

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.

Vaughan Briefs

Deeds to finalize the purchase of .287 acres for \$287 and \$1,213 as compensation for damages, loss of trees, etc. will be drawn up between Vaughan Township and Bathurst Street landowner, Milton Savage to make way for the reconstruction of the gravel road. Mr. Savage's property was the last of 12 purchases to be made to have the work done properly.

Mr. Sam Kaiser has offered to sell the township 1.05 acres of his land for the repair and stabilization of the Kleinburg Sideroad where a landslide occurred last spring.

At the time of the slide, two hen houses near the property line and board and chicken wire fences were destroyed and the purchase price of \$1,750 would include compensation for these damages as well as the land purchase.

Vaughan's road committee recommended manual traffic counts be conducted over a 16-hour period from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. four times a year at 15 key intersections in the township, as well as automatic counts at other points.

Since the roads staff would be unable to spare men for the laborious task and it wouldn't be sufficient to warrant additional hiring, the committee recommended two people be hired to do the counting on a part time basis.

Reeve A. H. Rutherford and Councillor Ruth McConkey last week attended the Ontario Municipal Association

convention in Kingston and were missing from Monday's council meeting. The convention ended Wednesday.

There was no council meeting this week.

Vaughan Buses Increase Runs

School buses will be providing "more and better service" in Vaughan Township this year.

This is the word from the management committee of Vaughan Township School Area Board.

It was reported by the committee to the board that Langdon Coach Lines Limited will again be handling bus services on the 10 established school area routes plus the addition of some extra services.

Business Administrator Norman Jackman said there were still a few last-minute arrangements to be made but said everything was "running smooth on a general basis."

New Roselawn Sch. Opened On Tuesday

In spite of delays caused by strikes, which necessitated changing of specifications of types of material to be used for flooring, Roselawn Public School, located on Carrville Road West in Vaughan Township, opened September 3, to receive the children from the area north of the new Number 7 Highway at Langstaff to the Richvale area.

Work on the grounds is still not completed, but the classrooms are usable and the septic tank installation is completed.

The old Richvale School was demolished upon completion of the school term in June. It had originally been two frame portables, which had been brick-clad with brick from the old Toronto Union Station.

The elimination of sliding chalk boards, and a revision of the estimate of cost of grading and seeding the grounds lopped \$594 off the total cost of construction.



Two Area Misses And A Mr. Goulet

It's that man Goulet again and it's hard to tell just who is the lucky person in this particular photo. It shows Canadian National Exhibition headliner Bob Goulet, flanked by Marilyn Kantor, 18, of Thornhill, on the left and Valerie Pennycook, 16, of Willowdale on the right. The scene is the Richmond Hill Golf and Country Club Saturday where 12 stars of the entertainment world participated in a celebrity gold day to support Variety Village. Marilyn has completed her second year as a "Canadette" in the CNE grandstand show. She attends Thornhill Secondary School where she organized the "Thornhillettes" patterned after the famous CNE kick-line. She is an accomplished junior ballet champion. Valerie is a student at Earl Haig and this is her first year as a "Canadette".

Thornhill Horticultural Society Members Enjoy Shouldice Gardens

Members of the Thornhill Horticultural Society and their friends had a pleasant evening last Thursday, wandering through the spacious grounds at the Shouldice Surgery, admiring the profusely blooming gardens.

The gardens are the work of Mr. Ernest Kohler who, with the assistance of another gardener and three high school boys, keeps them blooming all summer long. Mr. Kohler has been at the Shouldice property since 1938. All the flowers and plants are grown in the greenhouses from seeds or cuttings.

The zinnias were just about at their best last week. Mr. Kohler had several large beds of the cactus and dahlia flowered zinnias, flanking the beds with a foot high barberry hedge and bordered with a foot high barberry hedge. This contained the zinnias neatly and overcame their tendency to sprawl which often makes them hard to handle in a small garden.

Mr. Kohler used borders and backgrounds of yellow to good effect throughout the gardens. Some of the zinnias were backed by dwarf sunflowers, some by huge African marigolds. One striking bed was bordered by Verbena Vinosa, a variety which Mr. Kohler imported from Switzerland. It is of very upright growth with small heads of bright violet flowers.

Behind the Verbena, there was a row of giant French marigolds and behind these were massed bright scarlet zinnias, the whole forming a most striking composition.

Another plant which Mr. Kohler imported recently, also from Switzerland, is Zinnia Linaris. These were busy little plants, with finely cut leaves and bright orange flowers, an inch across, somewhat resembling a slightly double daisy. These made a charming border around the garden directly opposite the main entrance to the Surgery. Mr. Kohler advised that Zinnia Linaris is really a wild flower and came originally from Mexico. It has been in bloom all summer he added.

On both sides of the front entrance to the surgery, which is on the north side of the building, Mr. Kohler had a bewildering variety of shade loving plants, all blooming profusely in just about every colour imaginable. The backbone of this display was of course the collection of exotic begonias. Fuschias also grew in profusion, as a background to these beds and these were of several different types. The familiar red and purple type were there, of course, but the most beautiful, to my mind, were the dainty Ballerina Fuschias, with delicate pink and white, very full blooms, exactly resembling tiny ballerinas. Here Mr. Kohler also had another Swiss import, a brilliant red fuschia, Garden Chief, with clusters of slender trumpet shaped blooms.

Another beautiful Swiss import (it's easy to guess Mr. Kohler's native land) was a variety of impatiens called Swiss Emblem. Mr. Kohler confessed that he had smuggled a cutting of this plant out of Switzerland, from which he had produced two plants. Noting that the flowers did not appear to set seed, he carefully hand pollinated them and produced enough seed to grow 400 plants. He wrote to Switzerland asking to buy more of this seed, but was informed that it was unavailable as the plant did not produce seeds but had to be grown from cuttings! He then went ahead and hand pollinated the plants in his garden to produce his own seed. The "Swiss Emblem" impatiens has a variegated blossom, in white and magenta or pink.

