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Coming Events

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING — Starting at 8.30 p.m. The Western Jamboree at the York Farmers' Market in Thornhill. Country music at its best and an evening of entertainment for the whole family. *tf11*

EVERY MONDAY NIGHT at 8 p.m. Bingo. Community Hall, Spruce Ave., Stop 22A Yonge St. *tf11*

WEDNESDAY evening bingo held in Canadian Legion Hall, Carrville Road West at 7.45 p.m. prompt. *tf44*

JUNE 21 — Saturday. The annual reunion and picnic of S. S. No. 9 Vaughan will be held at Vellore Memorial Hall at 1 p.m. Sports programme in afternoon, supper served 5 p.m. All ex-pupils, teachers and residents welcome. **1w51*

JUNE 21 — Saturday. Garden Tea and Bake Sale for the 3rd Richmond Hill Cubs & Scouts, at the home of Mrs. W. Strugnell, 178 Essex Avenue. Admission and tea 35c. Lucky Tea Cup. *clw51*

JUNE 22 — Sunday. York County Federation of Agriculture invites you to attend Rural Sunday Service to be held at York Pioneer Park, Sharon, Ont., at 2.30 p.m. Guest speaker, Rev. A. B. Cathcart, B.A., L. Th., Woodbridge, Ont. *clw51*

JUNE 22 — Sunday. Teston Sunday School anniversary services at 11.15 a.m. Rev. M. R. Jenkinson and Melville Male Quartet and 7.30 p.m. Rev. S. L. Tose and the York Choraleers. *clw50*

JUNE 22 — Sunday 8.30 p.m. Municipal Council Chambers, meeting of Richmond Hill Citizens' Committee, to discuss Alcohol Education Program. *clw51*

JUNE 24 — Tuesday. Strawberry Festival at Carrville United Church Hall. Supper served 5 to 8 p.m. Salad plate, strawberries and cream. Under auspices of Carrville United Church W.A. Adults \$1.25, children under 12 75c. *clw48*

JUNE 24 — Tuesday at 8.30 p.m. At the request of many local residents, a demonstration of exercises will be held in Wrixon Hall by the Women's League of Health & Beauty. Admission free. (Silver collection.) *clw51*

JUNE 25 — Wednesday. Teston United Church Strawberry Festival. Strawberries and Salad Plate Supper served 5 to 8 p.m. Adults \$1.25, children 75c. *clw50*

JUNE 25 — Wednesday, 2-4.30 p.m. Garden Strawberry Tea, by the Rotary Ladies' Inner Wheel at Mrs. Herbert Butt's home, 24 Elizabeth St. N., Richmond Hill. Admission 50c. **1w51*

JUNE 25 — Wednesday. Box social for Kingcrafts members at "Kincaldrum", Seventh Concession home of Mrs. James Baxter. Antiques and by-gones will be collected for the October 8 sale. *clw51*

Box Drain Ruling To Come Soon

A ruling on Richmond Hill's application of the Ontario Water Resources Commission to proceed with the Beverley Acres Box Drain project is expected on June 25th.

The hearing on June 10th at the Municipal Hall lasted for more than three hours, and additional evidence may be submitted next Wednesday.

The quarter million dollar project is planned to relieve the drainage problem in Beverley Acres and necessitates the deepening of a waterway in Markham Township to provide an adequate outlet.

If there are any damages as a result of the project the amount will be determined by the Ontario Municipal Board. Council has made no definite decision on the apportionment of the cost of the work. All or a part of the cost may be assessed to the area directly benefiting from the work.

Protest Again High Phone Rates

Councillor S. F. Tinker who will represent Richmond Hill at the Ontario Municipal Association convention in Fergus Saturday will propose a resolution by the local council asking that the Ontario Government operate a telephone service as a public utility.

Councillor Haggart who some time ago protested Bell Telephone charges in Richmond Hill introduced the motion. He did so after being advised council had no reply to an earlier protest to the Bell about the rates.

ACCIDENT RECORD RICHMOND HILL 1958	
FATALITIES 0	
ACCIDENTS 78	INJURIES 17

Ready For The Fair



The above five charming young ladies will be busy this Saturday serving soft drinks and light refreshments to the many people expected to attend the Mid Summer's Fair at Maple.

