

May Meeting Thornhill District Retarded Children's Association

The May meeting of the Thornhill and District Association for Retarded Children was held at the Thornhaven School with Mrs. P. A. McClelland as guest speaker.

Mrs. McClelland is a teacher of music at the Metropolitan Toronto School for Retarded Children.

She spoke of the importance of music in the life of every child and suggested that parents should start at an early age to impress the importance of listening to good music on their children. Mrs. McClelland went on to say that a child's taste in music is developed as early as three years of age and many children are fond of classical music this early in life. She told of her work with retarded children at the Toronto School and how well these children respond to music. Many of them are capable of keeping time, right from the start, others acquire a "beat" after encouragement and practice with the other children.

"Retarded children," Mrs. McClelland went on to say, "are able to express themselves through music, more so than in any other way. Some children who do not have speech have been helped through the blowing of a kazoo." Retarded children are capable of learning to play a musical instrument and many have done so. In conclusion, she expressed the opinion that it is wonderful to be able to appreciate good music and every child, normal or otherwise, could do so if helped and encouraged by parents in the home.

A report of the O.A.R.C. convention at Smith Falls, was given by Mrs. D. Marritt, of Willowdale. In the course of this report Mrs. Marritt mentioned that the Thornhill Association topped all others in their financial campaign for the building of a new school for retarded children in Richmond Hill. Mr. Harry "Red" Foster paid a glowing tribute to the job done by this small association in his remarks to the delegates at the convention.

Miss Ketola, principal of the Thornhaven School, and a member of the building committee, reported that all plans for the new school had been completed. Tenders were now being called for and the actual building due to start in a few weeks. Hopes are high that the school will be ready for opening in September.

How wonderful to know that the retarded children of this district will at last have a bright, well equipped school to attend!

A social hour followed the meeting, at which time refreshments were served.

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Neighbourhood Notes

Visitors in the community recently were Miss May Harper of Bolton who was a house guest at the Rodick farm, and Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Bartram of London, who paid Mrs. S. J. English a visit at Braedon Farm.

Birthday congratulations to Jimmie Jones who celebrated his third on Saturday last week, and to Mrs. Edgar Fuller and Lynda Leaf for Sunday of this week.

Damage to the barn at the A. W. Miller farm when it was struck by lightning recently was more serious than at first believed. Last week a complete re-wiring job had to be done.

Program for the W.I. strawberry festival at Buttonville hall on June 24, is shaping up nicely. The Brooklyn Tune Busters, a ladies' novelty kitchen band, The Five Squares, a quintet from Victoria Square, and Joan Hooper, soprano, will be featured. All this and a delicious supper too.

Miss Grace Rodick arrived by plane last Friday evening to attend convocation exercises at the University of Western Ontario. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rodick and John accompanied Grace to London to be present when she received her B.A. degree. Grace is teaching at the Dryden High School this year. We offer sincere congratulations.

It was graduation week also for Lynda E. Leaf, R.N., who received her diploma as a member of the February class of '59 at convocation exercises held by the Wellesley division of the Toronto General Hospital at Sherbourne Street United Church Thursday afternoon of last week. Social activities included a tea at the Granite Club given by the Wellesley Alumni for graduates and their mothers which Lynda and Mrs. Leaf attended; on Thursday morning there was a graduates' breakfast at the hospital when each member of the class was presented with a sterling coffee spoon with the Wellesley crest, and in the evening following convocation the girls and their escorts attended a dinner dance in the Pump Room at the Lord Simcoe.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Leaf were present at the graduation ceremony and later at the reception for parents and friends held on the lawn at the nurses' residence.

Mrs. Douglas Hood will entertain W.M.S. members of Brown's Corners United Church at her home on Wednesday of next week when they meet at her home to pack the bale and hold a lunch-eating meeting. Bale packing will commence at 10.30 a.m. Ladies are reminded of the need for good used clothing, nylon stockings and toys.

The Buttonville School community was shaken last week to

learn of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Roberts' decision to move to Elliott Lake this autumn. Mr. Roberts has accepted the principalship of a 10-roomed school there. The present principal of Hagerman School will replace Mr. Roberts and comes well recommended by Inspector Hallman.

Home & School
 After two years of successful activity Buttonville Home and School association members met on Wednesday of last week to consider past accomplishments and failures and take stock for the future.

During its short life this organization has done much to bring new members of the community into active participation. The children have benefited, knowing that their parents are working with their teachers for their best interests. And the school has been stronger for parental support. The question which arose at last week's meeting was: "Is the association with the parent body of Home & School worth the fees it costs the local association to belong?" and the answer came up in the negative. It was agreed to re-organize in September after the new parents have been contacted, when a new constitution will be drawn up. Plans for the graduates banquet will also be made late in the season. Mr. Roberts asked for assistance with the school picnic which will be held at The Maples on June 22.

