guest speaker Flt.-Lt. (retired) E. Glover DFC, Major (ret.) Robt. McMeekin, president and members of the executive and their ladies plus other dignitaries too numerous to mention. The first highpoint of the evening has been reached — the introduction of all the "old sweats". During this period we found out that our oldest special guest is 92 years young while the baby of the crew is only 76. Not bad for a fine bunch of youngsters. May they ever stay young in heart.

Major McMeekin was then called upon to introduce the guest speaker Flt.-Lt. Ernie Glover, DFC. Mr. Glover lived up to his advance introduction. His speech was interesting, brief and to the point. At the close of Ernie's speech, he received a standing ovation. Well deserved too.

By the by, did we tell you Mayor Lazenby turned over his chain of office for the evening to the first Town of Richmond Hill mayor William Neal. By now "The New Revue" have tuned up for their own version of a salute to the veterans and we are on our way.

Time has passed and we are now having our pipe band favoring us with a parade. There is special interest in this band at the present time for we understand that this is the first time that three generations of the same family have played together. Bass drum handled by Drum Major (ret.) Len Davidson, then



Les Girls of Legion Auxiliary entertain senior citizens

Les Girls of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 375 presented their annual entertainment for senior citizens the other day.

As on past occasions it was a total success. Under the title The Happy Wanderers the evening's entertainment took cast and audience around the world from Malton Airport visiting the USA, Arabia, Italy, Sicily, Holland, Flanders, Paris, England, Spain, Denmark, Berlin, Moscow, Japan, Hawaii and back home. There were moments of nostalgia and moments of seriousness, but the

general tone of the evening was fun and frolic.

Participating in the Foul Dinner in Hawaii were left to right: Gloria Sanford, Gerry Chapman, Mary Robson, Hilda Quinton, Marie Finnerty, Audrey Davenport, Elsie Burnie and Connie Dow. The bullfighting scene in Spain featured (same order) Connie Dow, Marie Finnerty, Audrie Apperley, Grethe Tonner, Audrey Davenport and Gerry Chapman.

Festivities were concluded with lunch centred around a huge beautifully iced cake.

his son James as a drummer while his son Lorne sides his father on the drums.

We cannot do justice to the pride in that these members instilled in all those present. The roof nearly took off with the cheers received by the band and these very special members. After going

through their paces, the pipe band retired for a while to relax before giving another performance.

Back to the dancing and so the evening goes. One more parade from the pipe band. This group is just getting started. After a year or two maybe the CNE championship at Warriors' Day. Pipe Sergeant Bob Dunsmore brings the band to a halt facing the stage. Chairlady of the lady members Rita Hopson is presenting a cheque for a new set of pipes. This just about closes the evening.

Sunday dawned cloudy and very cold. This is not ideal marching weather but we all will give it the college try. Forming up at Richmond Heights Street we marched up Yonge Street to the Cenotaph. With Drum Major Len Davidson at its head, the band kept up a brisk pace, which all marchers appreciated. The service at the Cenotaph was lengthy and very difficult to hear because of traffic movement behind the lines.

After the service the marchers were paraded past St. Mary's Church where Major Robert McMeekin took the salute. The parade marched back to the old Legion quarters where it broke off. Many

returned to the new hall for a repast and a final visit for this year.

At this time we wish to say "thank you" to all the dignitaries, 761 Squadron, 778 Squadron (both air cadet units), HMCS "Patriot" (sea cadet unit) plus the cadets from Aurora. A special vote of thanks to all who made the whole thing possible.

Let us see what is about to happen for the next few weeks:

November 22 — Ken and George join us at the "Free and Easy";

November 23 — Honors and awards dinner and dance;

November 24 — Grey Cup family show. Tickets at bar.

November 29 — Ladies' Auxiliary Branch Show Night;

November 30 — Air Cadet dance.

The Poppy Campaign is past for this year. Chairman Bill Pollard has been going around with a big grin on his face so the news must be good.

