

### South Thornhill And Bayview Glen News

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#### School News

Henderson Avenue Home and School Association held an executive meeting February 2 to plan the regular meeting which will be held February 27.

At Woodland Junior School grades 5 and 6 are becoming busily involved once again in public speaking. The staff believes in the benefits of public speaking and that they far outweigh any objections which are sometimes voiced against memorizing something which Mom or Dad has helped prepare and the competition idea where only the best win.

At Woodland Senior School the contest is open to all students who wish to participate. The Ebert J. Sand Memorial Trophy donated by Mr. and Mrs. Allan Parker, Thornhill, will be presented to the student selected to represent Woodland Senior School in the area finals. County finals will be held February 24.

The new pleasure rink at Woodland Schools is much appreciated and well used. Since the school is responsible for behavior and safety during the school day, a group of mothers has volunteered to supervise skating during the noon hour. Their help is gratefully appreciated.

Woodland Junior School Parents' Group met February 3 in the auditorium, where parents saw a film entitled "Monday", which told the story of a heavy drug user. Guest speaker was Michael MacDonald, a youth worker who has been at a drop-in centre for alienated youth. He lived at Rockdale College, sometimes referred to as "Hallucination Hill". His address was followed by a question and answer period.

The Red Cross youth organization is making its annual drive for its many projects. These include assistance to children in other lands by milk stations, vocation education and instruction in nutrition.

In Ontario funds allow dental care and inspection in areas without dental service. Research in the area of health care and assistance to needy children by providing medicines, special foods, orthodontic care, eye glasses and prosthetic appliances.

Woodland Junior School is fortunate in having "Helping Mothers" and individuals who assist them in their studies. Professor Ian Howard and Professor Hammond Dugan of York University have spoken to the junior classes in the area of science. Both men have children attending the school.

These outstanding educators have enticed the pupils with their discussions and scientific models. The staff thanks them for so unselfishly giving of their time.

There are many people in any community who are endowed with expert knowledge in many subjects and Woodland

School is welcoming several from this area to speak to the pupils whenever they can afford the time.

At Thornhill Secondary School, there will be a series of lectures, sponsored by the Association for Children With Learning Disabilities. Mrs. Adele Downey is publicity chairman and has announced for February 26 — Mrs. Eleanor Weir, teacher of a specific learning disability class, who will discuss "Learning Disabilities in a Special Class".

March 19 — Mrs. Pat Saywell, who is in charge of the itinerant teaching program for the Toronto Board of Education, will talk about educating learning-disabled children in the regular classroom.

April 23 — Dr. Alan Auerback of the Department of Psychology of York University will be the speaker on how to communicate with troubled parents of children with problems.

The concluding meeting May 28 will consist of a panel of the staff of the York Educational Clinic. They will discuss ways in which the clinic works to remediate children from public schools who have been diagnosed as learning disabled.

In order to assist both students and parents in making the important decisions regarding secondary education an evening meeting was arranged January 26 at Woodland Senior School.

Jack Edwards and Arthur Murch, principals of Thornhill and Thornlea Secondary Schools respectively, met with parents and students and outlined the philosophy and operation of their schools and answered questions.

Congratulations are extended to Woodland Senior Choir which has been invited to perform with Bobby Gimby and his orchestra at the Royal York Hotel Concert Hall on the afternoon of February 17. Approximately 60 members of the choir will be participating.

Parents interested in attending may do so. At Woodland Senior School a program of electives has been prepared by the staff and is being offered to the students during the winter term. These will take place every Wednesday starting at 2:30.

Activities offered include gymnastics, skiing, hockey, bridge, curling, chess, French, drama, Philippine club, home economics, photography, arts and crafts.

Parents interested in assisting staff members during the electives are asked to call the principal at Woodland Senior or about skating parties at Goulding Park during January.

Tuesday, January 27, the students had the opportunity of attending a puppet show in French at the school. Follow-up activities are available in both French and art classes.

During January all classes had an opportunity of visiting

the famed McMichael Gallery in Kleinburg, to view the works of Canada's Group of Seven.

Woodland Senior's outdoor education program has offered much learning and enjoyment for both staff and students. Recent activities have included compass work, calculating the scales of a given map, taking bearings as well as many other challenging and educational topics.

