



Many hands make Festival work

This time of year is a busy time of year for any farm housewife. However, at the Elmer Reesor home, it's busier than most. The reason — the 12th annual Mennonite Festival is this Saturday at Pioneer Village, Steeles Avenue and Jane Street. Stella Reesor (above) is heading up the event.

aided by a committee of seven and dozens of other helpers. The magnitude of the project is depicted by the fact close to 1,000 loaves of bread and buns are ready for sale and as many pies will be baked on Friday. Last year, proceeds for overseas relief totalled \$25,000. —Jim Thomas



Mary Drudge, Church Street, Markham, checks a batch of bread in a huge oven at Glenbrook Camp, 7th Line, Markham. —Jim Thomas

Pioneer Festival

Food-quilts in demand

Baking and preserving are familiar activities in many area homes this time of year. However, for supporters of the Mennonite Central Committee and its work in overseas relief, these duties take on special meaning.

For the past several months, local ladies have been preparing for the Pioneer Festival at Black Creek Village, Steeles Avenue and Jane Street. The date is Saturday, Sept. 16, beginning at 10 a.m.

Heading up the committee is Mrs. Elmer Reesor, R.R. 1, Unionville. Members include — Rowena Heise, Mary Drudge, Ann Neufeld, Edith Gibbins, Eva Burkholder and Herb Diller.

To meet the demand, close to 1,000 loaves of bread and buns will be required. By this Friday, one thousand pies will be ready. Other products, either prepared in advance or on location include — barbecued chicken, cakes, pastries, chili sauce, jelly, popcorn, candy, hooked and braided rugs, dried and fresh flowers, apple-butter and many other items.

An annual feature is the quilt auction organized by Mrs. Bruce Empringham. It will begin at 1 p.m., with auctioneer Frank Bennett in charge. More than 80 entries are expected.

Last year, the festival raised \$25,000, with about \$10,000 of this amount coming from the sale of quilts alone.

Bank manager pins would-be robber

Gerry O'Hearne, former manager of the Toronto Dominion Bank branch in Stouffville and now at Oshawa, doesn't intend to nudge Granny Liggins out of a job with the Hamilton Tiger Cats. However, he gave an excellent account of himself during an armed hold-up, Monday.

According to witnesses, the would-be robber entered the bank, pulled a gun and

demanding the teller fill a plastic bag with bills. She followed his instructions, at the same time, pressing the burglar alarm.

Then the manager took over, pinning the suspect to the floor until police arrived.

Gerry O'Hearne was in charge of the T-D Bank in Stouffville about six years. He resided at 176 Hawthorne Avenue until August when he moved to Oshawa.



Ready for sale, Mrs. Joe Nighswander, R.R. 3, Stouffville, carries an armful of bread from the camp kitchen. Home-baking is snapped up quickly each year. —Jim Thomas

"Miss Markham Fair"

Nine entries

MARKHAM — Nine lovely girls, including three from Stouffville, will participate in the Miss Markham Fair Queen Contest, Saturday night.

The crowning ceremony and dance will be held in the General Exhibits Building at the fairgrounds, 18th Avenue and McCowan Road. Tickets at \$10 a couple are still available by calling 294-4642.

Entries in the Queen of the Fair competition are: Cathy Case, Church Street, Markham; Debbie Castle,

Sunset Boulevard, Stouffville; Gail Chambers, Willowgate Drive, Markham; Karen Dixon, R.R. 4, Stouffville; Wendy Dockerty, Drakefield Road, Markham; Laura Evans, Southdale Drive, Markham; Kim Morley, Loretta Crescent, Stouffville; Marcia Mundell, Main Street, Markham and Angelika Schickendanz, R.R. 2, Gormley.

Gerri Seeley of Unionville and Bill Snowball of Markham are co-chairing the event.

Sheer courage

Player's foot was broken

STOUFFVILLE — Now it can be told: Eighteen year old Brad Steel, a 1st baseman with the champion Stouffville Juvenile fastball team, performed in the final series at Kirkland Lake with a broken right foot.

The plucky infielder suffered the injury early in the first game, Sept. 2, while sliding into third. The seriousness of the damage wasn't discovered until Friday when Dr. Donald Smith of Stouffville recommended he be checked by an orthopaedic specialist at

York County Hospital in Newmarket. The foot was found to be fractured in two places.

"The doctor couldn't believe it," said Joanne Steel, the player's mother, 176 Manitoba Street. Her son's been fitted with a walking cast that will be required about six weeks.

Immediately following the accident, the team's bus driver applied a heavy tape, then Brad returned to action. Between games, he soaked it in a pail of ice water in an attempt to reduce the

swelling. In spite of the pain, he resumed his regular position for the second contest as well.

Later last week, when no improvement was apparent, a check of the injury was arranged. Dr. Smith had him transferred to hospital.

While winning an Ontario Title is a great experience, Brad was also looking forward to the upcoming hockey season. He had hoped to catch a position with the O.H.A. Jr. "A" club in Newmarket. He still plans to attend all the practices.



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Top spud

STOUFFVILLE — With a mid-summer drought plaguing most farmers, the potato crop may not be up to par this fall.

Regardless, The Tribune is again sponsoring a Big Potato Contest at Markham Fair with prizes of \$10 (first); \$5 (second) and \$3 (third).

Entries can be brought to the newspaper office, 54-56 Main Street or taken directly to the Fair not later than Tuesday evening, Sept. 26. Ivan Norton, R.R. 1, Goodwood, is in charge of the class.

