

Claremont Conservation Area

New field training centre officially opens March 31

PICKERING TWP. Conservation education and the teaching of young people about the importance of the quality of the environment in their daily lives is becoming an increasingly vital topic.

A tangible example of its growing importance is reflected in the establishment of a third conservation field centre by the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority at Claremont.

The new in-residence field centre, located in the Claremont conservation area in Pickering Township, opens its doors to its first class of students on Tuesday morning, March 31.

The first class at the centre will be 36 grade 11 students from Toronto's Oakwood Collegiate Institute. They will be accompanied by Robert Putnam, head of the school's geography department, and Miss Marion Kalmuk, a teacher

at the school. The class will be welcomed to the centre by Mrs. Florence Gell and Elgin H. Card, of the Authority's executive committee. Both have been active in the development and establishment of the three field centres, which have been accomplished through financial assistance provided by the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Foundation, along with a 50 per cent grant from the Department of Energy and Resources Management.

The students and teachers will live at the field centre during the school week, and the students will take courses in conservation education as part of their curriculum.

The Claremont field centre will operate continuously on a weekly and weekend basis and has already been booked by

schools and other conservation-oriented groups to the end of the year. Classes from Metro and region schools will use the 400-acre Claremont area "classroom" for a week at a time.

During the summer months, the facility will be used to provide conservation courses and seminars to teachers and summer students offered by both the College of Education and the Ontario Department of Education in co-operation with the Authority.

The Claremont conservation field centre is, in effect, an east-end extension of the now-famous Albion Hills conservation field centre. The Cold Creek field centre is the other such facility to be developed by the Authority. Both Albion Hills and Claremont centres have in-residence facilities for accommodating 40 students and teachers.



Employee's suggestion worth \$500

Michael Cadieux (left) of Stouffville, an employee of I.B.M., submitted a suggestion worth \$500. Here, it is honored by the Chairman of the

Board, Mr. Jack Brent, at a formal presentation ceremony. Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Cadieux, Main Street, East.

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By Lillian Jamieson
BALSAM-MT. ZION — On March 31, the postal service in the Balsam General Store will be withdrawn. In recognition of the service performed by Mrs. Orr Graham, over a period of 25 years, she was presented with a small gift at a tea held at the home of Mrs. Lewis Jones.

Caroline and Cathy Arnold of Markham are spending the week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wilson while their parents are away on vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dobson of Greenbank enjoyed dinner Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Burnett Jamieson.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gates on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary, March 26.

A Good Friday service will be held in the Mt. Zion United Church at 11 a.m. The Active Service Class met at the Greenwood manse with Mrs. Glen

Manderson's group in charge. Members will sell coffee and doughnuts at Walter Pascoe's auction sale, March 29.

Euchre winners Friday evening were (ladies) Mrs. Lorne Jones and Mrs. Burnett Jamieson; Men - David Nesbitt and Elmer Wilson. Mrs. Clifford Reynolds had the most lone hands. Door prizes went to Mrs. Peter Gaul, Mrs. Jean Benns and Grant Jones.

Pretty spring wedding

By Jean Leaf

BUTTONVILLE - March 21 was a pleasant first day of Spring for the marriage of Grace Rodick and Ted Early at Brown's Corners United Church. Among the local guests were Mrs. S.J. English, Miss Jean Muirhead and Mrs. Don Reesor who played the wedding music.

The benefit euchre for the Canadian Cancer Society sponsored by the

Buttonville W.I. was attended by 20 tables of players, and earned over \$60 for the society. Winners were Mrs. Heather Morrison, Mrs. Jack Gough, Mrs. A. Gehring, Miss Vera Harris, Howard Gehring, Dave Mizen, Dale Claughton and Cecil Latcham. Lucky Draws went to J. Haining and Mrs. Helene Tooley; and freezeout winners were Alvin Klinck and Cecil

Latcham; Bill Wray and Mrs. Lillian Cooper.

Buttonville W.I. met March 18, when Mrs. Charles Hooper showed movies of enjoyable scenes, trips taken and W.I. events. Mrs. Lloyd Baker chaired the meeting and Mrs. James Rodick received memberships. Miss Elizabeth French conducted a contest on names in old Ireland. Mrs. Elmore Hill was pianist.

Win money doll

By Blanche Tindall
ALTONA - Cindy Newman and Gail Britton are the winners of the Money Doll Draw sponsored by the Altona Nursery School. The girls shared one ticket.

Wendy Williams, Heather Morris, Mark Lavoie and Reg Scotland were participants from

Glasgow School in the Lions' Music Festival at Sunderland.

Linda Bunker and Bernice Dickinson are enjoying the Easter holiday in Bermuda. Bernice lives at Woodville.

Congratulations to Mr. Bert Lewis on the occasion of his 75th birthday, March 16.

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