

# 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.

## Community Happenings In Thornhill

### Bowling League

Thornhill Ladies Bowling League is off to a good start with 27 members. The league is divided into teams with six members in each and with another five or six players, another team could be formed. Three games are bowled each week at the North Yonge Bowl, just north of Finch Avenue on Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3:30. This is a "just-for-fun league" and you don't have to be an expert, so if you feel you'd like to bowl Tuesday afternoons, give the president, Mrs. Anita Clark a ring at 285-3803.

As of last week, the "Cameos" were the top team, with the "Exports" coming up behind. High single last week was Phyl Stockart who bowled 256 flat.

### Folk Dancing

The number and variety of activities which the people of Thornhill engage in is always a constant source of amazement to me. For instance, there is an enthusiastic group which calls itself the Village Folk Dancers who meet at Woodland Public

### School each Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.

for an evening of folk dancing. Nucleus of the organization is a group of six or eight couples, but they quite frequently have as many as 25 turn up of an evening. They do mostly Scandinavian folk dances but also do other national dances and some square dancing. They also enjoy a coffee break and social half hour each evening.

This group is happy to perform at any local function and frequently appear at schools, churches, etc. Four or six couples often go about and give demonstrations to any interested gatherings, both performing and teaching. They wear very colourful costumes, based on original Danish costumes, the men in stockings and knee breeches, etc. If you would like any information on this energetic group, you could call Miss Jane McLaren at 285-2746, as she has been a member for several years.

### Library News

Miss McLaren, librarian at the Thornhill Public Library tells me that she has just been on a happy buying spree, purchasing new books for the library. She didn't have a list of titles when I was talking to her and the books haven't been delivered yet, but when they have I will have some more information about them.

She is at present busy in her yearly routine of going from school to school talking to the children of each grade about

### Ross Doan Home And School Has Its First Meeting

First meeting of the Ross Doan Home and School Association was held October 7 with Mrs. F. Bufon chairing the meeting.

Business portion saw the matters of membership fees discussed, question of a smaller executive and voting privileges.

Following the general meeting each grade was opened to the parents where teachers outlined work to be taught this year. Coffee was served later.

### books and inviting them to join

the library — any library. She takes along a supply of books suitable for the particular grade she is visiting, shows the books to the children and usually reads a story and a poem. Miss McLaren finds this work particularly gratifying especially when, as happened last week, 24 children came in one afternoon to join the library after she had spoken at Henderson Avenue School in the morning.

The many friends she made during her years of residence in Thornhill will be glad to hear that Mrs. A. Galbraith is making a good recovery from a broken hip. She is now at St. John's Convalescent Hospital in Willowdale, able to get about a little on crutches and would no doubt be happy to welcome any of her Thornhill friends there. Mrs. Galbraith lived on Arnold Avenue for many years until she moved to North Toronto to live with her daughter last year.

### United Church News

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed at Thornhill United Church October 6. Solist at the 11 a.m. service was Mrs. G. Taylor who sang the Twenty-third Psalm.

A warm welcome was extended to the following persons who joined the church through profession of faith: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crisp of 191 Henderson Avenue, Mr. William Doherty of 77 Riverside Blvd., Mr. Douglas Fierheller and Misses Jane and Diane Fierheller of R. R. No. 1 Maple, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Higgins of 111 Arnold Avenue.

A warm welcome was also extended to the following who joined by certificate of transfer from other churches: Mr. and

### Mrs. Gordon Blacklock, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Blackborow, Miss Susanne and Mr. Brian Blackborow, Mr. John D. Carter, Mrs. Carol Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Colson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. E. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Edmunds, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fierheller, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hill, Mr. and Mrs. George Hobson, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Howson, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Lemire, Mr. Lloyd Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm B. Nasmith, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Oliver, Mrs. A. D. Rogers, Mrs. Leslie Sinko and Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Valliant.

On September 30, the sacrament of baptism was administered to David Paul Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gibson, Colleen Dawn Faragher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Faragher, Carol Elizabeth Jennings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Jennings and Donald George Lorimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Lorimer.

Anyone wishing to join with the Couples Club in their first meeting of the year, a bowling party, is invited to call 285-2569 so arrangements can be made for them to bowl.

The Young People's Union held their first meeting of the season October 6 at 7:30 p.m. Students from grade 12 up to 25 years are invited to attend this group.

