

South Thornhill News

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On Road 3 Weeks

Senior Citizens Enjoy Trip West

Fifteen senior citizens from Thornhill, along with 23 Toronto members, returned June 14 from a wonderful three week holiday to the west coast. The group travelled in a new and very comfortable Trailways bus driven by Jack Lystra. Jack helped considerably in making the trip a happy one by being an excellent driver and by taking a personal interest in everything on their journey.

The group travelled 5,340 miles on their trip was a first stop on the trip was at Sault Ste. Marie where they saw the Centennial train when it arrived. The train was parked at the siding near their hotel. The beautiful scenery through the rocky country to Port Arthur, next stop on the schedule, was lovely and enjoyed by everyone. After spending one night there the bus left for Winnipeg where the senior citizens spent a night at the St. Regis Hotel.

After leaving Winnipeg en route to Swift Current the group experienced some excitement when they ran into a very strong wind with blowing sand and it gave them a visual idea of what a sandstorm is like with tumble weeds blowing in the fields. Next stop was Kamloops and then on to Lake Louise. The group was surprised to see snow on the ground at Lake Louise and some members posed for pictures while they shovelled snow and made snowballs.

From Lake Louise the bus journeyed to Vancouver where everyone enjoyed five days of sightseeing in ideal weather. The azalea, beautiful shrubs and rhododendrons were in full bloom and a beautiful sight to see. The hotel accommodation was excellent and was situated in the centre of town within walking distance to the shops. Guided tours were arranged to Granite Falls, where the group had lunch and viewed the falls that are 450 feet high, a tour of the British Properties and a visit to Stanley Park. Mrs. A. Holmes visited with relatives in Burnaby one day and was taken on a tour of the Sunken Gardens, Simon Fraser University and the University of British Columbia.

While in Vancouver several members visited the Geisha Gardens and were greeted by a Japanese lady who turned out to be a former resident of Aurora. She was thrilled to see people from the area and presented them with chopsticks and serviettes as a souvenir of their visit.

A tour of Victoria Island was a highlight of the trip when the senior citizens sailed around the island. The weather was delightful and lunch was enjoyed at the Empress Hotel. While in Victoria the group were fascinated to see the monkey trees that have limbs resembling monkey's tails.

On the journey back east the bus drove through the Okanagan Valley, the fruit growing district, stayed overnight at Kelowna and spent two nights and a day at Banff.

In Banff the travellers stayed at the Cascade Hotel and were taken on a tour. Some of the braver members went up on the gondola lift on Sulphur Mountain and had tea at the chalet. Others visited the Indian Museum and found it to be most interesting. While in Banff they fed deer and saw buffalo but not a sign of bear. The weather was rainy and cool but the senior citizens amused themselves in the evening by bowling.

One day the group visited Hot Springs where the rock caves have a most unusual stone formation and are a beautiful sight to see. Here an early pioneer discovered the spring when it was shown him by an Indian. Indians lowered their sick people through a natural hole at the top of the cave and found the warm spring water to be beneficial to their health. A few of the senior citizens had a dip in the spring water that has been enclosed for swimming.

Ski slides were pointed out by the guide at Hot Springs who told them that in the ski season sometimes as many as 20 ambulances could be seen carrying away injured skiers. He gave them an encouraging note however that they had few fatalities but broken bones were a common injury.

The bus stopped over in Swift Current, Winnipeg and Sault Ste. Marie on the last leg of the journey and arrived in Thornhill June 14.

All agreed that it was a wonderful trip and well worth every moment they spent on the tour.

Thornhill senior citizens who were members of the group were Mrs. Nan Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Baker, Mrs. F. Chambers, Mrs. A. Holmes, Mrs. C. Walker, Mrs. Stella Longley, Mrs. Alice Weaver, Alf Blackman, A. Sturton, Mr. and Mrs. M. Davidson, Mrs. L. Petrie.

Sympathy
Sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. Vollenberg, 85 Henderson Avenue, on the passing of his mother, in Holland. The Vollenbergs had planned a trip to Holland later this summer, but changed their plans to arrive there before Mrs. Vollenberg Sr. died. Mrs. Vollenberg Jr. and the children stayed a few weeks with relatives in Apeldoorn, Holland, before returning home.

Neighborhood Notes
Mr. and Mrs. Ron Cunningham, Sault Ste. Marie, spent a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. Cole, Sprucewood Drive.

Mrs. Jean Cole, Sprucewood Drive, is visiting her son in Oakville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Cole had a weekend visit from Mrs. Cole's brother, Joe Walker and Mrs. Walker from Chalk River.

Friends and neighbors of Mrs. J. Baker, Clarke Avenue, are pleased to hear she is home after a week in York Central Hospital.

Miss Carol Fox, Glencameron Road, is spending the summer working at Highway Beach.

Mrs. W. Garnett, 60 Glencameron Road, is recuperating at home following surgery at Branson Hospital.

