

# Thornhill And District News

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The Liberal is always pleased to publish items of interest in the Thornhill area contributed by its readers. Our representative in Thornhill is Mrs. Betty Ball, 14 Helen Street, Thornhill. TELEPHONE: AV. 5-1513

The fall term of the Daub and Sketch Club included the sketching of local girls, Norma Fugler, Helen and Marion Fraser. Marion, who paints with the group is also a ballet student and posed in her own ballet costumes.

This winter marks the beginning of the third year for the Daub and Sketch Club. It is the wish of club members to bring together everyone interested in Art, whether landscape, portrait, still life or elementary drawing. Therefore this term will include these subjects and mediums.

The winter term starts January 6, registration closing January 15. Contact Mrs. Grant at AV. 5-2208 for further information. Thornhill Nursery School

Mrs. E. N. Proconier, director of Wendy Hill Nursery School was guest speaker at an evening meeting of the Thornhill Nursery School, held last Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Fairfield, speaking on the subject "Your Child and Music." Mrs. Proconier regaled the parents with demonstrations of the action songs used at Wendy Hill to stimulate the child's natural creativity. She explained that with the small child, participation, not perfection, is the aim in music, which she feels is one of the finest avenues of personal and emotional expression.

Mrs. Ralph Robinson presided over the meeting which was arranged by Mrs. R. Fairfield. Refreshments were served.

**Horticultural Society**  
The Thornhill and District Horticultural Society will be holding a Christmas show and meeting on Tuesday, December 15, at 8 p.m., in the United Church Sunday School Hall. This will be their first Christmas Show and it promises to be an excellent one. The displays will include a wide variety of Christmas decorations such as corsages, door-hangers, wreaths, mantle, table and window decorations. Plenty of ideas for your home will be shown.

R. C. Poulter will show colored pictures of local scenes, the Santa Claus Parade, and pictures of the pageant held at the United Church Sesqui-Centennial celebrations. A number of beautiful slides taken by Miss Geraldine Wesley during her trip through the Gaspé and Eastern Canada will be shown. Dr. E. E. Kent will speak briefly on the meaning of Christmas. E. Kohler will have a display of Christmas decorations which will be for sale.

**Library News**  
It has been announced that, as usual, the Thornhill Library will be closed from 11.30 a.m. on Saturday, December 19, until its opening again on Monday, January 4, at 7 p.m.

## Lions Contribute To Welfare

At a recent meeting of the Richmond Hill Lions Club it was announced that over \$375 has been spent on local welfare in the period from July 1. This does not include a large amount contributed towards Crippled Children's funds.

In addition over \$500 has been used in boys and girls work including scholarships, Guides and Health Unit, rentals and children's recreation. Welfare and Boys and Girls work totals slightly over \$900 when several other projects are included. The local club is to be commended for its contribution to the community in these fields.

The special Christmas meeting of the Thornhill Home & School will be held in United Church hall on Monday, December 14, at 8.15 p.m., featuring the Christmas story with tableaux by the children and carols by the school choir, under the direction of Mr. Hugh Martin and Mrs. J. R. Elliott. There will be special entertainment and refreshments. A large attendance of parents is expected.

**Social Notes**  
Mr. and Mrs. M. Thorpe have moved from their home on Campbell Ave. to Willowdale.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Hepburn and family of Arnold Avenue, spent the week-end at Simcoe, Ont.

Welcome to the district is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Small and family who recently moved into their new home on Uplands Avenue.

**Centre St. Resident Passes**  
The sudden death last Wednesday of Mrs. A. Clapham, the former Eva Parkinson of Centre St., Thornhill, greatly shocked the entire community. Mrs. Clapham, who was born in Thornhill, 45 years ago, and who attended school here, died at the Toronto Western Hospital following an operation, Wednesday morning.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. S. A. R. Wood from the Chapel of Wright and Taylor, Richmond Hill, on Saturday, December 5, with interment in the Thornhill cemetery. The pallbearers were Messrs. Wm. Clapham, J. Clapham, W. Clapham, D. Valance, L. Hackett, and Wm. Wignall. Mrs. Clapham, who was a member of the Thornhill Women's Institute, won the hearts of all those who met her with her cheery and pleasant disposition. The deepest sympathy of the community is extended to her husband and two daughters, Betty (Mrs. Moorley, Richmond Hill) and Marilyn.

The sympathy of the community is also extended to the family of the late David Riddell, who died suddenly at his home on Elmbank Road, Thornhill, December 6. He is survived by daughters Muriel (Mrs. E. Parsons), Jean (Mrs. W. R. Linton) and Irene.

Mrs. Billings of Yonge Street has been admitted into the Toronto General Hospital with a heart condition.

**Trinity Church Notes**  
**Men's Loyalty Dinner**

Approximately 100 men enjoyed dinner in the Church hall, last Friday evening. The meal was prepared and served by the Trinity Church Caterers assisted by members of the Parish Guild.

