

# Thornhill and District News

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"The Liberal" is always pleased to publish items of interest contributed by its readers in the Thornhill area. Our representative in Thornhill is Mrs. Margaret McLean, who may be reached by phoning AV. 5-2331.

## Thornhill Notes

The February meeting of the CWL of St. Lukes was held in the St. Lukes School auditorium with the president, Mrs. V. DeMarco presiding.

The meeting was a short one and discussion centered mainly around plans for the group's annual spring bridge which is to be held April 24.

Mrs. Burkhardt is ticket convener and refreshment convener is Mrs. Tina Brunott.

It was announced that the speaker at the next meeting, March 11, will be Miss Anne Summerville from the Grail Society.

The meeting closed with refreshments served by Mrs. K. Reeves.

### Holy Trinity News

With the objective of fostering a warm family feeling in all parts of the parish, a parish family fellowship program is being organized at Holy Trinity Church.

The first step will be taken February 24 at 2 p.m. when helpers will be commissioned.

The parish has been divided into small zones and it is hoped to obtain several couples in each zone who will maintain a personal contact with Anglican families in their zone.

On February 24, they will take the Lenten calendar to each home and invite every family to join in the special services and events for Lent.

The north group of the parish guild met February 12 and the annual card party of the guild was held February 19 with bridge and progressive euchre.

I hope someone in these groups will let us know about these events for next week's paper.

The Bible Study Fellowship met February 13. Still to come and much looked forward to are the Teens and Twenties Pancake Supper February 26 and an evening of square and round dancing for the members of the Couples Club February 23. Music for this will be

provided by Fergie's Orchestra.

A Confirmation service will be held March 24 at 7 p.m. with the Bishop of Toronto presiding.

Thornhill Secondary School News

It is to be hoped that all you faithful readers have reserved either Thursday or Friday of this week, February 21 or 22, to see the "Onstage Players" present the Diary of Anne Frank at the Thornhill Secondary School auditorium.

The students have been working hard to make this a worthwhile event. Thanks to a faithful reader of "The Liberal" they obtained the antique bed they required and their sets and props are now as close to an exact reproduction of the New York production of the play as possible.

Starring in the play are Alita Wise, David Bare, Bob Reoch and Keith Corkill.

Tickets will be on sale at the door (\$1.00 for adults) and the curtain goes up at 8.15.

The annual "grad nite" was held at Thornhill Secondary School February 15 and was well attended, both by present day students and grads of previous years.

About 50 grads attended from as far back as the class of 1957, many of them bringing their husbands or wives. A number of teachers were also on hand to visit with their former students.

A feature of the evening was the usual basketball game between the teachers and the junior team, and one between the grads and the senior team.

With the help of the referee (which I hear was considerable) the teachers won their game 33 to 31. And with the help of some really good players from former years, one of whom, Bob Howe is now centre on the Queen's University team, the grads won their game 41 to 38.

They were presented with the trophy called "The Old Ice Bucket" which is an actual old silver ice bucket which has been mounted and suitably engraved.

While dancing went on in the gym, a reception was held for the grads in the cafeteria where they could sit around and renew old acquaintances while enjoying refreshments.

With the permission of C. M. Seath, head of the physical education department, and who has been largely the guiding spirit behind these grad nights, here is some news of recent grads which has been cribbed from his Graduate Newsletter: 62 grads attending the University of Toronto are Allan Aho in History and Modern Languages, Roger Brain in Engineering Science, Joan Gibson in Physiotherapy, Rick Elliott in General Arts, Ingrid Heimonen in Modern Languages and Literature, Jerry Lazar in Dentistry, John Sproule in Engineering Science.

Four grads are attending Queen's University, Jim Bushnell in Theology, Bob Howes in General Arts, John MacNell in Medicine and Maureen Wright in Honor Arts.

Attending Teachers College are Kathleen Beatty, Joan Blackburn, Rachael Hahn, Judy Nicholls, Anne Rogers, and Glen Newsis.

The business world is being

lacked by Barry Andrews, Wesley Fierheller, Sandra Henry, Dave Iverson, Bill Judges and Ron Midgeley.

The University of Western Ontario is also honored by the presence of several Thornhill graduates: Peter Donkersley in Physical Education, Paul Donkersley in General Arts and Hans Pump in General Arts.

Lorraine Freeland is studying Home Economics at Ryerson. Mrs. Heron is in General Arts at York University, Dorothy Hills is in Home Economics at McDonald Institute, Linda Kojola is at the Nightingale School of Nursing, Jane McGowan in Humanities at McMaster University, Karen Welland at the Women's College Hospital School of Nursing, Dave Rumble is at OAC in General Science, Pat Harvie in General Arts at Mt. Allison University, and Rhonda Evans is in nursing at the Toronto General Hospital.

During the past year, Mr. Seath has had notes from other grads of earlier years, who were unable to attend grad night.

