# Santa Stayed Over In Stouffville

Santa is now long gone back to the North Pole but a near life-size image of the Christmas Eve visitor is still very much in evidence on Rupert Avenue in Stouffville. The illuminated image of St. Nick is located on the lawn at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kamps and family and has been admired by many during the past -Staff Photo.

# Poinsettias Prosper If Given Proper Care

The Christmas season is here and so is the seasonal gift plant, the poinsettia. Although its flowers are rather inconspicuous, a colourful show is provided by the large "scarlet or cream, leaf-like \*bracts. Horticulturists with the Ontario Department of "Agriculture tells us that the ""flowering" period of these plants can be extended through the entire festive season when given proper care.

The plants should be kept at a constant temperature of 65° F and at no time subjected to draughts, since this in addition to continual changes in temperature, may cause the lower leaves to turn yellow and drop off. Place them in bright sunlight when possible, but avoid window ledges or locations near a hot air regis-

Watering Is a critical fac- to water it, and allow it to tor. Yellowing and loss of drain well before it is re-

lower leaves can be caused turned. by either over- or underwatering. In December when days are dark and cloudy,

over-watering is a common occurrence. Refrain from adding water to these plants until the soil on the top of the pot is just dry to the touch. If you have placed the plant pot in a decorative container that has no drainage, remove it to the kitchen

your tough break when a friend bores you with his.

Poinsettias will respond

to feeding with a complete

fertilizer about every two

weeks. Nitrogen deficiency

causes stunting along with

the development of a light

green colour in the plant.

Always put off until tomorrow those things you should never do at all.

# \* Wishes everyone a ...

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better.

all part of the act.

'side-show' benefits.

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into 'it.

ical field.

words of advice.

John himself, however,

does not go in for the added

attractions. He is a blond.

clean - cut, well - mannered

youth who wants to play

the drums, without the

It's too soon to know what

the future has in store for

John Meydam, but it's cer-

tain that he'll have an edu-

cation before he ventures

"I want to get my grade

13 before I think about any-

go through for following

he is considering the mus-

in beginning a musical

career, John has a few

be talented and never know

not the drums that make the

drummer, it's the drummer

If you're young, old or in

between, and you like to-

day's music played by to-

day's youth, you can hear

John and his group tonight,

(December 30) at the Roxy

You may be watching a

Theatre in Uxbridge.

star of tomorrow.

that makes the drums."

For youngsters interested

"Try it and see. You could

To that, John warned, "it's

thing else," John stated.

John can read

music, an art in itself. He

takes lessons from Wally

Lee in Ringwood. Prior to

taking up the drums, John

had little interest in music.

His tastes are wide and

varied, but of all types of

sounds, he likes jazz the

best, although, he admits,

it's the hardest to play. His

favourite drummer is Cosy

Cole, and he said that he

saw the Gene Krupa Story

The biggest problem,

according to John, is the

cost. A drummer can pay up

to \$200 for a snare alone,

not to mention the rest of

STOUFFVILLE - Most youngsters who are considering a musical career, usually begin practice at a young and tender age, gradually progressing so that by the time they reach their teens, the music sounds exceptionally good. Most youngsters usually start on the piano or the violin. Most youngsters are usually urged on by their parents. Not John Meydam!

The 14 year old Manitoba Street youth was not urged by his parents, nor did he begin practising before he could walk, and finally, his selection of instruments differed slightly from the ordinary group.

Two years ago, John heard the 'Beatle Beat' and wanted to play it. In the last two years, he has accomplished as much, if not more, than most youngsters could do in ten. His selection of instruments, the came after he had listened to this new 'beat' for several weeks. It was a case of anything Ringo can do, I can do'.

John started on a practise pad for two reasons. First, the pad requires more wrist motion than the actual drum, and secondly, if he discovered he didn't like his choice, the cost would be nil. The latter, he found out, was a precaution against something that never happened. John loved the drums, he loved learning, and now, he loves playing. He is a member of a band, known as Dr. Jekyll and the Hydes, and plays regularly at assorted dances and par-

Snare Drum First

Since first taking an interest in the percussion instrument, John has built his set from scratch. His first drum was a snare, and from that, he has added a 10 inch symbol, a base drum, and has a tom-tom on order.

John, who was born in England, came to Canada in 1957 and after two months in Toronto, moved to Stouffville. He is presently in grade 10 at Stouffville District High School, and plays in the high school orchestra. He is also the only member of the five piece band from Stouffville. The remaining boys reside in Uxbridge. Most of their jobs are in Uxbridge. John's group is only one of an almost unbelievable 5,000 that are organized today in Southern



John Meydam, Manitoba St., is an accomplished drummer in Stouffville High School orchestra. -Staff Photo.

