



The Town of Pickering Museum, located at Greenwood, opened officially for the season on the weekend. Demonstrations throughout the grounds were in full swing, including the operation of this 100 year old loom by Betty Goodwin, formerly of R.R. 2, Claremont and now living at Whitby. —Jim Thomas.

Mayor lauds campaign

UXBRIDGE — Giving a quick look back at what has transpired in this first half of the year, Mayor Bill Ballinger cites the fact that the Uxbridge Arena went over the top in its fund-raising campaign recently, as one of the highlights.

The fact that it was done by an all-out assault by members of the community, with everything from baking to bingo, impressed the mayor even more.

Speaking to a packed arena when the goal was reached, the mayor lauded his committee of Len Nicholl, Jack Ballinger,

Ray Laswick, Harry Stemp and Ron Kester.

"They met every Wednesday night putting this thing together," he said. "I said at the start I wanted... people who make things happen... and I couldn't have chosen better ones."

The mayor said that construction of the sand dome, which is expected to be finished by October 15, was another big achievement. The dome, 100 feet in diameter, will be located on Durham Regional Road 8, two miles west of the town limits.

Mayor Ballinger said, the \$57,000 dome, which will house a mixture of sand and salt, came about as a result of recent Ontario Municipal Board hearings, charging pollution of wells and streams in Goodwood and Uxbridge, respectively, as well as damage to crops in Sandford, from run-offs from the mixture.

The mayor said also, "the economy is soft right now, and we're just sort of plodding along."

However, he added, "we're fully prepared for housing." Developers take note.

Gary Herrema

Wants wage freeze

DURHAM REGION — Durham Regional Chairman, Gary Herrema's recent recommendation to freeze wages of all regional employees, has drawn considerable wrath from union officials.

Bill Dignman, a spokesman for Canadian Union of Public Employees, has vowed to fight any such move, even if it brings

on a strike, saying that, "...if Herrema wants a fight, he'll get a fight."

Herrema, however, said he could see no alternative, unless there was a substantial upturn in the economy. And, while employees would resent the freeze, they'd be guaranteed their jobs.

He said politicians' salaries

should be frozen, too. He also called for price controls on such marketing board items as milk, eggs and poultry.

"It's got to start somewhere," said Herrema, whose own pay was upped 12 per cent last fall to \$42,500. He said he would accept a freeze on his own salary.

Dingman, president of the union's Durham council, representing 3,000 workers, said the chairman was suggesting more than just wage controls for employees.

CUPE representative, Bill Harford, said Herrema seemed to be campaigning for re-election. "He's not negotiating, is he?" he asked. "He's just telling us."

The majority of CUPE contracts in the region expire next year.

Boy models

CLAREMONT — It was a fashion show with some very definite differences at Claremont Public School, recently.

Not only did the boys in grades seven and eight put it on, but the clothes they modelled, belonged to the girls.

It was all part of a school "Fun Day," in which the entire student body participated, both to have a bit of fun, and also to raise some money toward their various school trips.

Besides the fashion show, the students sold ice cream and

popcorn, operated a bingo game, garage sale and ghost house; showed movies and ran a sponge toss. In this popular-for the students - game, a teacher is the target at the other end of the sponge.

There was also a tea room in operation throughout the afternoon.

The next big outing for the school is June 17, when the grade seven and eight classes travel to Niagara Falls. Supervising the trip, will be teachers Doug Wherry and John Mika, and principal, Mary Hearn.

Rare sale

UXBRIDGE — An auction sale of unprecedented value, will be held Tues., June 29 at the Wilson Arena, Beaver Road, two miles north of Uxbridge.

It's the property of Bessie Laurie, formerly of Stouffville and more recently, Dublin Apartments, Markham. Miss Laurie is now residing at Union Villa, Unionville.

Starting time is 6 p.m.

Items include a marble-top sideboard, an antique corner cupboard, a grandfather's clock, a four-poster bed, a walnut sideboard, an antique cherry desk, a marble-top dresser, several oriental rugs, an antique pine chest, a round table with centre pedestal, a round-glass china cabinet, two manual electric organs, a gingerbread clock, six pressback chairs plus many pieces of beautiful glassware, dishes and collectables.

Auctioneer Lloyd Wilson has described it as one of the finest sales of its kind he's had in a long time. He'll be assisted in the auction ring by Neil Bacon.

Day to recall

GREENWOOD — For Lloyd and Alma Pegg, Sunday was a day they'll never forget. It was a gathering of family friends and relatives, in the Christian Education Centre of Greenwood United Church. The occasion was their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

It was June 15, 1922 that Lloyd Pegg and Alma Jackson were married in Montreal. Lloyd is the son of Andrew and Essie Pegg. Alma is the daughter of Ed and Minnie Jackson.

Residents of Orillia for the past four years, Mr and Mrs Pegg moved there from Peterborough. Before that, they lived at Cardiff, Oshawa and Greenwood. The Pegg family homestead is the present Claremont Conservation Area.