They are (left to right) Donna Walters, Vickey Reeds, Dianne Nicholson, Judy Maddin and Joan Hodgson.

The tiny congregation (averaging 25) of St. Stephen's Anglican Church, Maple, are organizing a Midsummer's Eve Fair on Saturday, June 21, to raise money for the church organ fund and other urgent requirements.

The best available talent from all over York County will offer free entertainment. Puppet shows and a special surprise visit by Santa Claus are among events for entertaining children. The famous Aurora Barbershop chorus and several well known quartets including "The Sons of the Sea" and "The Talismen" will be participating. A special song composed by the talented Aurora group will be sung at the fair. A community sing song of some of the old favorites will allow those attending to join in the singing.

Original games of skill, such as a "hog judging contest" are expected to provoke fun and entertainment for adults as well as children, at small cost. Many valuable prizes have been donated by leading manufacturers and will be given to the successful. Lesser prizes to the runners-up trying their skills at the wide variety of games.

To Probe Failures Principals' Check Covers 25 Pupils

In an effort to probe the mystery of the high count of failures which occur in Grade 9 classes, not only in this high school district but apparently throughout our educational system, Richmond Hill Public School trustees Lou Clement and Mrs. V. Sully, met recently with Chairman Harry Sayers and Trustee John Honsberger of the York Central District High School Board. Principal Wright Morrow of Richmond Hill High School, and Supervising Principal Duard Rose of the town public schools, to put forward a "checking" program, which will pin-point 25 pupils and their progress in high school as far as Grade 10.

Mr. Morrow and Mr. Rose will work on this program and finally the two boards will assess the work done, to determine how valuable such a plan is, and whether it will continue after the first trial.

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To Hire Maintenance Man
A motion that the personnel committee of the York Central District High School Board consider the hiring of a maintenance man as relief caretaker and carpenter, under the jurisdiction of the business administrator, J. D. Ashworth, was approved by the board last Monday night, despite the protests of Trustees R. Wood, R. Bumble, W. Middleton and R. Edean, who were out voted.

Mr. Ashworth had recommended the board hire a maintenance man to paint Richmond Hill High School this summer and also to do carpentry work, such as building cupboards which will be required from time to time. The hiring of such a man he said would also mean a relief caretaker who could be sent to any of the three schools on short notice.

Salary for such a man was set at a maximum of \$3,600. No mention was made in the motion for car allowance, although earlier Mr. Ashworth said this would be necessary.

Trustee Stewart Rumble suggested tendering for work instead and was backed up by Trustee Wes Middleton who said, "If you want a painter get a painter, if you want a carpenter get a carpenter."

Following the motion of Trustee Ross Tierney that a general maintenance man be hired, Trustee Bob Edean said, "You don't get a man to do these things with his bare hands. He has to have

St. John's 110 Anniversary

St. John's Anglican Church, Jefferson, is celebrating the 110th anniversary of its founding on Sunday next, June 22.

The Rector of the Church of The Advent, The Rev. L. F. Geary will preach at the 11 a.m. service; and in the evening, after a short service of Evening Prayer, the congregation will gather in the Parish Hall for an informal address by Dr. O. E. A. Stephens of Agincourt, after which refreshments will be served.

The Sunday School and Bible Class will attend the morning service when awards will be given children from the Sunday School for proficiency in their past year's work.

Advance Poll Busy Predict Narrow Margin In Vote Here Saturday

Independent observers are predicting a close vote in Richmond Hill Saturday when voters go to the polls to decide whether or not retail outlets for liquor and beer will be established here. The town has been dry since 1906 and a sixty per cent vote is required to repeal Local Option.

The voting will be next Saturday, and the polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. There are 6,411 persons entitled to vote, 51 names having been added by the Revising Officer Norman A. Todd on June 7th.

