

Events

Each week, The Tribune publishes a Calendar of Events related to activities within the community. There is no charge for this service. Individuals wishing to utilize this space are asked to call 640-2100 no later than 12 noon on the Friday preceding publication.

sponsored by Markham Order of the Eastern Star. Admission \$7.50 per person.

Mon. Feb. 17

CRAFT TIME AT MEMORIAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH featuring crocheting, quilting, needle work, etc. Drop in between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.; Refreshments. Children welcome. For information call 640-4006.

YORK REGION SOUTH CHAPTER OF CHILD FIND meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Participation House, Markham. For information call 294-4873 evenings or 471-4104 days.

STOUFFVILLE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING at 8 p.m. in the United Church lower auditorium. There will be a Mini Flower Show.

Tues. Feb. 18

MICROWAVE COOKING CLASS at Cards Hardware at 7:30 p.m. Pre-registration required by Feb. 14th. Phone 640-3622.

BLUE HILLS ACADEMY PUBLIC INFORMATION EVENING at 7:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information to the public about their Residential Treatment program and Home Care program which serve children and their families in York Region. Parents interested in attending please R.S.V.P. 773-4323.

Thurs. Feb. 20

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING related specifically to residents in the Thicketwood Subdivision will be held at Summitview School at 7:30 p.m.

Fri. Feb. 21

McNEIL PHARMACEUTICAL LTD. is offering free public skating from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Recreation Centre.

Thurs. Feb. 13

GRADE 8 PARENTS' NIGHT at Stouffville District Secondary School at 7:30 p.m.

Fri. Feb. 14

GOODWOOD CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB Morning Coffee Hour at Goodwood Community Centre from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Features: "Warm Fuzzies" a fashion show by Chuck's Woolwinder; "Love Yarns" with Pam Goring and Karen Boyer; "Heart to Heart" with Shirley Ohlman, speaker from Stouffville.

STOUFFVILLE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL Valentine Clothing Fair from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the school. Good used clothing for the whole family.

WHITCHURCH STOUFFVILLE YOUTH CLUB DANCE at Summitview School at 7 p.m. for Grades 6, 7 and 8. Admission \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Sat. Feb. 15

STOUFFVILLE LEGION BRANCH 459 VALENTINE DANCE from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. with D.J. Kim Sweet. Admission \$6.00 for singles and \$10.00 couple. For tickets call 640-1714 after 4 p.m.

SWEET ADELINES OF UXBRIDGE VALENTINE DANCE at Uroda Hall from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. with D.J. Frank Barkey. Non-alcoholic beverages available. Tickets available at door or Sheridan Flowers, Uxbridge. \$12.00/couple.

VALENTINE DANCE at Masonic Temple, Joseph & Albert St., Markham from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.



Eleven-year-old Jason Rennie, Clarke Street, Stouffville, is a Tribune and Weekender carrier. He also delivers mid-week flyers to every home on his route, seventy in total. Jason's been on the job 2 1/2 years, saving up sufficient money to purchase two Canada Savings Bonds. —Jim Thomas

For Clarke Street carrier

Savings add up to bonds

By JIM THOMAS

STOUFFVILLE — Thirty-six Tribunes, each with 40 pages, constitutes a pretty heavy load. That's why, before starting out on his Wednesday route, eleven-year-old Jason Rennie of 50 Clarke Street, stops off at home for a snack.

"I need the energy," he says. Jason's been a carrier 2 1/2 years, first delivering only flyers, then adding Tribunes and Weekenders. He covers a section of Main Street plus Ninth Line South, Sunset Boulevard, Orchard Park Boulevard and Clarke Street.

When weather and roads are right, he uses his bicycle, otherwise he pulls a two-wheeled cart. On occasions, two friends, Jeff Hartung and Ryan Gray give him

a hand. Sisters Jody, 9, and Julie, 3 1/2, haven't been bitten by the carrier bug yet.

