

# Thornhill and District News

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## Thornhill Rovers Do A Good Job

(Photo by Barbour)

The entire membership of Thornhill Rovers swarms over a car during the washarama last Saturday at Wilson's Esso Service Station, Yonge and Arnold Streets. From eight in the morning till four in the afternoon the four Rovers worked continuously to do a first-rate job for their many patrons and report the event was highly successful. Left to right are: Dave Horton, Paul Spafford, Tom Swabey and Dave Cann, the Thornhill Rovers.

## Community Happenings In Thornhill

Birthday greetings to Mrs. R. Shelton, Bill Paterson, Bill Wilcox, A. Walker, Patricia Sawyer, Fred Goodwin, Stephen Marks, Barry and Bruce Paterson, Peter Shelton, John and Douglas MacLeod and all others who have celebrated birthdays this month.

The wind-up for the Thornhill Willow Marathon Bridge Club was held at the home of Mrs. Pearl Crisp, Henderson Avenue, on May 10.

First prize winner of the marathon bridge games went to Mrs. Ida Blacklock and her prize was a lovely purse. Second prize, a pin and carrying set, went to Mrs. Patsy Bean and third prize a set of towels, went to Mrs. Ann Morwick.

Winner for the evening bridge game was Mrs. Patsy Bean who won a petal shaped candlestick holder of green glass.

After the bridge playing, a decorated cake with the winners' names and a bridge design, especially baked and iced for the event, was served with coffee and refreshments.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Phinimore on the recent birth of their son, John Scott, at Branson Hospital.

Best wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Campbell, Elgin St. on the recent adoption of their three delightful children, Julie, aged 11, Bobby, aged 10 and Debbie, aged five.

The Thornhill Ladies Bowling League held its closing banquet at the Summit View Gardens Restaurant May 11.

Sitting at the head table with the executive were the Broadside team, captained by Ev Burden, who finished in first place at the end of the season.

After a delicious chicken dinner was served, President Lyn Radford awarded the prizes to the winning teams and individual high scorers.

Winners of the playoffs were the Defenders, captained by Billy Maver, who by some stroke of luck managed to squeeze a win from the first place team. (I feel free to make this statement, being a member of the Defender team.)

Individual prize winners were Mary Redman, Fran Clark, Ev Burden, Lyn Radford and Doreen Marks. A special prize for the bowler who had shown the most improvement over the season went to Janey Hutton.

Mrs. Radford agreed to remain as president for next season and will have with her for a second year, Mrs. Ev Burden as treasurer and Mrs. Ruth Brain as secretary.

A large selection of lovely door prizes were given out at the close of the banquet.

Congratulations to Mary Potvin, Elmbank Rd. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Potvin who graduated recently from St. Michael's Hospital School of Nursing. The ceremony took place in convocation hall where eighty nine nurses received their diplomas. Mary is a graduate of Thornhill Secondary School.

Congratulations also to Don

Cameron, Thornbridge Dr. who recently graduated from Ryerson Polytechnical Institute.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. William McChesney, Shaasta Drive, on the tragic death of their son Robert William on May 10 and to his sisters Mary Ellen and Patricia.

On May 10 the ladies from the Park Avenue Approved Home in Newmarket were once again treated to a hair "do" at the Rialto Beauty Boutique where Mrs. Jean Gain assisted the hairdressers with the shampoo.

After the hair appointments were completed, the patients were driven to the home of Mrs. Claire Moore for a dinner party. Mrs. Peggy Robinson supplied the dessert for the party and Mrs. Gretchen Walker and Mrs. Phyllis Bishop drove the ladies from Newmarket to the Rialto and to Mrs. Moore's home.

After dinner, the ladies attended the performance at Rose-lawn Public School put on by the Langstaff Home and School entitled "Extravaganza '65" which they all thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. Helen McNally joined the group at the show and afterwards drove the ladies back to Newmarket.

Get well wishes to Bill Herbert who is a patient in the Toronto Western Hospital.

Congratulations to Dr. Bill Stratton, John St. who recently graduated in Dentistry from U of T.

Susan Jane Kearns, Kirk Drive, was confirmed by the Right Rev. Frederick Wilkinson, Bishop of Toronto, in the Church of the Annunciation, Willowdale, on May 9. Susan was presented by Rev. F. C. Jackson, curate of Holy Trinity Church, Thornhill. Prepared for confirmation by Rev. H. R. Howden, Susan missed the confirmation service at Holy Trinity because she was recovering from surgery in the Hospital For Sick Children at that time.

