

Thornhill and District News

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Langstaff Wins Attendance Trophy

Edward M. Wells, principal of Langstaff Public School is shown, right, receiving from Joseph A. Gibson, retired Vaughan Township superintendent of public schools, the Joseph A. Gibson Trophy for the highest pupil attendance during the school year, 1963-64. Looking on, left, is present Superintendent D. R. MacDonald. The presentation was made at Langstaff School February 15. The Langstaff Trophy was for schools with five or more rooms. The trophy for one to four room schools was won by Hope School.

Community Happenings In Thornhill

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. George Furse on the death of their daughter, Helen Mary, who died in the Toronto General Hospital on February 13. Mrs. Furse is on the teaching staff of Thornhill Secondary School and Helen was a former student at the school.

For anyone who hasn't as yet ordered "Thornhill-an Ontario Village" by Doris Fitzgerald, don't lose any time in doing so. This book should be read by all Thornhill residents, past and present. Many names will be recognized and the early days of life in Thornhill are fascinating to read about.

Birthday greetings to Gordie Patton, Thornhill Dr. who recently had a birthday celebration.

Mrs. M. J. Walker of 48 Longbridge Road attended the Canadian Cancer Society convention held at the Westbury Hotel on February 13 and 14. All the campaign chairmen of Ontario met at this convention.

Thornhill Secondary School

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played a great deal of agility. Patricia Crum, billed as "The Thornhill Thrush", sang two delightful popular selections for her appreciative audience. A hilarious skit on the life of a curler followed, entitled "This Is Your Life" and was cleverly performed. Elaine Steketee, Rae King, Marg Stevens, Grace Golds, Antia Clarke, Kay Crouter, Marg Reed and Muriel Wilcox played their parts well and kept the audience delighted throughout. Helen Perry, not easily recognized in her amusingly absurd costume, announced scene changes with signs pegged to a curling broom. "The Rockettes", Enid Cribb, Mavor Hood, Mae Shore, Cecile Colwell, Marg. Forsythe and Nancy Butler, complete with false eyelashes, fancy shoes, baubles, bangles and beads, closed the show with a rousing performance of the Charleston. Much credit for the show's success goes to Angela Huff, Laura Johnson and Elaine Steketee who were responsible for writing the songs and skits performed.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Grainger, 20 Thornbridge Drive, with their daughter Suzanne, spent a delightful month in Florida recently where they visited West Palm Beach, the Keys and Delray Beach. The Thornhill Golf and Country Club has been presented with a colour television set for the lounge by Tom Gibson of Danforth Radio. Many members will be delighted to hear the news.

On the Teachers Convention holiday of February 17, many children from Thornhill were seen at the movie "Mary Poppins" with their mothers. For those parents who are still mystified by a lengthy, ridiculous-sounding word, spouted without hesitation by their young offspring — the word, supercalifragilisticexpialidocious, is now defined clearly as extraordinarily stupendous!

Thornhill residents welcome Mr. and Mrs. J. Stephenson and their three children, who moved recently from Maple to Donna Mae Crescent, Thornhill.

The Kai-Beta group of young people from Thornhill United held a successful dance February 20 in the church hall. The Beep Preachers, a rock 'n' roll band with the Liverpool sound, played for the dancing and were much enjoyed by the many Thornhill young people who attended. Blake McMaster is president of the Kai-Beta.

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On February 17 and 18 the annual Sunfleck Bonspiel (ladies) was held at the Thornhill Country Club. Dinner was served on February 17 at two sittings to guests and members, and entertainment was put on by the Thornhill lady curlers. The sparkling show opened with a dance number by "The Bluebells" in a high kick routine. Several Thornhill ladies, Eleanor Edwards, Peg Hooper, Marg Stevens and Anita Clark participated in a physical education demonstration.

A similar program an "open house" and a physical education display, will be held at 16th Avenue School on March 12 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Henderson Avenue School will lead off with their celebration on March 8, also between the hours of 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Here too, the parents as well as visiting the classrooms, will see children from various grades participate in a physical education demonstration.