A large turn-out of voters is expected. Evidence of keen local interest was the heavy voting at the Advance Poll held last Thursday. Anyone who expected to be out of town on voting day, June 21st, had the privilege of voting at the advance poll. The poll was open at the Municipal Hall until 11 p.m. and officials had a busy time. During the evening there were long lines of voters waiting to cast their ballots. There were 283 voters registered at the Advance Poll and this is regarded as a substantial number and indicative of a heavy vote on Saturday.

Town Clerk Russell Lynett is Returning Officer for the vote and assisting him in operating the election machinery will be 17 deputy-returning officers, 17 poll clerks and 17 constables. Organization supporting or opposing the proposal are entitled to two agents in each poll.

For the voting the town has been divided into seventeen subdivisions and there will be sixteen voting places. Two subdivisions vote at the Municipal Hall.

S. Parkers Entertain Curtain Club Genuine Variety Night Tops Picnic

The Richmond Hill Curtain Club proved at their annual picnic that there is nothing to the old Friday the 13th jinx. They took advantage of gaps in the clouds for Rosalind Anderson and her busy committee to prepare the savoring hamburgers for their society members and guests, and enjoyed strawberry shortcake to put them in a mellow mood for the entertainment.

The Stuart Parker's home in Thornhill, still in the builders' hands, made a unique background for entertainment, as carpenters' benches and painters' cloths mingled with the exaggerated and colorful costumes of the curtain clubbers who put on a genuine variety night.

At this year marked the club's entry into the drama festival, the general theme was the satirizing of the drama entries and procedure of the festival, complete with adjudicator's awards to the best actors.

"This pioneer of lighter festivals" as described by Cicely Thomson in her role as the inept member of the council of the drama league, opened with Rex Sevenoaks' take-off on the festival entry of "Medea" originally a horror-filled Greek tragedy wherein Medea the discarded wife of Jason takes her ghastly revenge. Not only does she burn his bride but also slays her own two young sons. Muriel Gillard, performing in the title role, and Beth Jones and Margot Crack as the two sons, distorted the story into hysterical comedy.

"Barney Rose" was vigorously played as a comic character study by Margaret Bergin and Wanda Trot, with effective costumes and "props".

"Fashion through the Ages" or "Sacktrilege" traded in new sack line back to the cave woman (Bridget Crampton). The "Sack of Rome", and the flapper of the roaring twenties (Flavia Redelmeir) was climaxed by the sacks to end all sacks (Suzanne Sweeney and Ruth Rabinovitch) modelling 1958-59s. Duncan Gillard impersonated a female fashion commentator chic from his cloche hat to his rose tinted stockings, as he gushed over each model's creation.

May Pave Bayview

Mayor Ken W. Tomlin announced at council meeting Monday night that an early meeting will be held with Markham Township Roads Committee to discuss the possibility of permanent pavement of both Elgin side-road and Bayview Avenue.

These boundary roads are maintained jointly by the Town of Richmond Hill and the Township of Markham. "Both roads are carrying a heavy traffic," said the Mayor "each year we spend thousands of dollars keeping them in condition." He said it was foolish and poor business to keep spending money over and over again for the same work when permanent pavement is the answer.

The Mayor is hopeful a joint meeting can be arranged within a couple of weeks.

Central Ratepayers Object To Dry Campaign Literature

Juveniles Cause Fire Damage

Juveniles were responsible for a recent fire which destroyed sand boxes valued at \$400. The fire was in the town lot on Pugsley Ave., and the offenders were aged 8 to 10 years.

Judge Entries Kleinberg Library

The Richmond Hill Public Library was the scene of great concentration last Saturday as Mrs. Irma Kadela, Chief Librarian assisted Mrs. Jessie Campbell and Mrs. Esther Miller in judging the entries received in the Kleinberg Public Library Contest. The contest which was open to Grades 4 to 8, was based on a review of books read by the children, and due to high standard of the compositions submitted the work of the judges proved no easy task.

Recover Car Before Owner Knows It's Missing

Markham township police had further trouble at Saturday night dance at Farmers' Market, Thornhill last weekend, when they arrested Barry Sharp of Toronto for being drunk and causing a disturbance. He was fined \$50 and costs on Monday at Newmarket Police Court.