In February all classes will be spending a day at Camp Richlidaca, near Kettleby. This program will deal with the study of landscapes, animal tracks and observations on how man controls his physical environment. An interesting highlight of the day will be snowshoeing.

**Neighborhood Notes**  
The February meeting of the Doncaster Community Ladies' Club will be held at the home of Mrs. Muriel Malinski, 56 Proctor Avenue, February 13. Plans will be made to raise funds to continue to send good, clean, warm clothing and knitted articles to Poplar River Reservation.

Any articles can be left at my home or at the home of Mrs. Rose Fox, Glen Cameron Road.

**NORTH RICHVALE NEWS**  
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**Neighborhood Notes**  
Belated birthday greetings to Garry Masters, Wedrick Road, January 30. Lisa Fransen, also of Wedrick Road, seven on February 1. Wendy Hirano, 13 years old, February 2 and to Marvin Hirano, 15 on February 3 and both of Kersey Crescent.

Get well wishes are extended to Mrs. Norma Greenfield, Yongehurst Road, who is in York Central Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Masters and family, Wedrick Road, were among the guests who attended the open house held by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Masters, Stouffville, on February 1 on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Ethel Costoff has returned home from a six-week vacation in Belgium, where she visited friends and relatives in Dinant Namur and Brussels.

**Church News**  
Mrs. Anne White, Roosevelt Drive, will convene the pancake supper being held on Tuesday at Emmanuel Anglican Church, MacKay Drive. Her social action group of the ACW has joined forces with the social committee to sponsor the event. Adults and children are sure to enjoy this meal and admission is \$1.25 and 50 cents respectively.

## Foresee End To "Cattle Auction" Teacher Hiring

There will be some changes in procedures for hiring teachers this year, and there may be more in 1971.

Under the code of ethics prescribed by the Ontario School Trustees' Council, advertising for teachers for next September may not take place before March 11 and interviewing and hiring of teachers may not be done before March 13. These dates also apply to student teachers about to graduate from colleges of education.

The result has been a mad rush in March with board officials and teachers tripping over one another in hiring procedures that have frequently been described as "cattle auctions."

Interviewers did not have time to properly assess applicants, and teachers did not have the opportunity to assess the school system or the school they would be teaching in. At a meeting on January 12, York County Board of Education agreed to a request from McArthur College of Education at Queen's University in Kingston to consider applications before the March 11 date.

## Secondary Schools Are Being Reorganized

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is working closely with grade 8 classes in feeder schools so that students will come into their individual programs.

Principal Kenneth McDonald of Markham District High said his school is phasing out the four and five year programs and the three branches, with all programs leading to a common diploma at the end of four years.

The intent of the three branches and streams had been largely defeated, said Mr. McDonald, because of the "snob appeal" of the five year course. Many parents refused to accept the fact that their children would be better off in any other course.

With subject promotion on a yearly basis, students will be required to accumulate 27 units to gain a diploma, but this would allow a fair amount of time in the timetable for independent study.

The credit system, Mr. Bacalmast told the trustee, is intended as a safeguard against "some sort of nonsensical selection." Schools on the semester system will require 54 credits, as they will get a credit in mid-year as well as in June. Other schools, he said, may turn to the trimester program now in effect at Thornlea.

**TEACHERS ADVISORS**  
Principal Fred Bradley of Newmarket High said his school agreed three years ago that it should go into a program where students were more self-directed, more responsible for their own progress.

This, he said, removes the teacher from the role of "policeman" and places him more in the role of advisor.

"Under the Roberts Plan students were put into categories, and parents looked at them from a status point of view, but this no longer exists, and the students get practise in making decisions," he said, it depends on the teacher.

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**ADJUSTMENT NOT EASY**  
He added that it is much easier to introduce an entirely new approach to education in a new school where everyone comes in prepared than it is to make changes in an established school.

Small schools, such as Woodbridge High which has about 300 pupils and offers only the five year arts and science program, will find it more difficult to make changes, the board was told, but grade promotion will disappear across the county, and subject promotion be the rule.

Langstaff Secondary will have a full credit system in all grades on a yearly basis and the two branches — arts and science and business and commerce, will disappear with students selecting their options from a broader field than at present.

Board Chairman John McKay commented that, with schools differing so widely in their offering of courses, the board may be faced with parents and students who want to move to another school than the one in the area in which they live.

The trustees also agreed to urge the Ontario School Trustees' Council to change its code of ethics.

