

your home & school association

Crosby Hts. Home & School
The Crosby Heights Home and School Association invites all interested mothers and fathers to see a very interesting film in the new methods of life saving to be shown Wednesday, February 22, 1961 at 8:15 p.m. in Crosby Heights Auditorium. (See Coming Events) Mr. George Gray, Audio Visual Chairman of York Simcoe Home and School Council will answer any questions pertaining to the film.
The executive is appealing for cups and saucers to meet the demand of our growing association. Do come and bring a neighbour and enjoy an interesting evening.

McConaghy Home & School Association
Speaker - Elihu Bar Chama. Topic - Education in Israel. Next Meeting, February 20th at 8 p.m.
Mr. Bar Chama has lived in Israel since he arrived there as a child in 1933.
He has been a teacher for 13 years, most of the time in the elementary schools of Israel. For the last 4 1/2 years he has been teaching in a special residential school for new immigrant children, orphans and children whose parents are serving abroad.
Mr. Bar Chama and his wife are now in Canada for two years on a special mission for the Jewish Agency Mission of the Zionist Youth Movement in Canada.
We think everyone will agree that Mr. Bar Chama is well qualified to discuss the subject of education in the development of Israel.

York Simcoe Home & School Council
The York-Simcoe Home and School Council held its regular February general meeting at the public school in Aurora, Principal, Garnet McDiarmid, of MacConaghy Public School, continued consideration of the subject, Leadership Training. A film on the conference method in industry was shown. Typical reactions of the members of the conference were seen: how the statement that deliveries were too slow made each department head

resent any suggestion that it might be his fault; how they would either hotly refuse to discuss the problem or just say nothing; how suddenly a remark from one started an argument in which almost everyone joined, how the conference leader stopped the argument to ask a quiet man if he had any suggestions; how one constructive suggestion started all the men thinking of other suggestions to solve the problem. The conference leader was not a specialist in the technical problems involved, but he was a specialist in discussion. The picture also threw light on how family relationships, personal worries and interests affect the quality of discussion.
This method takes longer but the results are better because each participant feels himself drawn into the group and then works with zeal to attain the goal of the group.
Mr. McDiarmid told an amusing story of an experiment in the United States during the last war. The government wanted more people to eat more turnips in place of other vegetables needed by the army. Speakers were sent to explain and to urge communities to use more turnips. Two methods were used. In the first the speaker made his speech and his requests, but in the second he also asked for suggestions and recipes. It was found that the use of turnips increased many more times with the second method.
Many parents, teachers, and presidents of organizations find it easier to do things themselves, or issue orders for what they want others to do. Yet if leaders take the time to draw everyone in to discuss the problem at hand and allow them to help carry out the solution, they train those in their charge in responsibility. They also gain their enthusiastic support and more than likely they will have a better solution than they could have made by themselves. Even children in school and in family life are capable of constructive thinking. More adults would be happy to give some thought to a problem if they were asked. This is training in true democracy.

Part Of Toronto - Whillans
Should Have Yk. Agenda In Order To Give Advice
Reporting to Richmond Hill Town Council at its meeting this week on their activities at the recent sessions of York County Council, Reeve Floyd Perkins and Deputy-revee John Bradstock unleashed a long discussion of county hospital affairs. The town's representatives asked for council's feelings on the hospital project and also reported on a suggestion that welfare should be looked after on a county basis instead of by individual municipalities.
Their report brought criticism of methods of running county business. Both Mr. Norman Todd, Mayor, and Councillor Tom Broadhurst said that information as to what was going to be on the county agenda should be in the hands of the municipality before the county meeting so that the reeve and deputy-revee could discuss the matters thereon with their colleagues.

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Information On Education!

