

**Parkview news**

# Welcoming new residents

The visiting pastor at the Sunday evening service worship on February 19th was Rev. Glen Brubacher of Cedar Grove Mennonite Church.

The Thursday evening program, on February 16 was arranged by Mrs. Alma Timbers, who is a member of Parkview auxiliary. The program was one of singing and featured Mrs. Ken Bacon as soloist.

As you may have noted if you read our column last week, mention was made of our annual meeting. Also featured in that program was a slide set entitled "Thirty Minutes of your Life." This was developed for a Gerontological convention which was held in San Francisco in 1977, and was effectively presented by Frank Russell, Senior Administrator, Institutional Services of Metro Toronto Social Services; and Chris Hay, Assistant Administrator of Castleview-Wychwood Towers, Toronto.

Washago, Ontario and who have two daughters in the area. Also included in our Parkview family is Mrs. Christine Lymburner who previously resided in Dunville before coming to Markham to be near her son. We sincerely wish our new friends much happiness in their new home.

Recent visitors included: Mrs. Alice LaPeer for Mrs. Lizzie DeGeer and Mrs. Nancy Hills; Mr. & Mrs. Harold Busby of Toronto for Mr. George Ball; Harris and Ruth Redmond for Mrs. Linda Broder; Mr. & Mrs. E. Rattee of Brampton for Mrs. Frances Rattee; Clarence & Beth Martens of Willowdale for Mrs. Fanny Fugh; Clarence & Gladys Pipher for Mrs. Reta Spofford; Judy Fuller of Toronto for Mrs. Bessie Dennie; Mr. & Mrs. Blackley & Family for Mrs. Margaret Foster.

We welcome as recent new residents to the home Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Patenaude who come to us from

# Spring arrives early at flower and garden show

Come celebrate spring! The Spring Flower & Garden Show, sponsored by the Garden Club of Toronto, will have its colorful opening next Wednesday, March 1, in the Automotive Building at Exhibition Place on the waterfront. The event runs until March 5.

There'll be thousands of tulips, daffodils, and other flowers to brighten the dreary late-winter days, as well as 30 gardens designed to provide ideas for the home gardener. They'll be full of spring and summer flowers and leafy trees, including white birch and maples, along with pools and waterfalls.

Also, visitors will be able to view primroses and the new yellow impatiens in flower, plus patio gardens with hanging baskets and a wildflower wood with a stream and a half-dozen kinds of ferns, trilliums, violets and marsh marigolds. There'll also be a herb garden, a kitchen garden and a tropical garden of indoor plants.

Thousands of tulips will also delight the eye.

A feature of the flower and garden show is that each visitor will receive five packets of vegetable seeds courtesy of the folks at Salada-Kellogg. The packets of lettuce, carrots, radishes, peppers and tomatoes will provide plenty of growing fun and delicious eating.

A working flower clock will grace the entrance and there'll be a color wheel of live plants in the horticultural section. You can see hydroponic units, which grow plants in water.

And 22 experts will be on hand with how-to tips on growing roses, dahlias, dwarf fruit trees, orchids, African violets, geraniums, mums, herbs as medicine, and how to put a terrarium together.

The show will be open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday to Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the closing Sunday. Admission is \$3.50 for adults, \$2.50 for students, and children from 5 to 12 years must pay \$1. Children under five enter free. Senior citizens may attend the show for a special \$2.50 price on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

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## Church Services

**STOUFFVILLE UNITED CHURCH**  
 Rev. J. L. Carder  
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 125th Anniversary Year  
 Feb. 26, 1978  
 11 a.m. — Morning Worship  
 9:45 — Sunday School  
 Intercongregational Class  
 11:00 — Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary, Jr. Classes  
 Mon. 7:30 — Explorers  
 8:00 — C.G.I.T.  
 "You will be welcome"

**CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN**  
 Thurs. Feb. 23 - 7:30 p.m.  
 - Lenten Service of Holy Communion followed by movie "To Escape to Return"  
 Sunday, Feb. 26, 1978.  
**LENTH**  
 9:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer "Hymn Sing" with Rev. W.F. Edney  
 Church School  
 Nursery Services Available  
 7:30 p.m. — Evensong — Canon Puxley  
**EVERYONE WELCOME**

**ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
 Rev. Ted Green  
 640-4195  
 Sunday, Feb. 26, 1978  
 10 a.m. Morning Worship: "Responsibility and Respect"  
 11:15 a.m. Church School: Classes for all children and teens.  
 All Will Be Welcome

