



Former minister feted on return to Hill

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Higginson of Belleville are spending the week in the Hill at the home of John Spanner, 212 Mill Street. Rev. Higginson served for about 16 years as minister at Richmond Hill United and for eight of those years Mr. Spanner was his lay assistant.

To make it easier for the Higginsons to see as many of their friends and former parishioners as possible, Mr. Spanner is having open house every afternoon to Friday from 2 to 4 pm. The women of the church are acting as hostesses.

Host and guests are having a busy but enjoyable time with invitations to dine out every night of the week.

The adult fellowship of Richmond Hill Presbyterian is planning a social evening for February 22. Weather permitting, the main event will be a skating party.

Club winner on January 24 north-south were Bob and Edna Dunn and Ross and Sandy Jenkinson tied for first and second place, Fred Tierney and Detlas Ludewig third; east-west George and Ann Payment first, Fred and Cleta Kieken second, Marg Davis and Heather Burling third.

On January 27 in the A section winners were: north-south Fred and Theresa Tierney, first, Natalie Platter and Cora Gillham second, Flo Laundry and John Hall third; east-west Ross and Sandy Jenkinson first, Joan and Paul Harris second, Ruth and Gerry Browning third. In the B section Brian Whalley and Bob Seabrook were first, Gladys and Ted Palmer tied with Henry Natale and Graham Chapman for second and third place.

January 29 winners in the open pairs tournament were north-south Marie Cole and Ruth Browning first, Marion Chapman and Sandy Jenkinson second, Rose Morrell and Grace Saunders third; east-west Verda Moore and Aleda Macbride first, Eileen Phippen and Edna Dunn second, Cleta Dieken and Ann Jansen third.

There will be a mixed pairs tournament on February 14. The celebrations for the commencement of the club's 10th year of operation will also begin on February 14. Every Monday there will be a limited side game for beginners of duplicate bridge as well as the regular open game. For information and partners call Marie Cole, 773-4280.

The East Central Branch, York Central Hospital Auxiliary, will be having its February 11 meeting at 1:30 pm at the home of Mrs. Jessie Morrow, 130 Wright Street.

The Couples Club of St. Gabriel's Anglican had an active and enjoyable evening January 18 bowling at the ABC Lanes. Seventeen couples participated and refreshments were served by the co-conveners of the evening, Hedley and Eleanor Tripp and George and Shirley Warr, at the Warrs' home on Rockport Crescent.

A Morning Out (AMO) group for mothers of young children will meet in the Christian Education Building of Richmond Hill United at 9:30 am February 12. A representative from Canada Manpower will be speaking about women returning to the work force. Nursery and pre-school care are provided on a co-operative basis. New members and visitors are welcome.

The H-C of St. Matthew's United will be in charge of the 11 am service on Sunday. More than 60 young people under leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Linderman will conduct a program featuring lively contemporary music, and everyone is invited.

Meanwhile Rev. John McTavish will be out of town for the weekend filling a speaking engagement in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

The Elmwood Over Sixties Social Club, which meets at Elmwood Manor every Thursday at 1:30 pm, had a nice turnout last week. They were happy to welcome several of the residents who joined the members in playing cards and for refreshments and a social half hour that followed.

A speaker from the Toronto Rape Crisis Centre will be the speaker at the general meeting of St. Matthew's U.C.W. on Tuesday. She will talk about the centre and tell how women can protect themselves. The meeting will begin with coffee at 9:15 am. All ladies are welcome. Babysitting is provided.

Tom and Sandra Davey, Penny and Stephen of Leisure Lane returned recently from a month's vacation down south. They took their time criss-crossing Florida, stopping in their trailer, camping, and in motels. They visited the Everglades, Key Largo, Disney World and the Kennedy Space Centre. They found the space centre and the Everglades particularly interesting. At one stop, on the Gulf of Mexico, they met their next door neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Les Atkinson, also on vacation.