Farmer killed under tractor

Hundreds of friends and relatives, including many from the Stouffville — Markham area, attended the service, Monday, at Brotherston Mennonite Church in Wallace Township, for Willis B. Reesor, formerly of Steeles Avenue, Markham and more recently of R.R. 2, Brussels, Ont., near Listowel.

Mr. Reesor died, Friday, after the tractor he was operating, struck a ditch and overturned, pinning him beneath.

A son, Henry, working nearby, saw the accident. Using a second tractor, equipped with a hydraulic loader, he lifted the machine off his father, then rushed to the house and called an ambulance. The victim was pronounced dead on arrival at hospital.

While death was attributed to the accident, it is believed the farmer might have suffered a weak spell, causing him to lose control of the tractor. His son said he appeared to make no attempt to turn when he reached the end of the field.

Until moving to the Brussels area in 1970, Willis Reesor had resided near Steeles Avenue, east Cedar Grove. He was described as "a quiet home-loving person and a wonderful

neighbor". He was a member in the congregation of the Reesor Mennonite Church.

Five pastors participated in the services including — Abram Smith, Emmerson Bauman, John Drudge, Noah Martin and Paul Hoover from Indiana.

Surviving, besides his wife, the former Annie Hoover are daughters Esther (Mrs. James Armstrong) of R.R. 2, Listowel; Annie, Naomi and Ina at home; Margaret (Mrs. Wayne Heatwole) of Barwick; Adeline (Mrs.

Mervin Brubacher) of R.R. 2, Bluevale and one son, Henry, also at home. There are two sisters, Mrs. Fred Nighswander of Emp; Mrs. Fred Drudge of Wroxeter and 16 grandchildren. He was pre-deceased by one brother, Norman.

Pall bearers were — John Reesor, Bernard Reesor, John McCausland, Jacob Grove, Ornan Bauman, Enos Nighswander and Murray Reesor. Interment was made at Brotherston Cemetery.

Residents protest "garbage alley"

STOUFFVILLE — "Garbage Alley"; that's the name local residents have applied to Edward Street.

The condition, one homeowner told The Tribune, is caused by students who show a complete disregard for both the road and adjacent properties. He said the area is littered with everything from lunch wrappers to soft drink containers, even where refuse cans are located.

"High school's only been in a week, I hate to think what it'll

look like in a month," he said. The complainant has appealed to the administration and a representative of the Students' Council in an effort to bring about some improvement.

Others in the area are similarly incensed. "You could have a hundred garbage cans on the street and they'd still throw their refuse on the road," stated an owner. He hastened to point out, however, that not all are so irresponsible. "A few make it bad for everyone," he said.

Property tax for education "unfair"

STOUFFVILLE — Income tax, not property tax should be the basis used for covering the cost of education, Mayor Gordon Ratcliff stressed at a press interview, Friday.

Mayor Ratcliff joins a lengthening list of municipal leaders in the Region of York who are calling for a change in the Act.

"The present system's been on the go since confederation," he said.

Some opponents to the switch claim the Province would be prompted to take over if such a change comes about. "I say it wouldn't be much of a loss," stated the mayor.

With reference to the education scene locally, Mr. Ratcliff said Council had enjoyed excellent co-operation from Board member Harry Bowes.

The mayor said that with the assistance of the Town

trustee, soccer sites had been approved for property on the west side of Edward Street, across from the High School. When completed, they will be available to both the school and the community, he explained.

Mayor Ratcliff noted too that Mr. Bowes had also been helpful in arranging a change in the location of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum from the present Bogartown School to Vandorf. The move, he feels, should be completed this fall.

Area Schools

Twenty-four new teachers in class

STOUFFVILLE — The start of the fall term brings new teachers into the schools as well as new students.

The Tribune is pleased to introduce new staff personnel as follows: Orchard Park — Principal John Hincks from Roselawn Sr. Public School and Eva Wolf from Baythorn Public School. Summitview — Trudy Cadieux from London, Ont. St. Mark's — Eva Varga from Windsor; Suzanne Gibb, first year teacher; Mrs. Darcie Camilleri, first year teacher. Dickson's Hill — Barbara Hunt from Richmond Hill; Elane Travers, first year teacher. Ballantrae — Principal John Laughlin from Parkview School, Unionville; Joanne Lucyk from Bayview Fairways; Ron Beckett from Aurora; Susan Robson from James Robinson, Markham; Mary Storey, from Nobleton Sr.; John Sandham,

Crosby Sr., Richmond Hill; Nelda Hennigar, Lake Wilcox; Cathy Read, Woodland Sr., Thornhill. Whitchurch-Highlands — Principal Malcolm McRoberts, MacKenzie Sr. Public School, Kleinburg; Ilona Pichler, Roselawn Public School; Joan McCool, formerly a supply teacher, Stouffville Secondary

— Jane Moss, teacher of Home Economics and George Court from MacKenzie Sr., Kleinburg, teacher of Geography and Science. Goodwood-Webb — Principal Richard Hannah from Joseph Gould, Uxbridge; vice-principal Gary Long, formerly a Grade 6 teacher at Goodwood; Eleanor Eno from Scott Central at Sandford.

Continue re-cycling

STOUFFVILLE — The Stouffville Re-Cycling Depot is not about to close. Nor is there any immediate indication it will be turned over to the Town.

The executive wishes to maintain the service under a volunteer arrangement and is confident this can be done. However, more help is required,

particularly at the executive level.

"Should the project develop to such an extent that a volunteer group can no longer operate it, the Town Council may be called on to help. However, at this point in time we do not intend to approach the municipality until all alternatives have been exhausted," a statement to The Tribune read in part.