What do you like about it? Jason was asked. "The money," he replies honestly. He's already purchased two Canada Savings Bonds and has his own personal bank account.

Jason says he tries never to miss anyone. Should this happen, the people usually call his house. "Most know me," he says.

Jason makes a practice of putting the papers inside the front doors or under the mats.

The son of Dale and Pat Rennie, Jason is a Grade 6 student at Orchard Park School and a valued member of The Tribune's carrier staff.

Late Gordon Birkett

Respected businessman

The Stouffville area was saddened, last week, when word was received of the sudden passing of Gordon Birkett at Key West, Florida where Mr and Mrs Birkett were staying for the winter.

Mr Birkett collapsed and died from an apparent heart attack. He was 67.

Gord Birkett was born at Claremont, Jan. 2, 1919, the son of Thomas and Lela Birkett. He re-

ceived his formal education at Claremont Public School, Stouffville Continuation School and St. Andrew's College, Aurora.

Before joining his father in the insurance business in Stouffville, he was employed with Norwich Union Insurance, Toronto.

During World War II, he served as a wireless operator instructor in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

When the war ended, he resumed his career in the insurance firm known as Thos. Birkett & Son. Fifteen years ago, he sold the business to Bob Hassard but the family name has been retained.

Gordon Birkett was known and respected over a wide area, particularly by the farming community. He often made personal calls on his customers, caring for their insurance requirements.

In recent years, Mr and Mrs Birkett divided their time between their cottage on McCrae Beach at Pefferlaw and Key West, Florida.

Gordon was an enthusiastic sportsman. He enjoyed baseball and followed closely the progress of teams in both the American and National Leagues. He also liked curling and held memberships at both Unionville and Rolling Hills, Bethesda.

Jazz music was another form of recreation he enjoyed greatly. Over the years, he built up a large collection of tapes and records.

Although not directly connected with Stouffville since the sale of their home on Church Street North, Mr Birkett never lost touch with his friends, people like Gar and 'Beanie' Lehman and John Mathewson. He was also close friends of the late Elmer Daniels, Telf Rennie, Tim O'Neill, Bill Parsons, 'Shine' Davis and Walt Holden.

Besides his wife, the former Ruth Sisco, Mr Birkett is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Tom and Mary Birkett of Newmarket; a daughter and son-in-law, Margaret and David Glandfield of Peterborough; one grandson, Gordon Birkett and two granddaughters, Katherine and Elizabeth Glandfield.

AROUND TOWN

YOUTH CLUB DANCE
The next Youth Club Dance in the gymnasium at Summitview School is Friday, Feb. 14 from 7 to 10 p.m. Boys and girls grades 6 through 8 are welcome. Admission is \$1.50 for members; \$2.00 for non-members.

PLAYERS' AUDITIONS
The Stouffville Players are holding auditions for their next performance, Wednesday, (tonight), Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m.; in the Town Library. Supporters are also reminded of the Players' Open House, March 5 in Latcham Gallery, (The Library).

VALENTINE'S DANCE
The Stouffville Legion, (Branch 459), is holding a Valentine Dance, Sat., Feb. 15 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., in the Legion Hall. Admission is \$6 per person; \$10 per couple.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB
An interesting program is planned when the Goodwood Christian Women's Club meets Friday, Feb. 14 at 9:30 a.m., in the Goodwood Community Centre. Chuck Valteau of Chuck's Woolwinder, Main Street West, Stouffville, will host a fashion show entitled "Warm Fuzzies". Guest speaker will be Shirley Ohlman of Stouffville. Complimentary baby-sitting will be provided at Goodwood Baptist Church. For reservations call either Darla Gordon at 649-2585 or Elva Seely, 852-6345.

