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Coming Events

EVERY MONDAY - Monster Bingo, at York Farmers Market, Thornhill. 8 p.m. All regular games \$20.00. \$500.00 Jackpot. \$200.00 Pot of Gold. tfc36

EVERY TUESDAY - Bingo, 8 pm. at the Legion Hall, King Sideroad, Oak Ridges. Cash prizes and jackpot.

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT -Legion. 75c per person. tfc36

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT -Dancing, Modern and Olde Tyme. Plainsmen - stars of TV and Radio. Admission \$1.00. Free parking.

8 p.m. to 11.45. Thornhill Farm-Java's so pleas'n."

den Fair in the Lions Communp.m. Admission free.

APRIL 9 - Saturday 2 p.m. Bring your friends and enjoy a social half hour over a delicious home

Crippled Children. Good prizes, year."

United Church Hall.

when applied to the street's af-

ter-dark appearance.

Markham Twp. Council

Reeve Clarifies Statement Re. Township School Board

Aim To Equal Industrial Vaughan Will Only 9.00 p.m. - 12.00. Dancing to Max Cameron's Orchestra, at Canadian Legion Hall, Carrville Road, Richvale. Sponsored by Richmond Hill Branch 375, Canadian By request of Markham Township Council, Chairman

By request of Markham Township Council, Chairman Stewart Rumble of the York Central District High School Board, presented the 1960 budget in person to council last Monday afternoon. Accompanying Mr. Rumble were Trus-At Maple Community Hall. Music | tee Eric Axelson, Chairman of Management; Trustee Mrs. by Art Celsie and his Singing Kathleen James, and Business Administrator D. J. Ashworth. All four delegates joined in a lengthy and intertfc18 esting debate on high school affairs with the reeve and council members, following the official presentation - a EVERY SATURDAY - Dancing copy of which had been received in council last week.

In his opening remarks Mr. Rumble said, "We are do-"The sounds are the reason the large a big job in this high school district, with 83 teachers, *3w29 1,800 pupils at present (we expect to have 2,000 pupils by September), and three high schools to look after, with a APRIL 9 - Saturday, Richmond fourth to be opened this Fall. It takes a lot of money to Hill Horticultural Society, Gar- operate these schools", he continued as he discussed the ity Hall, Centre St. E. 1 to 6 \$1,155,755. budget, "but I can assure you, we are making c2w40 every cent count."

Reeve William Clark asked, operate the school for the four "How does this year's grant com- months it would be open this pare to last year's?" and was in- year. formed by Mr. Rumble it is Keeping Budget Down ceive \$5,000 less.

Rummage sale Legion Hall, Carrite is \$5.05. But through grand, ping for the new school." ville Road, Toronto Vegetarian he said. After figuring out the "All children attending the new c3w41 cost for 200 days of school for high school will live within walk-1,800 pupils the reeve said it ing distance of it", Mr. Rumble APRIL 23 - Saturday 10 a.m. to takes a lot of money - "but informed the board. In order to

c3w41 are forgetting one thing - the therefore any students now be-Department says a child must go ing transported to Richmond APRIL 25 - Monday at Button- to school until he is 16; also, the Hill High School outside the ville W.I. Hall at 2 p.m. Benefit. main impact in increases in tea- Bayview area, will continue at Euchre in aid of the Society for chers' salaries will be felt this the present school. 787 children

MAY 7 - Saturday 1 p.m. Rum- Bayview-Markham High School plea to the reeve and council Hill, passed away on Thursday, mage Sale in the Richmond Hill are incorporated in this budget?" members saying, "I feel if the March 31, 1960, in Toronto Genclw41 and was told \$49,000, enough to council could see in their wisdom eral Hospital, after a six weeks

Co-operate At Council Level

Richmond Hill Town Council expressed dismay Monday at a further refusal oy Vaughan Township Council to co-operate in the matter of the Municipal Co-Ordinating Committee. A letter was tabled from Vaughan Council stating that in special cases they would co-operate but only at the council level. Mayor Ken Tomlin and Councillor T. Broadhurst agreed that there was a "degree of inconsistency" in their attitude. "They've got what they want so they don't need the help of the fringe municipalities," commented Councillor Mrs. M. Southwell. "If their council representative lost his seat on the Metro Planning Board they wouldn't be so brave," added Councillor H. Whillans.

