

'TOKEN' WOMEN ON BOARDS

UXBRIDGE — Despite a few changes in equal employment laws for women, real corporate power still belongs to men.

Dr. Virginia Edwards, a psychiatrist at Toronto East General Hospital, told a group of about 145 persons attending a Family Life seminar that women on boards of directors are only "tokens". She said that 75 per cent of women work in sales and ser-

vice, catering, travel, and lower managerial positions.

"Female representation in the boardrooms of the big national corporations is inadequate," she said. "The power of major decision-making still lies within the 'Old Boys Network'."

Dr. Edwards explained that women must become more aggressive in their careers if they want to be successful in

today's male oriented business world.

"It's hard for us to maintain high self-esteem when the media is constantly dictating how we should cook, dress, and even love."

She attributed much of the problem to the fact women have less "political savvy than men", and they don't really know what they want in life.

She termed women a "majority-minority", in danger

of losing representation with the decline of the strong pro-female movement.

"Older women in our society are the most neglected. Most live on the borderline of poverty, and have little status in the community or the family," she continued.

Legal reforms during the past 15 years have permitted women to have personal assets within a marriage, and sit on a jury, she said.

Women now have more control over their own bodies with The Pill, and the availability of therapeutic abortions. Edwards said that in 1967, about 2,000 legal abortions were performed in Canada, compared to 60,000 ten years later.

The Human Rights Act, passed in 1978, she explained, prevents discrimination in hiring employees. Reforms in procedures during rape trials protect the victim's privacy. Now, the lawyer for the defence must apply for information on previous sexual activity.

"But even though all these changes have come about, women are still earning less for the same jobs held by men. And sitting around complaining won't accomplish anything. We have to get out there and make progress happen," she concluded.

In today's society...

Family not viable

UXBRIDGE — The traditional family unit as most of us know it is becoming obsolete.

Dr. Virginia Edwards, a psychiatrist on staff at Toronto East General Hospital, told a group during a Family Life Series entitled, "Today's Woman," that out of necessity and choice, the family unit is breaking up.

"More and more women are working than ever before. There are also more single parents than 10 years ago. And the fact that one-third of all marriages end in divorce has an effect on the role of women and the family."

Presently in Ontario, there are 200,000 children in need of day care services, and only 50,000 centres available.

Edwards said these services can't possibly provide the love and endearment a young child needs, and would normally receive in a family relationship. She said the nuclear family — two parents and the children — is not viable in today's society.

"Because more women are entering the work force, we have to seek viable alternatives to caring for offspring of working mothers. Better day care, shorter work schedules allowing mothers to get home earlier, and sick leave when the children are ill, may be some of the solutions," she stated.

Wed 60 years

Saturday, March 22 is an important milestone in the life of Clare and Marie Balsdon, Church Street North, Pickering. It's an "open house" in celebration of their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

The gathering of friends and relatives will be held at 9 George Street, Pickering from two to six p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Balsdon have been active in all areas of community life. Mr. Balsdon is a former deputy-reeve of Pickering Township.

Late Isaac Foskett

Local blacksmith

Service was held from Dixon-Garland Funeral Home, Markham, Tuesday, for Isaac Foskett, formerly of Goodwood and Stouffville.

Mr. Foskett passed away suddenly, March 2 in Scarborough General Hospital. He was 94.

Born in England March 25, 1885, he immigrated to Canada as a boy. He was raised in Ashburn and apprenticed as a blacksmith there.

He moved to Goodwood and set up his own business. Isaac was well-known in the area for his skill.

In 1911, he married Annie Haynes, who passed away in 1954. He later married Laura Geary in 1957.

Isaac and Laura attended First Baptist Church at Claremont prior to moving to

Scarborough. Surviving are his wife, son Elwood, Stouffville; daughter, Edna (Mrs. Harry Glendenning), Markham; and two grandchildren, Linda (Mrs. Ed Lewis), Markham; and Elaine

(Mrs. Ronald Robbins), Stouffville. Rev. Jeffery Fitzpatrick, Temple Baptist Church, Scarborough, conducted the service, with spring interment, Goodwood Cemetery.

Truck burns

GOODWOOD — An Uxbridge Twp. man suffered only minor injuries but was lucky to escape alive after his 4-wheel drive vehicle overturned and caught fire in an unused gravel pit south of Goodwood, Sunday afternoon.

A spokesman for Durham Regional Police said Gary Wilkinson of Fourth Line, Uxbridge was taken by ambulance

to hospital but later released. His four-wheeler was completely destroyed.

