

# Thornhill and District News

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## Community Happenings In Thornhill

The St. Joseph Morrow Park bridge, February 9, was most successful with more money collected than ever before. The evening started off with fair weather, but by departure time, the freezing rain had arrived and many people who had attended from all over the city, were confronted with hazardous driving conditions. Several people were given emergency accommodation at the convent for the night. For others, getting out of the parking lot on the slippery surface was a difficult feat. One of the Thornhill committee members arrived home to find a car in the middle of her front lawn!

The following day the flooding waters of the overflowing creeks and culverts on many Thornhill streets, plus the icy roads, kept many children home from school and caused business men to make a very late start. Arnold Avenue had six cars in the ditch and across the road and Thornridge Drive had blocked

culverts that caused heavy water on the road. Fortunately, by Friday things were back to normal again when a welcome drop in the temperature arrived.

Mrs. R. E. Dillane, John St. recently travelled down to Kemptville by train to attend the opening of her niece's beauty salon, 'Pat's Clip and Curl'. Mrs. Dillane was away for four days.

Mrs. Alan Maston, Longbridge Road, chairman of Canadian Heart Fund, Thornhill District, held a tea at her home on February 9 for those taking on a captain's job. Kits and material to organize canvassers in their local areas were distributed to the captains. If you are approached to canvass it is hoped that you will make every effort to help in some small way. It only takes an afternoon to make five or six calls so do please help if you can. February is "Heart Month". Give... so more may live. Remember, the heart you save could be your own.

Spring Fashions On February 22 a showing of spring fashions, jewellery and hair styling will be presented in Holy Trinity Parish Hall at 8 p.m. This interesting evening is being sponsored by the Harmony Group of the Parish Guild. Tickets are \$1.00 which includes door prizes and refreshments. Call Mrs. L. Saunders 285-5931 or 285-4271 for tickets, or any member of the group.

Fashions are from Calvert's Sportswear, Bayview Mall, Bayview & Finch; Jewellery from Cole's Jewellery in Thornhill; and hair styling by Don Perry of the Rialto Beauty Boutique. The new five minute hair colouring from Clairol will be featured in the show. Models appearing are Mrs. Tina Rose, Mrs. Elsie Parker, Mrs. Hazel Norrish, Mrs. Audrey Barnett, Mrs. Elaine Sutton, Mrs. Helen McNally, Mrs. Helen Griffin, Mrs. Jerry McNulty, Mrs. Muriel Wilcox, Mrs. Marilyn James, Miss Linda Jackson and Miss Rosemary Cordingley. Mrs. A. Jackson, owner of Calvert's Sportswear will do the commenting and the door prizes will be donated from the Rialto, Cole's and Calvert's.

to be remembered and saw a great many of the world's wonders and historical landmarks. Mr. Gibbins, a well known builder decided to return to Canada six months earlier than they had planned, (originally they were to be away two years) in order to build some homes for spring and summer occupancy. In September the Gibbins will return to their residence on Calvin-Chambers Cr. They are at present living in Richmond Hill.

Are you an old CGIT girl of 20 years ago? Or 30? Or 40? If so, you will be interested in the 50th anniversary tea the CGIT girls of Thornhill United Church are holding on February 27 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. A feature of the tea will be a fashion show of uniforms through the years. Come and see how yours stacks up with what the CGIT girls are wearing today. Tickets are 35c each and may be purchased at the door. Everyone is welcome — particularly old CGIT girls.

## Thornhill Students Donate Money To Handicapped Group

A gift from the Board of Student Senators of Thornhill Secondary School to the Association for Industrial Rehabilitation, has resulted in the purchase of some new equipment for the association's camera room.

Mary Sim, a resident of Richvale, and director of the Toronto organization, which employs former convicts and mental patients and other socially-handicapped people, said the students donated \$62.50 raised through various projects.

Miss Sim said the new equipment obtained by the donation, would help train a young man in photographic work.



(Photo by Barbour)

## Vaughan To Keep Markham Pupils

Pupils resident in Markham TSA No. 1 presently attending schools under the jurisdiction of Vaughan TSA Board will be allowed to continue to attend on a non-resident fee paying basis during the school year 1965-66, the Vaughan Board decided last Thursday night when it accepted a recommendation of its management committee. The Board of Markham TSA No. 1 had made its annual request for this, it was reported.

