



**Scout Group Committee chairman retires**

For the past fourteen years, Bob Hammond, O'Brien Avenue, Stouffville, has held the position of Scout Group Committee chairman. Recently, he announced his intention to step down. In honor of his dedication to the office and his

commitment to Scouting, Mr Hammond was presented with an engaged desk set by Gladys Clarkson at a Parent and Son banquet in Stouffville United Church, Wednesday night.

—Jim Thomas



**Receive Religion in Life certificates**

At the conclusion of the Parent and Son banquet, Wednesday, three boys were presented with Religion in Life certificates by Rev. Cecil Tiller, pastor of Stouffville United Church.

Shown with Rev. Tiller are (left to right) Neil Puente, David Jones and Lawrence Puente.

—Jim Thomas

**Neighborly Notes**

**New top coat**

A portion of Stouffville's Main Street will receive a 'top coat' this summer according to Town road foreman Bob MacAloney. This work was originally planned for 1984 but the Ministry lacked sufficient funds. The area to be topped will extend from Park Drive on the east to Winlane Drive on the west.

**Handsome plaque**

Bill Hodgson recently delivered a handsome plaque to The Tribune Office, honoring Music Mania '85 on the occasion of its 25th anniversary. It was signed by Premier Frank Miller. I was pleased to deliver the plaque to show producer Lovanna Sanders who, in turn, presented it to Don and Suzanne McNair, co-presidents of the Stouffville United Church Couples Club. The plaque will hang in the United Church.

**Memory fading**

I pleased on Friday to receive a nice thank you letter from Barbara (Hewlett) Pratt, secretary of the Garibaldi Public School Reunion Committee. Barbara, a few years younger than myself, (quite a few), also has a better memory. In my May 15 'Roaming Around' column, I recalled Barb as a former May Prom Queen at Stouffville High. Not so, responded the S.D.S.S. graduate honestly and modestly, 'just' a runner-up. As far as the reunion was concerned, Barb wasn't 'just' a secretary. She was described as the 'heart' of the homecoming event.

**Life member**

The east portion of Rolling Hills Golf and Country Club is 'home' to Maurice Pike, now a resident of Testa Villa Apartments, Stouffville. Because of this association and also because he's an enthusiastic golfer, Maurice has been made a Life Member of the golfing fraternity there.

**Free as a bird**

Recently, The Tribune published a photo of Don Burd and a loon that crash-landed in a field following an unsuccessful take-off from the Burd trout pond north of Ringwood. The picture created a lot of interest since loons are seldom seen this far south. There's a happy ending to the story. Mr Burd took the big bird up to Island Lake and released it there. It apparently enjoyed its new surroundings for it remained almost two weeks. Don went up to see it every day. Where is it now? No one knows. With plenty of runway room, it was able to take off to parts unknown, perhaps to the northern lake from whence it came.

**It's beautiful**

The 'Apple Tree Girl' in the display window at Barthau Jewellers, Main Street, Stouffville, is a figurine from the famous M.I Hummel collection, produced by Goebel craftsmen in West Germany. It sells for \$14,500. David (Barthau) has it on loan for several weeks in honor of the Hummel 50th anniversary celebration. Sister Hummel died at age 37 from tuberculosis but the beauty of her work lives on. At the end of this month, Barthau Jewellers will give away an authentic 'Apple Tree Boy'. All you have to do is drop in the store and fill out a form. There's no obligation.

**She's all girl**

When is a girl not a girl? Never! Judy Bell, first-sacker with Unionville's A & A team in the Raiders' Slo-Pitch Tournament in Stouffville, proved that Saturday. I attempted to catch Judy in action but she objected. "Don't take my picture," she protested, "my hair's a mess!" Pretty Judy, by the way, is the daughter of Markham Mayor Carole Bell.

**Discuss town's future**

STOUFFVILLE — On Sat., June 22, Mayor Tom Wood and members of Council will go into hiding, far removed from the media and the telephones.

Whitchurch-Stouffville's future will be the single topic of discussion. "We intend to put our thoughts on the table," Mayor Wood told The Tribune.

"Asked in what direction Stouffville should be headed, Mayor Wood replied: "It's headed in the right direction now." He feels the town's inner core can accommodate smaller lots serviced by municipal water and sewers. Immediately beyond this, can be estate lots on town water and septic tanks and beyond this again, estate lots on septic tanks and individual wells.

Mayor Wood feels Stouffville services should be geared to a population of 15,000. He's hopeful a second elevated water tower will not be required but rather another arterial pipe with pressure provided by gravity feed or a pumping station.

Mayor Wood said the round-table discussion will welcome all suggestions. These recommendations, he said, will then be incorporated into a definite plan for the future of the Town.



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