Rev. A. J. Jackson, Rector of St. Hilda's Church, Fairbanks, was guest speaker at this dinner held in connection with the "Every Member Canvass and Visitation" which began officially on Sunday. Parish Guild

The annual meeting of the Parish Guild was held Tuesday, December 1, in the Church Hall, at which time the Rector, Rev. S. A. R. Wood conducted the election and installation of officers for 1954. Prior to the election, Rev. Wood spoke to the members for a few minutes on the forthcoming "Every Member Canvass." Reports were read from the secretary, treasurer and bazaar convener.

Officers for the coming year are: Honorary president, Mrs. S. A. R. Wood; past president, Mrs. L. Wood; president, Mrs. R. Byford; 1st vice-president, Mrs. C. H. Wood; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. W. H. Biggs; recording secretary, Mrs. D. Moore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. Bolton; treasurer, Miss E. Whittemore; publicity, Mrs. H. Garland; social

convener, Mrs. A. Crawford; membership convener, Mrs. D. Ball; and bazaar convener, Mrs. S.

W. H. Biggs.  
The remainder of the evening took the form of a Christmas party, with the members enjoying a number of interesting and definitely amusing games. Santa Claus managed to make his annual visit to the Guild while everyone was enjoying delicious refreshments at the gaily decorated table.

**Hoe-Down Club**  
Form up your own sets or come alone. Either way you will be assured of a wonderful evening, if you come to the Trinity Church Hoe-Down Christmas Dance, in the Church Hall on Tuesday, December 15, at 8.30. Tommy Thompson and the "Harvesters" will be on hand to see that even the beginners at square dancing will enjoy themselves. Bring along a box lunch.

**United Church News**  
**White Gift Sunday**  
The traditional White Gift Service will be held Sunday, December 13, at 11 a.m. The White Gifts received will be made up into hampers for distribution to the less fortunate families of the area. Baptisms will be held at 4 p.m.

Announcements have been made of the Christmas Services. The annual Carol Service by the choir will be held Sunday evening, December 20, at 7.30 p.m. and at 11 a.m., on the 20th a special Christmas Service will be held. On Christmas Day, a family Christmas Service will be held at 10 a.m.

**Evening Auxiliary**

Tuesday evening, December 1, the members of the Evening Auxiliary held a Christmas meeting with members of the Afternoon Auxiliary and others as guests. Girls of Grade 5 of Thornhill School presented a Christmas pageant and the Christmas theme was carried out in the devotions conducted by Mrs. J. R. Elliott and Mrs. H. Johnson. Following this members took part in carol singing. A number of suitable solos were sung by Miss Pat Errington of Willowdale accompanied by Mrs. Geo. Russell. Everyone enjoyed and participated in the contest "People in the News" and a very interesting travel film was shown by A. Martindale.

Refreshments served by Mrs. M. Stewart, Mrs. F. Simpson, Mrs. G. Kelson and Mrs. R. Tamblin brought a pleasant close to the evening.

**W.A.**  
The members met in the church hall on December 3, with 23 members present. Mrs. Ryan, a member of the church choir gave a beautiful rendition of "O Holy Night" followed by a few words spoken by Mrs. E. N. Meuser in respect of two members who have passed away. Mrs. R. Simpson and Mrs. E. E. Kent. Several members took part in a Christmas pageant and a number of timely hymns were sung. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Morton, Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Brillinger.

**THORNLEA NEWS**  
Correspondent: Mrs. Guy Frazer Telephone AV. 5-2407

**Personals**  
Congratulations to Bill Frazer, winner of a prize draw at a Willowdale Dance.

Thornlea Home and School will hold its December meeting on Friday, December 12, when the pupils of Thornlea School will entertain with a Christmas concert.

## HIGHLAND PARK NEWS

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### Moving

Two families of the subdivision who have been our neighbors for some time are leaving the community. The Jackson family of Woodward Ave. have sold and are going to take up farming. The Andersen family, 25 Grandview Ave. have sold and will live for a short while in Thornhill and then will be moving to a new location for Mr. Andersen's work.

### Accident

We were indeed sorry to hear of the accident in which Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, 21 Woodward Ave., were involved last week. Mr. Taylor's car collided with another at Finch and Bathurst Sts., and both were hurt quite seriously. Mrs. Taylor suffered a broken neck, and Mr. Taylor, multiple injuries. Mrs. Taylor was expecting a child in a few months. The driver of the other car was charged with reckless driving.

## About Books And Reading

By the Thornhill Librarian

This week this space will be devoted to one of the most interesting and entertaining branches of reading; books of both fact and fiction dealing with Law and Crime in all its aspects. On the shelves of the Library are to be found many books by the best authors of this type of work, and for those who are interested a visit would be well repaid.

As a beginning none could be better than a work of fact, "Famous Trials", by the Earl of Birkhead, Lord Chancellor of England, who as F. E. Smith, took a very active part in many trials, both civil and criminal, as counsel both for the prosecution and the defence.

This work describes such notorious trials as those of Crippen (chiefly famous for being the first case in which wireless telegraphy was used in the apprehension of a criminal), Captain Kidd (a notorious pirate), Warren Hastings (indicted for treason) and many others.

