

# Neighborly Notes

By JIM THOMAS

## A milestone

As of June 1988, twenty-eight teachers within the Region of York will have attained membership in the 25 Year Club. One of these is Garry Harding of Stouffville Dist. Secondary School. Congratulations. The 1988 testimonial dinner is set for June 17.

## Local interest

Thousands, perhaps millions, watched the recent Anne of Green Gables television series. The episodes were of particular interest to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Nesbitt of R.R. 13, Goodwood. A portion of the story was shot on their former farm at Conc. 6, Uxbridge, south of Hwy. 47.

## Pretty rich!

Last week, I received a personal invitation to attend the 1988 York Region Celebrity Banquet, planned for May 10 at the Le Parc Ballroom, Hwy. 7 at Leslie Street, Thornhill. You will be hosted by over 100 top celebrities from the world of finance (of which I'm not one), show business, radio, and television, sports, publishing, public affairs and education. The accompanying letter read: Very impressive. So are the ticket prices—\$200 apiece. To cover the cost, I'd have to sell 900 additional copies of The Tribune; a pretty tall order.

## New season

Challen Gardens and Miniature Village, Taunton Road West, near Hwy. 12, Whitby, is one of my favorite places. Folks who share this feeling will be pleased to know the site reopened Friday, April 15. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., until April 30; then 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. from that date on. Last year, a record 350,000 people attended.

## Thanks Ralph

Just when you think you know someone well, you discover you don't know him/her well at all. Ralph Spademan, for example, Ralph recently sponsored two performances by the National Tap Dance Company of Canada at the Markham Theatre. Through The Tribune, Marc Quinn, manager, and Brenda Houston, publicity assistant, say thanks. And I always thought Ralph had two left feet.

## For politics?

Would you believe Frank Stronach is stepping down from the position of chief executive of Magna International Inc. to enter politics? No, not as mayor of Markham or even Whitechurch, Stouffville, but rather the Liberal candidate in the riding of York-Simcoe. If successful, he'll take a sizeable cut in pay. The Toronto Star reports Mr. Stronach's salary in 1988 at \$2.6 million. Last year, the company posted sales of \$1.2 billion. If he can operate government like he did Magna, he should be elected prime minister.

## An oversight?

Chalk it up to an oversight! How else could the Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Recreation fail to recognize the firm of Betz Pools Ltd. of Whitechurch, Stouffville, for its supporting role in amateur sports? I doubt there's another business in the entire province that's done more for amateur recreation than the operation headed by Marvin and Keith Betz. MPP Bill Ballinger please take note!

## Word is out

My fame as a microwave specialist is spreading. On April 7, I received a package of instant microwave cake mix and a microwave cake mix container from Pillsbury Canada Ltd., Consumers Road, Willowdale. With a few helpful hints from microwave super specialist Pat Byer, I'd hoped to make my own birthday cake. The ingredients couldn't have come at a more opportune time. Unfortunately, Pat and I never did get together so the would-be cake's still in the can.

## U-mmm good!

At the conclusion of a recent Sunday morning church service, Alex Davidson, Rupert Avenue, Stouffville, slipped me a lump of maple sugar with a pussy willow attached inside. Was a note that read: Dear Jim, Jean and family—This year, we tapped one maple tree. So here's some sugar from us to thee. The amount we know is pretty small. But better, we hope, than none at all. The fact that it is just a taste will keep the calories off your waste. To me, please be sympathetic. It's a no-no for a diabetic. It shows you that our friendship is sweet. And that you know just can't be beat. Signed—Alex and Lillian.

## Not bad!

How much do Durham Board of Education trustees earn per year? In a March newsletter, the following figures are revealed: Effective Dec. 1, 1988 it's \$10,000; Dec. 1, 1989 it's \$11,800 and Dec. 1, 1990 it's \$12,800. As of Dec. 1, 1988, the chairperson will receive \$20,800; Dec. 1, 1989 it's \$21,800 and Dec. 1, 1990 it's \$22,800. Not bad, maybe enough to prompt a few would-be candidates to give the position serious consideration.

## Not deserved

A member of the Stouffville Fire Department came in for a tongue-lashing recently because he ventured through the red pedestrian cross-over light on Main Street in response to an alarm. Sorry lady, but I'm on the fire department's side on this one. In my opinion, people who insist on pushing the pedestrian walk-over button while the siren's sounding are a few cards short of a full deck. Yet it happens continually, making a bad traffic situation even worse. In listening to this wretched, gum-chewing, I couldn't help but wonder how she'd feel if her home was ablaze and firefighters were delayed by some equally inconsiderate individual.

## Former Lions

The Stouffville Lions Club is preparing for its 50th anniversary celebrations June 3 at Spring Lakes. While an effort has been made to contact all former members, there's a chance some have been missed. If you happen to be one, give Lorne Boadway a call (640-2804) and let him know you'll be there.

## Costly tune-up

New pumper trucks are expensive today. So are repairs to old(er) ones. Town Fire Chief Bill Brown reports it's going to cost \$25,000 to put Pumper No. 1 in fire-fighting trim. This amounts to an engine overhaul, new upholstery, rust spots removed and new paint. They sure don't make 'em like they used to.

## Electric piano

The Tenants' Council of Parkview Village, making good use of a government sponsored Horizon's Grant, has purchased a beautiful new electric piano for the auditorium.



**Rosemary Mauro is beautiful bride**

Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Molinaro are pictured here as they leave St. Mark's Parish, Stouffville, following their wedding Saturday. The lovely bride is the former Rosemary Mauro, daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mauro, Ninth Line North, Stouffville. The reception followed at the Princess Hotel, Toronto. The happy couple will reside in Stouffville.

—Jim Thomas

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Serves	1	1-2	2-3	3-5
Cheese & Sauce	3.80	5.60	7.45	9.80
1 ITEM	4.15	6.10	8.10	10.70
2 ITEMS	4.50	6.60	8.75	11.60
3 ITEMS	4.85	7.10	9.40	12.50
4 ITEMS	5.20	7.60	10.05	13.40
5 ITEMS	5.55	8.10	10.70	14.30
6 ITEMS	5.90	8.60	11.35	15.20
ADDITIONAL ITEMS	.35	.50	.65	.90
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**Artisans' sale**  
 Parkview Village, 70 Ninth Line South, Stouffville, is holding an Artisan's Sale, Sat., April 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
 Items will include bedding, crafts, wooden toys and quilts.  
 A quilt action is planned for 11 a.m. A picnic lunch will be served in the dining room at 12 noon.

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