

Thornhill And District News

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Group Committee Dance

The Group Committee of the Thornhill Scouts and Cubs have planned a dance for the evening of Thursday, November 26. Les Clarke, who was the popular M.C. at the Home and School Dance will be present to complete an evening of Square and Round dancing. This is one of the very few ways in which this organization raises funds, so let's give them our whole-hearted support. Make up a party and come to the Farmer's Market on November 26. Door prizes and refreshments.

Girl Guide News

Ten Girl Guides from the Thornhill Company were chosen to take part in the March Past of 1000 Guides at the opening evening of the Horse Show of the Royal Winter Fair. The salute was taken by Lady Stratheden and Campbell, who is Girl Guide Commissioner in England. Those from the Thornhill Company taking part were Dorothy Anstey, Nancy Bows, Mary Lou Fugler, Patsy McDonald, Gillian McTaggart-Cowan, Helen Simcoe, Alene Simpson, Nancy Watt, Barbara Whitthames and Catharine Wood.

Thornhill Home and School

"Hobby Night" is the title given to this month's Thornhill Home and School meeting. Mr. Raymond Potter, Craft Director of Lewis Leathercraft will speak on "Hobbies in the Home" at this very interesting meeting planned for Thursday, November 19, in the Thornhill Public School. A number of hobbies enjoyed by Thornhill and District people will be on display. Make a point of attending this evening and if you or any of your friends and neighbours have hobbies, be sure to bring them along. Both will be extremely welcome.

United Church News

Memorial Service

A large congregation which overflowed into the Guild Hall was present last Sunday morning for the very beautiful Memorial service held in memory of Mrs. E. E. Kent, wife of the minister, Dr. E. E. Kent. The crippling snow storm which occurred on November 7, the day of the funeral service, prevented a large number of the congregation and friends from distant towns from attending, and due to this the Sunday Memorial Service was held. Rev. Fred Smith, a very good friend of the

Kent family, who was to have taken the Funeral Service, paid a fitting tribute to the memory of Mrs. Kent, whose unassuming, gentle and friendly ways will be remembered by everyone. Rev. Smith also emphasized the value of our Christian Faith which she exemplified. The members of the choir rendered two beautiful hymns, "Hark, Hark, My Soul," by Shelley and "In the Garden" by Miles, which with the heart-felt tribute from Rev. Smith, put into words and music the feelings of all her friends.

Baptisms

On Sunday afternoon, Rev. E. E. Kent baptized James Edward and Burton Blair, sons of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Heslop of Woodward Avenue.

Afternoon Auxiliary (W.M.S.)

A tender hearted tribute was paid to the late Mrs. E. E. Kent, President of the Thornhill United Church Afternoon Auxiliary of the Women's Missionary Society, at the memorial service held in her honour on Tuesday afternoon, November 19, in the United Church Sunday School Room. Mrs. M. D. Balfour, 1st vice-president, presided and opened the meeting with the call to worship "Know ye not that ye are the Temple of God and the Spirit of God dwelleth in you." Following the singing of the hymn "All praise to Our Redeemer Lord," the scripture was read by Mrs. E. N. Meuser and a beautiful prayer offered by Mrs. Balfour. All joined in the Lord's Prayer. Thoughts of love and appreciation for their beloved friend and co-labourer and a sense of staggering loss, all these were expressed by Mesdames Russell, Morton, Johns, Michell and Meuser. A period of silence followed.

The offering was received and dedicated after Mrs. H. LeMasurier's beautiful solo, "The Old Rugged Cross" which was accompanied by Miss Boyle. The study period was in Mrs. W. Stappell's capable hands and to assist her she had chosen Mesdames Morton, Russell, Honey, Kaiser, McGill, Hampson and Meuser. The hymn "Jesus United by Thy Grace" followed by the Mizpah Benediction closed the formal part of the long-to-be-remembered service at which they were at one and the same time conscious of their great loss and aware of the inspiring presence of their beloved and ever to be remembered friend.

Ladies' Guild

A business and work meeting was held last Thursday evening in the Church Hall. Most of the evening was devoted to work for the bazaar. \$100 was voted toward purchase of the movie projector. Plans were also made for the purchase and installation of stage curtains in the Church Hall and the purchase of 10 new stack-up chairs. The annual Christmas dinner and election of officers has been arranged for 2nd Thursday in December.

