

Music Mania '79 prepares for show



Men "tune up" for opening night April 26

There'll be something for everyone at Music Mania '79, on stage at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School, April 26, 27 and 28. Tuning up for their part in the three-night per-

formance are (left to right) - Gord Joice, Bill Murphy, Ivan Harris, Al Whittaker, Don Caudle, Percy Schell and Don Smith. The pianist is Joyce Miles. —Jim Thomas.

STOUFFVILLE — Serious rehearsals are now underway twice weekly at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School in preparation for Music Mania '79, April 26, 27 and 28.

This is the nineteenth year for the show, a community program that had its start as "Minstrel Mania" back in 1960.

Of the original cast, only three remain - Lorne and Marion Bowdway and Percy Schell.

A check through a Tribune issue of April, 1960 revealed Peggy Topping as the director; Ron Mercer in charge of the chorus; Molly Mumford instructing the dancers and Jerry Walte the piano accompanist. The Master of Ceremonies was Bud Sanderson.

The End Men included - Albert Smalley, Ron Neale, Ted Topping, Lorne Bowdway, Glen Hemter and Bill Dedlow.

Minstrel Mania 1960 ran two nights and played to sell-out crowds, the paper said. Proceeds from that event were donated to the School for Retarded Children.

On the go

By Helen Baatz

During the past month at Parkview Home, our regular activities have been well attended and we have undertaken a few "out of the ordinary" challenges which also saw enthusiastic involvement.

On March 2, a few residents took part in a World Day of Prayer Service under the direction of Rev. Paul Martin.

Our Science buffs enjoyed visiting Orchard Park Public School early in the month to view the Science Fair projects. Another successful outing was a visit to Bruce Mills Conservation Area to observe the sugaring off process. All sweet toothers were satisfied! The General Store Wagon helped us "think spring" on March 22 as they came to cater to our residents' clothing needs. And of all things, on March 30, 20 people entered a Spelling Match here at Parkview (another 25 looked on!). The event proved that our minds can still function at a very old age if we only make the effort to continue to learn and use our faculties regularly.

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Plan recital

MARKHAM — The Alumni Association (Markham Chapter), of the Royal Conservatory of Music, will present its annual recital, April 24 and 25 at the home of Tim and Peggy Clark, Orchard Street.

A guest at this year's concert will be Conservatory principal, Dr. Ezra Schabas. Dr. Schabas is a professor in the Faculty of Music and chairman of its Performance and Opera departments since 1968.

The Markham Chapter is looking forward to the day when concerts can be held in an acoustically designed concert hall, complete with a grand piano.

Chairperson of the event this month is Doris Hunt-Bates, A.T.C.M., R.M.T. Other studios to be represented are: Grace Bailey, Patricia Browne, Peggy Clark, Louis Clarke, Teresa Kusatz, Blanche Ramer, Mildred Temple, and Eileen Wright.

Performing students are Brenda Pugh, Lisa Nighswander, Karen Joice, Kenneth McLennan, Tara Coulter, Michael Anderson, Lynne Gardham, Beth Hary, Terry Sarney, Cameron Mair, Lisa Derkach, Jennifer Hary, Leslie White, Jennifer McLaughlin, Cheryl Price, Jean Shih, Gillian Givens, Judi Burgess, Pauline Powell, Melissa Holt, Catherine Freitag, Keven Ko, Susan Hill, Cheryl-Ann Cabel, Susan Rainey, Lois Wride, Mark Ohlman, Debbie McNailey, Phillip Thalman, Roberta Houston, Andrea Kensil, Rolf Johansson, Julie Ramsay, Sean Ko, Susan Bennett, Marilly Reesor, Laurie Armitage, Monica Vetter and Judy Pyle.



Dancers take time out for breathers

Whew, that's tiring, says Sharron Brazier (left), one of the show's dancers, following an exhaustive rehearsal. Take heart, suggests

Marsha Vautier, in three weeks, it'll all be over. —Jim Thomas.

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