It was pointed out that with the wide difference in philosophy of schools even within one system, it was becoming increasingly important that teachers have time to learn more about schools where they plan to teach, and that they have an opportunity to visit the school before committing themselves to a contract.

One trustee feared this would involve too much time of senior staff in interviewing and re-interviewing.

Staff agreed that it would take more time than the present method, but added, "This is where we should be spending time."

Schools are very different in their needs, pointed out Director Sam Chapman, and if teachers are not happy with their jobs, or do not fit into the climate of the school it is the students who suffer.

The only change this year will be in interviewing of McArthur College students, but the board is hoping that the provincial code will be changed when the OSTC meets in September, enabling boards to interview at any time after January 1 of the hiring year.

The present system was introduced because there was a scarcity of teachers, and some boards were hiring teachers nearly a year ahead of the time they would be needed.

levels than at present, allowing a greater amount of flexibility of choice of subjects.

The reorganized program as laid out by the department requires a minimum of 27 credits for graduation, and specifies that students must be exposed to subjects in three basic areas — communications (English), social science and the arts, and pure and applied science.

Physical and health education is also a compulsory subject for the first four years in a secondary school.

Trustees were assured, that in any school a student may take exactly the same program as was offered in past years if he wants to — he makes his own selection of subjects, and they can conform to the guidelines of past years if that is what the student wants.

A trustee commented that the levels and phases described were very confusing, varying from school to school, and asked, "Could we have a coding that we can all understand?"

Director Sam Chapman reassured him that, at the school level, the patterns are pretty much the same, but a committee is working on coding. Staff did not want to lay out a coding system before the schools had had an opportunity to work out their programs, he said, "It would put the schools in a straitjacket."

Principal Arthur Murch of Thornlea, the only school in the county with experience in individualized subject selection, was asked about the wisdom of allowing students to make up their own timetables.

"Are the kids opting for the easy way out? Are they choosing the easy programs, and if they are, how do you keep them moving?"

Mr. Murch replied that some of the most challenging and difficult subjects were also among the most popular, drawing twice as many students as had been anticipated. To a large extent, he said, it depends on the teacher.

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## Masters Gets Markham Twp. Ward 1 Seat

William Masters of 7400 Bayview Avenue, Thornhill, this week was named Markham Township Councillor for Ward 1. He was appointed Monday and sworn in Tuesday.

As it turned out, this means another new councillor will be certain to occupy the seat in 1971, as Mr. Masters isn't to be a candidate in this fall's election.

Township Council thus took the unusual step of passing over unsuccessful 1968 candidate Charles Stewart of North Thornhill in filling the unexpired term of Allan Sumner.

Mr. Sumner last month resigned from council to take the post of Markham Township parks manager.

Mr. Masters had only resigned verbally from the township planning board before his appointment to council. The lack of a written resignation was questioned in council. But

the township's returning officer, Clerk Harry Crisp, ruled that Mr. Masters was eligible for appointment. Councillor Masters continues on planning board until he is replaced by council.

Mr. Masters has served six years on the township planning board and is a former chairman. He also served on the former township public school board. He ran unsuccessfully for a Ward 1 council seat in 1956.

Appointment of Mr. Masters was supported by Councillors James Jongeneel and Eldred King, and Deputy-reeve Anthony Roman. Reeve Stewart Rumble favored appointment of Mr. Stewart and voted against Mr. Masters' appointment.

Mr. Stewart was nominated by Reeve Rumble and Mr. Masters was nominated by Councillor King. No other nominations were made.

Councillor Jongeneel said

picking the person to fill Mr. Sumner's seat was a very difficult decision. There were many good people to pick from in Ward 1, but very few of them had experience in managing a corporation like the township.

"I spent many hours meeting personally with all these candidates," he said.

There were two ways to pick the new councillor, choosing either the runner-up or the man considered most qualified, said Mr. Jongeneel. Of Mr. Stewart, he said, "Unfortunately he has had no experience in municipal affairs."

Mr. Jongeneel said council had some important decisions coming up, for example, Bramalea and OWR water and sewer facilities. In the interests of the people it was best to pick a man with experience like Mr. Masters.

"Mr. Masters has said definitely that he does not wish

to run again. Anybody else we might choose, we would give him an unfair advantage in the next election," he said.

