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Horticultural Society

The annual flower show of the Thornhill and District Horticultural Society is planned for Saturday from 9 am to 5 pm and on Sunday from 11 am to 5 pm. There is no entrance fee but there will be a silver collection. Refreshments will be available. This is a really exciting event. It demonstrates what tender, loving care can do in the production of flowers and vegetables.

Entries must be on hand by 11:30 am on Saturday.

Library Visitor

The other day a young man, Don Klaser from Detroit, turned up at the Thornhill Public Library. He was trying to find out something about the "Thornhill Toll Gate." He had failed to get any information in the Toronto Libraries.

"But there wasn't a toll gate in Thornhill," he was informed.

He disagreed politely. His great-grandfather had kept the Toll Gate.

The librarian produced all the books on Thornhill and left him to his research. Finally in "Vaughan Township" by G. Elmore Township, he found mention of the Langstaff Toll Gate. And not only that, but a picture of it and his great-grandfather Henry Richards plus a small boy, his son Henry, who was Mr. Klaser's grandfather!

He was delighted. Furthermore, he must have that book. So the librarian referred him to Mrs. Amos Baker, who was a member of the group that edited and published the book after Dr. Reaman's sudden death. She invited Mr. Klaser to "come right over." She had the original picture. So off he went.

Later, being a very pleasant young man, he came back to thank the librarian for her assistance, and to report how thrilled he had been to visit the Bakers' and talk to them. The librarian was almost as pleased as he, because she had been able to supply what he wanted.

I checked the picture and the account of the toll gate. The date was 1868. The charges were:

- "Pigs, sheep and goats of all ages — one halfpenny.
- "Saddle or led horses, mules or asses — do.
- "Oxen, cows, cattle of every description — 1 penny.
- "Pleasure vehicles drawn by one horse or other beast of draught — 2 pence."

Senior Citizens

The executive meeting of the Thornhill and District Senior Citizens was held August 21 at the Thornhill Presbyterian Church Hall. Messrs. Wain, Jamieson and Donaldson, Mrs. Grace Baker and Miss Audrey Liversedge were present.

Plans for coming excursions include one to Alton to see the autumn colors in the trees. This is projected for October 3, and will include a cold turkey salad plate. The larger part of the cost of this trip will be paid out of club funds, leaving the per person cost at \$3.

A trip to Christie's biscuit plant on October 23 and one on November 5 to Yardley's will both be paid out of club funds.

The usual euchre will be held on September 4 at the Presbyterian Church Hall. The big euchre will be on October 22 and the draw prizes will be valuable with a long list. They are to cost 5 for \$1.

It was decided to purchase an amplifier and "mike" as apparently few people at the back of the room have been able to hear the proceedings. Plans for the installation of a cupboard to hold "white elephants" not sold on the first day and paper cups, etc. are in the making. Permission has to be obtained and the cupboard purchased or built.

Several of the executive officers wish to resign and others must be approached by the nominating committee.

The secretary was instructed to acknowledge the letter from Provincial Secretary Robert Welch of the Justice and Attorney General's office regarding a meeting at 8 pm on August 28, to receive public reaction to proposed legislation regarding property rights of wives. The meeting is to take place at the St. Lawrence Centre.

Church News
Be sure to check on the time for church on Sunday. Certain of the churches are returning to 11 o'clock again.

Sunday marked the termination of Reverend Terrence Samuel's work at Thornhill Presbyterian. Both he and his wife have been blessings in their personalities and their devoted service.

This service will continue in Taiwan. On September 15 at 7 pm, the East Toronto Presbytery will hold the Designation Service for Mr. and Mrs. Samuel in Thornhill Presbyterian Church.

"New" New Horizon Group
About a year ago your Thornhill correspondent was approached by Mrs. Heidi Vockeroth about a group of Thornhill senior citizens who wish to write reminiscences of their childhood. (I knew she had a great deal to write about herself. She went out to Saskatchewan as a child of five, to live in a home-stead in a remote area.)

With the constantly and rapidly changing world these days, it seemed much that was good and interesting would be lost if older people did not take the time and trouble to write it down. Mrs. Vockeroth thought that because I wrote for "The Liberal", I might be interested in helping to form such a group.

At the time I could not see myself becoming involved although I was sympathetic to the idea. But I had many questions. Would enough people be interested? Would they want to continue to write — for writing is hard, demanding work? And if both these could be answered by a "yes", wouldn't somebody who had taught courses in writing and publishing, be of much more use than I whose teaching experience was in Sunday schools and at summer camps?

