



Thornhill Swimmer With Prizes

Lorraine Aho of Thornhill, the young swimmer who set the Canadian record for 100 metre breast stroke in July at the Canadian Age Class Swimming Championships and who was holder of the 100 metre butterfly title until she began concentrating on the breast stroke poses at home with her many trophies, medals and ribbons. Lorraine who in 1968, an Olympic year, will be 18, practices at the Willowdale pool under the eagle eye of North York Lions Club Coach George Wishkin. She is also an A-average student at Thornhill Secondary School. (Photo by Barbour)

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Recent Graduate

Miss Rae Gottschalk will begin her nursing duties at Scarborough General Hospital next Monday after graduation recently from Brantford General Hospital's School of Nursing. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Gottschalk of Thornhill, she was among 55 nurses in the graduating class to receive their diplomas and pins.

WILLOWDALE: A sharp rise in welfare shelter, and medical costs, helped raise North York's relief accounts for May to more than \$41,000, a \$4,000 jump over last year's figures for the corresponding period. There will be many attractive suggestions for Christmas gifts and a good cup of coffee is promised.

Community Happenings In Thornhill

Holy Trinity News

In a beautiful service held September 15, Right Rev. G. B. Snell, Bishop Coadjutor of Toronto dedicated a memorial chapel at Holy Trinity Church, Thornhill. The chapel was presented by Mr. and Mrs. James M. Adamson, 6 Helen Avenue, Thornhill, in memory of loved ones.

Built in the north west corner of the church where the wall was recessed to contain it, the chapel presents a very beautiful appearance and fits perfectly into the architecture of the church. It was designed by Col. Arthur J. Everett of Thornhill.

The altar cross, vases and candlesticks are the work of Andrew Fussell, well-known Toronto silversmith. These three items were given by Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Garland, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Skipper and Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Howden, respectively.

The altar desk was the gift of Mr. Arthur Daniels of the Daniels Construction Company who built the sanctuary.

The missal or altar service book was given by Mr. and Mrs. Terry Goodwin in memory of Fred and Gladys Cook. The dossal curtain was given by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Townsend-Carter. The curtain was made by Mrs. L. B. Cordingley and is of beautiful brocade.

The carving on the altar was given by Miss Sylvia Seville. The altar table is similar to the main altar in the church, except in size.

Mrs. Charles Sowdon donated the credence table in memory of Jessie Satterthwaite. The table was made by Mrs. Sowdon's father, Mr. William Satterthwaite.

The altar cloth was made and given by the ladies of the Altar Guild. Mr. and Mrs. Roland Healy donated the sanctuary lamp which hangs from the ceiling of the chapel and will burn continuously. This was given in memory of the Rev. Mother Margaret, prioress of St. Hilda's Priory and of

Sister Mary Edith, S.H.P.

In memory of their son Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tomlin gave the chapel text. The super frontals were given by Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Jackson, Mrs. Margaret Iddon and Mr. Harry Iddon in memory of John Lang Iddon, Mrs. L. B. Cordingley and the Girls' Auxiliaries.

The idea of the chapel was first projected last fall and was brought to completion by a devoted chapel committee. This consisted of Rev. H. R. Howden, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Adamson, Mr. Harold Garland, Col. A. J. Everett, Mrs. C. F. Sowdon and Mr. P. A. Townsend-Carter.

The Harvest Festival will be celebrated at Holy Trinity September 22. Decorations will be under the direction of Mrs. C. F. Sowdon and the Altar Guild. At their meeting September 17, members of the Parish Guild assisted with the decorations for the harvest festival. Donations of fruit and flowers would be welcome and should be at the church by September 20.

The men's association will hold their first corporate communion and breakfast September 22 at 8 a.m. Speaker will be Canon M. C. Robinson, association general secretary, Department of Mission, for the Anglican Church in Canada.

On September 22, the Trinity Teens and Twenties are meeting and will have as the main item on their program "The Robe". Various young people's groups have been invited and all members of the congregation will be welcome.

A corn and Weiner roast will mark the opening of the fall activities of the couples' club. This is to be held at the church September 28 at 9 p.m. The Bible study fellowship will resume its sessions on September 25 at 8:15 in the reception room. New members of this group will be warmly welcomed.

Thornhill Home and School
The first meeting of the season for the Thornhill Home and School Association was

held September 10 and turned out a resounding success with over 100 parents in attendance. Past-President Pat Trant was on hand to install the new executive. These are President Terry Goodwin; Vice-President Peter Alcock; Treasurer Dalton Stubble; Recording Secretary Brenda Gordon; Corresponding Secretary Kay Burgess; Social Conveners Mabel Crawford and Marion Duncan; and Membership Convener Audrey Stroud.

