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Coming Events

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT — 9:00 p.m. — 12:00. Dancing to Max Cameron's Orchestra, at Canadian Legion Hall, Carrville Road, Richmond Hill. Sponsored by Richmond Hill Branch 375, Canadian Legion. 75c per person. t6c36

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT — Dancing, Modern and Oldie Tyme. At Maple Community Hall. Music by Art Celsie and his Singing Plainsmen — stars of TV and Radio. Admission \$1.00. Free parking. t6c18

EVERY SATURDAY — Dancing 8 p.m. to 11:45. Thornhill Farmers' Market, to the Java Jive. "The sounds are the reason the Java's so pleasin'." *3w29

APRIL 14 - APRIL 23 — Exhibit of Canadian Graphic Art Society at the Richmond Hill Public Library art gallery during library hours. e2w42

APRIL 22 — Friday 8 p.m. Richmond Hill Naturalists meeting at the Library. A special film program. Visitors welcome. e2w42

APRIL 23 — Saturday 10:30 a.m. Rummage sale Legion Hall, Carrville Road, Toronto Vegetarian Society. c3w41

APRIL 23 — Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Rummage sale. 5th Richmond Hill Girl Guides Company, Lady of Fatima School portable. c3w41

APRIL 23 — Saturday. Rummage and bake sale, held at the North York Veterans Social Club, Stop 12C, 12 p.m. - 3 p.m. e2w42

APRIL 24 — Sunday. St. Matthew's United Church Young People's Union will sponsor a Special Service at 7 p.m. Professor Dobble of Emmanuel College, University of Toronto, will be the guest speaker at St. Matthew's United Church. c1w43

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Rams Juvenile Hockey Champions



Members of the league winning Richmond Hill Rams, 1959-60 Juvenile Hockey Champions of the North York County League are shown above grouped around their team officials. The team recently won the play-offs and captured the Stew Patrick Trophy, emblematic of juvenile hockey supremacy throughout the county. The team was sponsored by the well-known local firm of H. J. Mills Ltd. Assistant Captain Brian Atkinson was voted the Most Valuable Player Award. Their two goalies, Harry Goodmakers and Doug Bowen, who alternated throughout the season were joint winners of the

Best Goalie Award. They had the remarkably low average of 2.37 goals per game. Back row (left to right): Wally Stothers, Coach; John Nixey, Trainer; Ernie Dubkowski, Pal Greenfield, Graham Oakins, Captain; Brian Atkinson, Assistant Captain; Eddie Garner, Gordon Pipher and "Doc" Atkinson, Manager. Front row (left to right): Lawrie Clark, John Moorhead, Harry Goodmakers, Doug Bowen, Bob Brennan and Dave Iverson. Missing John Lightfoot, Jim Rushlow and Bob King.

Letter From An Editor

Dear Friends and Readers: If you are lucky you may still be able to purchase a ticket to attend Willy Blok Hanson's "History of the Dance," in the Richmond Hill High School auditorium this Friday evening.

This is a benefit show ... In more ways than one. For not only are proceeds for charity — but for the first time in public in Richmond Hill may see in person the lovely Willy Blok Hanson herself as she interprets "the dance." And that we are really looking forward to.

And speaking of Charity ... don't forget to perform some act of austerity next week for World Refugee Year, and send your donation to Mayor Ken Tomlin at Richmond Hill. You'll be glad you did, and you'll be helping some despair-ridden refugee too.

Did you know there is an exhibit by the Canadian Graphic Art Society on display in the Richmond Hill Public Library art gallery? It continues until next Thursday, April 28. Drop in and look around, during Library hours.

Our Lake Wilcox - Oak Ridge correspondent, Mrs. Orton, sent in the near-tragic story about Roy Thomas, a nine-year-old, who tried to get a free ride on the back of a fire truck ... we thought "hitching rides," had gone out years ago. But in case other lads get similar ideas, we parents should point out Roy's story to them. We hope young Roy will come to show improvement.

And in Gormley, Mrs. Charles Minstead, reports 82 year old Mrs. George French has just completed her 19th log cabin quilt.

Jane Manning comments on Carrville School's 100th anniversary coming up in June of this year, in her weekly column "Speaking Personally."

Say ... what did you think of the various Richmond Hill shopping centres last weekend? We didn't need to go far to find anything we needed, did we? But we couldn't help wondering what the parking solution will finally be, as we looked for a parking spot on Yonge Street. Then we remembered the Municipal Park ... and there was lots of room there. Just in case there are new-comers to this community who don't know where this choice parking lot (no charges) is, drive east on Lorne, and there you have it.