The members of Richmond Hill Senior Citizens Club No. 35 will hold a combined Valentine party and general monthly meeting at the club rooms, 10149 Yonge Street on Wednesday afternoon, February 12. A ladies choral group from Willowdale will entertain and refreshments will be served.

Preparations for the bus trip to Dundurn Castle on Tuesday, February 18, are being completed. Members wishing to take this trip should make reservations with Don Hick, 884-1736 as soon as possible. The bus will leave the club rooms about 10:30 am. Lunch will be served in the castle at noon. Cost has not yet been determined, but will be about \$7.50 each.

There have been quite a few changes in the 1st Beverley Acres Cub Pack since the new year began. On January 13 a new Akela, Mary Brown, was invested. She was introduced to the pack by Raksha, Moira Broadman; Bagheera, Mike Widdifields; Kaa, Ray Pilcher; and Rikki, Neil Harrietha.

On January 20 and 27 new chums were invested and badges presented. New chums are Brad Powell, Donald White, Joe Clarke and Dennis Ruutbert. Badges presented were toymaker, Douglas Roberts, and team player, Carl Smith.

Earlier, at the pack's Christmas Party December 16, Group Committee Chairman Barbara Duce expressed regrets that two leaders were leaving. Akela Albina Barber was presented with a Scout cup and saucer and junior leader Phil Tarrant received a pair of Cub cuff links, tokens of appreciation for their work with the pack. During the evening a film was shown, thanks to the assistance of Scouter Don Doyle, gifts were exchanged and refreshments served by Barbara Duce and Rose Marie Budgett of the group committee.

Richmond Hill UCW installs officers

Officers for the coming year were elected and installed at the general meeting January 20 of the Richmond Hill U.C.W. A half hour over dessert and coffee preceded the business session.

In the chapel Mrs. Mary Dowsett and Mrs. Helen Kingsley led the group in a worship service that gave everyone many helpful thoughts for the year ahead.

Mrs. Betty Cook, secretary, gave a summary of the year's work and accomplishments. The highlight was the annual bazaar which was convened by Mrs. Ruth Coxford who reported in detail, expressing her thanks to all the women who had helped make it such a success. The new officers, after being duly elected, were installed by Rev. Robert Shorten. Some of these are: president Mrs. Helen Kingsley, 1st vice-president Mrs. Marjory Watters, Secretary Mrs. Betty Cook, treasurer Mrs. Mabel Fenwick.

Mrs. Kingsley presented Mrs. Dowsett with a life membership pin in appreciation of her excellent leadership over the past two years, as well as many years of previous service to the church.

Mrs. June Atkinson, who is on the executive of the Toronto Conference and also the area presbytery, was a commissioner at the 26th general council which was held in Guelph in 1974. She and Rev. Shorten, who also attended the council, gave an account of their week in Guelph.

With the aid of colored slides and tapes they described the activities of the general council which meets every two years and is the highest court of the United Church.

The two highlights were the election of Rev. Wilbur Howard as moderator and the general approval of a plan of union with the Anglican Church and the Christian Church.

Mrs. Atkinson closed the presentation with Dr. Howard's closing prayer: "God help us to grab this moment, God help us if we don't, God help us if we do. Let's go."

The Richmond Hill Judo Club is having a Valentine dance on Saturday in the Lions Hall, Centre Street East, to raise funds to help finance trips for the boys participating in tournaments.

There will be music by the Hi-Hats, buffet and refreshments, spot dances and door prizes. The club is anticipating a repeat of last year's very successful fun-filled social evening.

All are welcome. For information and tickets contact Linda McClelland, 884-3786.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Perkins, Church Street South, returned last weekend from a motor trip to Florida where they visited with friends in St. Petersburg, Miami, Fort Myers and other spots along the route.

Travelling with them were Mr. Perkins mother, Mrs. Alice Perkins, 86, of Victoria Square and their daughter, Lois Hemstead, and her six-month-old son David.

The Curtain Club Theatre is ready for another opening night on Friday. This time it is Neil Simon's tragic-comedy, "The Gingerbread Lady". The lighting crew, consisting of Art Sinukoff, Al Henley, Tony Cook, Terry Gosling and Patrick Collins, have finished setting lights, while Peggy Gosling and Beryl Radke have put the finishing touches on the costumes.