Peggy Suter (nee Snider) 6TO, wrote that she is enjoying teaching school near Belleville; Sylvia Goster (nee Thorneycroft) 5T7, is working in the cytology department of the Provincial Laboratory; Shirley Creech (nee Phillips) 5T9, is with the Royal Bank at Woodbridge; Bev. Burr 5T8, is teaching Home Economics, History and English at Bayview Junior High School; Pauline Paul 6T0 is enjoying her work as a nurse and hopes to go to Germany to work in an American hospital when she graduates; Whitney Laird 5T9 is also in nursing and Anne Williston 5T6 is a graduate of the Toronto General School of Nursing.

Bob Miner 5T6 is teaching in Iroquois Falls. Bob and Marylou Fugler 5T9, are proud parents of a little daughter; Aline Simpson 6T0 is in Physical and Occupational Therapy at the University of Toronto and passed last year with honors; Paul Stevens 5T6 is pastor of Temple Baptist Church in Outremont, Quebec, is married and continuing academic work at McGill University.

Nancy Murray (nee Watt) 5T8, won the Prudential Shuffleboard tournament this year; Jim Gardner 5T6 and Harvey Brown 5T6 both ended their careers as bachelors since last grad night.

Two other grads had first class honors last year, Jim McGhee 6TO in Bio-chemistry and John Hanna 6TO, in Dentistry. Brian McLean 6TO, is in his third year of Honors Math and Physics, at the University of Toronto. Bob Howes 6T2 made the first string basketball line at Queen's. Peter Donkersley 6T2 had a very successful shoulder operation to correct a chronically dislocating shoulder.

**Social Notes**

When welcoming the January babies in Thornhill, I have just learned that I should have included little Susan Seath, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Seath of 42 Clarkehaven Road, Susan weighed in at 8 lbs. 7 oz. at the Toronto General Hospital January 20. I hear she is a very good baby and hasn't got into her stride as a cheerleader - yet!

And if any of you avid readers saw your hard-working correspondent struggling up Yonge Street with a baby carriage last Saturday, you can relax, she was just babysitting!

He is the son of Mrs. Findlay and the late Saunders Findlay, who owned the old Thornhill Hotel for many years and is himself a hotelman, proprietor of the Sulphur Springs Hotel, Preston, Ontario.

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## Emergency Measures Procedures Outlined By Markham T.S.A. No. 1

Trustee R. Stone presented to the Markham T.S.A. No. 1 Board a carefully drawn up plan for emergency measures procedures at their recent meeting.

Responsibility is delegated in a pyramidal fashion with an area co-ordinator being designated, with an assistant area co-ordinator beneath him. From there the responsibility would be delegated to the five school principals.

Each school principal would then delegate one person as school warden, who in turn would have one person made responsible for building preparation and would have assistant wardens as required. At each school

there would also be one person appointed as fire chief and maintenance who would have a fire crew to assist and another person in charge of equipment.

One person at each school would also be delegated as medical co-ordinator and would delegate one person to be in charge of first aid equipment and others designated as first aid personnel. These people would presumably have some first aid training. The principal at each school would also act as student director and have as his assistants all teachers not specifically assigned to other duties.

Mr. Stone emphasized that

these emergency measures were not solely in preparation for atomic attack but were sensible in order to cope with any emergency such as fire, flood, etc.

All decisions concerning student direction and control would come under the principal. Decisions as to whether all or some students should be sent home would normally depend on the nature of the emergency. Teachers are now being asked to prepare a list of their students who walk to school within 10 minutes and within 20 minutes and those who are transported as well as a parent or guardian at home.

Lectures For Grade 8 Pupils

A series of seven lectures for all grade 8 pupils of T.S.A. No. 1 Markham schools is now being arranged to provide information on various careers.

Lecturers will acquaint the students with such careers as engineering, medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, teaching, accounting, bookkeeping, secretarial and general office work, law, the sales field including merchandising and advertising, the construction field and building trades.

The lectures will be given on Thursdays from 1.30 to 2.30 at a different school each time. The lectures will have follow-ups in the grade 8 classrooms and film strips are being purchased to further develop the information, reported Vice Chairman Alan Parker at the February 12th meeting of the board.

Trustee Parker gave the education committee report in the absence of Trustee Almone, who was unable to be present.

958 Readers Use Library In 1962

At a meeting held on January 23, Thornhill Public Library board reviewed the progress made during the past year. Results were most encouraging.

Highlights of the reports showed that active participants number 958, of which 52% are children; circulation increased over 1961 by 20% to 19,222; the librarian, Miss Jane McLaren, gave 19 book talks to classes at primary schools in the area.

Mrs. Helen Edwards stepped down as chairman of the board having led the library through the difficult years of obtaining new and permanent quarters, moving and becoming re-established. Gaither Zinkan was elected chairman for 1963.