We realize Yonge St. parking is at a premium, with all the lovely shops that line both sides of the street, but nevertheless would like to make a suggestion. Why not dispense with parking spots one car length each side of entrances to off street parking areas, so cars could swing off or onto Yonge Street more readily. We are sure more people would use these off-street free parking lots if they didn't have to maneuver to get out of traffic ... especially women motorists "like you know who."

Cordially yours,

Mona Robertson

Total 18.77 Mills

Richmond Hill Public School Mill Rate Is Up 1.62 Mills For 1960

Biggest Increase Is In Teachers' Salaries

Richmond Hill Public School expenses will bring the mill rate up 1.62 mills this year or to 18.77 mills. Rate-payers will pay \$484,334.68 of an estimated total expenditure of \$794,101.79. The estimated provincial grant will be \$297,218.01; the 1959 surplus was \$6,409.10; the estimated supplementary assessment will be \$5,000.00; and tuition fees will probably be \$1,500.00.

Richmond Hill pays 97.14% of the levy or \$470,482.71, Markham Township .69% or \$3,341.91 and Vaughan 2.17% or \$10,510.06. Public school assessment in Richmond Hill runs to \$25,062,072.00 for 1960.

Trustee Harold Sanderson commented at last Thursday's board meeting when the budget was adopted, "We won't have too much argument from town council in view of the fact we are going up only 1.62 mills over last year. There aren't many boards that can do better than that." The mill rate for 1960 is 18.77 mills, for 1959 it was 17.19 mills, and for 1958 16.90 mills.

Chairman L. D. Clement pointed out the average daily attendance will be about 2,675 pupils, and it will cost approximately \$295.00 to educate a public school child in Richmond Hill. Last year the cost was \$283.00 per pupil. The Metro public school pupil in 1958 was educated for \$347.00 per year, said Chairman Clement.

Trustee Sanderson said he believed that the average daily attendance would be considerably higher than 2,675 in view of the increased enrollment expected for September, 1960.

Superintendent Gordon McIntyre said the schools were averaging more than 90% average daily attendance.

Teachers' Salaries
The principal reason for the cost per pupil rise is teachers' salaries. Instruction in 1959 cost \$395,283.62. This year's estimate is \$474,581.51. This is up approximately \$80,000.00 over last year. However no teacher on the Richmond Hill staff will get more than a \$300.00 salary increase this year. Principals will receive a \$600.00 increase.

Total cost of salary new increases, authorized by the board this year come to an extra \$9,680.00. These include a \$400.00 increase in annual increments for the first five years from \$200 to \$300, an increase in principals' responsibility allowance from \$1,800 to \$2,100, and a rise in maximum salary schedules as follows: Level 3 to \$6,000 maximum, an increase of \$100; Level 4 an increase to \$8,600 maximum or \$300 more, and Level 5 a \$300 increase to \$7,200 maximum.

Twenty-two new teachers have been hired for next September. Instructional supplies are expected to come to \$22,070.00 next year, last year they came to \$19,

Debtenture Payments
Payments on debtentures for the school board building program for the past few years will rise to \$117,126.25 this year from \$108,778.25 last year. Carpenters' salaries account for \$51,350.00 in the budget. Last year they came to \$46,405.81. Their supplies and uniforms will come to around \$9,400.00 this year. The secretary-treasurer of the

board has been put on a full time basis at a salary of \$4,020.00. Liability and fidelity insurance coverage will account for \$3,265. Conventions and fees are down for \$1,000.00. This year tuition fees will be paid by the municipality to Thornhill School, instead of the public school board contributing to the cost of tuition for Richmond Hill children enrolled there.

Plan New Building

Reduce 1960 Local Hydro Budget \$11,400

There will be an \$11,400.00 drop in the 1960 budget of the Richmond Hill Hydro-Electric Commission. The commission has set its current budget at \$142,800.00 which is down from the 1959 figure of \$154,200.00. There also has been a sizeable drop in the 1960 debtenture figure. A total of \$50,000.00 in debtentures will be required this year in comparison to a total of \$120,000.00 in 1959.

The main project this year will be the erection of a new service building and garage on Sneddon Road next to the town's new water treatment plant. The necessary land for the building was purchased last year from the Bedford Park Floral Company. The provincial commission has sanctioned erection of the building and the local engineering firm of Hisey and Barrington is busy preparing the necessary plans. The \$50,000.00 debtenture issue will be used to cover the cost of erecting this building. At present the commission rents garage and storage space in the town garages located on Wright Street.