President Terry Goodwin then took charge of the meeting, and introduced the newly-appointed principal of the school, Mr. Russell Urquhart. Mr. Urquhart then introduced the various members of his staff.

As this was "parents meet the teachers" night, the parents then spread throughout the school to their children's classrooms and each teacher chatted briefly to her "class" telling of plans for the year in that room. Following this, the parents reconvened in the kindergarten room to enjoy sandwiches and coffee.

It was announced that tickets for the association's theatre night are going rapidly. This is to be held November 5 at the Crest Theatre for the production of "Born Yesterday".

Tickets may be purchased from Mabel Crawford who has the seating plan and can advise on seats still available at 285-1427.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Crawford of 23 Longbridge Road, returned at the beginning of September from a 10 day stay at the Elbow Beach Surf Club in Bermuda. Mrs. Crawford reports a delightful holiday, touring the island, and bathing in the ocean and the club pool. Temperatures ranged around 80 to 86 degrees and the Crawfords found it somewhat humid.

One of Thornhill's bright young stars has left to shed his light on other shores. Eighteen-year old Bob Reoch, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reoch of 71 Riverside Blvd. left last week to attend New Mexico State University's special course

Area No.1 School Board Criticizes Sidewalk Lack On Henderson Ave.

"There are now 581 children who go out and along Henderson Avenue and the need for a sidewalk is of paramount importance. It is a serious situation," stated Mr. E. J. Sand, supervising principal at the September 10th meeting of the Board of T.S.A. No. 1, Markham.

Mr. Sand noted that the board had been promised in January that the sidewalk would be installed when work was completed on the CN bridge and when Proctor Avenue had gone through. "But the sidewalk has absolutely nothing to do with this area. There are only 50 children who live in that part but 531 go the other way," he stated. Trustee Louise Aimone noted that it was impossible for the children even to walk close to the curb when cars are parked on the street.

Mrs. Dorothy McKenzie, who the back of the school instead was attending the meeting as a representative of Henderson Avenue Public School and is also a member of the local ratepayers' association, commented that the ratepayers had been promised by Township Engineer D. Miklas that the sidewalk would be laid last spring, "as soon as the frost is out of the ground," and later that it would be done during the summer. The latest information Mr. Sand had from the township office was that estimates for the work were still being worked on. All the board members present agreed that it was absolutely essential that a sidewalk be installed on Henderson Avenue south to Steeles Avenue. It was suggested that students from the Highland Park area be encouraged to use the old road at

additional accommodation is available for only 14 children, while 67 homes are in the course of construction in the area.

Woodland
At Woodland School classes average 29.5 pupils each and there is accommodation for 49 additional pupils, while 26 homes are being completed in the area.

Thornlea
Thornlea School has 26 children per classroom and accommodation for another 26 children.

16th Avenue
At 16th Avenue School, where there is an average of 28.5 students per classroom there is also accommodation for another 26 pupils.

Oral French
Trustee Aimone's report also included a report from Mrs. France on the teaching of Oral French. Mrs. France's report was dated June 28. It indicated that the pupils appear to enjoy the subject and had now mastered a few hundred speech units. The vocabulary mastered related to the home and family. The children had also learned to count up to 100 and the months of the year. Finding that the students were well able to reply to questions in French but had difficulty phrasing questions of their own, Mrs. France invented a series of games which helped the children over this difficulty. As a result, a good percentage of the children were able to think in French without first translating into English in their minds. Both grades 7 and 8 students scored over 80 per cent on written vocabulary tests.

Mr. Sand advised that a curriculum text on Oral French written by Mr. DuPlante, who introduced the subject into the Oakville schools, was expected to be available shortly. The material has been ordered by the board and will be put to use as soon as it is available.

Tape Library
Mrs. Aimone reported also that a tape library for use in the area's school was being set up and would be in operation by the first of October.

Vandalism
Vice-Chairman Alan Parker gave the report of the property committee. Some minor vandalism took place during the summer months with a number of windows being broken at Henderson Avenue School. At Woodland School, 60 feet of copper flashing and eaves-trough had been pulled away but not removed. Mr. Sand advised that the only thing missing was the 6 to 8 inch long nails which held the flashing in place. It was thought that this was not the work of children as tools, probably crowbars, would have been necessary to do such damage.

Maintenance Programme
In the course of the summer cleaning and maintenance programme, 16 library shelves had been built, a number of rooms had been redecorated at Henderson Avenue School, paving had been completed in the play area and parking lot at Bayview Glen, sidewalk had been completed at Woodland and some patching to pavement had been done at Henderson Avenue and Thornlea schools. Baseball backstops had been erected at 16th Avenue and at Bayview Glen. Playground equipment had also been installed at Bayview Glen. The classrooms and grounds at all schools were reported to now be in excellent condition.