The quarry is located on the west side of the 3rd Concession of Uxbridge. Residents say the site is often used by operators of Jeep-type units to test the climbing ability of such vehicles. On this occasion, it is believed the truck's gas line ruptured, sparking the blaze.

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Second Section



Only targets are hit at Goodwood goose shoots

Goose shoots have become popular on the Boland farm, Conc. 3, Uxbridge Twp., north of Goodwood. No, they don't shoot geese, merely at targets, and their accuracy is recorded. Here, Jill Grif-

fiths of Church Street, Stouffville tries her luck aided by Danny Boland of Altona.

—Jim Thomas.

Late Dora Norton

A respected teacher

MARKHAM — Rev. Donald Parr and Rev. Tom Head conducted the funeral service, Feb. 27 in St. Andrew's United Church for Mrs. Thomas Norton following her passing at Markham, Feb. 24. She was in her 89th year.

Mrs. Norton, the former Dora Prout, was loved and respected by everyone who, through the years had come to know her as a true neighbor and friend. A devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, she treasured all members of her family as much as they admired her. She was an enthusiastic worker within the congregations of St. John's United Church at Brougham and St. Andrew's, Markham, particularly in her associations with the Women's Missionary Society and later the U.C.W. At

one time she was president of the Bay of Quinte Conference. She was a member of The Good Neighbors Club in Markham and had served as secretary of the organization.

Born at Bowmanville, the daughter of Edmund Prout, she graduated through the elementary and secondary school system to train as a

public school teacher. For three years, she taught at Sandford, north-west of Uxbridge and later on the 7th Concession of Pickering (Mt. Pleasant), also for a three-year period.

Following her marriage, she and her husband farmed near Brougham, later retiring to Talisman Crescent, Markham. Mr. Norton died in 1971.

Surviving are three sons and daughters-in-law, George and Joan Norton, Etobicoke; Everson and Willa Norton, Markham; David and Carole Norton, also of Markham.

Pall bearers were Lloyd Greig, Robert Malcolm, John Moor, Tom Goldring, Murray Seule and Gordon Praskey.

Markham brothers face many charges

Record attendance at series

UXBRIDGE — The Third Annual Family Life series is over, but plans for next year are already under way.

Sal Garofalo, organizer of the event, said attendance this year topped all previous records. The average number of people at each seminar was about 150.

The seminars were sponsored by the Region of Durham Family Counselling Division and the Uxbridge Credit Union.

Members of the Advisory Committee are: Leslie Brown, Ken Drudge, Rev. Michael Locke, Fran Moore, Joy Parsons, Gall Prentice, Karen Stewart, Dr. Ian Taylor and Ruth Wade.

Refreshments were provided by the ladies of Trinity United Church, The Rangers, I.O.E., and Beta Sigma Phi.

Garofalo said he expects next year's series to be even more productive.

MARKHAM — Two Markham area brothers, one 18 and the other 16, are charged with eleven offenses over the past few months.

York Regional Police began putting together a long list of charges after Randy Lyle Finnigan and Ronald Patrick Finnigan, Conc. 7, Markham, were arrested near the Peach's United Church, 18th Avenue and McCowan Road. A break-in had occurred there, but nothing was taken.

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Gamble on races

BROOKLIN — In an effort to put harness racing on a paying basis at this year's Brooklin Spring Fair, the attraction will be held on Sunday with pari-mutuel betting.

Approval is still required from the federal Department of Agriculture but a bylaw related to the Lord's Day act has already been authorized by Whitby Town Council.

This year, fair organizers had planned to cancel the races, due to the fact, they lost \$3,800 on them in '79. With the event on Sunday, they feel more people will attend.

The total profit last year was about \$16,000, secretary-treasurer Walter Holliday said. Attendance was placed at 12,000 people.

The 1980 Brooklin Fair opens May 29 and extends through June 1.

Cable TV

PICKERING — The Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) has called for applications to provide cable television service in the proposed community of Seaton.

One application has been received, and the commission has announced others will be considered if submitted before March 27.



Team is the pride of Valley View School

The girls' intermediate basketball team of Valley View Public School, Greenwood, have every reason to look pleased with themselves. They recently won both the Joseph Gould and Bowmanville Kinsmen tournaments. The Bowmanville event is the largest in Durham

Region. Back row (l to r) Wendy Carson, Jo-Anne Smith, Heather McGregor, Shariene Carson, Tammy Fournier. Front row (l to r) Emily Duncan, Allison Gilmore, Jim Olson (coach), Patty Baum, Patricia Conduit.

Jim Holt