A happy birthday is wished for Danny McArthur, Clarke Avenue, who will be four years old July 5 and for David Dean, Morgan Avenue, who will be 12 on July 4.

Mrs. B. Taccaroni and son, 138 Henderson Ave., are home from the hospital.

Friends and former neighbors of Richard Barbour are sorry to hear that he is in Branson Hospital. A speedy recovery is wished for him.

Kindergarten and grade 1 of Woodland School accompanied by teachers Mary Honey and Elizabeth Taylor, enjoyed a day at Riverdale Zoo, June 23. They travelled by bus and took a picnic lunch.

Susan Armstrong, infant daughter of Gordon and Dale Armstrong, 68 Steeles Avenue, was christened at St. Patrick's Church, Lillian Avenue, June 25. Mr. and Mrs. E. Armstrong and Mrs. O. Anstey, Steeles Avenue, were godparents.

Neighbors and friends of Mrs. Wilhelmina O'Neil, Highland Park, are glad to see she is home from Branson Hospital and wish her a rapid recovery.

Miss Stella Ashley from Manchester, England, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson, Woodward Avenue, and other relatives in the area.

Mrs. C. Harper, Thornridge Drive, is recuperating at home after nine weeks in York Central Hospital.

Maureen Hunt, Clarke Ave., celebrated her sixth birthday June 24 with three little friends. They enjoyed dinner at Aunt Jimima's Pancake House.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hunt, Clarke Avenue, had Mr. and Mrs. Ron Sellar and children, of Sarnia, visiting on their return from spending a week at Expo.

Shower
Members of the Doncaster Bible Chapel, Clarke Avenue, held a shower in the church June 2 for Penny Tonks, Grandview Avenue, who will be married July 28 to Tom Phinmore, Elgin Avenue. The young people staged a mock wedding to entertain the approximately 50 guests.

Horticultural Society
Thornhill Horticultural Society held a rose and peony show on June 20 at the United Church. Approximately 50 members were out to enjoy a movie on the "Horn of Plenty". This was on picking, canning and processing fruit and vegetables and had many new ideas on their use. Each member received a recipe booklet.

Allan Sumner chaired the meeting. Prizes were won by Mrs. J. King, Hounslow Avenue, for best in class in the coffee table arrangements. Her entry was a silver bowl with roses and orange blossoms. Mr. Sumner won best in show with his white peony.

Arrangements were made for members to start putting in a planting of shrubs and flowers at Thornhill Park.

Joe Wayne and J. Manning attended the annual convention of horticultural societies at the University of Guelph June 21-23, as delegates of Thornhill society. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bone, Kirk Drive, Mrs. H. Harris, Woodward Avenue and Mrs. M. Riley, Elgin Avenue.

Ladies' Club
The June meeting of the Doncaster Community Ladies' Club was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Jordan, Morgan Avenue. Eighteen members and guests enjoyed a pot luck lunch served in the garden. A cheque to be used as a prize was sent to St. Luke's Separate School. Arrangements were made to purchase books for prizes at Woodland School.

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WI Donates Bench For Park

A pot luck luncheon was held June 19 at the home of Mrs. H. Mizen, 77 Sprucewood Drive, prior to the closing meeting for the summer. Twelve members and guests were in attendance with President Mrs. A. Holmes in the chair.

Motto for the day was "Good Health And Good Food Are Two Of Life's Greatest Blessings". The roll call was answered by members telling of their summer holiday plans.

It was announced the county rally will be held September 7 in Vandorf Community Hall. The rally will commence at 10 am and members will provide their own lunch. Dessert and tea will be provided by the Vandorf Branch.

Thornhill members were asked to be prepared to vote on whether to continue awarding the York County Anna P. Lewis Ontario Scholarship, (awarded annually to a high school girl obtaining the highest standing in the county for scholastic achievement and 4H Club work) that includes a certificate and a cheque, together at the annual rally or whether to present the awards separately on achievement day and at the county rally.

A vote will also be taken as to whether or not to continue to support Ho Lou-Min in Hong Kong.

Mrs. C. Thompson, on behalf of the branch, presented Mrs. E. Burt with a cup and saucer in honor of her recent marriage. Cards and get well greetings have been sent to Mrs. C. Cooper and Mrs. G. Nuttall.

both recent hospital patients. The ladies were informed that the park bench to be placed in Thornhill Park will be located on the west side under an apple tree overlooking the pool and will be dedicated in mid-July.

A minute's silence was held for a Past President Mrs. C. Clifford, who died June 7.

A social period followed the meeting. Members are reminded to please save their Dominion Store sales slips in order that the group may fulfill its project of obtaining a wheel chair or television set for a worthy recipient.

Mental Health Association
Patients from the Park Avenue Approved Home in Newmarket enjoyed an outing June 14 at the Robinson Farm in Schomberg. Mrs. A. De Phanphill, house mother at the home, attended the party with the patients and nine White Cross Volunteers.

Jeep rides were enjoyed by all when Mr. Robinson took the guests on a tour of his farm. The weather was delightful and the buffet dinner was served out of doors.