Jimmy MacKenzie, a pupil at Woodland Public School was accidentally burned in a firecracker accident last week and was lucky to have escaped more serious injury. Another boy received slight injury to his eye from a spark when he endeavored to assist Jimmy.

This weekend is firecracker time and this should serve as a warning to all parents and children. Indiscriminate use of firecrackers in the hands of inexperienced children can be a very dangerous thing. Please supervise the letting off of firecrackers and enjoy the holiday weekend.

**Baptist Church**  
The Anna Buck circle of Thornhill Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. W. Burdette in convocation hall, Hillside Drive, Concord on May 12. The president Mrs. H. Ellam opened the meeting with the reading of a poem about spring time and then led the group in prayer.

A very encouraging financial

## Gay Variety Show

### "Extravaganza '65" Big Hit At Langstaff Home And School Meet

Fred Lett, a witty and relaxed MC kept the audience amused with his patter between the acts of "Extravaganza '65" given as the entertainment for the Langstaff Home and School Auxiliary annual meeting on May 10. A tall version of Mickey Rooney, Mr. Lett was ably assisted by Con McElhew, a very amusing character who had travelled from Kingston to assist Mr. Lett. Mr. McElhew told some very funny stories, one of them being particularly amusing about a French-Canadian.

The show opened with the Langstaff Lassies, Jean Andrew, Joanne Gaetz, Isobel Higgs, Elsie Maston and Ruthann Walker, who sang a rousing welcome number dressed as cheer leaders. Marguerite Mote accompanied them on the piano.

Marg Lett, a petite musical dynamo played several selections on the accordion and gave many encores for her demanding audience. Mrs. Lett and Howard Devereit, who accompanied her on drums, are accomplished performers and deserved the tremendous applause they received. Particularly outstanding were the "Medley of Overtures", "Gershwin Medley" and "Scottish Songs".

Norma Leaman, a small girl with a big voice, looked lovely in a white and cornflower blue evening gown, when she sang "With A Song In My Heart", "Napoli" and "I Enjoy Being A Girl". Mrs. Leaman was received warmly by her delighted audience. Versatile Mrs. Leaman returned later in the program when she danced a charming tap routine and soft shoe number.

One of the highlights of the show was the outstanding performance of the "Sad Six" who

played several jive, Dixieland numbers. Dressed in gay waistcoats, bow ties and straw hats the Sad Six consisted of: Dr. Murn Walker, trombone; Stan Draper, trumpet; Don McGregor, drums; Tom Morgan, vibes; Wally Leaman, gut bucket; Al Maston, piano.

A lively chorus line called the Langstaff Lovelies danced the Charleston and brought cheers for their performance. They were dressed in costumes of the roaring twenties complete with fancy stockings, hairbands and beads. Led by vivacious Anita Clark, the Lovelies were Vicki Doherty, Marg Thourard, Hermine Thompson, Gwen Sands, Eileen Staddon and Louise Turpenney.

The audience was convulsed with laughter when the Langstaff Lassies, dressed in similar 1920 costumes, gave their rendition of "Shed A Little Tear for the Girls In the Rear". The Lassies, not to be outdone by the chorus line, also showed their agility in the dancing department.

A humorous barbershop quartet, Henry Cunningham, Bill Howes, Jim Kearns and John Stephens sang "My Honey That I Love So Well" on rather a flat note, and for an encore received much laughter when they repeated the same number, this time right on key.

The show closed with the entire company in the grand finale singing "Hello Dolly".

This was a sparkling show, studded with comedy and talented performers and worthy of a repeat performance. Marg and Fred Lett directed and were ably assisted by John Phillips, stage manager; Roy Pickthall, sound equipment; Anita Clark, choreographer; Hugh Martin, vocal training; Pat Cunningham and Penny Joliffe were in

charge of publicity.

Prior to the show, President Dr. Murn Walker spoke briefly and thanked the executive and room mothers for their work over the past year. Reports were read by Treasurer Mrs. Babe Toms and the Secretary Mrs. Joliffe.

## Road Building Program For Thornhill

Thornhill Village Trustees will embark on a modest road program, it was announced at the May 5 meeting.

Up until now roads have been given an asphalt-oil treatment each year but this does not provide a permanent surface. Keeping within a budget and doing only one stretch each year, the village will conduct a road-building program to up-grade the roads to a higher standard. Chairman Judges indicated that some—perhaps many—of the roads are not on a proper base and will have to be rebuilt.