# A Witness To A Rescue

(Lyn Grose—9E) highway wound around the sandy shores of Lake Super- ables. ior. We were on our holi-

Former Keeve

cream-and assorted veget-

as the driver was pulled

# JANE TERWOERDS

Undaunted by the lack of snow, the members of the ski club held their first meeting of the year on

The budget was read and elections for the positions of President and Secretary held. Jane Terwoerds was re-elected as President and Smith was elected

Palmer, instructor at Hidden Valley Ski Club, spoke and showed films for the balance of the meeting. His all members.

The Club members unanimously agreed to a ski trip proposed by the Newmarket Ski Club for Dec. 29. Other trips are specifically a weekend trip are planned for later in the season.

### tag of \$53. Besides the drums he has five sets of sticks and a set of brushes. Mrs. E. Bevan John prefers a thicker stick, around an 8A brand. Born In Denmark siuch to the dismay of parents, John predicts that today's music will be around

Mrs. Bevan was born in Nahus, Denmark, and has for some time to come. He lived there most of her life. says that the groups are go-She graduated from High strong and getting School in 1949 and spent the following three years at The long hair-dos and the Business College in Copenwild clothes, although they hagen, Denmark. don't affect the music, are

While in Europe, she travelled exclusively as a-Stewardess for British European Airways. Mrs. Bevan has been in Canada for eight years, and

Services and Cosmetics. Also she has attended the Ontario College of Education in Toronto. This year Mrs. Bevan serves on the Art Committee at the

High School helping to organize the art exhibits shown for the students. She enjoys all creative arts, and He's not sure what he will. has taken a particular interest in the local Drama Group.

in life. state of mind can only be reached when we ously to whatever we may be doing and thus earn the dignity and respect any job-

When asked if she had any comment to make about Stouffville, she replied, "after seeing so many places, I find Stouffville a delightful spot. I feel a real sense of belonging in this community."

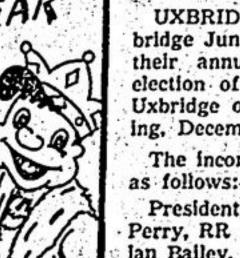
We wish to thank Mrs. Bevan for contributing so much to the school's spirit and hope she will be with us for many years to come.

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# Karen Geer Jr. Farmers

UXBRIDGE - The Uxbridge Junior Farmers held their annual meeting and election of 1966 officers in Uxbridge on Tuesday evening. December 14th.

The incoming executive is

President, Karen Geer, Pt. Perry, RR 1; Vice-Pres., Allan Bailey, Uxbridge, RR 4; Secretary, Paul Shier, Sunderland, RR 1; Treasurer, Betty Munro, Port Perry. RR 1; County Directors -Karen Geer, Port Perry, RR 1, Donna Morrison, Ux-

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### the road. It had jack-knifed The blue sky and warm after a large beam had sun made use feel as though dropped down on the cab we were floating on a cloud from a passing lumber rather than 'riding in a truck. The entire road area

shiny new convertible. The was covered with ice-

We had started out from free through a rear window, home only five days before the whole transport burst and already we had seen into flames. He suffered one train-wreck. We won- only minor burns and dered what would come bruises. An ambulance soon arrived, so we left. What we As; we rounded a long had seen in a single day, we

Quickly, my Dad ran over days. What a glorious feel- to the wrecked vehicle. Just

sloping curve, we spotted a would not forget for many

# PRESIDENT OF H. S. SKI CLUB

Tuesday, Dec. 14.

The guest speaker, Mr.

talk and films on Ski Skills was greatly appreciated by

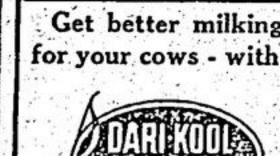
## the equipment. John's 10 inch symbol bore a price Staff Teacher

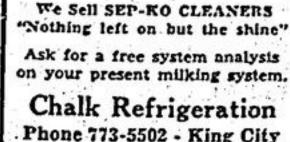
during this period has been engaged in Merchandising, Display Work, Restaurant

high school graduation, but As instructress in the Girls' Occupations Room, this year Mrs. Bevan gave a brief summary of the purpose of this course. She said "There is a need for any kind of effort in this world. The important fact is to discover where our natural abilities and inclinations may be used to everybody's advantage. Thus, whether we become lawyers or doctors, shop assistants or waitresses is not really the most important point. What is important for every persons fulfilment and happiness is to

feel a sense of achievement apply ourselves conscienti-

well done deserves."







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