Mayor Tomlin felt if the surrounding municipalities couldn't learn to co-operate on a volunteer basis then they might force the provincial government to take similar action as they did when they set up Metro in 1954

"It's unfortunate that one municipality can wantonly imperil the case of the other 12 fringe municipalities," remarked Reeve James Hag-

Mr. Raymond Thomas Elson, that industrial and residential de- illness. He had been a resident velopment go hand in hand - of Richmond Hill for the past

taxpayers - we have to spend | Born in Marsden, Saskatchewmoney to educate children." an, he spent three years during When he asked that council in- his boyhood in England, returnsist on industry to balance the ing to Canada with his parents, assessment the reeve said, "Coun- the late Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Elday left a lot to be desired. Merchants hadn't got into the habwhere they carried on business
where they carried on business
equal."

all in its power to make the industrial-residential assessment
and married Miss Catherine Mor-

St., and one at Bayview Avenue; ed 61/2 years with the R.C.A.F.. "gloomy" was no exaggeration mediate area in recent weeks, \$200,000 building which will Receiving his discharge in bring in an assessment of \$40,- 1946 he entered the service of 000 at least; we have a nursing the H.E.P.C. and was stationed

> the former jail farm is zoned for He was a "key" member of the industry - and we hope before Lucan Lions Club and was acthis year is out to see something tively engaged in their boys' and the township the reeve revealed and Cubs and minor hockey. He there will be industrial develop- served seven and a half years on ment on Highway 48 as well as the Lucan Public School Board "So I don't think we will lack Trinity Anglican Church in Lu- Wood, R. Ross and R Endean. for industrial assessment', he in | can. A Mason, he was a Past formed the school board repres- Master of Irving Lodge A.F. &

the assessment equalized, the Windsor area office of the H.E. reeve said that in 1959 residen- P.C. and three years ago came tial building permits were 59.5 to the Richmond Hill area office. cent. and from those figures he Funeral Home, Lucan, where the didn't think anyone could say Reverend Mr. Prest of Holy Trin-Council is losing sight of the im- ity Anglican Church was the offic-The board members then asked from the Lucan and Parkhill disthe reeve to clarify his inaugural tricts. Interment was in Lucan

Surviving besides his wife are Reeve Clark said this was his own two sons. William Raymond of personal idea and, "until this London and Gary of Richmond present meeting it has never | Hill; one granddaughter, Terry been discussed in these council Sue of London; one brother, chambers." He said it was not Harold of Parkhill; and two sissomething for the immediate ters, Eva and Ethel. "The Liberpresent but would probably be- al" joins their many friends in come necessary someday in the expressing sincere sympathy to

Richmond Hill residents may consider themselves for-

flooding, due to the annual spring thaw and the melting snow, following what has been termed a "mean winter" However, nearby localities have not been so fortunate, and, right now in the United States, the Mississippi River has reached its highest danger level in history. Though Nature has been kinder than expected — as

only light recent rains have fallen - the main credit for these improved conditions is due to the foresight of our Town Council in providing the necessary funds to enable Works Commissioner Otto Whalen to hire and purchase the necessary equipment to combat the situation.

Neal Drive and Taylor Mills enlarge them. eight pumps immediately went another of the Town of Richmond Mr. Rumble said the board has situation was in Markham.

into the run-off on Crosby Ave. | the residents of Richmond Hill. | entation of the 1960 budget.

periods - "preventive service" public enemy number one and ble said that it was getting larwas rendered by the Commission- termed the "multi-million dollar ger and better all the time and er and all members of the Works | headache" by the City of Toronto | that if anyone wanted out now Department - work crews were - were certainly the object of was the time to do so. out with trucks, with portable much concern to local residents | Reeve Clark said the time for steamers clearing out the cul- and the municipality. However, township high school boards, like verts, ice-covered manholes, etc., even during the inclement the newly formed township puball in readiness for the spring weather the town trucks and lic school boards in Markham thaw and rains. This preparatory work crews could be observed and Vaughan, "would be after work paid off, as, at the first in- filling in and tamping the pot- there is a high school built in of the better years for Markham dication of flooding-the low ly- holes before further freezing and Vaughan Township and one in Township Road Department, ing section of Beverley Acres - pounding of heavy trucks could Unionville. I think the only thing Traynor Canning, Roads Super-

Turn On Lights Brighten Yonge Back in 1949 Yonge Street in | make its appearance in town, the Richmond Hill was a fairly dingy paper disclosed.