Nan, Betty, Rita, Ann, Madge, Edie — these are just a few of the names that Bill was last heard muttering. We know he would like to say a very sincere thanks to these ladies, various members of the color party, officers and cadets of 778 Squadron, and those members of Branch 375 who pitched in to drive or do whatever task was asked of them.

So long for now.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

In the Estate of Joseph Aubrey Nixon

All persons having claims against the Estate of Joseph Aubrey Nixon, late of the Town of Richmond Hill, in the Regional Municipality of York, who died on or about the 1st day of October, 1974, are hereby notified to send particulars of same to the undersigned on or before the 27th day of November, 1974, after which date the Estate will be distributed, with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice and the undersigned will not be liable to any person whose claim she shall not then have notice.

DATED, at Richmond Hill, this 1st day of November, 1974.

Ivy Hilda Nixon, Executrix of the Estate of Joseph Aubrey Nixon, by her solicitor, Robert H. Blackburn, c/o Messrs. Lawlor, LeClaire, Stong & Nevins, Barristers and Solicitors, 10265 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, Ontario.

## Citizen planning survey old Richmond Hill village

A survey of the old "village of Richmond Hill" in the area bounded by Mill and Arnold Crescent, Yonge Street and the Mill Pond is being carried out at present by Douglas and Dorothy Pimlott, 65 Centre Street West, to determine the feeling of residents about the future of that area.

In the memorandum to the residents of the south-west corner of the Old Village of Richmond Hill (which accompanies a questionnaire), the Pimlotts state they have lived on Centre West since 1959 and bought their house because they were attracted by the village characteristics. "After 15 years, we continue to enjoy living in the area. We hope that ways can be found to meet traffic and drainage problems without making big changes in such things as the width and the look of streets."

They recall that just 10 years ago residents of this area strongly opposed and defeated a plan advanced by council for "improvement of streets and storm sewers". The proposal was to widen the streets to 28 feet (curb to curb) with a minimum road allowance of 48 feet. The entire width was to be "basically cleared of obstructions". Studies by concerned residents showed that streets and allowances of this width would have had a devastating effect on the area and that 165 trees would have to be cut down. The OMB agreed with them and, because of the great amount of opposition by the public, turned down the

town's application.

The Pimlotts report that the intervening years have been filled with pleasant living for them. However, they realize that the town is changing dramatically around the old village, but not much has happened within it. "The streets and sidewalks have deteriorated and must soon be given more than token attention. The trees which border the streets are gradually dying and are being removed. A replacement program is needed."

The Pimlotts believe that solving present and future problems will require both professional skills and active interest of residents. Therefore, besides asking for an expression of opinion from the residents on the future of this area of Richmond Hill, they are also asking for volunteers to serve on a citizens' advisory group.

When the questionnaires are returned they will present the results to candidates for council and will ask them to make their viewpoints known before the election.

WE HAVE MOVED TO A NEW LOCATION

Dr. E. C. Jurczak's office has moved temporarily to 10350 Yonge Street (one door south of present location)

Plaxton & Mann Building

EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 18, 1974

884-7151

On December 2nd  
**RE-ELECT GORD ROWE**  
Regional Councillor

IN WARD 3 VOTE  
**MAJOR X**  
RICHMOND HILL

## The Citizens Committee to Re-elect Bill Lazenby - Mayor

Announce Two Special Evenings to Personally Meet The Mayor

BLACK HAWK HOTEL

Wednesday, November 20th  
Wednesday, November 27th

8 pm - 10 pm

ENQUIRIES: 884-0564 884-0566



"PRICE IS RIGHT"  
ELECT  
**DOROTHY PRICE**  
COUNCILLOR WARD 2  
MONDAY DEC. 2, 1974  
POLLS OPEN 11 a.m. — 8 p.m.  
ANY QUESTIONS? 884-3674



WARD 4  
ELECT  
**MARYLO GRAHAM**



IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR RICHMOND HILL



● Full-time mayor  
● For a united King  
● A township for all the people

Re-elect  
**Mayor Margaret Britnell**  
King Township

Monday, December 2, 1974

Advance Poll Saturday, November 23, 1974  
King Township Municipal Offices -  
11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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