Councillor King said he placed himself in the position of an elector, and acted as any elector would have done in any election. Mr. Masters had experience in the planning board and was the logical one to fill the position.

Reeve Rumble said Mr. Stewart was eligible for the seat and was a Ward 1 resident for many years. He ran in the last election and received 600 votes.

Clerk Crisp said a candidate must resign from planning board before a nomination meeting. This was a technical point under the election act. Mr. Masters had resigned verbally.

Reeve Rumble said that wasn't good enough for him.

## HOME 5 THORNHILL SPORTS SCENE GUEST

**NOVICE (January 24)**  
**NEWMARKET TOURNAMENT**  
Thornhill gave it a good effort but was eliminated in the Newmarket Tournament winning three out of their four games including a 4-0 win over Richmond Hill.

**Thornhill 5, Collingwood 1**  
Scott Howson ripped home three goals with Brian Anderson checking in with two. Mike McLaughlin and Rick Herbert received assists.

**Bowmanville 3, Thornhill 1**  
Wayne Grant scored Thornhill's lone goal assisted by Jerome Flanagan.

**Thornhill 2, Markham 1**  
Scott Howson scored the two big goals for the winners with Barry McEwan chipping in with two assists. Alan Ralph and Jerome Flanagan were also outstanding.

**ATOMS (January 31)**  
**Thornhill 4, Richmond Hill 0**  
Tim Gallant was high man with two goals with Billy Coville and Ross Gordon managing singles.

**ROSS GORDON**  
A high flying Ross Gordon, 12, of the Atoms team has been having a rip-roaring season to date with 35 goals.

Ross began his hockey days three years ago as a minor atom in the Thornhill United Church League.

He advanced to pee-wee status in the league and this year made the grade with the OMHA squad. No trouble at all.

Ross gives his father full credit for stoking his interest in the game.

Hockey is his main interest but he expects to cram in a good stint of soccer, football, baseball and swimming during the summer months.

**INTERNATIONAL SILVER STICKS TOURNAMENT BANTAMS (January 30, 31)**  
**Ajax 4, Thornhill 0**  
The Thornhill Bantams also came to the end of the Silver Sticks trail after an equally good effort. The squad lost out to Ajax by 4-0 despite winning two games.

**Thornhill 4, Renfrew 3**  
Hugh Burgess paced the win with two goals with singles going to Dave Halpin and Hugh Matheson. Dave Murley picked up two assists with Pat Esau, Hugh Burgess and Ernie Takeuchi each drawing assists.

**Thornhill 8, West Rouge 1**  
Hugh Matheson, John Regan and Dave Halpin each crashed home two goals with Jim Martin and Dave Murley getting the other ones. Single assists went to Dave Halpin, Barry Howson, Murley, Pat Esau and Martin.

**OMHA ACTION (January 27)**  
**Thornhill 6, Newmarket 2**  
Hugh Burgess led the way with two goals. Single goals went to Hugh Matheson, Ernie Takeuchi, Jim Martin and Dave Halpin. Dave Courtemanche garnered two assists along with Dave Murley and singles for Pat Esau, Jim Martin, Ernie Takeuchi and Scott Hillier.

**Thornhill 4, Newmarket 2**  
Hugh Burgess scored twice assisted on one by Dave Murley and on the other by Chris Sutton and Pat Esau. Murley and Halpin scored the others. Assists went to Barry Howson on the first and Scott Hillier on the second.

**JUVENILES (January 30)**  
**Thornhill 7, Camp Borden 1**  
Jim Davis chalked up two goals and an assist. Barry Gillison scored twice with a single coming from John Betts who also managed two assists.

Single assists came from Neil Provau, Keith Gillison and Rick Thompson.

**Thornhill 4 Downview Juniors 4**  
Ted Fobert was assisted by Barry Gillison, Jim David was assisted by Ken Moore and Barry Gillison from John Betts. Keith Gillison was unassisted.

**JUNIOR "C" (January 30)**  
**Thornhill 2, Oakville 5**  
Peter Law scored, assisted by Doug Ingles. Mike Stroud also scored assisted by Peter Law.

**(February 1)**  
**Thornhill 2, Oakville 8**  
Stu Francis was assisted by Brett Davidson. Tom Hill was unassisted on his goal.