The local budget is subject to approval by the provincial authority and the debtenture issue by the town council. The municipality handles all capital costs for the commission.

Rapid Growth
The local utility has gone through a period of rapid growth during the past four years. Revenue jumped from \$136,152 in 1955 to \$500,847 in 1959; however there was a corresponding increase in expenses. Expenses amounted to \$132,687 in 1955 compared to \$424,467 in 1959. As of December 31, 1959 the total assets of the commission amounted to \$939,684.64 and there was an outstanding debtenture debt of \$559,010.01. The 1960 budget has

been set up to produce an operating surplus of 8.3 per cent. Just a decade ago there were only 750 hydro customers in Richmond Hill. By December 1956 just before the local commission came into existence on January 1, 1957, this figure had risen to 2,900. In December 1959 the number of hydro users had reached an all time high of 4,600.

A breakdown of the 1960 budget is as follows:
150 domestic services .. \$37,500
50 commercial services .. \$8,800
Street Lighting, Centre and Hunt Sts. \$2,500
Water Heater Control Equipment (Yonge St. Substation) .. \$20,000
Water Heaters (100 units) \$11,000
Radio Equipment .. \$2,000
Service Bldg. & Garage \$60,000
Utility Equipment (office & tools) .. \$1,000
Total .. \$142,800

The members of the local commission are Chairman Sam Cook, Commissioner William Wagner and Mayor Ken Tomlin.

H. Sayers, Chairman Committee Of Adjustment

Mr. Harry Sayers was elected the first chairman of the newly organized Local Committee of Adjustment at its organizational meeting held Wednesday evening in the town hall. Mr. Sayers a highly respected member of the community is the former chairman of the York Central District High School Board. Serving with Mr. Sayers are former Reeve W. J. Taylor, Mr. Howard Jackman of Roseview Ave., and two residents of Beverley Acres Messrs. William Lazenby and W. J. Mason. Deputy-clerk Mack Clement is secretary of the committee.

Following changes in provincial legislation council recently set up the committee to handle any contraventions of the land use by-law. Prior to the establishment of the committee the planning board acted as its own committee of adjustment. The province recently took this responsibility out of the hands of the council and planning board and instructed that a separate body be established to handle such exceptions.

The committee plans to meet on the first Wednesday of each month.

Deputy-Governor Of Kinsmen



RAY GEMMILL
Mr. Ray Gemmill, past president of the Richmond Hill Kinsmen Club, was elected Deputy-Governor of Zone E, at a zone conference held on April 9, 1960. Zone E comprises 12 clubs from Scarborough to Sutton, including Richmond Hill.

Turn Clocks Ahead Sunday, April 24

Don't turn over for that extra 40 winks Sunday morning or you may be late for church ... unless you have set the clock ahead one hour. Daylight Saving time comes into effect at 2 a.m. April 24, 1960, in the three municipalities of Richmond Hill, Markham and Vaughan Townships.

May 21 Fair Day

Saturday, May 21st, is "Fair Day" in the Town of Richmond Hill. The 111th Spring Fair of the Richmond Hill Agricultural Society. And, according to a proviso made between the, then, Village of Richmond Hill and the Agricultural Society of Richmond Hill — the Municipal Park, which was deeded to the village in 1919 by the Fair Board, is turned over to the society for its use for a three-day period. One day to get ready — the second for "The Fair" — and the third, to go.

This year the Fair Board looks for a bigger and better program than ever, from the time the midway opens in the morning on through to the dance at the close of the day.

There will be a Tractor Rodeo; the York County Jersey Show — the only one in the county — and the 17th such show to be held at the Richmond Hill Fair. Hunters and jumpers will compete in the largest show of its kind in this area.

And here's a note to the ladies — the annual Horse-shoe Pitching Contest for local and open trophies will also be held — and girls, no woman has ever competed in it yet, though they may do so if they wish.

For the young and not so young folk there are special entries for rabbits and cavies (goinea pigs to those who are not familiar with that name); light horses, ponies and roadsters. Heavies, such as draft and wagon horses. And it's all fun and frolic — at Richmond Hill on Fair Day, Saturday, May 21st.

48 Year History

Royal Ontario Museum Among World's Finest

Duncan Cameron of the Royal Ontario Museum provided members of York County University Women's Club with one of their most interesting meetings to date when he addressed their March meeting in Kingcraft House, King City. Mr. Cameron who is eminently qualified, through his wide experience with newspapers, radio and television, for his work as Chief Information Officer for the Museum, was introduced to his audience by Mrs. Ernest Redelmeier of Richmond Hill.

