



Coffee and simnel cake at church service

This week it is Mothering Sunday... always the fourth Sunday in Lent... often called refreshment or mid-Lent Sunday.

Following the service at All Saint's, coffee and simnel cake will be served. Tradition has it that this began in England where the girls in service (maids) were given one day off on which to visit their mothers and give them a gift of cake.

The term Refreshment Sunday however, comes from the Gospel of the feeding of the 5000 (St. John, 6.5).

The World Day of Prayer Service is this Friday afternoon at 2 pm in All Saint's Anglican Church. Babysitting will be provided and coffee will be served afterwards in the parlor. Theme for this service is "Become Perfectly One". In the evening there will

be a community service at All Saint's at 7:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

At Sacred Heart the altarboys for February 16 were Dan Accione, Carlo Perri, Ron Leuthel, Jim and David Wigglesworth, Jaen Gilmour, Ricky Wood, Richard Vendehurt, Jim Sapi, and Richard and Ed Binnendyk.

The annual retreat for the men of Sacred Heart at Marylake is scheduled for April 4-6. Make your reservation with Hank Pynenburg at 833-5274.

Guides & Brownies
King City mothers of Guides and Brownies met recently with the leaders and learned about the coming activities of the girls—bowling, hiking, and camping, as well as the regular weekly activities. The Guides are working

towards their challenge badge and are enjoying a course in crocheting from Mrs. Ruth Finch. They had a swim party at the Richmond Hill Pool recently.

The mothers are planning a fund-raising event during the year to assist the girls in enjoying extra activities, and the mother and daughter banquet will be held in April.

At the end of this season, Guide Commissioner Mrs. Ruth Gray will be retiring after 12 years in Guiding. Also retiring will be Guide Captain Mrs. Dorothy Gilson, Guide Lieutenant Mrs. Kathie Phillips, and Brown Owl Mrs. Hazel Saveall. A number of mothers have volunteered to become new leaders for Brownies and Guide Commissioner.

The organization welcomes ladies interested

in working with the Guides (ages 10 to 16) to attend their meetings Monday evenings from 7-9 pm at All Saint's Anglican Church or to contact Mrs. Ruth Gray at 833-5119, with a view to learning Guiding during the spring season and to becoming leaders in September.

News from next door

AURORA: The worst flooding in at least seven years struck this town February 24 and flooded more than 100 home basements and filled Tannery Creek to a depth of 10 feet. The controversial proposed civic centre-board of education complex on flood plain land, will straddle this creek with the bridge portion only eight feet above grade level.



(Photo by Susan Samila)

Bachelors make good husbands

Lake Wilcox Public School is the scene of great activity Wednesday afternoons at present as the pupils participate in an elective program which started January 22 and will finish March 12. The young people are busily engaged in 17 different activities, ranging from Let's Be Authors, through nutrition, to sports. A group of grades 5 and 6 boys chose bachelor survival and are learning to cook,

sew on buttons, etc. In the above picture they are busy washing up after preparing themselves a meal, which smelled delicious, whatever it was, according to reports. The "bachelors" are (left to right) Tom Helmky, David Bishop, Robert Waskul, Peter Boer, Alfie Johnson, David Wright (standing on chair) and Fred MacArthur. The group's teacher is Doug Kyte.

Hamlet of Springhill chapel 117 years old

By Norman Matthews

It is November 1857, and the sound from the chapel belfry has called the faithful to the Church of England service commemorating All Saint's in the hamlet of Springhill (now King City). Stamping the snow from their feet, the families attending enter through the gothic door and sit down in the straight-backed pine pews. Guest preacher for the occasion is Rev. Bevan.

The foregoing was presumably the scene 117 years ago at All Saint's Anglican Church, King, on Keele Street when Yonge Street was the only well travelled roadway from Toronto to Lake Simcoe.

Concerned about the restoration, preservation and upkeep of the historical chapel which now adjoins the newer church, a chapel and cemetery committee was formed in 1973.

This same committee invited interested King residents and members of the King Township Historical Society to the launching of "Heritage Week" February 15 at 11 am.

