



### Young and old meet in Ballantrae

Host of the annual Senior Citizens' dinner Dec. 10 was Cliff Wallwork, R. R. 2, Stouffville. The event was held at the Ballantrae Centennial Centre. Before the evening got

underway, Mr. Wallwork discussed matters with Mrs. Cecilia Gardener, who acted as hostess. —Mark Niblett.

## No decision made on three proposals

**STOUFFVILLE** — Three delegations appeared before Planning Committee Dec. 7 with proposals for developments; the Committee asked for more information on all of them.

First to appear was John Daniel. Mr. Daniel owns 42 acres near Rolling Hills Golf Club. He proposes to

keep 12 acres around his own house, and build houses on 2-acre lots on the rest of his property. Mr. Daniel said he had investigated the possibility of leasing such lots, but this was impractical. He asked for some indication of how such a project would be regarded.

plan, calling for 1-acre lots, had been discussed before and Committee members were familiar with the problems. After careful examination, Mr. Payne also was advised to submit a site plan.

### Car stolen near church

**STOUFFVILLE** — Some days you just can't win.

Dec. 10 was one of those days for Tribune Editor, Jim Thomas. He was in St. James Presbyterian Church when his car was stolen by persons unknown. The thieves didn't get far, though; the 1969 Pontiac got mired down when they tried to drive it across a vacant lot to Maytree Ave.

Two tow-trucks were required to extract the vehicle.

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"If we go to the expense of hiring a planner to design a subdivision, would this be acceptable?" he asked.

Mayor Ken Laushway told him that there are "a lot of plans" before the Committee. He suggested that Mr. Daniel prepare a preliminary sketch plan.

Chairman Tom Lonergan agreed. "I don't think you require a professional planner at this point", he said.

Mr. Daniel was advised to submit a preliminary drawing, which could be considered by the Regional Area Services Branch as well as the Planning Committee. This would save a lot of expense, he was told,

## Conservation program will include planning

The conservation program of the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority has been expanded to make a long-range conservation planning program available to private landowners as of Jan. 1, 1972.

The new planning program is designed to provide landowners with a comprehensive plan for co-ordinating and carrying out over a long period of time various conservation measures available under the Authority's assistance program.

In order to qualify for the new planning program landowners will have to request plans for properties of 25 acres or more. Charges by the MTRCA for preparing such plans will be based on the following scale: \$80 for 25 to 40 acres; \$90 for 41 to 60 acres; \$100 for 61 to 100 acres, and one dollar per acre for properties in excess of 101 acres.

Plans prepared under the new program will exclude an area within 200 feet of existing houses or proposed houses. All planning recommendations will be carried out subject to the regulations governing the individual portions of the conservation assistance program.

Under the present conservation assistance program, private landowners

may obtain assistance with reforestation work, farm, tree and shrub planting, streambank erosion control, fish and wildlife management and farm pond assistance.

The Authority continues to offer its streambank erosion control program to private landowners but has made several changes in the regulations governing the program.

Priority will be given to severe erosion areas above existing reservoirs or reservoirs which are soon to be constructed. Landowners participating will be charged either \$100 or 10 percent of the cost of carrying out the project, whichever is greater.

The Authority will maintain the erosion control works for one year following a project's completion, but thereafter maintenance is the landowner's responsibility. Assistance will be given in carrying out any maintenance required but the landowner must pay all costs involved.

The Authority will not take responsibility for any damages to property arising from the failure of a project.

and the landowner must permit the Authority to make repairs to the project for one year after its completion as well as allow inspection of the works in subsequent years.

In view of difficulties involved, the Authority has also decided not to undertake any program of pheasant or other wild bird rearing but will devote its activities in this area to improving wildlife habitat.

For further details on this program, contact the conservation land management division of the Authority at 630-9780.

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**Passes away age 78**

**STOUFFVILLE** — One of the town's well-known senior citizens, Mrs. Ada Dickinson, passed away at her home on Main St. W., Dec. 12.

Mrs. Dickinson was 78 years old, and had for many years been active in the Goodwood U.C.W.

She is survived by her husband, Harold, her son, Norman, of Woodville, and her daughter Helen (Mrs. E. Lehman) of Main St. W. Other surviving relatives include a sister, Mary (Mrs. McNally) of Calgary, and two brothers: George Hill of Uxbridge and Clayton Hill, of Stouffville. Mrs. Dickinson's third brother, Morgan, predeceased her. She also had six grandchildren.

Services were held at O'Neill's Funeral Home Dec. 14, Rev. Douglas Davis officiating. Pallbearers were three nephews: John, Bruce, and Grant Hill; and three neighbors: Clifford Watson, Ivan Norton, and Gordon Wilson. Interment was in the Stouffville Cemetery.

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