PASSES SUDDENLY
Sympathy is extended to Mrs Bob Ballantyne in the sudden passing of her husband, Feb. 2 in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto. He was 54. Mrs Ballantyne is the former Betty Wideman of R.R. 2, Markham. Other surviving family members include his mother, Beatrice; son John; daughters Cathy and Cheryl and grandchildren Nathan and Matthew. Funeral service was held Wednesday from Wishing Well Baptist Church, Sheppard Avenue East, Agincourt with spring interment, Dickson's Hill Cemetery.

HOLIDAY IN QUEBEC
Phil and Lois Hutchinson, Rupert Avenue, Stouffville, accompanied by Ivan and Joan Grove, R.R. 2, Markham, enjoyed a snowmobiling holiday last week in the Laurentians.

ROAST BEEF DINNER
Stouffville United Church is holding its annual Roast Beef Dinner, Sunday, Feb. 23 with sittings at 5 and 6:15 p.m. Admissions are \$7.00 adults; \$2.50 children six to twelve years; children under six, free. For tickets, call the church office at 640-1163 or pick them up at the following locations: Birkett-Hassard Insurance, Card's Hardware, George Ross Studio, Widdifield's Drugs or Chas. Richards and Sons. Deliveries will be made to shut-ins, call 640-1214.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
A Neighborhood Watch meeting, arranged especially for residents of the Thicketwood Subdivision, Stouffville, will be held in The Library at Summitview School, Thurs., Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m. Constable Rod Sine of York Regional Police will lead the discussion. There will also be a talk on streetproofing children. While Neighborhood Watch is geared mainly to one area of town, all parents are invited.

SACRED MUSIC SERVICE
The Graham Sisters Trio will present a service of gospel music at Baker Hill Baptist Church this Saturday, (Feb. 15), at 8 p.m. The sisters come from Hillsburgh, Ont. Baker Hill Church is located on the west side of Hwy. 48, two miles north of Ringwood.

CALL FROM ECUADOR
Mr and Mrs Russell Sproxton, Elm Road, Stouffville, were pleased to receive a telephone call from their daughter, Marjorie, in Quito, Ecuador. The occasion was Mrs Sproxton's birthday, Monday, Feb. 3.

CRAFT GATHERING
Stouffville Memorial Christian Church is hosting a Craft Gathering, Monday, Feb. 17 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Crocheting and quilting will be featured along with knitting and needlework. The organizer is Brenda Stone. Children are welcome. Refreshments will be served. For additional information call 640-4006.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
The Stouffville Horticultural Society will hold its first meeting of 1986 on Monday, Feb. 17 at 8 p.m., in the lower auditorium of the United Church. A mini flower show is planned featuring the following categories: (1). Table centre, fresh or dried. (2). Valentine arrangement with candles, fresh or dried. (3). Corsage, fresh or dried on fabric.

FREE SKATING
McNeil Pharmaceutical (Canada) Ltd., is hosting a free public skating afternoon, Friday, Feb. 21 at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Rec. Centre from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Each person in attendance will receive a free soft drink ticket.

MICROWAVE CLASS
A microwave cooking class will be held at Card's Hardware, Main Street West, Stouffville, Tues., Feb. 18 at 7:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required by Feb. 14. The number to call is 640-3622.



Married in Missionary Church

Mr and Mrs Ian Ratcliff are pictured here following their marriage, Dec. 6, 1985 in the Stouffville Missionary Church. The bride is the former Carolyn Brown, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gordon Brown, Edward Street, Stouffville. The groom is the son of Mr and Mrs Gordon Ratcliff, R.R. 2, Stouffville. The happy couple are residing in Winlane Apartments, Stouffville.



Heart and Stroke Campaign, underway in Town

Whitchurch-Stouffville Council has officially declared February a Heart and Stroke Month. A town-wide campaign is being launched in Stouffville, Ontario, by Mayor Frank Sainsbury, (left) and Council official with the help of Donna Mitchell, of Solar Streets, Stouffville, area coordinator for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Mrs. Mitchell says volunteers are required to assist the organization in its local campaigning efforts. —Chris Shannon