Anyone who would like to act as a spare on the church bowling league is asked to call Mrs. A. London at 444-7567. The league bowls at North Yonge bowling alley every Wednesday evening from 7 to 9 p.m.

The various units of the U.C.W. are well into their fall activities. Unit 1 met at the home of Mrs. R. Whatley, 59 Elgin St., October 8. Unit 3 met October 10 at the home of Mrs. A. G. Sculthorpe, 168 Grandview Avenue at 8:30 p.m.; Unit

### 5 met at the church October 8 at 1:30 p.m.; and units 6 and 7 met in the church October 10 at 1:30 p.m.

The first regular meeting of the Explorers was held October 9 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

New leaders are required to help with the C.G.I.T. and anyone wishing to help is asked to call Miss Marion Davis at 285-1879.

Through their thankoffering, the congregation are helping to support two children in Hong Kong. Their names are Lam Chun Fay, 7 years old, and Hui Wai Yui, age 8.

### Baptist Church News

Under the direction of Mrs. R. G. Goadsby, a very attractive welcome was presented to the ladies of the Anna Buck Mission Circle in the Thornhill Baptist Church parlours October 2.

Theme of the evening was "India" and it was appropriately introduced by a hot chicken curry dinner. Baskets of fruit and beautiful flower arrangements enhanced the tasteful arrangements of the tables. As usual, a warm fellowship pervaded the entire group. Dr. M. C. Johnston and Mr. Carey Spurgeon were welcome guests.

After a short business meeting under the direction of the president, Mrs. M. C. Johnston, there was a period of devotion led by Mrs. W. D. McGowan and excerpts read from Dr. Daniel's new book describing rural and city life in India.

This was followed by a most interesting description by Mr. Spurgeon of his trip to India to visit his daughter, Rev. Muriel Spurgeon Carder, and her husband, both of whom have been doing missionary work there for some years. His coloured slides portrayed very vividly life in India and on the mission field.

A brief period of intercession for the missionaries followed and Dr. Johnston closed the meeting with the Coventry form of benediction.

### Presbyterian Church News

The next Sunday set aside for the sacrament of baptism at Thornhill Presbyterian Church is November 3 and anyone desirous of having their child baptized is asked to call Rev. Evans in good time.

Two guests will be welcomed to the pulpit on October 20. At the morning service, Rev. Hugh Davidson, D.D. of the Board of Stewards, will preach and at the evening service the congregation will hear Rev. W. Armstrong of Great Britain. This

### evening will be highlighting the work of the bible society.

At the evening service October 27, members of the Presbyterians will be reporting on the Thanksgiving weekend conference they attended at Peterborough.

The church is again participating in the Thornhill Church Hockey League. Forty boys are already registered but there is room for several more. The committee in charge expects to have one team each in the atom and bantam divisions and two in the pee-wee division. They also hope to have a team participating in the tyke league. Any boys between the ages of six and 13 who are interested in playing hockey may phone the church office from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Monday to Friday.

Miss Nancy Rowland, organist, would be happy to hear from anyone willing to serve in the church choir. Experienced or trained singers are not required; just those who enjoy singing and are willing to spend a few hours a week serving the church in this way.

A Cub pack consisting of 25 boys is well under way at the church, under the direction of Don Willison. To be in the Cubs, boys must be between the ages of 8 and 11. For further information, call Mr. Willison at HU. 3-7846.

Fourth Thornhill Scout Troop for boys from 12 to 15 years of age meets at the church Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The Scout troop, with 10 active scouts, in addition to their regular program, plan a father and son banquet this year, as well as several outings to such interesting places as the Dunlap Observatory.

Scoutmaster John Banks at B.A. 1-2426 and Assistant Scoutmaster John Kerr at B.A. 5-9028 would be glad to give any further information about the Scout troop.

November 3 the Women's Missionary Society will conduct the service with Rev. Earl Roberts of Nigeria as the speaker. The music that evening will be supplied by the Knox College choir.