it of leaving store window lights on for the benefit of nocturnal window-shoppers. Lights on publishing buildings had to the habthen, father George and son Al turned on the juice on a big new sign which dwarfed their 1949 going in at Green Lane and John

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The sign is the second to building had the buil lic buildings had yet to make pride. The sign is the second to their appearance. The adjective make its appearance in the im-Goods - who has also given his store front a face-lifting in re-So much was that the case cent days - having erected one that even the erection of a new recently.

illuminated sign on a store front | Both signs add a night-time was considered worthy of men- touch of life and colour to a tion in the columns of "The street which, although far from L'beral." The Hills, father and being the "Great White Way" son, who operated the Richmond yet, displays a remarkable change Hill Hardware, had installed the from the gloomy Yonge Street of first overhanging Neon light to as little as twelve years ago.

Works Dept. Controls Or Prevents Flooding

tunate to have escaped danger and discomfort of excessive

Even during the zero weather, Road potholes, regarded as large and unwieldy". Mr. Rum-

into action, with the crew work- Hill's public service departments. an option on a new high school Out of 1,000 culverts in the Teachers' Salaries ing "right around the clock". When the blizzards and worst site in Vaughan Township, only 10 were frozen Reeve James Haggart took way," replied Chairman Rumble. the committee nonetheless had Pumping through the man-sleet storm of the century hit will probably have to build an up Mr. Canning stated, and the strong exception to the size of Councillor Whillans felt that one decided to attend to hear anyone holes, the head pressure in the this area with ice laden branches addition to Thornhill High School graders are busy pushing the salaries being paid members of reason teaching salaries are high who should turn up at the meetsewer mains was reduced to pre- bringing down the cables - next year. vent any recurrence of flooded plunging parts of the town into Reeve Clark asked that repres- keep water from running over Rumble admitted that promo- "strongest union in existence." Purposes Reversed basements. The 25 check valves darkness and disrupting electric- entatives of the York Central the roads. "There is still about tions in the category system and Mayor Tomlin felt "Reeve It was quickly established that installed by the Works Depart- al service, the commissioners of Board attend a County Council two feet of frost in the road the need for new staff for the Haggart's views have some merit no one present had any reprement, in homes in that area, the Richmond Hill Hydro Com- committee meeting April 12, shoulders," he said, "let's hope Bayview School have resulted in when you consider that 90% of sentations to make or any inforproved very efficient in prevent- mission. Superintendent Verne when school problems would be the weather stays cold - for if an additional expenditure of the taxpayers are earning less mation likely to be helpful to the ing storm water backing up. Fol- Snider and his noble staff of aired. And in closing, led by Dep- it gets too warm the frost will go \$125,000.00 in salaries.* In reply than \$9,000 a year. Salaries are committee. From a meeting lowing Sunday's rain the big ten- maintenance men performed ser- uty-reeve W. Dean, Markham out too fast and then we will to questions Mr. Rumble stated getting beyond the ability of the which had been called to assist

made tea at the "Daffodil Tea" \$3,000. larger than last year, but Mr. Ashworth informed Counbeing held in conjunction with owing to superannuation funds cil, "In reality, as far as general the "Hat Sale" at Wrixon Hall. for teachers the board would re- maintenance items go, the budget is down from last year. In-The gross cost of educating a creases come from teachers' salhigh school student in this dis- aries, a commercial course for APRIL 23 — Saturday 10.30 a.m. Iriet is \$3.63. but through grants the new high school and landsca-

5 p.m. Rummage sale. 5th Richmond Hill Girl Guides Company.
Lady of Fatima School portable.

Trustee Mrs. James said, "You be going to the Bayview School, be going to the Bayview School the Bayview are presently being transported of the Consumers' Service Divisc3w41 Deputy reeve W. Dean asked. by bus to the district high schools. ion of the Ontario Hydro Electric "How much of the costs of the Mr. Rumble made an earnest Power Commission, Richmond it will not be a burden on the three years. went down. Street lights of that week when, on a new store vastly different from the premises all in its power to make the in-

home valued at \$350,000 being in Lucan, Ontario, where he took built on Steeles. We also know a very active part in the village.

entatives. Further pointing up A.M. No. 154, Lucan per cent of the assessment, with To Study H.S. District Board

remarks regarding withdrawal cemetery. from the high school district. future, "when the board gets too the bereaved family.

this school board can do is to go intendent said when asked by

inch pump went into action, oper- vices under dangerous conditions Township council members com- have boggy roads all over the the minimums for the various taxpayers to meet the bill." the committee it developed into ating all night, pumping directly that will ever be remembered by plimented the Board on its pres- township." Cool, windy weather categories is \$4.500, \$5,100 and Councillor Mrs. Southwell who a bureau of information by

Funeral services were held on friends and former neighbours their contract.

