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Coming Events

EVERY TUESDAY, Bingo 8 p.m. at the Legion Hall, King Side Road, Oak Ridges. Cash prizes and jackpot. tfc31

BINGO every Wednesday afternoon at 1.15 p.m. at the Canad-Leon Branch 375, Carrville Rd. West, Richvale. tfc39

BINGO every Thursday, 8 p.m. in Orange Hall, 1st house north Loblaws. tfc

EVERY FRIDAY night at 7.45 p.m. Bingo - Community Hall, Spruce Ave. Stop 22, Yonge St. tfc36

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT - 9.00 p.m. - 12.00. Dancing at Max Cameron's Orchestra, at Canadian Legion Hall, Carrville Road, Richvale. Sponsored by Richmond Hill Branch 375, Canadian Legion. 75c per person. tfc36

APRIL 17 - Friday 8 p.m. Wrixon Hall, St. Mary's Anglican Church, regular meeting of the Richmond Hill Naturalists. Mr. T. R. Scovell is to give an illustrated talk on the birds of Presquille Park. Everyone welcome. c1w42

APRIL 18th - Saturday, 11 a.m., A sale of baked goods at Mrs. Walker's Store, Maple, by the Women's Association of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. c2w41

APRIL 18 - Saturday 2.30 to 9 p.m. Richmond Hill Horticultural Society Spring Fair. No admission fee. All welcome! c2w41

APRIL 18 - Saturday. Rummage Sale - sponsored by St. Mary's Anglican Evening Guild, in Wrixon Hall, 104 Yonge Street south, at 2 p.m. For pick-up please telephone Mrs. Donaldson, TU. 4-1559 - or any member of the Evening Guild. c2w41

APRIL 18 - Saturday night 8.30 to 11.30 p.m. TALENT CONTEST, \$100 in prizes. Winner: have opportunity to audition for TV appearance. Held during regular Saturday night dances at the Legion Hall, Oak Ridges. Admission \$1.00. Call PR. 3-5215, or write P.O. Box 432, Oak Ridges, Canadian Legion Branch 570, Oak Ridges. c2w41

APRIL 20 - McConaghy Home and School Association, 8.15 p.m. Guest speaker, Mrs. Elliott, Art Supervisor for Markham and Vaughan School Area, will illustrate her talk on "The Place of Art in Education" by coloured slides. Music by the school choir and a skit by Grade 7 will start the evening. c1w42

APRIL 21 - Tuesday. Euchre in the Victoria Square Community Hall, at 8.15 p.m. Sponsored by the Park Committee. Everyone welcome. Ladies please provide lunch. c1w42

APRIL 21 - Tuesday, 8.15 p.m. The meeting of the 1st Richvale Cub and Scout Mothers' Auxiliary will be held at the home of Mrs. S. Lowe, 53 Oak Ave. Refreshments will be European. c1w42

APRIL 22 - Wednesday, 1 p.m. Spring luncheon sponsored by the Women's Association of Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church. Speaker, Mrs. Elsa Jenkins, manager of Women's Activities, Canadian National Exhibition. Tickets \$1.00, available from Mrs. A. E. Tyson, TU. 4-2432. c1w41

APRIL 22 - Wednesday 8 p.m. MacKillop Home and School meeting will present film "From 10 to 12 - Adults in the making" discussion, election and installation of 1959-60 executive, refreshments. c1w42

APRIL 22 - The Progressive Conservative Richmond Hill and District Association will hold its annual meeting at 7 Dufferin St. c1w42

APRIL 22 - Wednesday 8 p.m. Annual open meeting at Kingcrafts House, Speaker Dr. Ross Lord, Metropolitan Conservation Chairman. c1w42

APRIL 23 - Thursday at 1 o'clock. Spring luncheon with Miss Ruth Boxer, fashion adviser, Robert Simpson Co., under the auspices of the W.A., Holy Trinity Church, Brook St., Thornhill, in the church hall. Tickets \$1.50 from Mrs. P. Skippen, AV. 5-2180. c1w42

APRIL 24 - Friday 1 p.m. Rummage Sale, North York Veterans Club, 6321 Yonge St., South of Steeles Ave., Willowdale. White elephant table, bargains galore. Auspices: Northminster United Church Womens Federation. c2w42

APRIL 24 - Friday. Columbia Players present 3-act comedy, "Nobody But Nancy" in Victoria Square Community Hall, 8.15 p.m. Adults 50c. Children 35c. Sponsored by Victoria Square Couples Club. *2w42