**McCORMACK MEMORIAL CHURCH**  
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**GOSPEL HALL GOODWOOD, ONTARIO**  
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**LORD'S DAY**  
 Breaking Bread 9:30  
 Sunday School and Bible Class 11:30 a.m.  
 GOSPEL Meeting 7 p.m.  
 Mon. — Bible Study 8 p.m.  
 Thurs. — Prayer 8 p.m.  
**ALL WELCOME**

**SPRINGVALE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 Gormley-Stouffville Rd At 6th Conc. (Kennedy Rd.)  
 Rev. Tom Hamilton  
 Sunday, Feb. 26, 1978  
 10:00 a.m. — Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. — Worship Services. Guest-Rev. T. Starr  
 Wed. 7-8:15 p.m. — Family Night — Skyforce Children's Program

**BETHEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
 Hwy. 48 just north of 47  
 Rev. Howard Minaker Pastor 640-5555  
**SUNDAY, FEB. 26, 1978**  
 9:45 a.m. — Beginning Bible School Growth Process  
 11:00 a.m. — Morning Worship - The Christian Walk  
 7:00 p.m. — The Great Tribulation  
 Coming March 5th 7:00 p.m. Colour film "CORRIE"  
 All Roads Lead to Bethel  
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Mr. and Mrs. Ron Bridle were married at the Wideman Mennonite Church on August 20, 1977. The bride is the former Mari Dike, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dike of RR 2, Markham. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Bridle of Burlington. The couple are now residing in Burlington.

### Our churches

# Homosexuality a deviation

By JOHN HAMILTON  
 Stouffville  
 Missionary Church  
 Should homosexuality be a civil rights issue? The vocal gay liberation movements say it should. With this the Ontario Human Rights Commission seems to agree when it recommends that homosexuals should have the same rights as everyone else. If homosexual practice is a moral life style that is beneficial to society, then I am also in agreement. However, I disagree with this assumption for the following reasons.

As an alternative life style, the results would be disastrous with the breakup of the family system. There ought to be no discrimination against any legitimate group. It is not wrong to be black. Therefore no one should be kept from a job, for which he is otherwise qualified, merely because of the colour of his skin. Women doing the same work as men deserve to be paid on the same scale. However, homosexual practice is in the category of morals and this makes it something to be treated differently from questions of civil rights. Some among us have a life style which includes stealing. Their number must be quite large as evidenced by the millions of dollars lost annually through shoplifting. Because stealing is the inclination of this sizable segment of our population should not consideration be given to providing equal rights for all thieves? On the basis of human rights, ought we not to permit these to

hold any job they want? The absurdity of such reasoning is clear. Is it therefore unreasonable to hold that there are some vocations should be denied practicing homosexuals? It would be untrue to claim that all homosexuals, are child molesters or that they are all actively engaged in recruiting others to their way of life. However, it is well known that many homosexuals are inclined to do this. A study of 1800 college students conducted by sociologist J.T. Landis of Berkley University revealed that more than 500 of them had been propositioned by homosexuals. This had happened before two thirds of them were sixteen years old. Dr. Paul Popenoe of the American Institute of Family Relations states, "Homosexuality can exist only by the recruitment of new victims." Like the rest of us, homosexuals need food, clothing, shelter, education, and em-

ployment. These must not be denied them because of their deviant life style. God loves the homosexual as much as he loves all of us...enough to send His Son to provide forgiveness through His death on the cross. Not all of us sin the same way but we all have sinned and need forgiveness; Therefore we ought to have compassion and understanding for the homosexual. However, this does not mean that we should permit a practicing homosexual in professions where his latent tendencies might lead him to rob our children of those values.

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**BAKER HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 Pastor James Shantz  
 Sunday, Feb. 26, 1978  
 9:50 a.m. — Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. — Morning Service  
 Wed. 8 p.m. — Prayer Meeting  
 Everyone Welcome

**UNIONVILLE GOSPEL HALL**  
 2nd Street at Hwy. 7  
**LORD'S DAY**  
 Breaking Bread 9:30  
 Sunday School and Bible Class 11:30 a.m.  
 GOSPEL Meeting 7 p.m.  
 Wed. Prayer — Bible Study 8 p.m.  
 All Heartily Welcome

**YOUTH NIGHT**  
 with Guest Speaker JACK RICHARDS and Special Music the REVELATION CO. FROM BUENOS AIRES  
**Sat. Feb. 25th 7:30 p.m.**  
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