

Thornhill And District News

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Thornhill Socials

Mr. Walter Smook left Tuesday to fly east on a business trip. He will visit Moncton, Amherst, and Sackville and return on Saturday.

Mrs. Arthur Thompson entered the Toronto General Hospital for a serious operation this week. Her many friends join with The Liberal (to which she has been a subscriber for over 50 years) in wishing her a speedy and complete recovery.

Hold Form Party
On September 10th, a weekend form party was held by Miss Nancy Simpson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Simpson at Idlywyld Lodge, Baysville. Twenty-two members of her grade 12 class were present at the party along with Mr. Emerson Lavender the form teacher.

Library To Close
Mrs. Ralph Edwards, Chairman of the Thornhill Library Board has announced that the Thornhill Library will be closed from September 29 until October 11 while the library is being moved to its new quarters. To facilitate the move, Mrs. Edwards asks that library members take out at least eight books during that period.

Mrs. Edwards adds further that a report on the cost of outfitting a children's library room is being prepared for the Bart Edwards Memorial Fund Committee.

Scout Auxiliary Meeting
The first Thornhill Scout Mothers Auxiliary will be holding their next monthly meeting on Monday night, September 26th in the United Church Hall. The two Jamboree Scouts, Clive Simpson and Ian Ross will be special guests at the meeting and all new scouts and cub mothers are invited to attend.

Thornhill W. I. Meeting
The first monthly meeting of the Thornhill W. I. was held in the Masonic Hall last Thursday with a large attendance. Presiding was Mrs. Crowhurst and the members heard an excellent report on the District Annual by Mrs. G. Sinclair, District Director. A lengthy welfare report was given by Mrs. Spanton and sympathy was extended to so many of the members who are ill.

Part of the year's programme was discussed and a Bake Sale was arranged for October. It was announced that delegates to the W. I. convention being held in Toronto on November 2, 3, 4 are District Director Mrs. C. Sinclair and Mrs. Russell. Tea was served by the convenors and a pleasant half hour concluded the meeting.

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Richvale Resident In Britain



On vacation in Britain, Miss Wanda Smith, of Richvale, visited the ninth International Festival of Music and Drama at Edinburgh. With Miss Ann Watts, of Doncaster, Miss Smith was pictured (left) by the gateway of Edinburgh Castle, where a kilted corporal of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders pointed out some interesting features of the historic fortress, which so impressively dominates Scotland's ancient capital.

Over 200 Attend Scout Mothers Auxiliary Hold Successful Fashion Display

Over 200 people were in attendance at the First Thornhill Scout Mothers Auxiliary annual fashion show which was held on September 14 at Trinity United Church hall, Thornhill, and proved to be a great success despite the heavy rainstorm which marred the opening.

Mrs. M. Mollard, vice-president of the auxiliary opened the show by welcoming the audience in attendance and thanking Mrs. Plaxton of Jenny's Dress Shop, who was sponsor of the show. The models of Jenny's Dress Shop who carried the show through so successfully were Lynn Law, Jean Fielding, Nancy Bird, Ruth Anne Walker, and Phyllis Jerome. Modelling in the teen-age class was Beverley Fraser and in the 7 to 8 year old group was Valerie Smook.

The beautiful colors and fabrics used in the gowns and suits showed that as far as women's clothing is concerned, this fall is going to be a very smart and colorful season. The smart jersey day dresses seen at the beginning of the show in various colors and styles displayed how smart a woman can look and still remain comfortably warm in the cooler days ahead.

Beverley Fraser looked very trim and smart as she stepped forth in a blue plaid rayon and wool school dress trimmed in velvet. Little Valerie Smook delighted the audience when she appeared in her little blue party dress with its extra full crinoline skirt. The fur jackets and

Reserve Fund Total By Year End Plan Joint Meeting To Discuss Thornhill Park

At the Thornhill Lions Club meeting held Monday night, Mr. Hal Harley, president of the club stated that the park agreement with the Thornhill trustees had been signed and the park was now the responsibility of the Lions club. He added that a meeting was expected to be called within ten days to which all clubs and societies in Thornhill would be invited to discuss the care and maintenance of the park.