The years have been kind to Lloyd, his brothers and sisters, all of whom are still living including Milton of Greenwood; William and George in Stouffville; Edgie of Claremont; Gladys Brown, Whitby; Essie Appleby, Pickering; Alice (Mrs Bertan Wilson) of Warminster and Mildred McTaggart, Greenwood.

Lloyd and Alma are justly proud of their four daughters—Doreen Turner, Orillia; Laurette Brookham, Havelock; Jean Lister, Amherstburg and Audrey Michell of Milton. They have eleven grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

In addition to dozens of cards and messages of congratulations, sixty yellow roses adorned the reception room, Sunday, a treasured gift from the grandchildren.

Hamlet residents to honor author

LEASKDALE — This Saturday (June 19) is L.M. Montgomery Fun Day at Leaskdale, Conc. 7, six miles north of Uxbridge.

The event will celebrate the fact that this world-renowned lady, the writer of Anne of Green Gables, presided over the Leaskdale manse as wife of Rev. Evan MacDonald, minister of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church.

The day will begin with a

variety of children's activities in the park commencing at 9:30. These will include games and races; pony rides; an obstacle course, a soap box derby, a doll carriage and bike parade, a mutt show and a dunking machine.

At 2:30 p.m., "Lucy Maud" and her minister groom will arrive by horse and buggy from their honeymoon. They will be welcomed by the clerk of ses-

sion and escorted to the manse by a piper. There, tea and cakes will be served.

Arnold Hodgkin's Dererfoot Gallery will be open to the public. Handicrafts will be on display in the church basement.

A buffet supper will be served

in the church beginning at 5 p.m. The cost is \$3 per person. This will be followed by a concert at seven featuring some of the music from "Anne of Green Gables".

The celebration is geared to all ages. The public is invited.

Will assess tax impact

UXBRIDGE — The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) is concerned about the recent budget handed down by the provincial government, and Uxbridge Township Council agrees it has reason to

As a result, members, prompted by a plea from AMO to see what impact the budget will have on its own community, approved a resolution by Councillor Don Jackson to write treasurer Frank Miller to see exactly where it sits in the matter of the new sales tax proposals.

According to AMO, the tax will hit such budgetary items as building materials, steel, concrete, gravel, asphalt and others, as well as covering labor services, books, trees, shrubs and an increase in OHIP premiums.

"The 1982 budget indicates a complete lack of understanding

or appreciation for local initiatives towards fiscal accountability, and the ability of Ontario's municipal governments to generate the required new revenues..." AMO said.

Councillor Jackson said the area MPP would be visiting Uxbridge in July to discuss the matter, but "maybe we should act now."

A letter will be sent to the treasurer for "clarification on what the municipality has to pay taxes."

Help needed

DURHAM REGION — Students 15 years and over, are being sought as volunteers for the Durham Centre for the Developmentally Handicapped, at Whitby.

Students will work with residents of the centre on such things as arts, crafts and swimming, and must be willing to stay for at least 10 days or two weeks. Lunches and GO bus tickets will be provided.

If interested, call Suzanne Young, at 668-7745.

Paint town

UXBRIDGE — While they may be only painting the town red, figuratively, during Spring Water Days, June 23-30, they'll be painting the sidewalks whatever color they want, quite literally.

A recent meeting of council approved a recommendation from the finance and property committee, that township merchants be allowed to paint the sidewalks during the celebrations.

There is one stipulation, though — the paint must be completely removed within one week of the completion of the festivities.

Continue battle commuter train

DURHAM REGION — The fight goes on for the continuance of the Toronto-Havelock dayliner, which makes regional stops in Claremont, Myrtle Station and Burketon Station.

The line is slated for closure on Sept. 7, but regular riders are taking up the hat each day to raise money to fight it, and already have come up with \$1,000.

Says Les Parkes, president of the Toronto-Peterborough-Havelock Line Passenger Association (TPHLPA), "We have a deficit of about \$4,000... and people on the train have been signing cheques for as much as \$100."

He said that lawyers for the group feel there is a "good

chance" that court action will result in an injunction prohibiting closing down the 100-mile line next fall.

Parkes said the group is claiming the closure was made through an order-in-council and not through a hearing of the Canadian Transport Commission.

The order to close was made last July by federal Transport Minister Jean-Luc Pepin, who said that it, and 14 other such orders, were being made to save an estimated \$100,000 million in federal subsidies to VIA Rail.

Parkes said that commuters can also mail cheques to the TPHPA legal fund, at Box 604, Port Perry. Donations are income tax deductible.



Friends' Meeting House on the 5th Concession of Uxbridge was filled to capacity Sunday, for the 173rd anniversary service of the landmark church. Former Sunday School members dating

back to 1910 were (left to right) Jennie Stearman, Almada Tompkins, Gordon Flewell, Ross James, Edith Alsop, Jim Tompkins, and Minnie James Lehman. —Jim Holt.



Mr and Mrs Lloyd Pegg of Orillia were honored Sunday, at an 'open house' in the Christian Education Centre of Greenwood United Church.

The occasion was their 60th wedding anniversary. —Jim Thomas.