By Public Relations Committee, Richmond Hill Public School Board.
The Opportunity Class
Two years ago, the board established opportunity classes in the public school system. A junior class for pupils aged 12 years and under and a senior class for pupils over 12 years of age. Mrs. F. Kelly, an itinerant auxiliary remedial teacher, gives special assistance to youngsters in their early school life and helps the principals determine which pupils can benefit most from this comparatively new programme. The parents are then offered the opportunity to send these students to the classes.
These classes provide individual or small group instruction for children who would otherwise be left behind in the regular school system. The programme for the classes includes the basic subjects

Both In Favour
No decision was reached as to the town's attitude on the hospital question but both, Reeves Perkins and Deputy Reeve Bradstock said that, unless otherwise instructed, they would vote for the expansion of hospital facilities within the county.
Discussion of the hospital situation brought a sharp exchange on the need for more hospital beds. Councillor Howard Whillans declared that he would like to have a survey to show how many empty hospital beds there were in Toronto. Councillor Mrs. Margaret Southwell said that she knew people who had to wait ten days for admittance to hospital.
Part Of Toronto
"Do you think we want to lean on Toronto like a crutch all our lives?" Mayor Haggart asked Councillor Whillans "We shall be part of Toronto anyway," the latter asserted.

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Vaughan Delegation Parents Want Trustees To Clarify Transportation Policy

About twenty ratepayers were present at the regular monthly meeting of the Vaughan Township Public School Board on Thursday in the Municipal Chambers at Maple to ask for speedy action on transportation problems in the school area.

Mr. Percy Walton was spokesman for a group of ratepayers, representing nine children living along Dufferin St. who have to travel along busy Maple Sideroad to attend school over two miles away at Maple's George Bailey School. Mr. Walton claimed school authorities had been "promising for five or six years to do something about the problem."

Chairman H. A. Constable told Mr. Walton he would "have to rule you out of order as you are dealing with a new board." Mr. Walton commented that both the chairman and Trustee George Chandler had acted on Vaughan school boards previously and it's "time something should be done".

Study Problem
Chairman Constable said in December the 1960 board on motion of Vice-Chairman Mrs. Mona Robertson, seconded by Trustee S. D. Kaiser, had requested the 1961 board to give priority to a transportation policy for the township. Added Chairman Constable, "The board has set forth to study the transportation problem. We have gotten the names and addresses of the youngsters. A policy with regard to transportation will be made within five or six weeks. I can guarantee by the end of the spring term. We can discuss this now or you can leave it with us."

Wants Something Specific
Let's hear what the board has already done. We'd like to know something more substantial," asked Mr. Gray, a ratepayer. Mr. Gray mentioned the bad grade as well as the traffic at Dufferin and the Maple Sideroad.
"We are aware of the traffic hazard. We have a traffic count. It's too bad you couldn't be here to hear other groups with traffic problems. I believe you will find the police will say other roads are just as great a hazard," said Chairman Constable.
"If my child gets killed will it be because school transportation is a money problem," asked Mr. Gray.
"The board is certainly interested in safety," Chairman Constable said.
A ratepayer whose children attend Patterson School commented on the dangers of snow and traffic, especially gravel trucks, as they go to and from school.

Money Problem
Trustee Chandler, "We are aware of the problem. But how much are we going to pay. We have to draw a financial limit. It's a money problem, yes. If we had the money we could send the children to school in taxis. How much can we spend? How much is it going to cost? I'm every bit as interested as you."
Costs
When asked if estimated costs had been figured out, Trustee Chandler said the board knew the costs of the existing contracts. Later these were revealed as \$450.00 per month for transporting children along Yonge Street to Jefferson School, and \$200.00 per month to transport students in Grades 7 and 8 from Vellore, Purpleville and Burlington Schools to Kleinburg Public School. As well, the board owns a bus which takes pupils in the former T.S.A. No. 1 Markham and Vaughan to auxiliary classes. The two rented buses cost approximately \$6,500 a year to transport a "very small percentage" of the nearly 3,000 children in the area to school. These contracts are in force until this June.
Superintendent J. A. Gibson told the ratepayers that while the Department of Education pays a grant, it turns out not to be more than 30 cents per day per pupil transported.
Mr. Warren Baillie of Concord commented that when the ratepayers at Concord lacked support from their school board to transport the children in Concord living two miles way to school, a young housewife got busy on the project and eventually Concord school were transported to school for 15 cents a day paid by the parents. Mr. Baillie pointed out it required around 25-30 children to make such a scheme feasible and practical. As the bus trip is a secondary trip for the driver, sometimes the youngsters are 15 minutes late to school.
Trustee Mrs. D. Robertson wanted to know "if a bus was available for a secondary run the bus driver had not come to us?"
"More bother to him than it is worth," commented Chairman Constable.
"Ours was no bother to him," assured Mr. Baillie. He said he didn't know of any objection on the part of the bus driver as long as the principal was understanding concerning the bus sometimes arriving late.