A car stolen from the home of Mrs. Catherine Percival, Elgin St., Thornhill was driven to Alliston before its owner knew it was missing. Markham Police received a call from Alliston Police Sunday night, after Peter Dyson 17, stationed with the RCAF at Camp Borden had parked in Alliston to check on trouble he was having with the car lights. Alliston police questioned Dyson and found out he had a stolen car. He was convicted in Newmarket police court on Tuesday and sent to jail for an undetermined length of time.

Mayor Denies Any Campaign Efforts By Town Council

"This council is not advocating for either side in the Liquor vote to be held next Saturday," declared Mayor Ken W. Tomlin at Monday night's meeting of Richmond Hill Town Council. The Mayor's declaration was made with some emphasis after a letter was read from W. J. Whitehead, Chairman Central Executive of Richmond Hill Ratepayers' Association asking for an official statement and complaining that certain literature circulated by the "drys" used the signature "Town of Richmond Hill" as though it were an official communication from council.

Mayor Tomlin said it was to be regretted if some literature was so worded that some might think it came from the Town Council. "However," he said, "I can only repeat what I have said before, that Council's only wish is to give the people an opportunity to decide the question in a fair and democratic manner."

The letter addressed to Mayor Tomlin was on stationery of Central Executive of Richmond Hill Ratepayers' Association and signed by W. J. Whitehead, Chairman. The letter said, "The so-called dries have done it again" and complained that propaganda handbills distributed around town last week did not say who was responsible for publication. The letter continued "not content with sending out this drive without their signatures (they're a brave group) they have had the monumental gall to use the signature of the Town of Richmond Hill, as though this were an official communication, an admission from those who govern the town."

It asked for an official statement from the Mayor as to "whether or not this pussyfooting piece of purity was sent out with the sanction of the elected council of Richmond Hill." Councillor S. F. Tinker asked "are the Central Executive of Ratepayers speaking for the wets?" Mayor Tomlin, "The letter is on a Central Executive letterhead, signed by the Chairman and was delivered to me by the secretary."

Councillor W. J. Haggart said he was pleased the Mayor made a statement to clear up the matter of the literature, which was distributed. He said he had several phone calls asking if it had been published with the authority of the town.

Mayor Tomlin, "I had several phone calls on the same question." Council agreed to a suggestion of Councillor Haggart that a complete list of voting places be published in this week's issue of "The Liberal." "We are glad to do this so that every citizen will know the questions to be asked and where to vote," said the Mayor. "Individual members of council have their own views, but as a council we are not advocating one side or the other. All we are doing is giving the people an opportunity of deciding the question under the existing legislation of the province," he added.

Councillor Joseph Paterson expressed the hope that the issue be decided without bitterness or misrepresentation. "It's too bad to have the issue clouded," he said expressing disapproval of an anonymous phone call received by his wife.

Councillor Bradstock suggested the advertisement of the voting places should state clearly the question to be submitted to the people.

"Just make sure there is no X on the ballots though" added Deputy-reeve Plaxton.

Councillor Paterson deplored that considerable feelings and bitterness is evident between the opposing factions which is regrettable. "This is a democracy," he said, "and I have confidence in the intelligence and integrity of the voters."

Mayor Tomlin - We believe we can trust the people. It is for them to decide the issue.



The fearful wrath of Moses as he comes upon the evil worship of the Golden Calf is seen above as re-enacted in Cecil B. DeMille's motion picture masterpiece, "The Ten Commandments," opening June 27 at the Richmond Theatre. Portraying Moses in the mammoth VistaVision and Technicolor

Paramount film is Charlton Heston; to the left of the great lawgiver are the bearded John Derek as Joshua, and Debra Paget as Lilia; Yvonne DeCarlo, in white is seen as Moses' wife, Sephora. Yul Brynner, Anne Baxter, Edward G. Robinson and Sir Cedric Hardwicke also star.

Missions Benefit From Estate Of Rev. John O. Totton

The Board of Finance of The United Church of Canada today announced that the United Church's Home and Overseas Missions would benefit from a contingent bequest from the estate of the late Rev. John O. Totton, formerly of Elizabeth Street S., Richmond Hill.