Finance Report
The report of the finance

committee given by J. J. MacKay indicated that as of June 30, \$207,754.00 had been spent out of a total budget for the year of \$398,983.00, although this did not necessarily mean that the budget would be over-spent by the end of the year. A temporary loan from the bank of \$90,000.00 had been repaid by July 2 and it was hoped that no further loans would be necessary. For the first time this year, provincial grants were paid in four installments, three of which have already been received and this has been helpful.

Trustee Reports On Design Conference
Trustee J. J. MacKay reported on his recent attendance at the minister of education's conference on school design. He found the conference very informative, had heard the problems of other boards and how they solved them. Architects predominated at the conference, stated Mr. MacKay and they stressed the need for better co-operation between school boards, municipal councils and community recreation committees. Such co-operation they felt could prevent duplication of buildings and would result in schools being planned to serve the communities better.

The need for flexibility in schools was also stressed at the conference. Schools should be planned for the next 40 or 50 years during which time teaching methods could change radically. It was suggested that larger rooms, for the teaching of visual aids should be provided and there was even one suggestion of making all interior walls in schools moveable. Windowless classrooms were also discussed. Benefits of such classrooms were said to be the provision of equal lighting for all pupils, better and more equal temperature control, instead of the pupils near windows freezing and those farther removed being too hot. Windowless classrooms also made it possible to keep the rooms comfortable during hot weather in May and June. A teacher who had taught in such a room also commented that for the first time, there had been sufficient wall space.

A letter from the York County Health Unit advised that audiometric tests will be given throughout the schools. Priority will be given to all academic repeaters, members of opportunity classes, children with speech difficulties and any with suspected hearing loss. Grade 8 students will be tested, and also all children in grades 3 and 7.

Libraries
Mr. Sand reported that most of the furnishings for central libraries in the schools had been completed during the summer by members of the maintenance staff. A meeting was held last week with Mr. Learn and a representative from each school and methods of handling the libraries were discussed. At Woodland and Henderson Avenue Schools, the libraries will be housed in portables, at Thornlea the library will be in a spare room and at 16th Avenue and Bayview Glen, libraries will be on the stage.

Meetings of the board of T.S.A. No. 1 are held at the German Mills School, German Mills Road, just south of John Street, on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Open Roselawn School Despite Difficulties

"What troubles?" Principal John Martin said with a smile, when asked by Chairman Sam Kaiser to speak to Vaughan Township School Area Board Thursday evening about troubles experienced in the opening of the new Roselawn School. Because of strikes by carpenters and terrazzo workers it had been feared that the school building would not be ready for pupils on September 3, reported Chairman Kaiser. Through the co-operation of the maintenance staff, the architects, the general contractor, Mr. Robert Hamblin, custodian of the school, and Mr. Martin, the classrooms were made available by nine o'clock in time for school opening.

Mr. Martin said he was very impressed how the children from five other schools who are now attending Roselawn rapidly became one group. A happy relationship between the teaching staff and the staff of workmen still busily engaged in finishing up the school has existed. The workmen have been as quiet as possible. He continued that he was very proud to learn from the men working on construction, who had worked in similar situations elsewhere, that they had had the least interference or trouble from pupils in their experience.

The principal reported that the children have been very good about observing the necessary restrictions. With big earth moving machines working on three sides of the building, and with standing room only for the 300 pupils during re-

cess breaks, no casualties have been reported. The staff has been most congenial, he continued, and have a very fine staff spirit.

Mr. Martin also reported that in spite of all the difficulties, no one has spoken to him in an unkind fashion. Asked by Inspector D. R. Macdonald about complaints of speeds on Carrville Road, Mr. Martin reported that the police had checked the situation and that school signs had been erected. It is a 50-mile per hour zone, and very dangerous to the children, he said. The board decided to ask Vaughan Township Council to try to have the speed limit on Carrville, particularly between Yonge and Bathurst, reduced. Failing this the board requested that the township provide a crossing guard.

Mr. Terry Goodwin, former member of the board, asked if steps had been taken to ensure that the field tile in the property would not undermine the foundations of the school or the paved area of the playing field. Trustee Warren Bailie said he had been assured that with the amount of excavation which had been done, there would be no trouble from this source, but agreed to investigate the matter more thoroughly.

Appreciation was expressed by Business Administrator Norman Jackman and Superintendent Joseph Gibson to Mr. John Stephens of Roselawn Dairy for permission to use his land adjacent to Roselawn School for supplementary play area during the period of seeding of the school grounds.

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