But there did not seem to be any such person available. So the upshot of the matter was a decision of discovering if possible, some people who would be sufficiently interested to join such a group and then hold a meeting to discuss it.

And that is how it all started. There were a dozen or so of us... one man, the rest women. We came from varied backgrounds as well as different countries. Three were born in England, one in Poland, one in Vienna, myself in Scotland, and the remainder from Ontario but not from Thornhill, curiously enough. We had all come here on retiring for one reason or another.

We started to write. Some chose to go back to their forebears and why they had come to Canada in the first place. (This took research, getting in touch with relatives, etc. They followed up with recollections of early childhood. Some were able to write about mid-European life a long lifetime ago. Some chose episodes of particular clarity from the past. All were different and each one had something to contribute to our enjoyment and interest as they read aloud what they had put on paper.

It was exciting, stimulating, and very satisfying to all of us. In fact I went the length of asking some visitors on occasion whom I thought might be interested. They were. One brought up Miss Edith Firth from the Canadiana section of the

Metro reference library. She wanted most of what had been written for the archive section of that department. She saw the value of this material for research, interest, and especially for children growing up in this different world of today.

It was at this point we realized we would need funds to carry on. The typing which up until now had been done by some kindly volunteers or relatives, was too heavy to ask a volunteer or a relative to do. We would have to get financial help. So we applied to the New Horizons office in the Toronto district.

A helpful, interested young woman came to see us, explained the procedures and advised. It has taken from May until now to get us all documented and approved. This last week, "WE CAME TO THORNHILL" as we called ourselves, is now a New Horizon's group. You will be hearing more about us in the near future. We have great plans in our minds!

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Name George Meek
2nd Vice-President
Ont. Men Teachers

George Meek, 38, well known Thornhill resident, was elected 2nd vice-president of the 14,000 member Ontario Public School Men Teachers' Federation at the recent annual meeting of the organization at a Toronto hotel.

Meek resides at 41 Silver Aspen Drive. Mr. and Mrs. Meek have two children and have been Thornhill residents for seven years. He is active in the Thornhill Lions Club and is serving as chairman of the Heintzman House Community Centre Board for the Town of Markham.

Now principal of Page Public School, he has taught in North York for 15 years. For a number of years he's been actively involved in many areas of responsibility in his professional organization at the district and provincial levels.

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(Photos by Claus Plock)

6 Instructors At Vaughan's Thornhill Pool

An extremely popular facility operating at maximum capacity most of the summer is the Thornhill Pool-In-The-Park on Old Yonge Street in Vaughan Town. For public swimming the limit of 350 people is usually reached on weekends and you have to be there early if you want to get in. The pool manager is Frank Tucker of Eliza Street who has been involved with Thornhill recreation for 25 years.

Each Wednesday morning from 9 to 10 o'clock it is swimming club time with six or seven members taking part in the diving and the same number in the synchronized swimming, with 15 in the competitive swimming. From 10 am to 2:30 pm weekdays it is swim-

ming lesson time with 12 to 15 people in each of six classes that run for 45 minutes each. Then comes public swimming from 3 to 6 pm and 7 to 9 pm. On Saturday and Sunday there are two long sessions of public swimming daily. On Saturday the times are from 2 to 6 pm and 7 to 9 pm while on Sunday the hours are 11 am to 5 pm and 7 to 9 pm.

The pool has a staff of 18, including the six instructor-guards shown above. They are (left to right): front row — Susan Wilshire of Royal Orchard Boulevard, Liz Burchmore of Erica Road, Jim Grattmans of Elgin Street; and back row — Janice Hickey of Babcombe Drive, Patricia Bean of John Street, Kathy Fisher of Arnold Avenue.

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Sept. 5 - 8 pm	Sept. 15 - 8 am	Sept. 22 - 7 am
PEEWEE — Born 1962		
Sept. 5 - 9 pm	Sept. 15 - 9 am	Sept. 22 - 8 am
MINOR BANTAM — Born 1961		
Sept. 6 - 6 pm	Sept. 15 - 1 pm	Sept. 22 - 1 pm
BANTAM — Born 1960		
Sept. 6 - 7 pm	Sept. 15 - 2 pm	Sept. 22 - 2 pm
MINOR MIDGET — Born 1959		
Sept. 6 - 8 pm	Sept. 15 - 4 pm	Sept. 22 - 4 pm
MIDGET — Born 1958		
Sept. 6 - 9 pm	Sept. 15 - 5 pm	Sept. 22 - 5 pm
JUVENILE — Born 1956-57		
Sept. 6 - 10 pm	Sept. 15 - 6 pm	Sept. 22 - 6 pm

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