APRIL 25 - Saturday. Rummage and baking sale, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m., sponsored by St. Matthew's United Church, W.A., Crosby Ave., Richmond Hill. Afternoon tea will be served. Rummage contributions may be left at 270 McConvey Drive. *3w40

APRIL 25 - Campfire Variety Night at Buttonville Hall, presented by the Unionville Junior Farmers. Proceeds for charity. Tickets from members or at door. c1w42

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Business Is Brisk

Enthusiastic Welcome For Richmond Hill's Foodland



Mayor Ken Tomlin is seen as he cuts the yellow satin ribbon to declare Morley's Foodland officially opened last Thursday morning. On the left of the picture are seen, Mrs. J. Wilmott and Mr. Theodore Neilson, who waited in

Five hundred customers filed past the cashiers' desks at Morley's new Foodland within two hours of its official opening by Mayor Ken Tomlin last Thursday morning to demonstrate their enthusiastic support of this, Richmond Hill's largest food market on Yonge Street.

Mrs. J. Wilmott of Newtonbrook and Mr. Theodore Neilson were the first two customers to enter the store - they took up their stations, with the honour of being first in line at 5:50 a.m. that morning. Welcomed by proprietor Morley B. Hall and his son Warren, they were the first of three hundred visitors to receive free shopping bags filled with a wide selection of groceries during the three opening days.

Dozens of baskets of gorgeous spring flowers, roses and "mums lined the show cases and the wide window, further attesting to the good wishes of the Halls' many friends, in their new venture into bigger and better service for the people of Richmond Hill. One buyer, present for the opening, said he had never seen so many flowers on such an occasion. Morley Hall said, "We would like all those who sent flowers to know how much we appreciate their good wishes for a most successful opening."

The new store has every modern facility including a meat section specializing in a full line of already cut and cello-wrapped meats and fowl, to a line of fresh, cut-to-order meats. This department is under the direction of Ray Stundin ably assisted by another well-known town resident, Ted Mansbridge, and Ross White.

"I would like to thank all the people who made this opening possible," Mr. Hall told "The Liberal". "It is amazing how many people - besides my family and staff - who have given freely and willingly of their services."

He said thanks were also due to all their former customers - and "we welcome all the new ones who are patronizing our store."

Among the attractions for the opening were many give-aways which included bargains such as every housewife loves to see when shopping - also free chances were available on a TV set and a lovely bride doll that will make some youngster happy when the winners' names are drawn.

The draw for the prizes will be made Saturday at 4 p.m.

authorize someone to prepare figures to see "what we should do" by June of this year, concluding, "I do think we would put our township in a better financial position."

Councillor Anstey referred to research along the line of assessment being carried out in Boston, stating it was found that "the lot sizes went up, the cost to the municipality went up too. In other words, if you get 100 feet of road for one family you have got a higher amount for each family to pay in taxes, but larger houses on larger lots give less in the way of assessment than more smaller lots." Councillor Anstey stated he thought, "the time is coming when the province will pay education costs", thus spreading the expense out thinner.

Another and a longer range program was suggested to council by Reeve John Perry after he stated, "I am getting quite concerned about debenture debts. If we continue to issue debentures at the rate we are doing now - at the demands of the people - we are going to be in trouble." Referring then to ever-increasing school taxes, Mr. Perry said certain areas of the township can develop industrially (thereby taking care of some of the burden of assessment) others can not. "I feel it (the cost) should be spread over the township. And if you go into a capital works program you need one school board, not several."

"It is up to us to give it some thought", the reeve adjured. "Metro has a very sound plan in saying just what can be spent on education each year, the reeve pointed out.

Councillor William Anstey asked, "Does that mean a Board of Education for the whole township? There is no industrial assessment in the front of the township and it is badly affected by rising school costs."

Reeve Perry: "We are not referring to School Area No. 1, but are thinking further ahead for the whole township."

The reeve said the debenture debt of Vaughan Township is still healthy but, "we don't want to see it otherwise."

Clerk J. McDonald said, "Ten years ago the debenture debt was \$50,000 - today it is over three million dollars."

Councillor Anstey: "The increase in the debenture debt is not because of increase in population?"