Despite the snow, this is one

would dry things up.



The United Lutheran Church Mission of Richmond eran Synod of Canada was the guest preacher. The

Lutheran Mission is meeting in the auditorium of the

Hill had an auspicious beginning at its first service last Walter Scott School on Markham Road. The Mission Sunday. Shown above are the over 100 people who attend- holds services every Sunday at 11 a.m. Sunday School ed. Dr. A. G. Jacobi, president of the Evangelical Luth- classes will begin on Sunday, April 24th, at 9:45 a.m. - photo by Lagerquist

Still Need Approval Municipal Bd.

Only Six People Attend Beverley Acres Drainage Public Meeting

"Home of Week" Winners

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Bell, 4 Elizabeth St. Richmond Hill are the owners of the home shown last week in "The Liberal" Polaroid Home of the Week special advertisement, and were the winners of a \$5.00 merchandise order. Each week the photo of some home in the North Yonge district appears in this advertisement, and the lucky winner receives a \$5.00 order from any of the Six times during the next

participating merchants. 24 weeks there will be a draw and each time two poloroid cameras will be given free, one to the person whose names appears on the coupon drawn, and one to the merchant at whose store the entry is made.

Don't Favour County Planning Board

Richmond Hill Town Council has gone on record as not favouring the establishment of a county planning board. In reporting to council, Councillor Howard Whillans stated the planning board had recommended against town participation in any such board on the grounds that Richmond Hill is included in the Metro planning

Councillor Whillans felt a county planning board would be of more value to the northern municipalities which are still rural in character. Richmond Hill's extensive urban development makes interest in the Metro

authority imperative.

Town Council Meeting

Four representatives of the York Central District High School Board met with Richmond Hill Council Monday evening to discuss their record high 1960 budget. This year's budget has been set at \$1,155,755.00 with Richmond Hill's done about it." Continuing across girls' work which included Scouts share set at \$264,140.00. The local mill rate for second- ed in its task. It is headed by Further Delay Expected ary school education is up 2.6 mills. The delegation attending the meeting included Board Chairman S. Rumble and political scene this year. a modern motel in the township. and was also a Warden of Holy Richmond Hill representatives Mrs. Barbara Langstaff, R. Public Meeting

In his submission to council Trustee Wood stated the significant feature of the budget is the relation between of the public or anyone interest- telling anyone it will-nor are Markham Township's plan to keep | Later he transferred to the the budget and the increased enrollment. The overall bud- ed, which might assist the com- we saying it won't." He added, get is up 16 per cent and there is a corresponding increase in the student population. "The budget has been carefully pared and nothing is being met beyond the minimum needs commercial-industrial 40.5 per Saturday afternoon at Murdy's of the various schools," stated Mr. Wood. In the matter of Disappointing Attendance teachers' salaries which is the largest expenditure in any budget. Mr. Wood stated the teachers received no increases pact on residential by industrial. lating minister. Pallbearers were this year beyond the annual increments which are part of A great deal of the increased budget is in connection meeting which itself was attend- on those who directly benefit.

with the new Bayview High School which is planned to be open by September 1st.

Grants Down

Fomlin regarding the size of this of the high school district.

snow back from the ditches to the teaching staff. Chairman is because they have the ing. \$5,400. Vice-principal salaries (Continued on page 19) which those members of the

