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Talented brothers make music

By Jim Thomas
GOODWOOD— Their publicity brochure reads simply "The Taylor Brothers"; no more, no less.

Within the night club circuit of larger centres like Toronto and Montreal, this might not be sufficient. However, closer to home, no more is necessary. The Taylors are household names where music is concerned and have been for the past ten years.

Brothers Walter and Sandy Taylor along with associate Bob Rutledge are an extremely talented group. Walter operates the keyboard (a combination organ and piano); Sandy plays the alto and tenor sax and Bob performs on drums. Each takes a turn at vocal.

The boys look on the Longhorn Inn near Sharon as "home". They enjoy playing there, partly because that's where it all started. Their next engagements are Nov. 26 and 27, Dec. 3 and 4.

The versatile trio describe their music as "middle of the road". "We make it suit the moment," says Walter, "we play what the people want".

The band has moved around quite a bit with "dance dates" at The Granite Club, Donald Golf and Country Club and Muskoka Sands Inn. This coming New Year's, they're booked at Aurora Highlands, a place they know very well. Still, they always enjoy a return engagement at The Longhorn, and so do the patrons who enjoy their music.

Although separated by several miles (Walter lives at Cannington; Sandy near Woodville and Bob in Woodbridge), they keep in close touch. Rehearsals are held at each other's homes.

The Taylor Bros. are generous with their time. One free gratis engagement they all enjoy is the annual "Salute to Timmy and his Friends" at the



SANDY TAYLOR
SAXOPHONE



BOB RUTLEDGE
DRUMS



WALTER TAYLOR
KEYBOARD

Uxbridge Legion. All proceeds from this event goes to the Ontario Society for Crippled Children.

But it's not all fun and games. One look at their equipment (\$30,000-worth) tells you that. However, no one's complaining, least of all the patrons. They appreciate good music for listening and dancing pleasure, a scarce commodity on the market today.

Ponders defeat

Landfill site said issue

DURHAM REGION — "I guess it was time for me to go," is the way veteran councillor Gerry Fisher, summed it up, after losing his seat on Durham Regional Council to Councillor Norah Stoner, in the recent municipal election.

It was a matter of the squeaky wheel getting the grease, so far as Fisher, a garage owner, was concerned. There are three landfill sites in his ward, and the people who live near them thought they could be best represented by Mrs. Stoner, he said.

"She has the ability to draw (such things) to the attention of the people who don't want them."

Mrs. Stoner's "high profile" also helped her in dealing with people renting government lands, he said. "They think the rent will be lower through her; that she'll make sure the government sticks to six and five."

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ness," and anywhere people owned property in his ward, he won.

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Claremont trustee takes aim

DURHAM REGION — Linda Carder, of Claremont, the only trustee in Durham Region to be returned by acclamation to the Board of Education in the recent municipal election, says she will seek the post of vice-chairman at its meeting of December 6.

A member of the Board for four years, and a representative on the Association of Large Schools and Ontario School Trustees' Council, during that time, Trustee Carder said that, if voted in as vice-chairman, she will try for the chairman's job the following year.

She said she didn't know if she would continue running for the board after her present three-year term is up, and would like to be chairman "before I pack it in."

That's for the future, however, and for the present, Mrs. Carder said the main concerns of the Board, were its discipline policy and budget. Of the former, workshops would be conducted in the new year to discuss codes of behaviour and the expectations of both students and teachers in that area. The

Board has a no-strap policy at present.

"Discipline is still a very personal thing," she said. Parents liked to see their own philosophy carried out in the schools, and that wasn't always possible.

In the matter of the budget, she said the Board would attempt to keep increases at a five per cent level, despite a recent pay hike to the custodians of nine per cent, and possible increases of the same to the teachers.

Mrs. Carder said the Board recently paid for dinner for the system's principals and administrators, to say thank you for keeping the schools open during the just-concluded custodians' strike. As a result, the Board was criticized for its action by CUPE, the strikers' union.

"The dinner cost \$1,200, but they saved us \$200,000, and the union accuses us of abuse of funds," said Mrs. Carder. "It chose the democratic process of going on strike and we chose the democratic way of saying thank you."

It was "okay for it to go on strike, apparently," but not

okay for the Board to show its appreciation to the staff for the work it had done.

Commenting on the election

of Norah Stoner over the incumbent, Gerry Fisher, for one of the seats on Durham Regional Council, Mrs. Carder said it

was "good to see another woman in there."

When asked if a similar comment by a man about another man would not be taken as sexist by the feminine forces, the Claremont trustee said that both sides were needed.