The United Church Halls were a hub of activity last Saturday afternoon following the official opening of the Guild bazaar by Mrs. C. Johns. Mrs. G. Giles, the president, introduced Mrs. Johns who was presented with a bouquet. Red, white and blue bunting decorated the halls and many interesting booths. The children were seen enjoying the attractions arranged especially for them. Net proceeds amounted

Trinity Church Notes

Turkey Shoot

On Saturday, December 5, the men of Thornhill Trinity Church will be holding a Turkey Shoot. Further particulars will be announced later.

Trustees' Meeting

The nomination meeting for the Village Trustees will be held in the Masonic Hall on November 25 from 9 p.m. to 9 p.m. The regular monthly Trustees' meeting will be held following the nominations.

Thornhill Lions News

Teen-Age Square Dancing

The first Teen-Age Square Dance sponsored by the Lions Club and held in the Farmers' Market last Wednesday evening was a very definite success. Mr. Tommy Thompson gave very thorough instructions to the boys and girls. The next evening will be held on Tuesday, November 24 so come and bring your friends. An evening of fun and entertainment. The admission is free, and the time is from 7.30 to 9.30. Don't forget Tuesday, November 24, in the Farmers' Market.

Coronation Medal

On Monday, Nov. 9th, at the RCAF Station, Avenue Rd. Toronto, Mr. H. Bow, 18 Grandview Ave., was presented with a Coronation Medal, with a printed certificate on Buckingham Palace stationery, sent by the Queen, for faithful, long and meritorious services rendered. It was quite an honour to receive one of the five medals allotted to Toronto station. Three went to men in uniform and 2 to civilians, one of which was Mr. Bow.

Home and School

The Powell Road Home and School held its regular executive meeting on Tuesday Nov. 10th with Mr. W. Sanders, president in the chair. The executive members of Henderson Ave. Home and School were also present by invitation to listen in and ask any questions which might help them along in their new work. The final arrangements were made for the regular meeting on the 4th Monday, Nov. 23rd, which will be Music and Arts

About Books And Reading

By the Thornhill Librarian

I shall not bore you with a lot of vulgar statistics, but take a passing glance at a few figures in order to "point up" my following remarks.

In "The Wonderful World of Books" (A Mentor book) I read that of the 11,000 titles published in 1952 about 1,900 were fiction, and in the course of a single publishing season nine-tenths fell by the wayside. The printing presses of Britain and Canada together publish more books than the U.S. so that it is apparent that the life of a work of fiction is a precarious one, and its chance of attaining immortality, infinitesimal.

This is no argument against reading new books. Someone has to read wrinkled old Cervantes "Don Quixote" for the first time and Dickens, Tolstoy, Balzac, et al had to be discovered by discerning readers. There are however certain basic qualities which make a novel great, and Somerset Maugham in his introduction to "Great Novelists and their Novels" states as his opinion, that a good novel should have a widely interesting theme, it must be coherent and persuasive, have a beginning and an end and the end should be the natural consequence of the beginning, the episodes should have probability, the characters of the novelists' invention must have individuality and their action proceed from their characters. Maugham's choice of the ten great novels are War and Peace, Old Man Grot, Tom Jones, Pride and Prejudice, The Red and the Black, Wuthering Heights, Madame Bovary, David Copperfield, The Brothers, Karamazov, and Moby Dick. He is careful to say that to speak of the ten best novels in the world is nonsense, there being perhaps a hundred. If fifty people were to make a list of the one hundred best novels, the ten novels he has chosen would have a place in his list.

Pelham Edgar's "The Art of the Novel" discusses most of the "titles" that Maugham has chosen, but Edgar's very interesting book only discusses the English novel. E. M. Forster states that the novel as an art form, has attained its greatest height in France, and with this Maugham is in agreement. Maugham believes Balzac is the greatest novelist but Tolstoy's "War and Peace" is the greatest novel.

THORNLEA NEWS

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Congratulations to a successful hunter, Mr. Woodruff, who brought home a deer last week. Mr. Robert Cameron is spending the week-end with her sister in New Jersey.

Mr. Guy Frazer flew to Regina on Friday morning. While in the West he will visit several places in the southern part of the province on business and return here with registered cattle for Leitchcroft Farms.