Reeve: "It is partly due to people's way of life." He then said he thought council should

Markham & H.S. Bd. To Confer On Bayview Site

Markham Township Council will meet with representatives of the York Central District High School Board next Monday regarding the board's proposed new school site located on Bayview Avenue.

Markham Township and Richmond Hill Planning Boards recently conferred as to how the site fits into the future development plans of Richmond Hill. Planning director R. Forrest reported the Richmond Hill Board stated more study was required before a decision could be made regarding future growth. Mr. Forrest felt any future growth would be in a westerly, north-westerly or northerly direction. He didn't envisage Richmond Hill expanding to the east. The area in Markham Township north of 16th Avenue is expected to remain static for a good number of years yet.

Deputy-reeve W. Dean reported that the special roads committee of the county did not favour the Bayview site. They felt the majority of the students attending the school would be from Richmond Hill, and their attendance at the school would involve crossing Bayview Avenue. The county has already taken over Bayview Avenue from Steeles Avenue north to Markham Road, and future plans call for its development as a busy highway.

Too Close To Schools

Township School Area Board Opposes Route Of Rail Line Object To Noise Of Sixty Trains Passing Daily

At their meeting this week the trustees of T.S.A.1 Markham-Vaughan took a strong stand in opposition to the routing of the proposed CNR by-pass line through Markham and Vaughan Townships south of Thornhill. Trustee Allan Parker said, "We must consider this matter in terms of education and form an organized opposition. Our only stand is to join others."

After a report by Trustee Jackson Taylor, the board passed his motion to express strong disapproval of the proposed route adjacent to schools in the area. The board formed a committee (Trustees Taylor and Parker) to pursue the matter, and decided to send copies of the motion to the CNR, Markham and Vaughan Township Councils, Markham-Vaughan United Ratepayers Committee, York County Council, C. A. Cathers M.P., F. Stinson M.P., F. McGee, M.P., all members of parliament and Lex MacKenzie M.L.A., of the Ontario Legislature, to attend a joint meeting with trustees of other school boards in the wide area affected by the route.

Seven interested ratepayers attended the meeting, including representatives of the Markham-Vaughan Ratepayers' Committee; and Ernest Brennan, chairman of the separate school board, also present, expressed his board's agreement with the stand taken and its support in opposing the route.

Trustee Taylor said that at the request of the board he had attended four previous local meetings on the question. Initial personal positions against the route have given away for the good of the area, he said. Vaughan Township Council stated they were looking to the ratepayers for leadership. The railroad would mean an assessment to Vaughan almost equal to their present assessment.

Markham Council's attitude, he said, was constructive, revealing what they knew through the planning board chairman.

He reviewed the position of the schools in relation to the proposed railway line. They had been placed in vital locations after careful planning, he said, "all gone down the drain" with the advent of the railway. Henderson Avenue School property would be 400 feet from the tracks, the school itself 700-odd feet. It would be difficult to plan for the future there. Powell Road School would

be 570 feet from the railway. Mr. Taylor noted 40 to 60 freight trains a day were expected. Each diesel makes 90 decibels of sound at 100 feet, and each box car 70 decibels. This is the same noise as a riveter at 55 feet. At 800 feet the sound would be 70 decibels, the same as normal conversation, but both schools are within 800 feet of the proposed route. As to the pollution of the air, Mr. Taylor asked Don McCaskill, M.V. United Ratepayers' secretary, to give the board information he had obtained from the U.S. Bureau of Air and Water Pollution. This statement showed that diesel engines contribute to air pollution, could give off carbon dioxide at a strength three to five times above normal safe amounts, and carbon monoxide about 10 times, though these products appeared in such strengths only at high speeds and on upgrades in the main.

Trustee Taylor went on to say he had considered the whole situation and tried to get as much information from as many sources as he could. As a result he had concluded that very likely "it is a political issue, already settled."

He pointed out various indications: Mr. Fred Gardiner (of Met-

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Already Cost Plenty

More Trouble In Crosby Ave. Sewer

Crosby Avenue has been barricaded this week while town workers worked to find the cause of a sewer break. Forty feet of pavement sank about two feet just east of the pump-house and indications are that there is another break in the sewer which has already cost the municipality a lot of money.

The Crosby Avenue sewer has long been a head-ache for the local council. The original sewer, 2,000 feet in length was constructed in 1956 at a cost of \$23,762. In April 1957 Engineer Redfern presented council with an account for \$40,812.82, plus \$16,598. for additional work on the sewer contract, and \$24,224. for repairing three serious breaks in the sewer.