"Women think differently from men," she said. "That's why we need them. The two (men and women) make a complete brain."

Free speech? he wonders

UXBRIDGE — Durham Regional Chairman, Gary Herrema, who ruffled the feathers of some United Auto Workers' leaders, when he said the workers should make non-monetary concessions to General Motors, can't understand what all the fuss is about.

"I didn't know it was a crime," the chairman told The Tribune. "I thought we had freedom of speech."

He said that, when he had something to say that he felt was pertinent, he didn't hold it back.

Besides the UAW leaders, some of whom have called for his resignation, Herrema's remarks have helped prompt veteran Oshawa alderman John Aker, to run against him when the leadership election takes place Dec. 8.

Aker, who lost out to Herrema two years ago by one vote, said that while his comments were not a major reason for deciding to run, they had shown poor judgment and an insensitivity to urban issues.

He said the Region needed a leader from one of its urban lakeshore municipalities. Past leaders had been from the rural area, and were unable to promote Durham's "dynamic industrial base."

He (Aker) told me he wouldn't be running again, but I guess he saw an opportunity," Herrema said.

He said that some of the Oshawa papers had been tough on him in their editorials, causing an urban-rural split. "They believe I'm not aware of curbs and gutters."

Herrema said he was surprised by Aker's announcement, but not alarmed by it. He said he stood behind his statements regarding the auto workers; he must represent the entire Region and not just a part of it.

Another Oshawa alderman, John DeHart, who had planned to run for the \$40,000 chairman's job, withdrew when Aker announced his candidacy. No Oshawa alderman has ever won the post.

Reward offered

DURHAM REGION — A \$10,000 reward has been offered by Durham Regional Police for information leading to the arrest of persons responsible for the death of a Brooklin area man last August.

Clark Major, 57, of R.R. 1, Brooklin, died during the early hours of Aug. 7, after being dragged 300 feet while trying to stop two men in a van.

The suspects had attempted to steal several tires from the Major property. A scuffle followed and the victim was dragged when he attempted to remove the ignition keys. The vehicle is described as a 1979 to 1982 GMC, blue in color.

Anyone with information related to the case is asked to call Durham Regional Police at 649-2203 or 367-0478.

Cherish veterans' memory

CLAREMONT — "It's not the memory of war we cherish, but the memory of those who gave their lives so we might be free," said veteran Jack Rennie, guest speaker at an impressive Remembrance Day Service, Nov. 11 at Claremont Public School.

Civilians as well as servicemen paid the supreme sacrifice, he said.

Mr. Rennie recalled the outbreak of World War II at the very time he and wife Rene were married. "It's kind of humorous," he said, "but I spent a six-year honeymoon by myself."

Participants in the assembly included Principal Mary Hearne, staff teacher Rick Fockler and students Courtney Graham, Pam Barber and Jennifer Greer.



An impressive Remembrance Day ceremony was conducted at Claremont Public School, Nov. 11 with World War II veteran, Jack Rennie (front-right), the guest speaker. Other participants in the service, in-

cluded: Rear Row-Principal Mary Hearne and staff teacher, Rick Fockler; front row Courtney Graham, Pam Barber and Jennifer Greer.

— Jim Thomas.

Proud of scholar

GREEN RIVER — The Green River community can be justifiably proud of Lynne St. John.

Presently enrolled in a four-year Bachelor of Science in Nursing course at McMaster University, Hamilton, she was prominent on the platform, Nov. 5, when Pickering High School held its annual Commencement Exercises.

She's the daughter of Mr and Mrs Harold St. John, R. R. 1, Locust Hill.

Lynne's list of awards is impressive. In addition to being an Ontario Scholar, she was the recipient of the Nursing Bursary from the Ajax and Pickering Hospital Auxiliary; The W. Percy Neal Memorial Trophy as the Prefect Captain and The Distinctive Contribution Award for "contribution of time, ener-

gy and hard work in a variety of areas within the school".

Added to all these was the announcement by Principal J.



LYNNE ST. JOHN

W. Robb that Lynne had been the recipient of an \$800 McMaster Merit Award for leadership, all-round contribution and academic excellence.

Lynne has been a member of Pickering High School's Honor Roll each year. She won an Academic Excellence Award in Year 2; an Academic Crest in '79 and an Activity Crest in 1980. She played 1st clarinet in the Senior Band; performed in four parts at this year's production of "The Whiz"; was a school prefect three years and prefect captain in 1981-82.

Eighty-three students received Honor Graduation Diplomas, Nov. 5. Sixteen of these were Ontario Scholars. Lynne St. John of Green River was one.

The community has every reason to be proud.