



Ralph Spademan assisted by Norma Shearer, cut the anniversary cake marking 41 years in business. The Spademan firm first started out selling blocks of ice door-to-door, then switched to disposal service in 1952. Norma is the company's secretary-treasurer. —Jim Thomas.

Celebrate a birthday

STOUFFVILLE — On Saturday, Ralph Spademan of Spademan's Waste Removal hosted a party for all 29 employees and their families at his office location on Hwy. 47, north of town. An entire beef was barbecued for the occasion.

It was 41 years ago that the firm started up in business. Initially, they marketed ice, with Ralph's father, Hubert Spademan taking over this trade from Carman Lewis and the late Frank Burkholder at Markham Dairy. Mr. Spademan Sr., borrowed \$1,000 to get it going.

The ice was cut from Milne's Pond in Markham and hauled by the late George Hoover to the Spademan property where it was stored in sawdust. Later, it was removed from the mill pond at Almira and after that, purchases were made from Lake Simcoe Ice and Fuel, Toronto. It wasn't unusual to handle

10,000 blocks during the winter.

Ralph Spademan recalls the day he went on strike due to the condition of streets in Markham. "I went straight to O.B. Heise, the reeve and told him I wouldn't take another load until the streets were fixed," he said. Repairs were made quickly, he remembers.

Ralph Spademan turned from ice to garbage in 1952, using a ¾ ton pick-up truck with an old bedspring in the back for a tail-gate. The price then was .25 cents per household per week.

Five years ago, he acquired an office and parking lot north of Stouffville that has since been expanded to contain 15 acres. He has a fleet of 15 trucks. Ralph Spademan sees no end to the growth of his business but predicts major changes in the industry, particularly in the process of re-cycling.



Hard work has its rewards

When there's work to be done in preparation for Markham Fair, Kay Thompson (left) and husband Bob can always be counted on to do more than their share. On Saturday evening, their efforts were rewarded. Daughter Barbara (Hoover), on behalf of the Grounds Committee, presented them with the "Golden Hammer Award". —Jim Thomas.

Tribune files reveal Hallowe'en was worse

STOUFFVILLE — Tuesday, Oct. 31 is Hallowe'en.

For hundreds of Town children, it's the second most exciting night in the entire year, surpassed only by Christmas Eve.

For York Regional police and firemen, it's the "busiest" night in the year, with Stouffville no exception. In fact, during recent Hallowe'en's, the town has resembled an "armed camp" as extra forces have been moved in to keep order.

This year, like last, adults brave enough to do so, will stand on the street corners, shaking their heads in disgust at the antics of high-spirited teenagers, forgetting that their generation too, was actively engaged in hooliganism "way back when".

To refresh a few memories, Keith Bolender of The Tribune staff checked back through a few post-Hallowe'en issues to find out what, if anything went on "in the good old days". Some of the events were indeed shocking.

In 1933, "great crowds of youngsters" roamed Stouffville's streets, breaking windows and oiling the sidewalks. The police chief of that day was so nervous, he summoned help when he spotted someone "lurking" in the local bank. The village reeve and undertaker rushed to his aid, only to discover the 'goblin' was the bank manager's

assistant doing some late-night homework.

In 1942, several "shanties" were overturned and a number of car tires slashed. It could have been that folks had their minds on other things like World War II.

The Tribune of 1948 tells of vandalism at the Presbyterian Church. Wooden railings were smashed and several windows broken. Trucks parked outside the Co-op were damaged and someone even set fire to a barber pole. An unidentified party tied a horse to The Tribune's front door and it

remained there all night.

In 1955, vandals overturned 17 gravestones in the Mennonite Cemetery at Altona.

In 1959, Hallowe'en hoodlums placed wooden obstructions at almost every level crossing on the C.N.R. line. The same night, a car was severely damaged when it crashed into a fence placed across the road.

These are only a few of the things that occurred. There are hundreds more pointing to the fact that "people in glass houses shouldn't throw stones."

Teen party

By Marlon Sande
VIC. SQUARE — A teen Hallowe'en party is planned for Friday evening at 8:15 p.m., in the Sunday School room of the church. For further information call Rev. Alfred Day at 887-5066.

Sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Neil Pickering and family in the passing of Mrs. Pickering's father.

Reservations are being received for the turkey supper, Wed., Nov. 1 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the community hall. For tickets call Mrs. Frank Brumwell, Mrs. John McCague or any U.C.W. member. The price is \$5 adults; \$1.50 for children 12 years and under.

Wedding anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Woolnough (Jean Vanderkooy), married one year, Oct. 29 and to Mr. and Mrs. Keith Doner (Margaret Wright), married two years, Oct. 30.

Birthday greetings to Mrs. Don Canning, Oct. 29; Dale Barker, Oct. 29; Mrs. John McCague, Oct. 30; Mrs. Tile Hoffman, Oct. 30; Mrs. Lawrence Boynton, Oct. 30 and Maria Horsch, Oct. 30.

The Youth Group meets every Friday evening in the Sunday School room of the church at 7 p.m. For further information call the group leader, Ann Boyd at 887-5347.

Gormley Church

Week-long services

By Evelyn Milsted
GORMLEY — On Sunday, Oct. 29, special meetings will begin in the Gormley Missionary Church with services at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Week-night worship is at 7:30 p.m., including Saturday. The guest speaker is Rev. Eddy Jones with special music, Sunday, by the Inheritance Singers of London, Ont.

The 105th anniversary services will be held in the Gormley Missionary Church, Nov. 5. The Workman Quartet of St. Catharines will attend worship both morning and evening. Heise Hill Church is holding a Hallowe'en

party and hay-ride, Saturday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Winger.

Rev. Andrew Brndjar of the Canadian Bible Society will speak at Heise Hill Church, Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Special music will be provided by the Good Tidings Quartet of Toronto.

Mrs. Geraldine Brillinger had surgery on her knee last week at Toronto Orthopaedic Hospital. She is making a satisfactory recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doust and Genevieve Bruce visited, Saturday, with Mr. and Mrs. Allan Doner and family, Kit-chener.

Mr. Jos. Cherry of Fort Myers, Florida, is visiting with his sisters, Mrs. Aylmer Gray and Mrs. Florence Bell.

Sympathy is expressed to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wideman in the sudden passing of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Garnet Ray of Stouffville.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wallace and daughter of Owen Sound spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hawkins.

The M.Y.F. will meet at 6:45 p.m., Fri., Oct. 27 at the Missionary Church for volleyball practice at Whitchurch Highlands School.

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...WHEN THEY CALL FOR THE

UNITED WAY



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