Jill-of-all-trades Leslie Wittaker will alternate on sound with newcomer Marilyn Martin.

Tickets for weekend performances are sold out, but there are still some available for Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Students are admitted on Wednesdays for \$1.50. For tickets call Jane Foley, 889-3967.

Auditions will be held for "Celebration" on February 16 at 2 pm and on February 17 at 8 pm. Several young men in their early 20s are needed and must have north country English accents. Telephone Brian Moore, 884-2638.



(Staff photo by Hogg)

Scout auxiliary celebrates

Huffing and puffing, Arlene Chatfield, president of the 5th Richmond Hill Scouts' ladies auxiliary (right) and Marg Blackburn, a past president, succeeded in extinguishing all the candles on the cake at the auxiliary's

17th birthday party in Richmond Hill United Church parlor last week. Another highlight of the evening was a penny auction with Mrs. Blackburn the congenial auctioneer. Proceeds will help the auxiliary to help the Scouts.

Record crowd views horticultural slides

The patience and perseverance of amateur photographers paid off on Tuesday evening of last week.

A record crowd of townsfolk met in the Presbyterian Church Hall to see and hear the results of the annual color photography contest sponsored by the Richmond Hill Horticultural Society.

Seventy prize-winning slides of the 200 submitted, were shown and comments made by Alfred Sawyer, charter member of the CPAC and the Camera Club of Willowdale.

The wonders of nature were revealed in the slides of colorful flower gardens, shrubs and trees, together with the changing scenes of spring, summer, autumn and winter.

Water scenes were somewhat controversial, to be or not to be (in motion) was the inevitable question. Slides were shown of both tranquil and turbulent water.

The apex of perfection in flower photography was the slide taken of a blossom with rain drops clinging to the petals, hanging like crystal beads. Not to be outdone, was the close-up of a rose, revealing the majestic beauty of the queen of flowers.

Pictures of the setting sun, its glory reflected on the rippling water below,

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Coronary chief guest speaker

Dr. John Blakely, chief of medicine and director of the coronary care unit at York Central Hospital, will be the main speaker at the 12th annual meeting of York Central Hospital Auxiliary February 13.

Dr. Blakely has studied at St. Michael's Hospital in Metro and the Toronto General Hospital. He is research fellow and consultant at the coronary care unit at Sunnybrook Hospital. He is also an assistant professor in the faculty of medicine at the University of Toronto.

The meeting at Summit View Gardens Restaurant, Yonge Street North, Richmond Hill, will begin at 8 pm with brief annual reports and a short business meeting. Officers for the new year will be introduced and a cheque from the auxiliary presented to hospital administrator James Hepburn.