At that time in answer to council members Engineer Redfern stated that the construction work had been carried out according to specifications and the break could not be attributed to faulty workmanship. He explained that when the sewer was laid the ground seemed satisfactory but trouble developed a few months afterwards. There were large deposits of quicksand and sections of the sewer just disappeared.

Mr. Perkins, a member of council at the time said it was unfortunate soil tests had not been made before construction was started. The engineer agreed and said that had the nature of the soil been known an altogether different type of construction would have been specified.

Open Monday to Friday

Sr. Citizens' Day Centre In R. Hill United Hall

The need for a day centre for the Senior Citizens' Club has been met by the United Church which has made arrangements with the club executive so that they may use the platform of the old Sunday School room as their headquarters. Mr. A. E. Plewman, president of the Senior Citizens' Club, made this announcement at the monthly social meeting last Wednesday.

He then called for suggestions as to obtaining furnishings, for such items as cups and saucers, chairs, card tables, work tables, sewing machine, games table and a rug to add a home-like atmosphere, that the committee had already thought of. An electric kettle has already been donated, and the club has the nucleus of a library.

The day-centre will be open Monday to Friday afternoons, and the once-a-month social meeting will continue to be held in the new Primary Room of the United Church Education Building. Great appreciation to the church board for making these quarters available to the Senior Citizens' Club was expressed.

The feature of the afternoon was the showing of a film, "The Golden Age", on three approaches to retirement by Miss Buckley, senior nurse of the Public Health Unit in Richmond Hill. There was the man who with the help

of his wife planned a new career when compulsory retirement faced him, and of the richness he found in his new method of living; there was the man whose boss tried to place him in another category in the plant and went further to suggest a niche in teaching where this reliable man's skills might be used to full advantage. Opposed to these two who solved their problems, there was the lonely man who lived inside himself having no use for a world that had changed and left him behind.

Miss Buckley also spoke shortly on the benefits of proper nutrition, stressing that protein and vitamins are of utmost importance.

Two announcements were also made for outside activities when nearly forty members expressed their intention of attending "Kind Lady" on the opening night and the coffee party afterwards at the invitation of the Curtain Club.

A tour through the Dominion Store plant by Mr. Wm. Ruttle of the Recreation Committee, is being tentatively arranged for April 22. Further details of transportation etc., will be handled by the telephone committee. Twenty members at least planned on participating in this interesting outing.

High School Board Meeting

Uncle Harry Retires After 31 Years School Caretaker

Trustee Queries Advantages From Bd. Conventions

Mr. Harry Stanford, for thirty-one years, caretaker of Richmond Hill High School, is retiring June 30th. His resignation was accepted by the York Central District High School Board at its regular meeting Monday night, and in appreciation of his long years of faithful service he was voted a pension of \$50. a month. Pension plans were not in vogue back in 1928 when Mr. Stanford joined the school staff.

"Uncle Harry" as he is lovingly known by the hundreds of students who have passed through the school has long been an important part of school life at Richmond Hill High. His retirement will mark the end of an era. Faithful and conscientious in the conduct of his duties he took a fatherly interest in students and with enthusiasm entered into the spirit of school activities. In his letter of resignation Mr. Stanford expressed gratitude for the treatment accorded him by successive trustee boards and the hope that in some small way he had contributed to the welfare of the many students who passed through the school.

Chairman H. W. R. Sayers presided at the regular meeting of the District High School Board which held its meeting in Richmond Hill High School. Usually the board meets in Thornhill to rotate the place of meeting to give ratepayers in different communities the opportunity of attending board sessions. Chairman Sayers welcomed a dozen spectators at Monday's meeting and expressed the hope more citizens would attend the meetings. Among the Monday observers were Richmond Hill Reeve Floyd R. Perkins and Public School Trustees Mrs. Margaret Southwell and Harold D. Sander-

son. Members in attendance in addition to Chairman Sayers were Vice-Chairman Stewart Rumble, and trustees E. Axelsson, J. D. Honsberger, V. W. Snider, Wesley Middleton, Morley Kinnee, R. Wood, Louis Wainwright, Robert Edean and N. D. Hicks. School Principals Morrow, Elson and Morrison were in attendance and

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ACCIDENT RECORD RICHMOND HILL 1959

FATALITIES	0
ACCIDENTS	36
INJURIES	3