The speaker gave a brief outline of the history of the museum from the time of its opening in 1912 to the present day. It was started by a group of young, enthusiastic men — some of them young scholars — who saw the great need for a museum in the first decade of this century. Now 48 years old, it is recognized around the world as one of the important museums.

In accounting for this phenomenal achievement in such a short period of time, Mr. Cameron paid special tribute to such men as Dr. Charles Curly whose one desire was to build a great museum for Canada. Mr. Cameron described him as aggressive, chance-taking, charming, a scholar and a great Canadian. It was he who was responsible for assembling the museum's famous Chinese collection—the most extensive in the Free World.

The museum has experienced a renaissance with the appointment of Theodore Heinrich, its present director. Under his direction, a continuous program has been organized of special exhibitions, lectures, films, etc. The special exhibitions are shows of international importance organized in Canada by Canadians—an exciting new development in this country. Mr. Cameron pointed out that anyone who wishes to be put on the mailing list for the museum's calendar of events may do so by writing to him in care of the Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto. Promotion of the museum has taken on new importance and this is Mr. Cameron's particular responsibility. The work involves among other things, 20 or 30 radio and television shows a year and 4,000 articles in magazines and newspapers. There has also been an increase in field work activities. Prior to 1950 the museum had rarely been abroad. They are now excavating ancient Jericho, have an expedition in Peru, and many more field parties are expected to leave Canada next year on the part of the museum.

Mr. Cameron listed the three functions of a museum; to act as a special kind of a storehouse where records of man's past are preserved and cared for so they will be available for examination and study; to study the materials and pry from them new knowledge about man's story; and to communicate this knowledge to others.

A recent survey conducted by the museum showed that it is used by all classes, all races, all educational and age levels.

The museum is not only a mass medium, however, it is also what Mr. Cameron likes to describe as a "private club." Its membership consists of interested and aware laymen—collectors, benefactors, people who support and believe in the work the museum is doing. They support the museum among their friends, in the community, give up free time to work at the museum relieving the staff. They have taken on some of the responsibility for the growth of the museum in Toronto. The "private club" is working with the museum staff and board to maintain and build a new kind of mass medium, "the discovery of which," in the words of Mr. Cameron, "is going to be as exciting to the private club as television has been to industry."

Mrs. J. L. Forster of King thanked Mr. Cameron and presented him with a silver spoon by Douglas Boyd of Richmond Hill.

The club's next meeting will be held on Monday evening, April 25, at 8:15 p.m. sharp. It will have the appointed Beverley Acres merchant Sydney Starkman and Beverley Acres resident Harry Whitaker of North Taylor Mills Drive. Mr. Starkman's name was put forward by Reeve James Haggart and Mr. Whitaker's name by Councillor Tom Broadhurst.

Local Court of Revision

Richmond Hill Town Council have made two new appointments to the local Court of Revision. The members have appointed Beverley Acres merchant Sydney Starkman and Beverley Acres resident Harry Whitaker of North Taylor Mills Drive. Mr. Starkman's name was put forward by Reeve James Haggart and Mr. Whitaker's name by Councillor Tom Broadhurst.

The two new appointments will replace the late Ralph Paris and Jack Rice who recently resigned. The other members of the five member court are Messrs. Jack Seaton, Tim Oakley and James Walsh.

A Polaroid Draw Will Be May 7th

The first draw for the Polaroid Camera in connection with the Polaroid "Home of the Week Contest" now running in "The Liberal" will take place Saturday, May 7th.

There is nothing to buy to participate in this free draw, just walk into any one of the places of business advertising in the "Home of the Week" contest, fill out a coupon and your name may be the lucky one drawn.

Draws will be held monthly commencing Saturday, May 7th. There will be a Polaroid not only for the person whose name appears on the coupon, but also one for the merchant at whose place of business the entry is made.

Participating merchants are reminded to return all entry coupons to "The Liberal" office before Saturday, May 7th.

There is a weekly prize to the lucky owner of the "Home of the Week." In every issue there is a photo of some home in the district. The lucky owner is entitled to a \$5.00 order for merchandise at the store of any participating merchant.

Make sure your entry is in for the first Polaroid draw on Saturday, May 7th. After May 7th draws will be held monthly.

The Country Parson



"Maybe you can hear a better church service on the TV—but with whom do you shake hands when it's over?"