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Nominations Sought For "Citizen of Year"

Last year the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce commenced sponsoring a "Good Citizen of the Year" award. In conjunction with the Burnaby Week Co-ordinating Committee, which generally presents a week of celebration in honor of Burnaby's birthday.

Mr. R. J. Robertson, of Robertson Hardware, was the winner and has been called upon on at least twenty-one different occasions to participate in the observance of various events in Burnaby.

The Chamber is aware that many of the citizens of Burnaby serve the municipality and its residents often without any reward, small or large.

The purpose of this award is to suitably acknowledge the work done over the years by many of our citizens who make their life in Burnaby so much more rewarding. They do this work behind the scenes. Without them Burnaby — or any other community — would be a bleak place to live.

Nominations for the Good Citizen award may be made by any person or organization and final selection will be by a committee representing the various organizations in Burnaby, such as the Chamber of Commerce, service clubs and the municipality.

Qualifications for the Good Citizen of the Year Award are:

1. Should be a resident of long standing in Burnaby;
2. Have been active in community affairs for some time;
3. Have done, or made, some outstanding contribution for the betterment of our community life, in Burnaby, or for some group, such as senior citizens, schools, children, handicapped, etc.

Nominations should be written, outlining reasons for nomination, and should be in the hands of the Secretary of the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce, Villa Motor Hotel, 4330 Dominion St., Burnaby 2, before August 16th.

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS.

Scholarship Fund Passes Objective

A scholarship fund in memory of Burnaby educator, Clifton G. Brown, has passed the \$10,000 ward or recognition outside their objective set by the C. G. Brown Memorial Society.

The money has been invested in bonds and has been turned over to the Burnaby School Board as a perpetual fund for payment of scholarships at Burnaby's high schools.

The memorial society was formed by Mr. Brown's co-workers and friends following his death in June, 1960. He had served Burnaby for more than 40 years as school principal, school inspector and municipal councillor.

The memorial society will continue to accept donations through A. C. Durkin, Burnaby School Board secretary, at 6362 Kincaid, Burnaby 2.

This year, three \$125 scholarships were presented:

Couple To Celebrate Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. David Swadling, 3844 Venables Street, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Friday, July 26, with a small reception to be held between 7 and 9 o'clock in the evening.

Born in Reading, Berkshire, England, Mr. Swadling came to Canada in 1907. He lived in Montreal first, then moved to Vancouver in 1912. Mrs. Swadling is a native of Newcastle, England. She came to Canada in 1907 and lived in Montreal until 1913, when she moved to Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Swadling were married in Vancouver on June 28th, 1913.

Mr. Swadling was an employee with the B.C.E.R. from 1913 until his retirement in 1949.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Blakely, Lake Sacked By Council In 'Secret' Meet

Planner, Engineer Told, 'Resign or be Fired'

By Dave Mabbell

The biggest bombshell in Burnaby politics in the last five years was ignited last Friday afternoon as Burnaby Non Partisan Association councillors outvoted their opposition to demand the resignations of Municipal Planner William Blakely and Municipal Engineer Quentin Lake.

In a supposedly "in camera" meeting of Council specially called to initiate the sacking, N.P.A. councillors Emmet Catterky, Warren Clark, Doug Drummond, Helen Kalyk, Charles MacSorley, and Arnold Wells announced their intentions and then proceeded to ignore the protests of Reeve Allan Emmott and Councillor Malcolm Harper, both supported by the rival Burnaby Citizens Association. Councillor Andrew Blair, B.C.A., was absent, but even his vote could not have prevented the required two-thirds majority decision.

Lake, given the balance of the month to resign, has sought legal advice while continuing at his post. Blakely, recovering from an operation two weeks ago, was given 30 days notice from July 12, before which he was expected to return to his post.

N.P.A. councillors questioned following the meeting had little to say, but denied the move was politically inspired, claiming they were neither was serving the best interests of Burnaby. Neither the principals or the press was given any specific reason for the deposition.