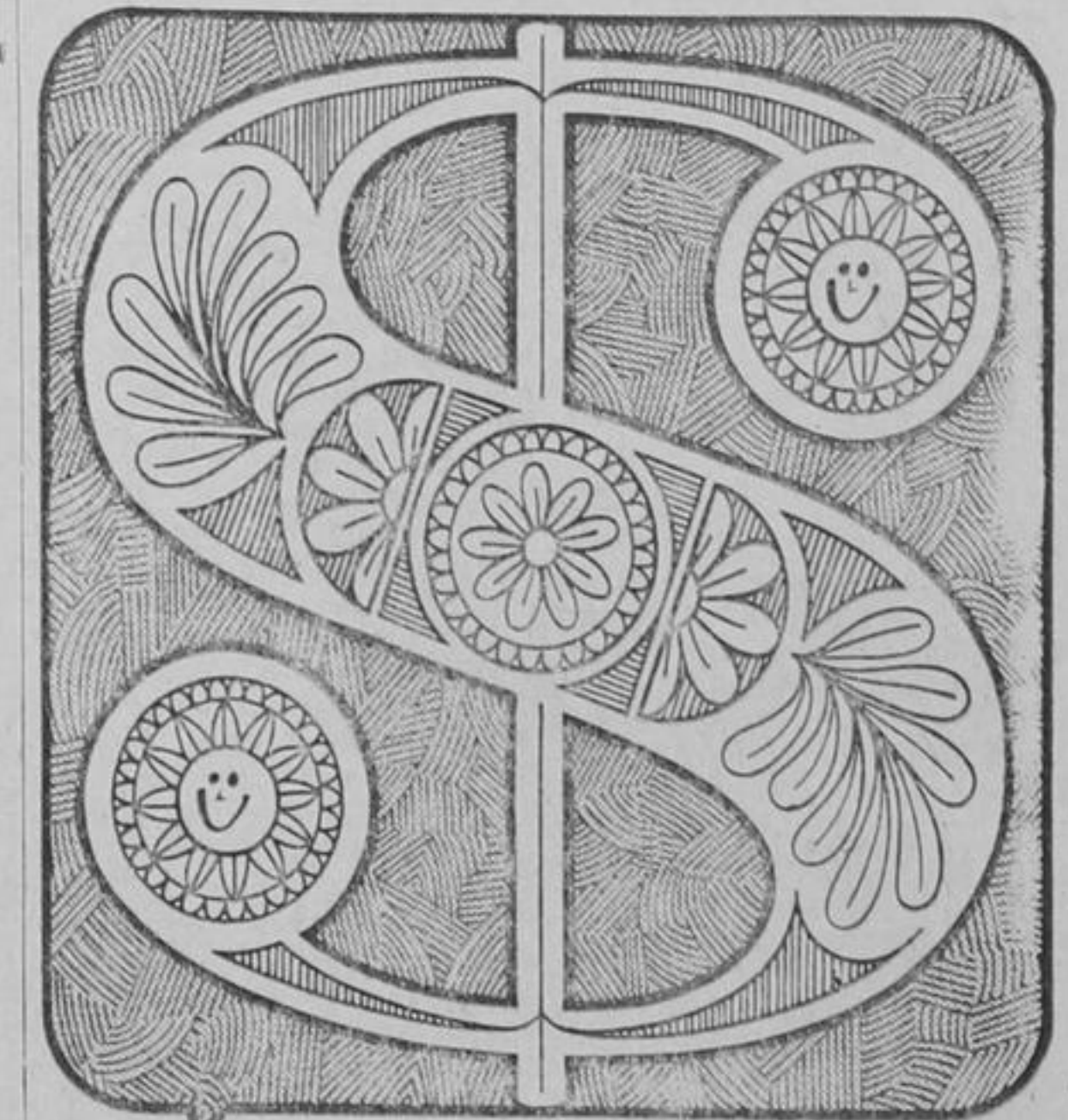
Drainage is also a problem in some areas, as on the small hill on Brooke Street, and these conditions are being taken up with township authorities.

Before work is begun, a survey will be made of all the roads within the confines of the village.

Although the trustees met twice earlier this spring with officials from both Vaughan and Markham Townships to discuss the possible dissolution of the village and its takeover by the townships, it was decided to hold the matter in abeyance until the Goldenberg Report on Metro government is received and studied.

Accordingly, no change in the village status is anticipated this year.

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