Home & School

"Lest we forget" was the theme of the November 11 meeting of the Thornlea Home and School Association. The school choir, directed by Mr. Armstrong sang three numbers, "The Queen", a hymn "O Lord of Heaven" and "In Flanders Fields". A beautiful miniature of Flanders Fields was created by Mr. Bradshaw with poppies and silver crosses on a green background. As the choir finished, two minutes of silence was observed by all and ended by four rounds of rifle fire. Mrs. Wright congratulated the children on their fine performance.

Mr. G. Frazer presented an honorary membership to Mr. K. Richan. In his absence, it was accepted by Mrs. Richan.

Mrs. Ward introduced Mr. MacKay from the Shuldice Surgery who told some of the plans of the hospital and in turn introduced Dr. Black who had so very kindly consented to speak in place of Mr. C. L. Burton, who was taken suddenly ill.

Dr. Black spoke of the necessity of immunization against the common preventable contagious diseases and vaccination and warned against the drinking of unpasteurized milk.

Present Portrait of Queen

Thornhill Scouts & Cubs Hold Annual Banquet

On November 13, in Thornhill United Church hall, 172 fathers, sons and leaders sat down to the annual First Thornhill Scout and Cub father and son banquet. H. C. Rogers, chairman of the Group Committee, acted as Master of Ceremonies, and introduced each of the head table guests.

During his talk, Frank Worth, district commissioner, remarked that the large attendance of fathers and sons showed a live interest in scouting and cubbing in this district. He also commented on the excellent dinner provided by the Mothers' Auxiliary whose team work in preparing and serving it, was indicative of a fine spirit among the mothers.

Two of the head table guests, Mrs. Terry Jackson, assistant district commissioner for wolf cubs and John Martin, principal of the Thornhill Public School, and a former district scout master, led the boys in a sing-song. Following the clearing of the dinner tables, the group re-assembled to enjoy several films shown by the Rev. Father Crevello from his extensive collection.

A sincere vote of thanks is extended to the mothers, each of whom had a share in the success of the banquet.

L.O.L. No. 91 Holds Annual Election

The officers of the County of East York were present at the recent meeting of Thornhill L.O.L. No. 91, when the election and installation of officers for the coming year was held. Results were: Rev. E. E. Kent was re-elected as Worshipful Master for the 3rd year; Deputy Master, Alf. Curtis; Chaplain, R. H. Kane; Corres. Sec., K. E. Richards; Recording Secretary, W. Scrivener; Treasurer, P. Pool; Marshall, T. Kelly; 1st Lecturer, J. Bentley; 2nd Lecturer, E. Willett; 1st committee-man, R. S. Kane; 2nd, J. Barton; 3rd, W. George; 4th, W. C. L. Ball; Tyler, W. George; Auditors, J. Madill and R. Kane Sr.; Social Convenor, W. A. Curtis.

DONCASTER

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Friends of J. Steele, Morgan Ave., will be sorry to hear that he has been quite ill and is now in the East General Hospital. It is expected that Mr. Steele will be moved to St. John's Convalescent home at Newtonbrook some time this week.

Paul and Ann Russell, Proctor Ave., spent last week end in Toronto with their uncle and aunt, who took them to see Santa Claus.

Judy Angel, Clarke Ave., celebrated her 8th birthday on Sunday, November 9, which was also her parents' wedding anniversary. Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Wilcocks over the weekend, were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Harris and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wilcocks from Toronto.

Miss Nora Berta and her brother Louie, Henderson Ave., were both confined to their homes last week through sickness.

Friends of Mrs. M. Cathey, Morgan Ave., will be glad to know that she is home from the Hospital. Mrs. Hughes of Clarke Ave. is well on the way to recovery.

Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Wallace with their four children who have moved to 121 Clarke Ave.

Is attendance slipping? Then remind your members of that forthcoming meeting by listing it in the "Coming Events" column of The Liberal. It's low in cost.

HIGHLAND PARK NEWS

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night under direction of Music and Arts convener, Mrs. Doris Pollock. It should be a most interesting program and enjoyable to all, so plan to attend. Also final word on the re-showing of the film "Human Growth" were confirmed. It will be shown on Mon. Nov. 30th in Henderson Ave. school auditorium when the children, accompanied by their parents will see the film. Any adult is welcome, but unless they saw the first showing, it is up to themselves about bringing their children.

The 2nd Thornhill Cub and Scout Mothers' Auxiliary invites all to attend their Court Whist party at Henderson school on Wed. Nov. 25th at 8:15. A good night for all. For further particulars see coming events.

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NOMINATIONS

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Candidates For Council

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