## The Man Who Came For A Month & Stayed Six

A visitor to Thornhill last year, J. G. Sutherland has found that his visit is lasting far longer than he anticipated.

Mr. Sutherland came from Scotland to visit his daughter Margaret Elton and her husband Harry, but became seriously ill some months ago and is still recuperating. In the meantime, the Eltons have had to move to Ottawa where Mr. Elton, a TV personality, received an appointment to CJOH, an independent station in the capital.

Mr. Sutherland, in a rich Scottish accent, can relate many interesting stories of his fascinating life. He left Scotland in 1908 and spent 25 years in business in Bolivia and other parts of South America before returning.

One interesting story Mr. Sutherland tells concerns the election to Parliament for Dundee of Sir Winston Churchill in 1910. Mr. Sutherland's brother, the late Rev. Lewis Sutherland was attending St Andrew's University at the time and was one of the students who pulled Sir Winston's carriage through the streets after his victory.

Rev. Sutherland later became rector of the pre-reformation Church of Holy Rood at Stirling. He once had the honor of being the guest of King George VI at Balmoral Castle for a weekend when he preached at Crathie, the church in Aberdeen where the royal family worship when in residence there.

Mr. Sutherland is presently staying at the home of Miss F. Neale on Brooke St. and hopes to return to Scotland shortly.

## Dedicate New Flags

The 2nd Thornhill, Concord and Langstaff Guides beat the gun when they had their new maple leaf flags dedicated February 14 at Thornhill Presbyterian Church.

Shown with their new flags, donated by the Thornhill Lions Club, are Dale Dawson of the 1st Langstaff Company, with Lion R. W. Adams behind her, Susan Burrigge, 2nd Thornhill Company with Lion Dennis Moore in the rear, and Gloria Bowes, 1st Concord Company with Lion Eilert Sand behind her.

## No Flag In Interim

## TSA To Hold Ceremony When New Flags Arrive

The four schools in TSA 1 Markham will fly Canada's new flag as soon as it can be obtained. In the meantime, no flags will be flown at the schools. It was decided at the February 10 meeting of the board.

A letter from Education Minister William Davis was read advising that regulations are being amended to authorize the flying of the new flag. It was suggested that where possible the new flag be raised at the schools on February 15 and that a ceremony be held to time with the official flag raising in Ottawa at noon on that day.

The board decided to hold an appropriate ceremony at each school when the flags were received. Chairman Louise Aime suggested that the children who lunch at school be allowed to watch the Ottawa ceremony on TV on February 15. Trustee Brian Leonard suggested that those who go home for lunch be let out 15 minutes before noon, so they could watch it at home.

Trustees were reminded of the area public speaking contest in which 8 children would compete at 16th Avenue School February 12. Supervising Principal Eilert Sand displayed a handsome Winston dictionary which is to be awarded to the first place winner.

Township finals will be held at the Markham Township municipal chambers March 1 at 8 p.m. Prizewinners here will receive world globes.

A letter from Henderson Avenue Home & School Association invited members of the board to take part in a program entitled "Meet the New School Board" at Henderson School March 22. Chairman Aime requested Mr. Sand to ask for more information as to what the board members are expected to do at the meeting.

Approval was given at the meeting to a policy concerning the use of school grounds in conjunction with parkland and the board declared that it would co-operate with Markham Township parks and recreation committee in planning maximum use of the combined areas for the community.

There is parkland adjacent to both Henderson Avenue and Bayview Glen schools and it was felt that sports activities, playgrounds, etc. would be operated in the parks and use made of the school facilities.

The board also gave approval and instructed the supervising principal to obtain preliminary applications for a centennial tree planting project which is being sponsored jointly by the Department of Education and the Department of Lands and Forests.

School boards have been asked to make land available for

tree planting. The Department of Lands and Forests will help school boards locate suitable lands, provide trees and supervise their planting.

A letter from the Waterloo Public School Board was read thanking the board for its hospitality on January 26. Members of the Waterloo Board and some of their officials visited three TSA 1 schools at the suggestion of Frank Nicol of the Department of Education.