are over \$10,000 per annum and

In reply to questions by Mayor | principals over \$11,000. year's provincial grants Chair- criticism of the "generous an- Deputy-reeve Stanley Tinker at- other properties get their own man Rumble stated it is expect- nual increments" which can tending without his wheel chair storm sewers later, they will pay ed the gross grants will be up raise a teacher's salary to \$9,000. \$3.000.00 but the net figure will Terming such a salary as "ridi- present, "just as an observer" he Petitions For Storm Sewers be down \$5,000.00 from 1959, culous" in relation to the general told the meeting. Mr. Otto Mayor Tomlin stated the Min- economic conditions existing in Whalen the Works Commisister of Education has promised the community Mr. Haggart ask- sioner, appeared in an advisory in the Legislature that no board ed what qualifications a person capacity. will receive less in grants than would require in order to com- Only Six People Attend they did last year. The province mand such a salary. Councillor | The six members of the public paid 78% of the approved costs Mrs. M. Southwell felt "the present were Mr. Ernest Harris, in 1959, however, due to the fact salaries weren't out of line, in Mr. Harvey Head, Mrs. Patricia Richmond Hill is now over 13,- fact they are low in comparison Fraser. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent 000 in population the provincial to what they are paying in Strother and Mr. William Mcgrants will drop accordingly in Metro." "Consideration must be Carthy. 1960. It is expected the province given to the fact that there are No Applications will only pay 63% of the approv- many of our citizens eking out | Councillor Whillans advising ed costs in Richmond Hill and an existence on \$3,000 to \$4,000 that no applications had been re-72% in Markham, Vaughan and a year and shouldn't be taxed to ceived from persons wishing to Drive south were closed off and Special credit is also due to ahead as they have been doing." "The Liberal" how the flooding Woodbridge the other members pay these high salaries," con- appear before the committee, tended Reeve Haggart. "The only two letters on the subject teachers don't look at it in that from the same person; said that

Forecast 6 Months Before Work Started

Beverley Acres drainage, the contentious issue on which the then Councillor James Haggart broke with F. R. Perkins, Reeve of Richmond Hill in 1959, continues to prove the subject of heart searching and debate.

Faults in the drainage system were discovered many months ago and a probe committee was set up to allocate responsibility while at the same time a survey was made to discover how the faults could be corrected.

shown that it will cost the rate- to obtain a fuller picture of the payers of Beverley Acres ap- faults and the action proposed to proximately half a million dol- correct them. lars for installation of storm Town Flooding sewers, being the only method | Reeve Haggart reported that likely to effect the corrections much flooding in the town area

of the area. Town Should Pay-Broadhurst A new personality on the poli- | well as in Beverley Acres. tical scene this year is Councilpointed out that the corrections ready to go."

hundred dollars a lot. Bylaws from the Municipal Board. have since been passed by this | Councillor Whillans then ask-

cate responsibility is still engag- | yet completed. Councillor Howard Whillans-

Response to the committee's authorized to proceed.

appeal was very disappointing. Reeve Explains Levy Only one person wrote the committee. He wrote two letters. cost, in reply to questions, Reeve They were not read out at the Haggart said the levy would be ed by only six members of the that is those who directly abut public in addition to members of the storm sewers. These will the committee and the press.

Howard Whillans, and Reeve | into the storm sewers will pay Reeve Haggart voiced strong James Haggart, a member. two dollars a foot. When these but with the aid of crutches, was a further three dollars a foot.

Results of the survey have public who did attend were able

required in the drainage system was being experienced that very day. He said several basements were flooded, in Pleasantville as

Councillor Whillans said that lor Tom Broadhurst who claims a quarter million is to be spent that the cost should be a charge to correct the drainage situation. on the town as a whole. He has He added that he thought "it is

in the system required are no Reeve Haggart said he thought fault of the people of Beverley that was too optimistic. Ap-Acres who have already paid five proval had not yet been received

year's council approving the ed Reeve Haggart. "well, how work to be done and the propos- close are we to starting?" The ed financing. They were oppos- reeve indicated that it was not ed by Councillor Broadhurst who possible to say until permission wanted the town as a whole to to proceed was received. Works Commissioner Whalen told the The probe committee to allo- meeting that surveys were not

Deputy-reeve Tinker comanother new personality on the mented that it could take six months to get started after surveys were completed. Mr. Har-A meeting was called by the ris suggested the work would not committee for last Thursday to get started this year. Reeve hear submissions from members | Haggart replied, "We are not mittee in its enquiries. Those "But we are ready to go to wishing to make representations | Premier Frost if there is undue to the committee were asked to delay." The Works Commisnotify the committee in advance. | sioner said his department was ready to go as soon as they were

On the subject of payment for pay five dollars a foot, for the Representing the committee at storm sewers. Those who do not the meeting were Councillor abut but whose properties drain

Reeve Haggart said a petition (Continued on page 3)

The Country Parson



"We hold memorial services for lots of folks who can't see anything wrong with speeding if the highway patrol doesn't catch them at it."