Explorers and C.G.I.T.
 Explorer and C.G.I.T. activities for the season came to an end Monday evening of last week with outdoor fireside gatherings at the home of Mrs. Stewart Rumble for Explorers. The Explorers enjoyed a weiner roast, with ice cream and orangeade as a reward for their all out effort on corsage sales which grossed \$80.00 with a net profit of approximately \$50 for Explorer projects. The dolls' house which was a project some years back lacked one or two items for completion, and this has now been accomplished. In the near future presentation of this beautiful gift will be made as an addition to the toys in the playroom at the York County Hospital, Newmarket.

Vacation School
 On Monday evening of last week interested workers met at Headford United Church to consider plans for this year's Vacation Church School for the Victoria Square Charge. Tentative date was set for the week of July 13-17. A second meeting has been called for the evening of June 15 (Headford Church) when more definite arrangements will be made. All Vacation School workers are asked to co-operate and attend this meeting.

CARRVILLE

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Dr. E. B. Eddy's scripture reading was from the 10th chapter of John and his sermon was taken from John 2: "He knew what was in man."

Dr. Eddy invited the congregation to Thornhill for next Sunday, the dedication of the new organ. Summer communion is to be on June 21.

The Carrville choir sang "Why Should I Care if the Sun Doesn't Shine," as their anthem.

Sympathy
 The Carrville community was saddened on Saturday with the news of the passing of Mrs. Stanel Wood. All who knew her loved her dearly, and we at Carrville feel we have lost a great helper and a dear sister in our church work. There was never anything asked of her that she didn't do twofold.

We would like to express sincere sympathy to Mr. Wood and his children and Mrs. Clement, whom we know will miss her very much.

One could say of her that to know her was to love her. She had done her earthly task well and will truly hear "Well done."

Young Peoples
 On Thursday evening not too many of the young people turned out, due to exams for some and the usual summer activities for others — but a weiner roast is planned at the Read home on June 12, which is a Friday night. It is hoped all young people will keep this in mind and come.

School News
 On Thursday afternoon, the Edgeley baseball team visited the Carrville school to win 7-1. Paul Winger got the only run for Carrville. Better luck next time.

Notice
 The Richmond Hill and District Branch of the Canadian Cancer Society would like to thank the residents of Carrville district for their generous response to the recent campaign, and also a very special thank you to the canvassers Mrs. Jack Bushell, Mrs. Harry Jarman, Mrs. George Pitts, and Mrs. Joe McCarthy, for giving so freely of their time to further this very important cause. The Carrville returns were very much better than last year, so reports Mrs. Ruth Miller.

Socials
 Mr. and Mrs. Tom Knight and Christy visited Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Middleton and on Friday, Mrs. Chas. Ash, Mrs. Alex Hunter and Mrs. Jas. Ash and children all of Edgeley called on Mrs. Middleton in the afternoon bringing along ice cream and birthday cake to have with her on her special day May 29.

Attend Shower
 Mrs. Jack Barton attended a miscellaneous shower for Miss Lorna Watson of Toronto at the home of Mrs. Dean Wilson, Ashdale Ave., Toronto. Others present were Mrs. David Barton, Beverly Acres; Mrs. Jack Oliver and Helen Oliver of Richmond Hill; Mrs. Sam Davis, Mrs. N. McConny, Carman and Louie all of Toronto. Miss Watson is to be married to Mr. John Hazel on June 13.

Mrs. A. Hayter had lunch on Tuesday with Mrs. B. Middleton and girls and on Thursday she visited in Richmond Hill with Mrs. Salter.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hurrell and Mrs. E. Rainey of Unionville visited on Sunday at the home of Mr. Albert Middleton and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wilson and sons Jeffery and Ronnie had supper on Sunday with Miss Betty Hicks at her home in Toronto.

Mr. Jack Barton is entertaining the executive members of the L.O.L. No. 91 of Thornhill this Monday evening at his home. Several items of business will be dealt with.

Visit Pioneer Museum
 The Carrville public school children spent a lovely afternoon on Monday at the Pioneer Museum Dalziel Conservation Area, seeing the premises on a guided tour. The children report a lot of wonderful things to see. Thanks to Mrs. Tom Shields, Mr. Nielsen and Mr. Green, the teacher, for the use of their cars in taking the children over. Mrs. Nielsen also went along on the outing.