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Last week Percy Bone, 48 Kirk Drive, was host to members of the Bernard Club of Toronto. The club meets once a month and the members arrive in time for desert and coffee. The Bernard Club is named after a street in Toronto near St. Paul's Avenue Road United Church. When the literary club was formed it was made up of members of a Sunday school class from St. Paul's, which was then Methodist church. For over forty years these members have kept together, and have lost only one member, Private George Dalziel, who was killed overseas. Interesting talks, topics of the day and current events are discussed at their meetings, with all members playing an active part. Their leader these many years had been R.T. Birks, prominent Toronto lawyer, who was the Sunday school teacher at the time of the club conception. Mr. Birks recently moved to Kincardine, Ontario, but still attends as many meetings as possible. Four or five topics are prepared by the editor and members choose among them for the lively discussion with takes place. Recent topics were the Canadian political scene and a controversial book. An "At Home" night is held annually when wives of the club are invited to attend. This club is indeed unique. Few clubs, if any, have remained intact after a forty year period, with the loss of only one of their original members.

CRESTWOOD ROAD NEWS

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Afternoon Meeting "Fun Fair" work meeting will be held Thursday afternoon (today) at 135 Crestwood Road. Candy sale will be held at Powell Road School, February 26 at 1:00 p.m., with the ladies in charge. Coffee party will be held March 2 at 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 133 Crestwood. Hostesses will be Mrs. Iris McEwen, Mrs. Barbara Rogers and Mrs. Kitty Wilkinson. Proceeds will go to the home and school association.

Open House Powell Road School Open House will be held March 9 at 7:00 p.m. There will be a short home and school meeting first with guest speakers A. Elson, principal, and R. Anderson, guidance teacher Thornhill Secondary School. Parents may visit various rooms and speak with their children's teacher. Refreshments will be served during the evening.

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Women's World Day Of Prayer

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In recognition of this need, the women of the world gather for the annual World Day of Prayer service, held each year the first Friday in Lent.

The service this year has been written by a gifted American negro, Mrs. Jesse Jai McNeil on the theme "What doth the Lord require of thee."

For the Thornhill area, the service will be held in the Presbyterian church on Friday, March 5 at 2 p.m. Speaker will be Mrs. J. M. Burnett, vice-president of the executive council of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. A resident of Willowdale, Mrs. Burnett has had wide experience in missionary work and is well aware of the needs of the day.

It is hoped there will be good representation from all the churches in the area.

To enable young mothers to share in the service there will be nursery accommodation for young children.

DONCASTER

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Doncaster Community Ladies Club will celebrate its 17th anniversary when it holds its next meeting at the home of Mrs. A. Bragan, 104 Glen Cameron Avenue, March 10.

Friends and neighbors of Mrs. J. M. Barbour are saddened to learn that she is ill again and is back in York Central Hospital.

Birthday greetings go out to Cynthia Holliday, 49 Johnson Avenue, who celebrated her eighth birthday, February 16, and to Craig Vincent, Henderson Avenue, who was five on February 20.

Frank Huxworth, Clark Avenue, is in Branson Hospital recovering from elbow surgery. His friends and neighbors wish him a speedy recovery.

Visiting the H. Mizens, Sprucewood Drive, for a few days are their son, Charles, Allenford, Ont., and his wife and three daughters, Janice, Joyce and Nora.

Islam Third In Series Great Religious Talks

"Great Religions of the World" a film series continues at the North York Public Library, Downsview Branch, 2793 Keele Street, Downsview on March 4 at 7:30 p.m. The third film of this series will tell the story of ISLAM. The film explores the faith of the Muslims, taking you to Mecca, birthplace of the Prophet Mohammed, and to the shrine of Islam's holy of holies, the Ka'aba, or Cube. Following the routes of Muslim conquest you see shrines of holy men and heroes from Cairo to Pakistan. Wherever you go in this vast empire, the power of Islam is apparent in soaring domes and noble architecture of the great cities. Against this background the film relates the history of Mohammed and his rise to leadership, spiritual and temporal. Mr. R. Malik will lead the discussion.

The fourth film of the series will be shown on April 1 at 7:30 p.m. It is entitled "Four Religions". The public is invited to attend. There is no admission charge.