### St. Luke's C.W.L.

The October meeting of the St. Luke's Catholic Women's League was held in St. Luke's school auditorium October 7 with the following newly-elected executive in charge: President Mrs. V. DeMarco, 1st Vice-President Mrs. J. Mallon, 2nd

### Vice-President Mrs. H. Norrish, Secretary Mrs. M. Yee, Treasurer Mrs. L. Loughran, Spiritual Convener Mrs. H. Potvin, Social Action and Immigration Convener Mrs. F. Martyniuk, Radio, TV, Films and Education Convener Mrs. G. Cheseldine and Catering Convener Mrs. T. Brunott.

The meeting voted to donate \$150 to Father Quinn to assist him in his work in the Dominican Republic. Father Quinn served St. Luke's parish during Father Crossland's vacation. He told of the great poverty of the people of the Dominican Republic and of his plans to help them by starting an agricultural college.

A Christmas membership tea will be held at the home of Mrs. J. Mallon December 1, the annual pot luck supper to take place later in the year.

A card party and social evening is to follow the November meeting as there is no guest speaker.

### Holy Trinity News

Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Thornhill, is in full swing with its fall stewardship education program, the theme of which is "Partnership in the Gospel". The phrase comes from St. Paul and suggests that it is a high privilege to be workers together with God in the spread of the gospel at home and abroad.

General chairman of the stewardship program is Mr. R. C. Napier with Mr. A. Hunter, assistant. Chairman and assistants of the contact committee are Mr. J. Barraclough, Mr. I. Brown and Mr. D. Hambleton. Mr. R. Byford will chair the publicity committee and the co-chairmen of the special events committee are Mr. R. Tyson and Mrs. R. Byford.

Two meetings will be held at the church under the chairmanship of the rector October 23 and October 28 at 8 p.m. The entire congregation will be invited to attend, including representatives from all sections of the parish — youth, men's and women's groups, Scouts, Guides, etc.

At these meetings, the rector will present a vision of the work to be done and opportunities to be taken up both in the parish and outside. Ample chance for discussion will be made available and encouraged. Some of the significant targets and themes of the Anglican Congress will be developed. A sense of stewardship will be encouraged, both of time and talents. Parishioners are being encouraged and expected to attend

### both meetings which promise to be the largest meetings held in the parish hall.

A congregational dinner will be held November 14 at 7 p.m. at the church, with the program designed around fellowship and stewardship. Further development of the central themes of the Anglican Congress will be featured.

### Nursery School

Parents of children attending the Thornhill Co-operative Nursery School are reminded of the first parents' meeting of the season, October 21, at the home of Mrs. B. Carruthers, 22 Uplands Ave. Speaker for the evening will be Mrs. Keith Barber. Mrs. Barber's topic will be "Music for the Pre-Schooler", a subject which should be of great interest to all parents of young children.

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### Muir Succeeds Jamieson At BNS

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Succeeding Mr. Jamieson is Archie Muir, a Toronto man of Scottish descent, who was formerly manager of the bank's Markham and Lawrence branch.

Mr. Muir joined the bank at Gerrard and Woodbine branch, in 1948. After training in several Toronto branches, he held the post of accountant at Queen and River and Spadina and Dupont branches and was credit officer at Yonge and Dundas. He is married to the former Jessie Irene Heathcote and the Muirs have a son, Peter, 10, and two daughters, Patricia, six, and Nancy Marie, a year old.

### Thornhill Couple Mark 25 Years

One hundred and fifty guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Nels Gage, 7490 Bayview Avenue October 6 to congratulate them on the occasion of the 25th wedding anniversary. With a sparkling day outside and a house banked with flowers inside, it was a gay gathering of friends, old and new.

Pouring tea at the attractively decorated table was the bridesmaid of 25 years ago, Mrs. G. C. Ashton who had travelled from Guelph for the occasion. Also pouring tea were Mr. Gage's sister, Mrs. G. Cox of Markham and Mrs. Gage's two sisters, Mrs. R. Crawford of Scarborough and Mrs. R. Lake of Toronto. Miss Mary Gage and her friend Miss Sharon Sturgeon assisted in serving.

Mrs. Gage received in a pink brocade dress with a lace inset in the front of the bodice. With this she wore a white orchid corsage.

While the bulk of the guests came from the Toronto and Scarborough area, guests also came from Peterborough, Oshawa, Guelph, Arthur, Lindsay and other points.

Mr. and Mrs. Gage who have lived in the Thornhill area for many years wish to express their thanks to the many friends whose presence made the day such a happy occasion.

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