The trials are described with great clarity, legal phraseology, to say the least confusing to most laymen, being kept to a minimum, making for the better enjoyment of the reader.

Another work of fact, written with a strong thread of humour and pursued throughout, is "The Confessions of an Uncommon Attorney", by Frederick Hynes. This work deals with the business and workings of a very old established English law firm whose history and connections go back hundreds of years. Written also in language for the layman this book is well worth reading.

To complete a trilogy of works of fact we recommend "Comments on Cain", by Tennyson Jesse, also a book describing famous trials, including one from the Courts of France.

For the reader who prefers pure fiction there are many books by famous authors from which to choose. Most of the authors of detective fiction have their own write in every book.

Dorothy Sayers and the whimsical Lord Peter Whimsey; Agatha Christie and the boastful Poirot; Rex Stout and huge Nero Wolf and the inimitable Archie Goodwin; Josephine Tey; Margery Allingham; Michael Innes (whose "Sawbones Deceased" deserves special mention) and Mignon Eberhart are just a few of the writers who will give the reader many pleasant hours.

### Diamond Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. John Condon of Kingsmill, Ont., celebrated their Diamond Wedding anniversary on Sunday, December 6, and their son Bert Condon and his wife and family were very pleased to be up there with them for the week-end. It was a double celebration for Mrs. Condon Sr. as it was also her 80th birthday. We wish her many more celebrations of both. Lynn Condon is staying with her grandparents for the winter months and is really enjoying the school up there. She will be coming home to spend Christmas with her family.

### Socials

The Powell Road Home and School family square dance will again be held Saturday, December 12, at Henderson Ave. school. Come along with your youngsters and enjoy the fun. Children up to grade 8 are admitted free when with their parents and they only pay 25c each so it's an economical and fun-packed night.

We are proud of Powell School for receiving a letter of congratulations and merit from the Safety League for having kept Elmer flying for the special length of time specified for receipt of same.

## League Scores Combines

The Monday night Combines League is now in full swing at the Richmond Bowl with some fine scores being turned in.

Mens flat scores: Syl Savage 294, Dave McKenzie 276, Tom Nolan 261, John Mabley 243, Bill Hunt 241, Al Stong 250, Dave Brownlee 226, Gerry Paxton 223, Cliff Cox 229, Cam Cowan 215, Jim Crean 215, Chas. Chapman 210.

Best lady flat score goes to Audrey Bovair 251.

## CONCORD & DISTRICT

Mrs. Raymond Stuart  
R. R. 1, Maple  
Telephone Maple 110R3

### Home and School

The Christmas meeting of the Concord Home and School will be held at the school, Monday, December 14, at 8 p.m. and will take the form of a Christmas concert. Pupils of the school who are taking piano instruction from Mrs. Pirie will give selections. Mr. Pirie will sing and the pupils of the school will join in singing carols. There will also be a sing-song for all those present.

The feature of the evening will be a short skit "Mr. and Mrs. Condon" presented by members of the executive. Mr. Ralph Perry of Tintern, Ont., will give a short talk on the Christmas theme. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is given a cordial invitation to enjoy this Christmas meeting.

## Highland Park Bowling

After the last two weeks of lively bowling the team standings are as follows: Parrots 58, Redwings 51, Canaries 48, Sparrows 47, Hawks 44, Orioles 41, Wrens 38, Robins 35, Crows 31, Larks 27. Weekly prize winners for the past week were: Oliver Lihonen 678, Ann Pyke 653, High averages are held by: men, Ivor Francis 219, followed by Cec. Turnbull 209; ladies, Ann Pyke 170, and Ella Turnbull and Ivy Hudson with 169 each. Good flat scores were made by Ivor Francis 695, Len Gazey 653, Stew. Coles 646, Harold Bell 622. Ladies' good flat scores were made by Phyllis Minor 627, Ann Pyke 590, Grace Todd 554, Mildred Collins 542.

Don't forget the turkey roll will be coming up Thursday, December 17 with 10 turkeys to be won, so let's have a good turnout.

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Richmond Hill TU. 4-1723

**TURKEYS - CASH - TURKEYS - CASH**  
**LIONS CHRISTMAS BINGO**  
Farmer's Market, Thornhill  
**WED., DECEMBER 16, 8.15 p.m.**  
**\$300.00 JACKPOT**  
**TURKEYS - CASH - TURKEYS - CASH**

**AUCTION SALE**  
Sale Starts 1 p.m.  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12th**  
**Stouffville Sales Pavilion**  
(Highway No. 47)  
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**Electors Of Markham Township**  
I should like to extend my sincere thanks to all those who voted for me and used their influence on my behalf in Monday's election. Although unsuccessful, my interests will still be in the Township, and I wish the 1954 Council every success.  
WIN. TIMBERS

**My Sincere Thanks**  
To all those who gave me their votes and support at the polls last Monday. It will be my constant endeavour to work for all the residents of Markham Township and do everything I can do to further their interests in every way.  
Mrs. Kathleen James

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