**THORNHILL CHURCH LEAGUE**  
**Tykes**  
**Thornhill Presbyterians 1 Thornhill Red Wings 2**  
Two scrappy little teams locked horns with each other Saturday. The Red Wings bested the Presbyterians by one goal.

John Stevenson scored the only goal for the Presbyterians. Assists came from Eric Wright and Bill Gregg. Goalie Jeff McKnight stopped the fired up Red Wings on numerous breakaways.

The Red Wings capitalized on two breakaways with Kevin Canavan and Bobby Palmer scoring.

Note: Bob Moore would like to say thanks to the unidentified donor of sweaters for the Red Wings. It was greatly appreciated.

**Bowling LADIES' AFTERNOON LEAGUE**  
Standings: Tigers 41, Leopards 32, Bob Cats 29, Cougars 27, Panthers 24, Lions 15.

Over 200: Betty Richardson 262, Joy Pickthall 239, Shirley Hopper 242, Ruth Brain 237, Jean Smith 201.

**Thornhill Mixed League Men**  
Standings: Reg. Edwards 37, Joe Anne Roberts 34, Harold Hingley 34, Eddy Palmer 31, Adrian van de Langerijt 28, Keith Jones 25.

High triple (flat) Harold Hingley 659, (hdep) 761.  
High single (flat) Bill Doust 253, Gary Cook 283 (hdep).  
Over 200: Keith Jones 217, 209; Reg. Edwards 210; Gary Cook 238, 328; Bill Doust 253, 237; Harold Hingley 211, 204, 244; Ken Poole 211; Ed Palmer 213, 232, 201.

**Women**  
High triple (flat) Mabel Tutt 655, (hdep) Sue Melick.  
High single (flat) Lil Poole 309, (hdep) 344.  
Over 200: Lil Poole 309, Joe Anne Roberts 204, 212, Mabel Tutt 283, 235, Carol Jones 223, 227, Pam Kelson 229, Sue Melick 220, Irene Clark 210, Ellice Poole 244, Mary Redman 222.

**NORTH THORNHILL LADIES**  
High Average: Betty Cross. Standings: Pussy Cats 67, Teddy Bears 45, Chipmunks 29, Beavers 27.  
High triple (flat) Betty Cross 607, (hdep) 670.  
High single (flat) Eileen Heramchuk 241, (hdep) 268.

Over 200: Linda Daurio 219, Eileen Heramchuk 241, Betty Cross 234, Wendy Collard 218, Ruth Markle 211.

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**Neighborhood Notes**  
For the first time in years, a pancake supper will be held at Emmanuel Anglican Church, MacKay Drive, on Shrove Tuesday, February 10, from 6 to 8 pm.

Mrs. Anne White, Roosevelt Drive, convenor of the social action group, will convene the supper and her group in combination with the social committee are planning a feast for all who enjoy good old-time pancakes. Admission for adults is \$1.25 and for children 50 cents.

The next movie in the series of Films for Children at Richmond Hill High School will be "The Dog and the Diamonds" and is certain to interest all seven to 13 year olds in the area. Younger children may attend if they are accompanied by a parent.

February 14 at 2 pm is the date of this fifth movie in the series and of course another installment of the serial will be shown.

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## 50,000 Lbs. Potatoes Roast At Maple Yard

A 50,000 pound potato roast January 27 at Canadian National's Maple rail yards, north of Highway 7, was just about the only fire of any consequence in this part of Southern York County last week.

Vaughan Township firemen were at the rail yards from 1:11 pm to 4:22 pm, dealing with a fire in a boxcar of potatoes from Bangor, Maine.

Fire Chief James Davidson said the fire was caused by an overturned methanol heater just as the car was pulling into the rail yard. The fire was under control in five minutes, but firemen and CN workmen had to clear out the bags of partly roasted potatoes.

Methanol heaters are frequently used nowadays instead of coal oil burners to keep rail cars frost free, said the fire chief.

The rail car was only partly burned and the damage was not very extensive, said Chief Davidson.

In Richmond Hill there were only two minor fire incidents. At 9:30 pm January 31 a motorist sped to the fire station to have a small fire put out in his car. A hole was burned in a floor mat while the driver was on the way home from having some welding done.

Town firemen at 4:30 am the day were called to the office of Avenue Taxi, 250 Yonge Street North, but there the smell of smoke was traced to a fluorescent light fixture and there was no fire.

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