

Church News

CARYNDALE SCHOOL DEDICATION

The dedication of Caryndale's new high school [near Kitchener, Ontario, Canada] was a momentous and historical occasion. We began with an open house at Rev. Brad Heinrich's home on Friday night. The dedication was held on Saturday afternoon with full support from the Caryndale congregation as well as visitors from all over, especially nearby Toronto and Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania. We had a short worship service outdoors and then formed a procession of all of the school students, elementary and high school, and the parents of the four high school students. In procession, we took three copies of the Word and placed them in repositories of all three new classrooms, dedicating the classrooms to the uses of New Church Secondary Education. Brad and crew had also done their homework on outreach for this event. In attendance and speaking at the reception were the Mayor of Kitchener, a member of Parliament and the Executive Director of the Ontario Federation of Independent Schools. We also had very good publicity on the local TV station.

That evening we had a banquet with speeches given by Rev. Philip Schnarr and Rev. Eric Carswell, President of the Academy of the New Church, on the uses of New Church Education. I gave the worship service on Sunday, tying the use of New Church Education to the two essentials of the church. It was a most successful weekend, and we wish the Lord's blessings on this historical effort.

From Executive Bishop Tom Kline's report