All departments of Municipal Hall have come under fire since Burnaby voters last December elected six N.P.A. members running on a platform of Municipal Hall reform, and reduced Reeve Emmott from a council majority leader to the leader of the opposition.

Wells vs. Lake

Quentin Lake has worked under a less than comfortable climate since Councillor Arnold Wells, a former employee of Lake's, hauled him over the coals early this year over a culvert project mishandling at Burtis and Buckingham near Deer Lake. Wells charged Lake with making a dishonest report to Council, but never yet has substantiated his charges in Council as requested. The allegations were commonly termed revenge at the time, for Wells is said to have held a grudge against Lake since the time Lake suspended him from his one-time job in the Engineering department.

Balfour Next?

At the same time, Wells accused Municipal Manager Harold Balfour of being implicated with the alleged dishonesty by shielding Lake. The meeting was thrown into recess while Reeve Emmott and veteran councillors from both parties called Balfour, attending his first Council meeting in over a month after suffering a serious illness. When Council reconvened, Balfour made a statement of innocence of the charge and asked that any charges be produced in writing, and Councillors from both parties stood to proclaim their belief in Balfour's honesty and integrity.

The unexplained dismissal of Blakely and Lake, two of Balfour's top officials, now puts him in a most awkward position. Current speculation, however, suggests that Balfour will be retained to prevent utter chaos among municipal departments.

Wells pitted himself against Lake at the start of the year, accepting the portfolio of engineering committee chairman.

Blakely vs. Clark

William Blakely, a veteran of eight years as Municipal Planner, working for Burnaby three years longer than Lake, has received less spectacular but equally persistent criticism for his stand against rezoning for industrial prospects, mainly from the direction of Councillor Warren Clark, the year-named Planning Committee chairman. A clear conflict of policy now seems to exist between Blakely's firmness

in backing previous and current planning objectives, and the N.P.A.'s desire to attract more high tax-paying industry to Burnaby to relieve the tax burden on homeowners, even at the expense of locating new industry where good planning principles would be abandoned.

Legal Action Possible

Councillor Clark, acting as spokesman for the ousting group, has stated his willingness to go to court if necessary to ensure the removal of Lake and Blakely, who have the right to appeal to the courts to demand the reasons for their enforced retirement from the scene. Until that time, however, the public is likely never to know the true reasons for the dumping.

The job of Engineer offers the stipend of \$13,500, while the Municipal Planner must scrape by with \$12,500.

Municipal Manager Harold Balfour hadn't received any resignations by press-time, as the time for the legal battle draws near.

'Frightening Developments' - Reeve Emmott

The firing of two of Burnaby's top municipal officials is part of a frightening series of developments in the municipality's government, says Reeve Allan Emmott.

Burnaby council decided in a secret meeting last week to ask for the resignations of Municipal Engineer Quentin Lake and Municipal Planner William Blakely.

"Both of these men are intelligent, well trained, honest and have given everything they have to the municipality without any regard to special interests," Emmott said.

"The municipality has been inestimably improved through their services, and they have been most unfairly treated. Blakely, for instance, is the one single person who can be credited with obtaining the new Simon Fraser University for Burnaby."

COMING EVENT

July 20, 2 - 4 p.m. — Strawberry Garden Party and Home Baking Sale, sponsored by Century L.O.R.A. No. 921, at 6464 Kitchener Street



Councillor Arnold Wells constant criticism



Councillor Warren Clark ends with dismissal

St. Helen's Grads. Receive Pins

Mrs. Tynie Mozell was convener for a luncheon served to 41 Grade VIII students of St. Helen's Parochial School on June 12th. Following the luncheon, Rt. Rev. D. J. Carey, Pastor of St. Helen's Church, opened the commencement exercises with a prayer.

Mrs. Edward Molley, president of St. Helen's G.W.L., on behalf of Sister Marie Elizabeth, principal, presented each student with a commencement pin.