Special thanks are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Robinson for their hospitality. The patients look forward each year to a visit to the farm where they are made to feel most welcome.

White Cross Volunteers who attended and assisted in driving and caring for the patients were Mrs. Patsy Bean, Mrs. Lorraine Coyne, Mrs. Edith Jones, Mrs. Donna Jackson,

Mrs. Helen McNally, Mrs. Claire Moore, Mrs. Peggy Robinson, Mrs. Jean Marchiori and Mrs. Rose Zuck.

Senior Citizens
The senior citizens enjoyed their annual picnic to Peterboro June 21 where they had a picnic lunch in the park by the locks. The group left by bus at 9 am and returned to Thornhill at 7 pm. Lovely weather added to the pleasant day and games were enjoyed at the site.

A picnic will be held July 5 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Mizen, 77 Sprucewood Drive, in place of the monthly social afternoon. All senior citizens are invited to attend.

United Church
Dr. W. A. Becroft will discontinue regular pastoral work with the congregation June 30. However he will be in charge from July 2-17 when Rev. A. I. Higgins goes on vacation. Rev. Higgins will be away until August 13.

Thomas K. Knott will be guest preacher July 9 and Rev. James Burn of St. Matthew's United Church, Richmond Hill will preach July 23, 30 and August 6.

Students of unites or kairos age wishing reasonably priced accommodation for Expo should call Doug Martindale 889-1690.

The committee on overseas relief is very short of clothing for shipment overseas. All contributions will be forwarded to the Overseas Clothing Depot, 100 Simcoe St. Toronto.

Christ Church, Deer Park Scene Of Morrow-Donkersley Nuptials

A wedding of interest took place at Christ Church, Deer Park, Toronto, June 17 at 3 pm, when Julie Ann Morrow RN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Morrow, became the bride of Paul Thomas Donkersley, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Donkersley, all of Thornhill.

The church was decorated with white gladioli and yellow mums. Rev. Fraser Bourne performed the ceremony and John Ronick was at the organ.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor length white organza over taffeta gown fashioned on A lines with a train falling from a bow at the waistline. Pearls and lace decorated the gown at the neckline, on the bell sleeves and down the front. Her shoulder length veil fell from a circle of silk organza trimmed with seed pearls and she carried a cascade of gardenias and stephanotis.

Miss Mary McDougal was maid of honor and Miss Lynn Turner, Miss Beth Donkersley, sister of the groom, and Mrs. David Ion were the attendants. Miss Sheila Morrow, sister of the bride, was flower girl.

The bridal attendants wore floor length aqua silk shantung gowns fashioned on empire lines with short trains buttoned at the waistline and cap sleeves. They wore matching bows in their hair and carried cascades of single yellow and white mums.

Best man was Keith MacAllister and the ushers were Terence Heming, Leonard Lee and Lieut. John Van Haastrecht of Portage La Prairie.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, 62 Normark Drive, under a marquee in the garden. Mrs. Morrow received wearing a street length

yellow silk shantung frock fashioned on straight lines with a flowered hat, yellow accessories, and a corsage of yellow roses. Mrs. Donkersley wore an aqua crepe street length frock, a peach colored straw picture hat and a corsage of peach roses.

For the honeymoon trip to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the bride wore an aqua shantung dress and jacket with matching shoes and purse. On their return the couple will reside in Toronto.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. L. Rice, Guelph; Mr. and Mrs. E. Night, New York; Mrs. John Friar, Fort Wayne, Indiana; Mr. and Mrs. H. Night, Lockport, New York; Mr. and Mrs. J. Grant Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Adam, Ottawa; Mr. Robert Pierce, London and Mr. Tim Tyler, Hamilton.

Special guests at the wedding were Mrs. J. Grant and Mrs. T. Brown, grandmothers of the bride and groom, and Mrs. Peter Hill, sister of the bride, and sons Daniel and Russell of Port Arthur.

The bride is a graduate of the Western Hospital School of Nursing and the groom a graduate of Western University.

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Cub And Scout Auxiliary
The final meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of 1st Langstaff CUBS and SCOUTS was held at the home of Jean Simpson June 21. Officers for the coming year were elected and are President Marge Corse, Vice-President Kay Hall, Treasurer Anne White, Secretary Peggy Rogers, Social Convener Helen Sand, Assistant Social Convener Shirley White, Phone Convener Jean Coneybeare, Sewing Convener Mary Jane Warner, Talent Convener Joan Morton, Sunshine Convener Liz Hunter.

Nancy McGuffin, Marnie Twidale and Carol Hutcheson, who had been in charge of special projects for the year (making the Centennial quilt and landscaping the den), entertained with a comic song about their projects. They had composed the ditty themselves to the tune of "On Top of Old Smoky" and accompanied themselves on ukulele and washboard.

The mothers expressed their disappointment on learning that Jean Simpson is moving away. Strawberry shortcake was enjoyed by all.

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