Trustee George Giles read the agreement to the Lions club making explanations where necessary. He stated that although the reserve fund for the care and maintenance of the pool had only recently been set up, it was expected that it would reach its \$11,000 limit by the first of January 1956. He explained that the agreement was necessary to give both parties rights and protect them in case it was challenged.

A question was raised from the floor as to why the northern limits of the area in which pool revenue could be spent was given seven highway. Trustee Giles explained that the agreement read like that because they wanted the area to be square. Lion Jack Bentham added that other funds, not from the pool, could and would be spent in the northern area.

Trustee Giles explained further that the boundaries of the A.R.C. took in the area set out in the agreement and this was to the advantage of the Lions since they would be working closely with the A.R.C. to a large extent. Lion Tom Jackson made it clear that the boundaries of the club extend as far north as Westwood Lane and that the park agreement doesn't limit the club's activities below this boundary.

Lions Chairman Hal Harley added that a committee would be set up shortly to handle the care and maintenance of the park.

Carnival Nets \$1380 Thornhill Lions Hear Presentations, Reports

At their first fall meeting held Monday night, a large turnout of Lions saw the presentation of the President's pin to incumbent President Jack Bentham. In his acceptance speech, Mr. Harley paid tribute to previous Lion presidents and especially to past president Jack Bentham, remarking that he looked forward to the full support and co-operation of the vice-president, committee chairmen, and fellow members.

Other presentations included the Past Presidents Pin to Jack Bentham and the announcement that he had been appointed Lion zone chairman during the summer. It was announced that due to pressure of work, Lion Dave Booth had retired and the new secretary was Fred Harry. President Harley presented the secretary's pin to Lion Harry and Lion Bentham presented the past-secretary pin to Dave Booth.

Reporting on the carnival held last year, President Harley stated that the attempt to sell a car at a profit through the sale of tickets had failed as only \$900 had been realized from ticket sales and the car had cost \$1,890. A breakdown of other figures were given and President Harley stated that a total profit of \$1,380 was realized from the carnival.

After reading the report, President Harley asked the members to consider whether the holding of carnivals should be continued in the future, stating that there had been much discussion pro and con on the subject. He felt that a discussion and votes would be held at the next meeting.

A report on the bingo was given by Lion Bill Doherty who announced that the weekly bingos would commence starting October 5th. Lion Jack Bentham reported on the safety campaign held in the summer in co-operation with the Provincial Police, stating that it was a great success.

Four letters were received in correspondence and all were read to the group. One letter, from Lion's International invited attendance at a dinner in the Royal York Hotel on October 14th.

Lion Alf Bagg received the congratulations of President Hal Harley and the member Lions for the prizes and awards he had won at the Canadian National Exhibition cattle show.

A brief directors meeting followed the close of the regular meeting.

Betty Atkinson-Claire Casey Exchange Vows In Thornhill

Gladioli formed the setting in Trinity Anglican Church, Thornhill on September 14th for the double-ring ceremony uniting in marriage, Betty Mae Atkinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Atkinson, Thornhill, to Richard Clare Casey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Casey, Nova Scotia. The Rev. S. A. R. Wood performed the ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was gowned in white net over satin with a butterfly embroidered net overskirt and wore a coronet of pearls headdress with a three quarter length veil and carried a cascade of red carnations.

Mrs. A. Davies, sister of the bride, was matron of honor and wore a coral gown of nylon net over satin and carried a bouquet of yellow roses and white mums. Bridesmaids were Barbara and Patricia Atkinson, sisters of the bride who were gowned in yellow nylon over satin and net with matching accessories and carried bouquets of red and white roses and mums.

Best man was Mr. Elton Casey, brother of the groom and ushers were Mr. Fulton Casey, brother of the groom, and Mr. Kenneth Atkinson, brother of the bride.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at Summit View Restaurant, Jefferson. The bride's mother, received wearing a Dior blue gown with champagne accessories and carrying a corsage of red carnations. Assisting her was the groom's sister, dressed in turquoise with navy blue accessories and carrying a corsage of red roses.

