

300 entries for flower show

With more than 300 entries, the Annual Show of the Thornhill and District Horticultural Society was the finest in many years.

9-year-old a winner

By **MARILYN McDONALD**
Kathy Craig entered some nasturtiums, two arrangements and a few asters in the annual flower show held recently in Heintzman House.

Kathy's arrangements, one entitled Garden Gleanings and the other called Daydreams, were awarded firsts in the decorative design classes for junior members.

"I love it," says Kathy of the hobby her mother encourages.

"I felt great about winning," added the nine-year-old Grade 4 student, "I didn't think I would do that well."

Kathy's seven-year-old sister Nancy took a second-place spot in the design section.

The second edition of the Thornhill and District Horticultural Society Garden show attracted over 300 entries and visitors from as far away as Holland and England.

"We were a bit down in the decorative design section, but up in the hort," said Evelyn Calladine, society secretary.

There were 36 entries in design classes compared to a combined total of 220 for specimens in the flower and vegetable sections.

Roses dominated the day, with more than 45 individual entries by members and several hundred donated by Concord Floral Co. The Aberdeen, Mermaid and Thornhill florists also offered arrangements.

The donated flowers were arranged in floral tributes on standards borrowed from the Civic Garden Centre and later auctioned off to visitors.

Each guest was allowed to take home a rose.

Mrs. Calladine mentioned how much the donated flowers were appreciated because most of the members gardens were past their prime.

Thornhill Kiwanis Club did much of the publicity for the show.

CNE slides entertain seniors

By **MARILYN McDONALD**
A slide show depicting the history of the CNE, from its beginnings in the 1800s to the present, provided entertainment at last week's meeting of Thornhill and District Senior Citizens.

Elmer Gray, a 74-year-old Ex enthusiast from Scarborough, makes a hobby of presenting the slides to interested groups.

Pictures of buildings torn down or long ago destroyed by fire and the structures which now have replaced them were offered for comparison to the 21 members present.

One member recalled the original Women's Building as the place where she changed her babies. One of those babies is now a grandmother.

Each year the Ex invites about 300 over-65's to a luncheon organized by the women's auxiliary of the world's largest annual fair.

Lex Jamieson, Thornhill S.C. president and his wife Jamie, this year received invitations and attended.

A fall color trip to Hockley Valley is planned for Sept. 27.

Tickets for the tour (which includes lunch at the Terracotta Inn) are \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members.

Seats will be held for members until Sept. 20, after that non-members can call Grace Baker at 889-5388 for reservations.

The varied display of color was highlighted by several flower arrangements from local and nearby florists and a donation of hundreds of roses from Concord Floral Co. many of which were arranged by the ladies of the Society into several mass designs on five foot standards — providing a spectacular background for the competitive classes.

Guests, whose homes were as far away as Holland and England, expressed delight with

the display of flowers, vegetables, and fruits in this elegant setting.

The floral specimen classes, excluding roses,

drew about 140 entries. High point winner was Evelyn Calladine and the award for excellence was won by Marion Jarvie. Roses were much in evidence and the 45 entries pleasantly stimulated the eye and nose of many a visitor.

High point winner in roses was Marion Jarvie while the special award for excellence went to Evelyn Calladine.

Vegetables and fruit had over 80 entries, the most in several years, with almost everything from fresh beans to zucchini and from apples to grapes and raspberries to catch the eye and tickle

the palate. High point winner was Murray

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Smith. Two awards for excellence were granted — one to Mabel Mizen for Spanish onions and one to Sue Nishiyama for grapes.

Just a little over a month ago at the July Show Mrs. Mizen, oldest competitor at 92 was the high-point winner in vegetables. This appears to be her year.

In the Junior decorative classes two new names appear — Kathy and Nancy Craig, both winning a prize for an arrangement entitled "Garden Gleanings", and Kathy also being awarded

a prize for an arrangement entitled "Daydreams". Welcome to the Craigs! Lots of good fortune in the future! The general theme of the Adult decorative design section was entitled "Our Mythological Garden of Eden".

The individual class themes were (1) Feast for the Gods (2) Galloping Gourmet (3) Happy Herbaceous (4) Pools of Pleasure (5) Motionless Meditation (6) Demon's Dance (7) Sprightly Sprites.

There were one to five entries in each class with a total of 36. The special

award for excellence went to Ethel Benson for Galloping Gourmet.

The following won a prize in one or more classes: Marion Jarvie, Evelyn Calladine, Phyllis Bishop, Evelyn Turner, Holly Jarvie, Margaret Tomlinson, Jean Green, Debbie Bissell, Dorrie Huckfield and Kerry Bristow. High point winner was Evelyn Turner.

In arranging for the annual Show assistance was received from the Thornhill Kiwanis Club who did much of the publicity work and the solicitation of donations from commercial growers and florists.

The Society appreciates their help in making the 1977 Annual Show such a noteworthy one.

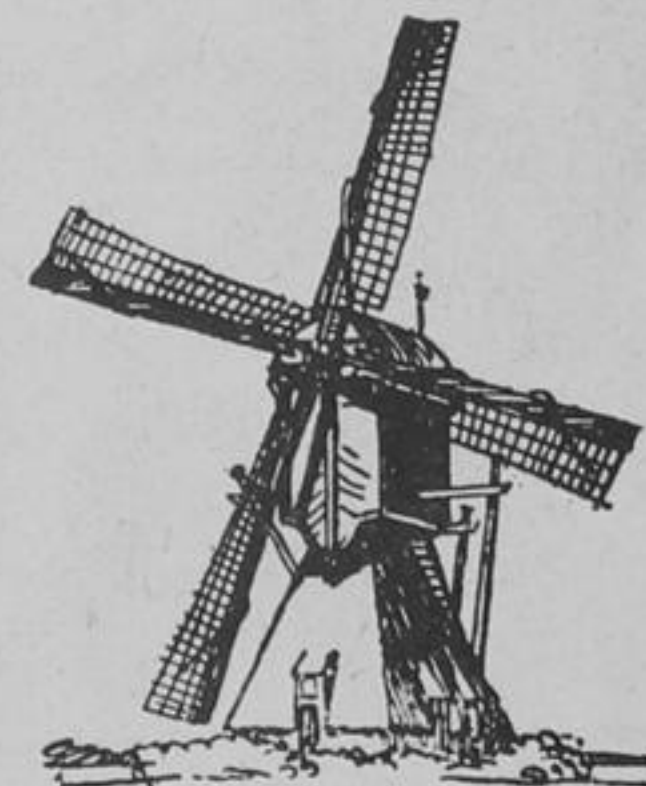


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