In the intermediate division, John Pecklington of 16th Avenue School won first prize for a poster on fire safety and Carolyn Brettel, also of 16th Avenue School, was given second prize for her poster warning children to play in safe places.

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## Province's Grants In 3 Instalments Feb., April & Aug.

At last week's meeting of Township School Area Board No. 1 Markham, a memo was read from the Department of Education with respect to the payment of school grants. It indicated that 10% of the 1962 grant would be paid to boards in February, 40% in April, 25% in August and the balance of the 1963 total grants in October.

The board expressed satisfaction at this information, as the earlier receipt of provincial grants should cut down on their borrowing charges. Normally, boards must borrow money to finance their operation for two or three months until they receive their grant and tax money from the township.

The board's position with respect to the brief on separate schools presented to the Department of Education by the Roman Catholic bishops of Ontario has been thoroughly discussed. It was their decision to advise the local member of parliament and the department of education that they feel a review should be made of financial arrangements respecting separate schools to eradicate any unfair situations but that they were opposed to the operation of separate secondary schools and teachers' colleges. These, they felt, would be a backward step and would not benefit the children of Ontario.

It was reported plans are underway for a week-end trip to Ottawa for grade 7 and 8 students. The board agreed that the trip should be repeated again this year and felt that the students last year had learned a good deal from the trip.

The report of the education committee also noted that approval had been given for the beginning of an area orchestra. This is being organized under the direction of Messrs. Westlake, Longfield and Sand.

It was also announced that Mr. Martindale and Mr. Evans would be attending a seminar on modern mathematics to be held at Newmarket District High School. New mathematics for grades 7 and 8, and grades 9 and 10 will be discussed.

There was some discussion as to whether the board should hold a public relations meeting this spring as they have done in the past two years. Vice-Chairman Parker was not in favour of holding a meeting this year. There is too much work involved to justify it, he stated, noting that at last year's meeting, which was also the official opening of the new wing at Woodlands School, only about 45 people from the whole area had attended. The matter was not finally decided upon, but sent back to committee for further discussion.

Mr. Parker reported for the property committee and noted that approval had been given to Henderson Avenue Home & School Association for the installation of a permanent type

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General account had a balance of \$14,323.17 on January 1. Receipts during the month were \$15,000 from capital account and \$563.53 miscellaneous, with expenditures totalling \$27,481.04.

Trustee MacKay reported that the accounts for 1962 had been examined and certified correct by the auditors, and forwarded to Mr. Hallman. The budget for 1963 is being prepared and will be presented to the board shortly.

At a special meeting of February 5, the supply teachers' pay was increased from \$14.00 to \$16.00 per day.

## Game Film Shot In B.C.

Seen Here Next Sunday

By Doris M. Fitzgerald

An exciting film, "The Big Game Hunt" which will be shown on channel 9 at 3 p.m. February 23, has some special interest for local viewers.

Edward J. Zinkan, conductor of the hunt, is a son of Mrs. Zinkan of Thornhill, and the late Dr. E. I. Zinkan, and was born while his parents lived in this village.

Now a director of Zinkan Investments, Ivermere, B.C., he operates Rocky Mountain Boys' Camp, on beautiful Lake Windermere, near the headwaters

of the Columbia River, in the summer and in the autumn he guides parties in to the wonderful mountain country to hunt for grizzly bears, moose, elk, deer, and mountain goats.

The men and horses are transported by trucks for some distance, then the hunters ride horseback for another eight hours to areas frequented by big game.

It was on one of these expeditions which the CBC sent a crew and camera man to photograph and record.

**Came From Denmark**

## Taught By Mother, Still Does Lacemaking Here

By Doris M. Fitzgerald

It is fascinating to watch a delicate pattern take form on a lacemaker's pillow.

We have not seen, or heard of, anyone practicing this old art for a long time and so were very interested to discover that lacemaking is one of several skills acquired by Mrs. Asia Bertleson when a little girl

## "Diary Of Anne Frank" Is Thornhill S.S. Play

Trustee R. Stone, chairman of the health, safety and recreation committee reported to the board of T.S.A. No. 1 Markham on the winners of the recent safety poster contest held in the area schools at last week's meeting.

The winning posters were on display in the area office and were examined by the board members with interest. First prize in the kindergarten group was won by Nancy Bartholomew of Henderson Avenue Public School for her gay poster entitled "I wait for the green light". Second prize to Robin Jewitt of Bayview Glens School. This was also on traffic safety.

In the primary division, first prize went to Mary Arnett of Henderson Avenue School. Her poster bore the admonition "Never walk from between parked cars". Jimmie Martin's poster on water safety won second prize for Thornlea School in this division.

First prize winner in the junior division was Eddie Suddes of Woodland School, with his graphic reminder that "Safety Counts". A colorful poster warning children to wear white at night won second prize for Barbara Martin of Thornlea School.

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