For their trip to Nova Scotia and points east the bride wore a blue grey suit with blue accessories and a corsage of red roses. Upon their return, the happy

Lions Clubs Plan Transportation For Retarded Children

At the Lions club meeting Monday night, a report was heard from Mr. C. Sowden on transportation arrangements for the school for retarded children. Mr. Sowden stated that over \$8,500 had been spent last year on providing transportation for the children and estimates this year put the figure close to \$5,000.

Mr. Sowden stated that he felt this was too high a price for the Lions club to pay for transportation and suggested instead that they guarantee \$1,000 for transportation and work some way to make up the difference. Along this line, he reported that a meeting had been held with the North York Lions Club at which he and Mrs. Metcalf, President of the Association had been present.

He felt some workable arrangement could be made between the two clubs in procuring a bus or car to provide transportation for the children. He added that the hope was to buy a Volkswagen bus and expected to have a report within a week on the decision made.

Fenn Handles OPP Move
The recent transfer of the Thornhill detachment of the OPP to their new quarters at Bond Lake which had been in the negotiation stage for some time was made on a special arrangement basis through the office of Fenn Real Estate Ltd., Highland Park. Mr. Fenn, who is head of the company is a well-known business man in the area and has been active in the real estate business in the Thornhill-Highland Park area for many years.

A.R.C. Meet Pool To Close On Sept. 25th

The operation of the Thornhill swimming pool, the progress being made in the improvement of tennis courts, renovation of the rink house and arrangements for a staff party were amongst the items discussed at the Thornhill Area Recreation Committee meeting held on Tuesday, September 13.

Mr. R. C. Poulter, chairman of A.R.C. presided and all committee members were present. Discussion revolved around the renovation of the rink house which had already started and it was reported that the paving of the rink road and tennis courts would be done at the same time with the hope that the work would be completed this fall.

Mr. Poulter stated that backstops for the tennis courts had been ordered and will be installed when paving of the courts is finished so the courts will be ready for the opening in the spring.

Mr. Poulter added that he had conducted a successful experiment with underwater loudspeakers for use in the swimming pool in connection with synchronized swimming and water ballet. It was decided to open the pool on week ends only, weather permitting with the final closing date to be September 25.

A meeting was arranged to inspect the pool after its official closing and details of the proposed staff party were discussed. Mr. Walter Smook and Mrs. J. D. Grant were appointed to make the arrangements for the party.

To Publish New Phone Directory

Owing to the heavy increase in the number of telephones in the suburbs north of Toronto, a new telephone directory will be issued next January to serve that area. A. I. Macmillan, Bell Telephone manager for this region, announced this week.

The directory, to be known as "Toronto Suburban-North", will list all Thornhill (Avenue) and Willowdale (Baldwin) numbers and those in the newly-opened Hickory exchange. The Baldwin and Hickory numbers will be listed together in one alphabetical section. The Avenue numbers will be in a separate section and the yellow page section will include all three exchanges.

Mr. Macmillan said the directory is being issued in preparation for the plan for wider local calling which will take effect in greater Toronto next spring. At that time, Thornhill telephone users will have all Toronto, Weston (Cherry), Sterling, Willowdale, Agincourt (AXminster) and Hickory telephones added to those which they can call and receive calls from without long distance charges.

Copies of the white page section of the Toronto book, and copies of the Newmarket directory will be available to Avenue telephone users on request. Cards on which these requests can be made will be sent to the telephone users here around the end of the year, Mr. Macmillan said.

Baptist Church Hear D. Saldias

Last Sunday the congregation of Thornhill Baptist Church was privileged to hear the Reverend Donato Saldias of Bolivia. The Rev. Saldias was the first Baptist minister to be ordained in Bolivia and is a very forceful preacher. Unable to speak much English, his message was interpreted by the Reverend Percy Buck who had helped prepare him for the ministry.

In his talk, the Rev. Saldias explained that because of the improvements in the education and living standards of the people, the government of Bolivia was sympathetic to the mission work but more teachers and doctors were needed in this backward country. At the close of his message, Rev. Saldias sang a hymn in Quechua.