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Horticulturists See Slides Of Eight Fellow Members' Gardens

A good turn-out of members and friends of the Thornhill Horticultural Society heard their President Joseph Wain, proprietor of Wain's Greenhouses in Willowdale, discuss the new annuals for 1965 at the February 16 meeting of the society.

Among the new petunias he recommended were Apple Blossom, Meteor, a red and white variety, Moon Glow and Brass Pand. Among the double hybrid multifloras, he mentioned Honey Bunch, a salmon pink, Cherry Tart, red and white and Strawberry Tart.

Among the good new zinnias are Yellow Zenith, Princess Zenith, Bonanza and Fire-cracker. The gold coin series of marigolds are also new and worth investigating Mr. Wain said. These are Doubleloon, Sovereign, and Double Eagle.

A new geranium, Nittany Lion was also highly recommended. For snapdragons, Mr. Wain thought the new Floral Carpet worth trying. For borders, he mentioned a new Dianthus called Baby Doll. This comes in contrasting colors and grows four to six inches high. Two new dwarf ageratum were also recommended for borders, Blue Mist and Blue Blazer.

Although it is not an annual, Mr. Wain made particular mention of Connecticut Yankee, a newly introduced delphinium. This is smaller than the Pacific hybrids, reaching between two and three feet high and comes in mixed colors. Mr. Wain also suggested that members might be interested in growing some flowering kale.

This is a member of the cabbage family and comes from Japan. It has interesting fringed and colored leaves and is useful in flower arranging, Mr. Wain said.

Members also enjoyed seeing slides picturing favorite garden shots of other members. M. Watson of Master Feeds Farms had some lovely slides as did Betty Hansen, L. Atkinson, R. H. Whatley, Joy Whitehead, Allan Sumner and Margaret Harris. Mrs. Harris' slides included, as well as scenes in her own garden, some from the garden of an octogenarian at Whitney, Ontario and a picture of Thornhill's four delegates to last year's convention of the Ontario Horticultural Society.

Mr. Wain also showed some slides of gardens in Norway, Sweden and England as well as some night pictures taken locally which had won prizes at the camera club competition.

A letter was read from Mrs. S. M. Baxter of Old Yonge Street. Mrs. Baxter said she had been a member of the society for 35 years and although she is no longer able to get out to meetings, she sent in her membership fee. She is always interested in reading of the society's activities in the local press, she wrote.

Vacancies on the executive have been filled by Mrs. N. Riley who has agreed to serve as secretary; Tony Hayes, treasurer and Mrs. Jean Briggs who has agreed to help Charlie Williamson sell membership cards. Notices are being sent out by Mrs. B. Condon.

Bayview Glen Pupil Is Winner TSA 1 Markham Public Speaking

Glen Smith of Bayview Glen Public School and Frances Bishop and Tom Robinson, both from Henderson Avenue Public School, were winners of the three top places in the annual speaking contest of TSA 1 Markham. The competition was held Thursday evening of last week at 16th Avenue Public School.

The area board presented first prize-winner, Glen Smith, with a trophy and all contestants with dictionaries.

Eight contestants in all competed. They were: Jeff Davis and Glen Smith from Bayview Glen, Allen Brooks and Manfred Schulman from 16th Avenue, Jan O'Hagen and Ann Roswell from Woodland, and Frances Bishop and Tom Robinson from Henderson Avenue.

Judges were Bruce Mickleborough, editor of "The Courier"; Elmer McFadden, principal of Woodbridge Public School; and Peter Ross, vice-principal of Crosby Heights and Beverley Acres Public Schools in Richmond Hill.

The top three orators from TSA 1 will now compete at Buttonville on March 1 against the top three from TSA 2 and one contestant from the separate school. Winner of the township contest will then compete for county honors at Newmarket on March 8.

MARKHAM: A cenotaph committee has been organized in Markham to promote the erection of a memorial in remembrance of those who served in two world wars in all branches of the armed forces.

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The big shift takes place each spring with increased regularity. People move across the street or across the city in search of a bigger home, a smaller apartment, or a more fashionable address.
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