Monsignor Carey presented the St. Helen's Catholic Women's League scholarship awards to Mrs. Ed. Battistel and Mary Lou MacMillan, and the C.W.L. Religious awards to Michael Cole and Mary Kamm. Sister Superior's Medal went to Sandra Cook.

Mr. Edward Zunti, barrister, was guest speaker and in his address to the young graduates, advised them "to proceed into the future in a disciplined manner, to beware of idleness, and to ponder your vocation wisely.

Free will doesn't mean you can do anything you have the power to do. Use your free will to do what you know is right," he concluded.

Monsignor Carey congratulated Mr. Zunti on a layman's advice to the young people. He extended his felicitations to the graduating class, reminding them, "one's most important possessions are our minds and hearts."

Mrs. Edward Molley extended the sincere congratulations of the G.W.L. members to the Scholarship and Religious award winners.

Monsignor Carey led the students, parents and friends in a closing prayer.

The air cleaner of your car's engine should be cleaned and re-oiled at these recommended intervals. A dirty air cleaner can reduce mileage by 10 per cent.

SUPERVISED PLAYGROUND

Summer Program For Children

This summer the Burnaby Parks and Recreation Commission is offering supervised programming from June 10 to August 23, in 19 playground areas.

PROGRAMME — Playground activities will include arts and crafts, music, drama, storytelling, sports, games and special events such as parades, carnivals, cook-outs, family nights and talent shows. Athletic programme will offer Circuit training, shifty, touch football, tennis, orbital and minor games.

PLAYGROUND PRESS — This weekly playground newspaper will keep you informed about activities and special events to be held at each park. It will be distributed at the playgrounds each Monday.

HOURS OF SUPERVISION

June — Monday — 3:00 p.m. to 5 p.m. 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday to Friday — 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

July and August — Monday — 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday — 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday and Friday — 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Playgrounds with wading pools will be supervised daily

Including week-ends from 12:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. as of June 29th.

SUMMER TELEPHONE EQUITIES

Bonnie Recreation Centre — 451-3222 between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

North Burnaby Recreation Facilities — Brentwood Park — Midlawn Drive and Deja. Avenue. Charles Rummel Park — Government Road and Lozells Ave.

Confederation Park — Pandora Street and Willingdon Avenue. George Green Park — Pandora Street and Warwick Avenue. McGill Park — McGill St. and Carleton Ave.

Parkcrest Park — Sumas Street and Kensington Avenue. Westridge Park — Inlet Drive and Cliffe Avenue. Willingdon Heights Park — William Street and Carleton Avenue.

Municipal Hall — 4545 East Grandview-Douglas Highway. C. G. Brown Memorial Pool — Sprout Street and Sperling Avenue. Kensington Park Pool — Hastings Street and Kensington Avenue.

Deer Lake — 5435 Sperling Avenue.

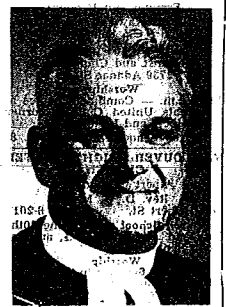
United - Presbyterian

Churches Combine For Summer Worship

Following the policy of recent years, the congregations of Vancouver Heights United Church and Vancouver Heights Presbyterian Church will combine for Sunday worship, commencing Sunday morning next, June 30, and continuing through Sept. 1.

The services will be held at Vancouver Heights United Church, corner Albert and Ingleton at 11 a.m. Rev. R. McKay Esler of the Heights Presbyterian will conduct the services on Sunday next through July 28th. Rev. D. W. More of Heights United, will conduct the services during August and September 1st.

There will be no church school, but children are invited to attend the services. Each minister will be on call during his month of responsibility for such regular duties as weddings, sickness and funerals. Choirs of both churches will continue rendering and enriching the worship with song.



REV. R. MCKAY ESLER There will also be a kindergarten and nursery each service

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