Commencing next Sunday, the junior Sunday School will be meeting at 10 a.m. At the business meeting held last Thursday, Mr. T. Tyne and Mr. H. Barrow were elected to serve on the Deacon's Board.

Memorial Fund Receives Donations

Mr. Walter Smook, treasurer of the Bart-Edwards Memorial Fund Committee reported that donations have been received by the banks for the fund and more donations are expected once the signs notifying the public of the fund are placed in the banks. A committee meeting is scheduled for next week at which time it is hoped a full report of the cost of outfitting the children's library room will be made available.

At the Lions club meeting Monday night, the existence of the fund was brought to the attention of the Lions by Mr. Hal Harley who is the chairman of the fund committee. It was felt the Lions should donate to the fund and the question of an amount was thrown open for discussion. It was emphasized that the fund for the outfitting of the library room was a community project and should not be looked upon as a Lions project.

After some discussion, Lion Tom Gibson moved that the club whole-heartedly approve the plan and leave to the discretion of the directors the amount to be donated to the fund.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that all persons having claims against the Estate of ARTHUR WADE, late of the Village of Richmond Hill, in the County of York, deceased, who died on or about the 24th day of February, 1955, are required to send the same to the undersigned on or before the 6th day of October, 1955, after which date the undersigned will proceed to distribute the assets of the estate having regard only to the claims of which they then shall have notice.

Dated the 12th day of September, 1955.

J. ROY HERRINGTON,
Executor
c/o Norman A. Todd,
Box 169, Richmond Hill,
his solicitor

Pick New School Site Thornhill Trustees Meet Separate School Board

A meeting held last Thursday night between the Thornhill Village Trustees and the Separate School Board resulted in the picking of a new tentative site for a separate school in the immediate Thornhill area. Also present at the meeting and helping in advisory capacity were Mr. Ron Forrest, Planning Director of Markham Twp. and Mr. J. Hodge, separate school inspector.

The meeting opened with John MacNeil, chairman of the village trustees stating that the meeting had been called by Mr. Forrest and that the village trustees were anxious to co-operate in any way possible in solving the problem of a separate school site.

Don Robertson, chairman of the separate school board questioned the previous meeting between the trustees and Father Clivello, in light of the fact that the separate school board was not represented at the meeting. The trustees stated that there was some confusion in regard to that previous meeting and some were under the impression Father Clivello was representing the separate school board. They added that tonight's meeting was a direct result of the previous meeting.

Mr. Forrest stated that the full consensus was that the previous site picked out was too small. It was adequate, but within a year's time would be too small. Mr. Forrest then presented a map showing the planned development of Markham township and the group looked it over for a new site for the separate school.

Suggest Selling Church Property
Trustee Summer suggested that to raise money to buy a new site, the separate school board sell the previous site behind the church. The board stated that it would be out of the question because the church wanted to retain the area for cemetery plots and a church parking lot.

They added that the school board had no jurisdiction over the property.

Mr. Forrest pointed out two tentative sites amounting to three acres each, however the board felt that the sites were too far removed from the church and were too small in size. A spokesman for the board stated that proper acreage would be a school, church and rectory on a five acre lot. Mr. Forrest then suggested that the board buy such a site now in one of the subdivisions going in east of Bayview to serve that area.

After considerable discussion, the board finally picked out a tentative site consisting of five acres on the rear of the present Vic Grainger property. The site would front on Dudley street and be directly across from the new Thornhill high school. It was pointed out that the site would be almost ideal since it was close to the church, accessible to a wide area and could be easily connected into water and sewerage facilities when they were brought into that area.

Would Build East of Bayview
The trustees and the school board decided to meet that Sunday to discuss with Mr. Grainger about the possibility of purchasing the site. Mr. Forrest suggested that if the Grainger site couldn't be purchased, the board should approach the planning board who would request a subdivider to reserve some land for them at the raw price. The separate school board felt that this would be their only recourse should there be no land available in the immediate Thornhill area.

In closing, Mr. Robertson, chairman of the separate school board thanked Mr. Hodge and Mr. Forrest for coming to the meeting and helping to iron out their problems. Mr. MacNeil, chairman of the Thornhill village trustees thanked the two gentlemen on behalf of the trustees.

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