

Buttonville News

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Local choir plans Broadway salute

To the north of us, the Victoria Square United Church choir is preparing to present a concert Salute to Broadway on Sunday, May 31 at 7:30 p.m.

Gina Serrie, who used to sing for the junior choir at Brown's Corners is the director. We are invited to attend the variety program with the Youth Band also participating.

When the Cachet Choral Group presents its Spring Song Fest at Parkview Village in Stouffville next Monday night, a collection will be taken.

The proceeds will go to Parkview Village Activities Program. Organizers hope for a good turnout. Parkview Village is on the 9th Line south of Stouffville Rd.

Last Sunday at Brown's Corners United Church, Cathy Rostkowski from Whitby played the organ and Susan Twaddle sang a song and played her guitar.

The church has a fresh look after some cleaning and painting were recently completed.

For a social gathering, the

church Pairs and Spares Club is going to the Barrie Raceway on Saturday, May 30. Ken and Eileen Stiver are making the arrangements, which includes a dinner.

Don't forget that this coming Saturday is the annual yard sale at the church. There will be a variety of items and food for sale.

Buttonville Ratepayers Association directors have been meeting and are planning an information night for residents. Keep June 2 at 8 p.m. open. Flyers with more information will be distributed soon.

Buttonville Women's Institute members and friends enjoyed an outing last Wednesday. About 30 people lunched together at the Town and Country Restaurant. They plan to make this an annual activity.

The Stiver House was moved without any problems and now sits on Woodbine Ave. not far from the Burr House. In the background, new homes are going up

New Beaver and Cub groups start in Milliken

A Beavers and Cubs division will be opening in Armadale in the very near future. A meeting has been set for Tuesday, May 26 at 7:30 p.m. at St Benedict's School. If you have youngsters who would be interested in becoming either a Beaver or Cub, contact Noel Redway at 474-1971.

All bargain hunters, mark this day on your calendars — Saturday, May 23. This is the day the Armadale North Community Association and the Block Parents Association are jointly hosting a Garage and Bake Sale. The sale will be held at 10 Pettigrew Cr.

This is a non-profit fundraiser, with proceeds going to both groups, to help them enrich their community programs. For further information call Flo Jesshope at 479-2737.

Community Information Day. Two social service agencies, Ontario Welcome House and Catholic Community Services, are co-sponsoring a Community Information Day for all residents living in the area.

The seminar is aimed at responding to the multi-cultural needs of the community. Topics to be discussed are Benefits for Seniors, Employment and Training Opportunities for Women, and Immigration.

The presentations will be conducted in five languages — En-

glish, Chinese, Italian, and West Indian and East Indian dialects.

The seminar will take place Saturday, May 30, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Ebenezer United Church. Admission is free.

West Indian Association. A new ethnic association is in the process of being formed. If you are interested in joining, please call Ruth or Allon at 479-0105.

School News. Last Friday, Milliken Mills Public School held its annual Skip-a-thon for the Heart Foundation. All the students had a great time participating, and from all accounts it was a success.

Milliken Brownies and Guides. Milliken's 1st and 2nd Brownie groups celebrated their year-end get-togethers on May 11. The 1st Milliken Brownies had a Mother and Daughter Banquet and the 2nd Milliken Brownies had a party at Chuck E. Cheese. The evening was a success, and the girls had an enjoyable time.

Registration for Brownies, Guides, and Pathfinders has been tentatively scheduled for Monday, Sept. 21, at Highgate Public School. However, the date and

location may be subject to change.

Summerfest. Here are some more reasons why you should attend this year's Summerfest. Entertainment features include Chinese Folk Dancers, Filipino Dancers, guest appearances from Canada's Wonderland characters Fred Flintstone and Yogi Bear.

The A & W Root-Bear will also make a special guest appearance. The Block Parent Association will be showing a 20-minute film entitled "What's a Block Parent?" throughout the day. And for weary parents, a babysitter will be provided by Direct Link.

There will be something for everyone at this year's fest. Food delicacies representing the many different ethnic tastes of our multi-cultural community will be served. One will be able to sample a variety of different foods from Chinese, Filipino, Italian, East and West Indian food booths. The Lions Club will be serving a "Pancake Brunch" and bratwurst.

And of course, no fair would be complete without hotdogs, ice cream, and candy floss. The candy floss will be made by the 1st and 2nd Milliken Brownies.

Donors becoming harder to find today: Red Cross

By CHRIS

SYLVIA-PREFONTAINE

One of four annual mobile blood donor clinics rolls into Markham tomorrow — even though Red Cross officials are finding it increasingly difficult to garner donor support.

Being held at Grace Anglican Church on Church St., the drive is Markham's oldest. It's being held from 2 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

According to Red Cross spokesman Jane Buchan, this type of mobile clinic provides the Red Cross with the majority of their blood donations.

Her Central Ontario Division centre "encompasses the largest population group in Canada. We must collect and distribute between 190 and 200,000 units (of blood) in a year," she says.

Volunteer donors are needed desperately, say Red Cross officials. The supply of blood to hospitals depends on the willingness of people to share their health.

"I think Markham can probably fit into this as does most of the rest of Canada," says Miss Buchan. "People are living longer and having fewer children... with this shrinking donor base we have to work that much harder to provide the blood that is required."

Markham's Marjorea Roblin is very much aware of the Red Cross' need. Mrs. Roblin, who has been with the drive since 1965, convenes with three other Markham ladies: Shirley Thomson, Pat Gardham, and Betty Way.

They organize and set up the site for the Red Cross, which brings in all the equipment and a staff of trained medical people.

Most anyone between age 17 and 66 who weighs at least 100 lbs. can give blood. They must be in good health and under no medication except vitamins or birth control pills.

The donation itself takes about 10 minutes. However, with registration and a short rest afterwards, the entire procedure takes about a half-hour.

When through, the donor can receive a drink and home-baked pastry provided by local Mennonites.

Convincing the 810 people needed per day to donate is not easy. Says Mrs. Roblin: "My concern is, why are we not getting

more young people? When I first was involved with this clinic, we would have 100 high school students line up in the lobby waiting to be looked after."

"Now the numbers have just kept dropping to the point where we hardly have any students."

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