School, Maple, is expected to be ready for occupancy this week. Authorization was given to add \$300.00 to the contract price for the recovering of the front entrance, the teachers' room, and the rear entrance with vinyl asbestos tile.
No Site For Bathurst-Carrville Subdivision
The Department of Education will be advised that a school site will not be required in the proposed subdivision of part of lots 9 and 10 in Concession 2.
A site, which is now under a proposed option to purchase, will be required in proposed subdivision of part of Lot 21, Concession 4.
New appointments to the maintenance staff of the area are Robert Ingle and Gerald Sykes.

Waters Of The Moon Accepted
(Continued from page 1)
acting chore fell on Mark Monks who handled the part of Helen Lancaster. And she showed, as she has in other productions of "The Curtain Club" that she is a very fine actress. If the term "professional" may be allowed in speaking of a theatre company which is technically "amateur" Mary Monks leaves no doubt of her professional ability.
Dennis Thatcher as Robert Lancaster, her husband, handled his role with the right ingredient of amused tolerance for his volatile wife. In fact he did an excellent job of it. As the daughter of the Lancasters Marilyn Louw was completely convincing in getting across her critical attitude toward her mother and understanding of the people of the world who are needy and frustrated. In her quiet way she won the sympathy of the audience.
May we also underline the fine calibre of the interpretation of Mrs. Whyte. This can easily be overdone and though it allows for a wide breadth of exaggeration it can be reduced to caricature. Margaret Bergin gave it a most intelligent treatment that amused at times and earned your sympathy the next. Then there was Mrs. Ashworth as played by Beth Jones. And we think you'll agree that she supplied the broad humour of the play with professional dexterity.
Margaret Stewart gave the part of Mrs. Daly, the owner of the little residential hotel, exactly the sympathy the part needed to get across the worried, nagging state of mind of the little woman. It was excellently underplayed. Then there was Colonel Selby. Low can we forget him as interpreted by Bill Ferguson. To say that at the play's end we wanted to see more of him is perhaps as good a tribute to his fine acting as we can offer. Carl Weinsheimer as Julius Weinsheimer was convincing the musician who loved to talk about his beloved Vienna. It was not an easy role to play but Mr. Weinsheimer had our approval all along the line for his sincere approach to it.
The part of John Daly was well handled by Jerry Diakiv as the son who had tuberculosis but wished to be a Polar explorer. He had a naturally sympathetic tone and made the most of it. There remains only the role of Evelyn Daly. This part was taken by Peggy Harris and she brought to it a natural interpretation that drew the applause of the house on more than one occasion. She made the role live and breathe with a performance that verged on brilliance many times.
Rex Stevens has given of his time and talents on more than one occasion but "Waters of the Moon" demanded more than the usual amount of both. For weeks he labored with his cast over the various scenes of the play, the entrances and exits, the nuances and interpretations and characterizations. And slowly he brought it to life and formed it into an intelligible production.
Now that it is all over we await the next production of this talented group. We await it with sincere interest because we know it will be a capable offering. And we feel that "The Curtain Club" has earned your cultural and financial support. And we think it will continue to do so.

Air Transport Command Band Entertains High School Students
Last week at special assemblies of the Richmond Hill High School students, the Air Transport Command Band of the Royal Canadian Air Force entertained before very appreciative audiences. From their opening number the King Cotton March to their finale, The Air Force March Past, the pupils were held spellbound by the bands versatility. The Transport Command Band featured such popular music as The Lullaby of Broadway and excerpts from Ballet for Young Americans, namely, Prom Night and The First Driving Lesson. A trumpet solo by musician Ken Moore created a great deal of enjoyment when the students were asked to join in with synchronized clapping. At the request of Mr. Warren Atkinson, the high school's music director, the band played selections from Richard Rodgers' Sound of Music. The high school band will feature Richard Rodgers music at their May Music Night.
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