

Mr and Mrs Jacob Shank

Diamond anniversary

MARKHAM — When a community event attracts the attention of The Queen, it has to be important.

It was Sunday afternoon in the Wideman Mennoite Church, a celebration honoring Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Shank on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

The 'open house' that welcomed folks from many distant points, including western Canada and the United States, was followed by a family reunion and dinner at night. To accommodate this gathering, the evening worship service was cancelled.

Jacob Shank or 'Jake' to a host of friends and neighbors, is a lifelong resident in the area. Born on the Ninth of Markham (former Ernle Button farm), the son of William and Mary Shank, he attended public school at Whitevale and Mt. Joy.

Mrs. Shank, the former Martha Stauffer, was born at Breslau near Kitchener. In 1901, she moved to High River, Alberta, some 2,500 miles from Markham. The distance proved no problem, however. During a trip east to see her sister, Florence (now Mrs. Ernest Hoover), she was invited to join in a young people's sleigh-ride party. For Jacob, the walk out the long lane to the 8th concession (Hwy. 48), ended in a trek to the altar. He and Martha were married, March 5, 1919 at Mount View Mennoite Church. Her father, Norman B. Stauffer, performed the ceremony, after which they took the train to Calgary, and then to Markham.

Up until 1970, they resided on the 'home' farm, then moved to their cozy bungalow, a short distance north. Mr. Shank still takes produce to the St. Lawrence Market, something he's been



Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Shank, RR 2, Markham, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with an 'open house,' Sunday afternoon at the Wideman Men-

nonite Church. Hundreds of visitors, some from western Canada and the United States, attended the gathering.

doing for the last 54 years. He remembers how he used to put live chickens in a suitcase and make the trip by train. He still cultivates a fine garden and gets around in his 1965 Dodge.

Jacob and Martha are proud of their family that includes two daughters, Grace (Mrs. Delbert Bontrager) of Fairview, Michigan; Edith (Mrs. Erle Byer), RR 2, Markham; one son, Don of Markham; 18 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Shank has one brother, Oliver, RR 2, Markham and a sister, Nancy, Parkview Apartments, Stouffville. Mrs. Shank has two brothers, Howard of Tofield, Alberta; Byron of Turner

Valley, Alberta and two sisters, Mary Snider of Preston and Florence Hoover, RR 2, Markham.

The honored couple were the recipients of letters and telegrams of congratulations from Queen Elizabeth; Prime Minister Trudeau; Premier Wm. Davis, Conservative leader Joe Clark and Markham Mayor Tony Roman along with many beautiful bouquets of flowers. One note that was especially appreciated came from

the staff of the Stouffville Medical Centre.

One of several who travelled many miles to attend the 'open house' was Mrs. Shank's brother, Howard Stauffer from Tofield, Alberta. He was the best man at their wedding, 60 years ago.

Standing ovation

By Jim Thomas
STOUFFVILLE — A standing ovation was accorded the Stouffville United Church choir and supporting musicians following an outstanding concert, Thursday night.

The audience's appreciation of the program was noticeable all the way through as they enthusiastically applauded each number. Even the absence of The Master's Touch Trio (due to one member's illness), failed to dilute the professionalism of the talent or lessen the enthusiasm of the listeners.

Three local ladies, Alice Hamm, Mary Grant and Jean Hammond filled the gap with two beautiful selections. Solo numbers were rendered by Jean Hammond, Mary Grant, Lorne Boudway and Charles Shipp; piano duets by Joyce Miles and Alan Gent.

The variety was excellent. A tremendous show.

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Durham teachers Settlement

DURHAM REGION — Durham Region's 1,300 elementary school teachers have accepted the Board's latest contract offer, trustee Linda Carter, reported to The Tribune this week.

The settlement was approved by a majority vote of 58 per cent. Increases average out to 5.6 per cent, retroactive to September, 1978. The average increase for principals is \$1,600.

Church Services



STOUFFVILLE BAPTIST
Main—O'Brien
Rev. D.C. Payne, Pastor
649-3158
10 a.m. — Bible School
11 a.m. — Worship
7 p.m. — Hours of Praise
Wed. 8 p.m. — Hour of Power
ALL 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.
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MEMORIAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Main—Stouffer
Rev. J. Small
Mar. 11th, 1979
10 a.m. — Sunday School
11 a.m. — Worship
7 p.m. — Fellowship
Mon.—Thurs. Boys Gr. 3-7
Tues. Jr. High Youth
Thurs. Girls Gr. 3-7
Information 640-3257

SPRINGVALE BAPTIST CHURCH
Gormley-Stouffville Rd.
At 6th Conc.
(Kennedy Rd.)
Rev. Tom Hamilton
SUNDAY, Mar. 11th, 1979
9:45 a.m. — Sunday School
11:00 a.m. — Worship Service
7:00 p.m. — Evening Service
Wed. 7:30 p.m. — Family Night — Skyforce Children's Program.
All Welcome

ALTONA MISSIONARY CHURCH
Pastor—R. Kennedy
Sunday, Mar. 11th, 1979
10 a.m. — Sunday School
11:00 a.m. — Morning Worship
7:30 p.m. — Evening Service
Wed. 8 p.m. — Prayer Meeting

BLOOMINGTON CHRISTIAN GOSPEL CHURCH
Rev. C.W. Sorley
Pastor
Sunday, Mar. 11, 1979
9:45 a.m. — Sunday School for young and old
11:00 a.m. — Morning Worship with a warmth.
Wed. 8 p.m. — Prayer meeting.
Fri. 7 p.m. — Pioneer Girls

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10:30 A.M.
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Special Music—Exciting Testimonies
COMING SOON
Sun. Mar. 18 - 8 p.m. — Film - Thief In The Night
Sat. Mar. 24 7:30 p.m. - Film - Sound Of Thunder
Sun. Mar. 25 9:45 a.m. - Great Sunday School Rally with The Kenny Parker Trio, Nashville, Tenn.
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STOUFFVILLE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Pastor Paul P. Ripley
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Honor Premier Davis

Ontario Premier Wm. Davis will be the guest of honor at a banquet and dance, May 11 at Rolling Hills Golf and Country Club, R. R. 4, Stouffville. The event is being sponsored by the York North Progressive Conservative Association. Tickets are \$35 a couple.

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