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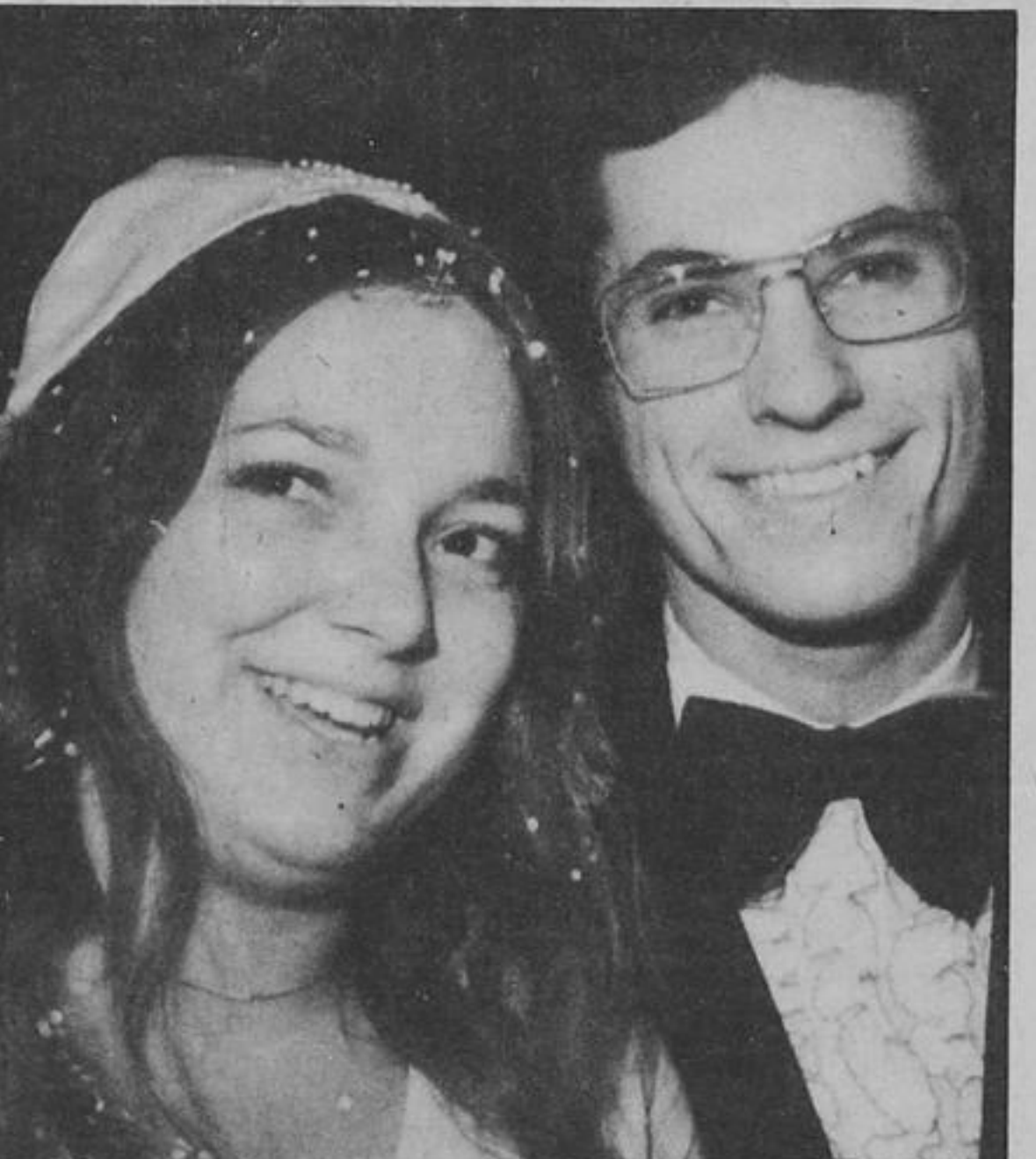
Discuss day care on TV

Representatives of the Richmond Hill Day Care Parents Committee will be appearing on Classcom Cable 10 TV this week to discuss the day care situation in the area.

The parents have been spurred to action by a recent proposal by regional administrators that, effective in September, children attending kindergartens in local schools be removed from day care centres administered by the Region of York.

The program will be aired Thursday at 6, 8 and 10 pm and on Saturday and Sunday at 10 am, 12 noon, and 2 and 4 pm.

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Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Heise

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Heise were married October 12 at Smiths Falls Free Methodist Church. The bride, Marilyn, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Niblock of Smiths Falls and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Heise of RR 2, Gormley. Rev. Lyle of Harrowsmith officiated at the double ring ceremony. The young couple are living in Mississauga.

Credit counselling volunteers needed

The volunteers of Richmond Hill-Thornhill Family Services greeted two new members, Lesley Holland and Connie Doe, at their bi-monthly meeting on January 21 in the board room at the family services offices on Yonge Street.

Jackie Backman reported that during the month of December the evening receptionists clocked over 40 hours. Cherie McGuire, office co-ordinator, said a teaching session could be arranged for volunteers willing to help

with the very heavy workload of credit counselling.

The volunteers are planning a spring bridge in April. Jane Scrimger, director of volunteers, announced the next meeting will be on March 18.

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