After enjoying conversation and coffee in the parish hall everyone sat down to listen as Rev. Neville Bishop, rector of All Saint's gave a short address.

"I welcome you on a very different occasion," he said. "I'm amazed at the number of times people meet at All Saint's to drink coffee, tea and munch on something."

He gave a brief history of the old and new church buildings and said they were into "Phase One of a restoration and beautification" program of the chapel.

"It's because of the beauty and excitement of the Chapel that we formed a committee."

The minister thanked Mayor Margaret Britnell and her committee for their good work, which is "unique to us who make this our spiritual home".

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Other challenges she listed to scrape and paint where required, strip and refinish the pine pews and wall panelling, and remove the linoleum floor covering to reveal the natural pine floors.

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Norm's reflections—

Pop cans as Lenten boxes

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Remember when you were a kid and Lent meant giving up something for 40 days? Many of our fathers would have (jokingly) thought about giving up their wife or mother-in-law but ended up by doing without some luxury. I know that in our family my Lenten fasting eliminated going to the movies (like the Oxford, Community, or Grover theatres in East York) buying candy or comic books (Wonder Woman, Cisco Kid, Looney Tunes and Merry Melodies).

The idea was, of course, to put the money you would normally spend on a treat into a Lenten offering box given to you by the church. Remember those triangular shaped cardboard containers with the purple coloring given to you by your Sunday school teacher?

Every so often your parents would give the box a little shake to check on how much you were putting into it. I had them fooled for the longest time by filling it with pennies which have an impressive weight and sound.

Some people used a perforated coin card in which a dime-a-day was placed, supposedly. Actually, how many people

got a few dollars worth of dimes to fill it up a day or so before they had to turn it in?

In this enlightened age of environmental controls, reclaimed paper, and recycled metal, I'm surprised that the children aren't asked to decorate empty pop cans and use them for their Lenten box. This would certainly make use of the disposable metal containers as well as sounding better when the coins inside rattle. Maybe the children could do this for sale at a pre-lenten fair or something.

Anyhow, who gives up anything for Lent anyway? Most Sunday school teachers haven't mentioned it to the children and I haven't heard a word on fasting in any sermon. And if we don't give anything up, there won't be any pennies, nickles or dimes to put into this year's square, purple, cardboard Lenten boxes.

I wonder if they'll reject my Lenten offering in a wallpaper-coated Coke can? I mean, if it jingles with the sound of pennies inside and I use purple, penitential vinyl paper covering on it, and all? Just think of the joyous sound it would make as 40 youngsters jingle, jangle their pop Lenten cans down the aisle of the church as we sing "All things come of thee".

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New faces give a lift

By Donna Matthews

Mrs. Carol Williams of Merle Norman Cosmetics was guest speaker at the Good Morning Group regular meeting. With her as her assistant "Heather" and "Sal" of Follino's He & She Hair Styling, also located in Hillcrest Mall, Richmond Hill.

Between Mrs. Williams and "Sal" they managed to answer the many questions the ladies had concerning makeup and hair care.

President of the GMG Wendy Henderson and Mirion Reinert volunteered their "faces".

Mrs. Williams, talking as she made up one side of Wendy's face, said that everyone should develop a "look" that is theirs alone.

"Nothing is more charming than a woman with the confidence of knowing that she looks her best", she said.

brush. Highlight what you want to stand out, and darken what you want to hide.

"Sal" in speaking about hair care said that the "instant" conditioners on the market are of very little value; the 20 minute products will work if applied correctly. Just three drops of baby oil worked into the hair will also condition.

Mrs. Williams completed half of Wendy's face and then left her to do the other half herself. "Heather" did Marion's face in golden tones to compliment her brown printed outfit while Wendy had a pinkish glow to go with the blue shades that she was wearing. Both ladies, complete with false eyelashes, looked terrific when through.

Mrs. Williams passed out samples of Merle Norman Moisture Lotion. Very noticeable was the lack of pressure to come into the shop and buy, although I'm sure some plan on a visit.

Donna's Bits & Pieces

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