Birthdays
 Belated birthday greetings to Ronnie Wilson, who had his first birthday on May 22; and Jeffery Wilson is wished a happy birthday on June 9 when he celebrates his fourth birthday.

Sunday School Meeting
 On Tuesday evening, the Sunday School teachers and superintendent, Mr. Bert Middleton met at the home of Mrs. C. Wilson to plan the Sunday School picnic. Jim and Beverly Bushell were unable to attend due to studying for exams. Mr. Middleton opened the meeting with prayer. It was decided to hold the picnic on Saturday, June 13, but possibly that date may have to be changed so there will be an announcement definitely next week.

It is hoped to have it early in June so as to get all the children in on it who have attended well during the year and may go away to a cottage in the holiday months.

GORMLEY NEWS

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Mr. and Mrs. David Hoover moved into the upstairs apartment at Mr. Allan Hoover's new home last week. A new baby girl was added to the household on Friday, the first Hoover grandchild.

Misses Vera Hills and Beulah Heise visited Mrs. Jake Cober of Toronto on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. T. S. Doner and her daughter Edith of Harrisburg, Penna., spent a few days with their niece and cousin, Miss Ruth Hoover.

Mr. Melvin Sider of Penna., spent a few days with his sisters, Mrs. Wm. Heise and Mrs. Landon Steckley and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dority of Stayner and Miss Annie Heise of Toronto had supper on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Heise.

Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Sider and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Brillinger and Kenny, all of Toronto, had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brillinger on Sunday.

Mrs. Cal Smith of Orillia is spending a week with her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Baxter.

Last week we had a note from Mrs. M. J. Hibbard of Edmonton, Alta., telling us how she enjoys the Gormley news. Older residents will remember Mrs. Hibbard as Beulah Baker, sister of Mr. Delbert Baker. Mrs. Hibbard had a heart attack some time ago plus a couple of strokes and is able to get around only with a crutch.

During the short electric storm on Wednesday afternoon, fuses in Mr. Harold Doner's barn were burnt out, a light bulb shattered and a relay burnt in the milk cooler.

Mrs. Roy Brillinger, Mrs. Beulah Jones, and Mrs. Peter Steckley spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Abram Lehman at Carlisle, Penna.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg. McMullen and Stephen, Mrs. Walter Hill and Mrs. Evans visited Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lyle and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nichols and family at Vineland.

We wish a speedy recovery for Master Kenny Heise who underwent surgery at Newmarket Hospital for a ruptured appendix.

Mr. Matthew Sloss of Manitoulin Island visited Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Hunking.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Steckley and Mary Elizabeth left Saturday for Pennsylvania. On Monday evening they attended the graduation exercises at Messiah College at Grantham, Penna. Their daughters Carole and Alma were both in the graduating class.

Mr. C. Slaymaker returned home to Lancaster, Penna., after spending two weeks with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Steckley.

Mr. Clarence Heise of Welland visited relatives here on Saturday and spent Saturday night at the home of his brother, Mr. Wm. Heise.

A very successful bazaar was

held Saturday afternoon in Victoria Square hall under the auspices of the Home and School Association of No. 7 Markham.

The president, Mrs. Jack Leitch, introduced Mrs. B. Kays, who officially opened the bazaar. The table of beautifully made dolls' clothes attracted all the younger group and realized a substantial profit for the association. The other tables did very well too.

Last week was a busy one for those who were free to attend church activities. The annual Whitechurch Sunday School Convention held morning, afternoon, and evening sessions in the United Church at Bethesda on Wednesday. Then quite a number of ladies attended the annual W.M.S. convention at the United Missionary Church at Stouffville on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Milsted and Charleen attended services at Mt. Zion United Missionary Church on Sunday. This was a special service to dedicate a new pulpit, communion table, offering plates and stands in memory of the late Mrs. Jas. Morris. The Milsteds had dinner with Mr. Morris and family of Ravenshoe.

Miss Reatha Steckley of Toronto spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Steckley.

During the closing hymn at the Sunday morning service at Heise Hill Church, a thief stole the Sunday School offering of over \$28 from the church basement. We wonder just how bold thieves can become! Several spotted the strange man as he left the church yard. He was later caught and appeared in Newmarket court.

On Monday evening, about 60 ladies of Heise Hill and Oak Ridges Brethren in Christ Churches held a banquet at the Youth Centre. This was also a surprise farewell for one of their members, Mrs. Allen Heise, who will be moving to Hamilton in a few weeks. Mrs. Heise was presented with a beautiful aluminum tray from Oak Ridges group with each member's name engraved on it, and a coffee table from the Heise Hill group.

CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY
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