The Waterloo people were much impressed with the schools, admiring such features as the cloakrooms which are recessed in hallways and cut down on traffic congestion, and the library facilities in the schools. A group of Waterloo school principals subsequently visited the schools February 11.

The many fine architectural features in the schools had excited considerable interest from architects and the supervising principal reports that he frequently has groups of architects coming to view the schools.

Trustee Leonard reported for the education committee and announced that Miss Barbara Smith, director of elementary school library services is to visit the York 3 inspectorate March 2. She will make a survey of library services in the area in the morning, meet with principals and interested teachers at 4 p.m. and in the evening, meet with the three school boards in Mr. Hallman's inspectorate.

In Vice-Chairman John MacKay's report for the property committee it was noted that the York County Health Unit had drawn attention to malfunctioning of the tile bed at 16th Avenue School Mr. MacKay said however, that corrective measures had been taken to rectify the situation.

Mr. MacKay reported too that final approval had been received from the Department of Education for the addition at 16th Avenue; the fire marshal had approved a sketch plan of the Bayview Glen addition; and working drawings of the Bayview Glen and Woodland additions would be ready by February 22.

Mr. Sand reported that enrollment for January was 1,470 and attendance 93.01%. Bus transportation had been cancelled February 10 because of icy roads.

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## Phoebe E. Cameron

A long time resident of Thornhill, Phoebe Ethelwin Cameron, widow of William Archibald Cameron, died at her home on Elgin St. on February 2, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Cameron was a daughter of the late Sir John and Lady Aird. She was born in Toronto, grew up in Winnipeg and met her husband in England during the First World War while he was convalescing from wounds and she was serving as a VAD. They lived in Toronto until 1936 when they built a house on Bayview Avenue named Lindalie after the old Cameron homestead in York Mills.

After the Second World War they built another Lindalie on Elgin Street and Mrs. Cameron took a great interest in developing a beautiful garden on the former farm land. A friendly person she enjoyed people, travelling, music and art, and was a member of Holy Trinity Church, and of Holy Trinity W.A.

Mrs. Cameron lost a son William Archibald, and a daughter, Eleanor, in infancy, and childhood. Her husband died in 1958. She leaves a son Kenneth Aird Cameron, three grandchildren Douglas, Catherine and Gillian Cameron; two brothers Hugh, and John Aird; and a sister, Mrs. F. I. Lewis, all of Toronto.

The funeral service in Holy Trinity Church, on February 4, was conducted by the rector, the Rev. H. R. Howden. Mrs. Cameron had expressed a wish to be cremated.

## CRESTWOOD ROAD NEWS

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May 22 is the date chosen for the wedding of Lynda Joanne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Dament, Garden Avenue, Richvale, and Martin John Francis, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. William Francis, Crestwood Road. Pte. Martin Francis is home on a month's leave from Kingston where he has undergone some rugged training these past few months.

Congratulations to Joan Peters, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Peters, pupil of grade 8 Powell Road School, who competed in the finals of Vaughan Township public speaking contest. Her topic was "Wild Life Conservation".

Powell Road Home and School met February 9. President Mrs. Olive St. John welcomed all members and friends. B. Brown demonstrated the new Commander machine which the association is purchasing for the use of the teachers. It is a photocopier which will save the staff several hours handwork. Proceeds of the fun fair to be held in May will be used to purchase the machine.

The teachers were pleased at getting this machine now and being able to use it immediately. It was birthday party night with everyone enjoying the games. Twelve cakes were made to represent the months of the year and each person sat at the table which was centred by their birthday month's cake. Lucky names were drawn at each table and each received the remainder of the cake. Mrs. Sha-

rey won the grade prize for the month. Socials Congratulations to Mrs. Marion Flear who recently received her pin and diploma from North York Red Cross on completing a 14 week winter course in home nursing and patient care. Neighbors and friends will be glad to hear Mrs. Josephine Nosan, who was hit by a car while walking along Crestwood Road is progressing well in Branson Hospital.

Rev. and Mrs. H. Johnson, Newtonbrook Baptist Church, were involved in a motor accident near Barrie. Both were taken to hospital. Mr. Johnson was released after treatment but Mrs. Johnson had to remain for further treatment. She was transferred to Branson Hospital and is progressing well.

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