Although the gardens were composed mainly of masses of annuals, there were also many perennials in bloom. Most striking of these, to my mind, was the Gloriosa Daisy, which Mr. Kohler called "just the old-fashioned black-eyed susan". These were larger than any black-eyed susans I remember and came in both single and double varieties. The single type had brown and orange petals surrounding the dark brown "eye" but the double type had a very full head of pure orange-yellow petals. These plants had been in bloom the entire summer, Mr. Kohler stated.

An interesting annual which Mr. Kohler has certainly grown to perfection was the Datura or trumpet plant. Individual plants in Datura were over five feet tall with stems an inch in diameter. The beautiful trumpet shaped blooms were five inches long and double. Mr. Kohler has both annuals and perennials for sale at the greenhouse in spring and fall. Personally, I have made a note of several which I hope to have in my garden next year and his. Fuschias also grew in profusion, as a background to these beds and these were of several different types. The familiar red and purple type were there, of course, but the most beautiful, to my mind, were the dainty Ballerina Fuschias, with delicate pink and white, very full blooms, exactly resembling tiny ballerinas. Here Mr. Kohler also had another Swiss import, a brilliant red fuschia, Garden Chief, with clusters of slender trumpet shaped blooms.

Colourful "Wizard" Water Ballet At The Thornhill Swimming Pool



Back row: Ann Jeffery, Kelly Burkart, Gwenne Wardle, Mary Potvin and Lauraine Davis. Centre row: Lisa Tribner. Front row: Dorothy Whelan, Sheena Ashworth, Liz Duncan, Judy Ashworth, Shirley Davis.

BY MARGARET I. McLEAN

In one of the most successful displays of synchronized swimming ever seen at the Thornhill Swimming Pool, a group of 12 Thornhill youngsters performed in "The Wizard's Time Machine," last Thursday.

This colourful water ballet was designed and produced by Pat Vlassoff, who, with the assistance of Ann Jeffery coached this faithful troupe all summer.

The ballet was composed around a wizard, who, discovering a time machine, decides to seek in the past a time more able to appreciate his talents. The part of the wizard was played by Liz Duncan and her first trip into the past took her to Egypt. Here, Pat and Gwen Wardle, in attractive headpieces and glamorous eye make up represented Egyptian civilization and went through a graceful routine, possibly the most effective in the show.

On his trip to Asia, the wizard encountered Judy and Sheena Ashworth, in trim red shorts with yellow tops, and black pigtails. Narrator Ron Duncan then related that, finding the Asiaties well supplied with their own magicians, the wizard went next to Rome. Five handsome legionnaires now appeared, Ann Jeffery, Kelly Burkart, Liz Duncan, Lauraine Davis and Mary Potvin. In red suits with silver helmets, they went through a brisk routine which was well synchronized and very effective. Pat Vlassoff then performed a routine, graceful and fiery by turns, representing Arabia. Representing feudal Europe, Liz Duncan and Kelly Burkart made a pair of amusing jesters, who received a big hand from the crowd.

Next, Lauraine Davis and Mary Potvin made a pair of dashing Tartars, with black suits and helmets and flashing silver scimitars, portraying the wizard's trip to Mongolia. Russia was his next port of call where he was greeted by Pat and Ann, garbed as a pair of dashing Cossaks. Their routine was also very well synchronized.

Kelly Burkart next made a pretty little can-can dancer, representing the wizard's trip to France. With a complete change of pace, Shirley Davis, Dorothy Whelan and Judy and Sheena Ashworth, went through a brisk routine to the tune of Waltzing Matilda, depicting the wizard's visit "down under."

Coming closer to home, the wizard next visited America in the roaring twenties, meeting a charming flapper, Liz Duncan. After doing a very snappy Charleston for a few minutes, Liz dove into the pool and went through an equally jazzy swimming routine. Spain was next on our wizard's journey, where he met up with Kelly and Pat, this time disguised as a couple of Spanish troubadours, complete with red and black suits and flowing red capes.

Deciding that home might be best after all, the wizard encountered, on the way, a pair of gamblers, very natty with top hats, white gloves and canes. These were Dorothy Whelan and diminutive Lisa Tribner, the group's youngest and newest member, an excellent little swimmer.

A quartet of pesty-faced beatniks were encountered next, Lauraine Davis, Mary Potvin, Liz Duncan and Kelly Burkart. Garbed completely in lively number to the tune of "Seventy-six Trombones" and were also given a good hand by the crowd. Wizard Goes Home

The entire cast assembled to present the final number representing the wizard's return to his native land. To a medley of tunes, "Alouette," the "Red River Valley" and the "Maple Leaf", they swam with great precision and made a colourful spectacle in their bright red suits.

After the finale, announcer Duncan introduced each member of the cast. Pat Vlassoff

Claims T.T.C. Service "Stinks"

North York Reeve Norman Goodhead last week let go a blast at T.T.C. service which he said "stinks". Mr. Goodhead said the public is expected to pay all the T.T.C. bills and all they can expect for their money is continuing poor service. He claimed the T.T.C.'s capital debt of \$78 million is rising as rapidly as the July mercury. His solution to the problem he said was to have Metro assume responsibility for public transit and to adopt a single fare structure with all municipalities paying an equal share of the way.

North York councillors agreed with their reeve but refused to support his proposal that a T.T.C. request for a cooperative study of transit be denied.

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