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Welcome First Hill Baby Of 1963

Richmond Hill's first baby of 1963 arrived at York County Hospital, Newmarket, at 12.25 p.m. Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Madeley of 119 Woodlane. The bouncing baby boy, to be named Thomas Gordon, weighed in at 7 lbs., 15 ozs. The happy parents also have a daughter, Linda, 11 months old. Thomas, Mom and DAD are all doing well.

Slate Inaugural Ceremonies For Hill, Vaughan, Markham As Councils Start New Term

Inaugural meetings for all three municipal councils in the Richmond Hill area have been slated for Monday. Six new council members, four in Richmond Hill, will take part in the traditional ceremonies. Inaugural meeting of Richmond Hill Public School Board has been set for Thursday night.

Most elaborate inaugural will take place in the Vaughan Township offices in Maple at 8 o'clock Monday evening, when members of the township council, school board and planning board along with the trustees of the Maple Police Village take office.

Rev. Emil Lange of Zion Lutheran Church, Sherwood, will handle the service. Also on hand will be a choir from one of the township's public schools.

At noon Wednesday, Clerk Jim McDonald was still completing arrangements for a magistrate to administer the oaths of office.

Plans for Richmond Hill's inaugural meeting had still not been finalized at press time on Wednesday by incoming Mayor William Neal.

Tentative plans call for an 11 a.m. inaugural, followed by a luncheon.

Guests at the inaugural meeting of the 1963 Markham Township Council will miss out on a free lunch for the first time in years.

In a departure from "tradition", members of council moved back the meeting from 11 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. Monday.

Township Clerk Harry Crisp will administer the oaths of office. A minister has still not been picked to officiate at the inaugural.

In other years council members adjourned after being sworn in to have lunch with a number of invited guests. This year council will get down to business as soon as the ceremonies have been completed.

Cost of the lunch in other years has ranged from \$100 to \$125.

Rev. Albert E. Myers of St. Paul's Lutheran Church will deliver the prayer of invocation at the inaugural meeting of Richmond Hill Public School Board Thursday night at 7.45.

Board Secretary Mrs. Dorothy Street will preside over the meeting while the members take office and the board names a new chairman for 1963.

After the new chairman takes over, the board will elect a vice-chairman and then proceed with regular board business.

Besides Mayor William Neal, other new members of Richmond Hill Council will be Deputy-reeve Stanley Tinker, and Councillors Tom Murphy and Walter Seudts.

Holdovers are Reeve Floyd Perkins and Councillors Al White and Alex Campbell.

Only newcomer in Vaughan is Councillor Garnet Williams. Reeve Albert Rutherford, Deputy-reeve Jesse Bryson, and Councillors Wilfred Keffer and Mrs. Ruth McConkey are all back from the 1962 council.

Only new face on Markham Township Council belongs to Councillor S. T. Rumble.

Veterans of 1962 are Reeve Wilfred Dean, Deputy-reeve Charles Hooper (a councillor last year), and Councillors Charles Hoover and Al Sumner.

To Buy Property For Extension

Roads committee of Vaughan Township has recommended the purchase of land for the Trench Street extension for \$10,000. Purchase of the land will facilitate extension of the street to the Maple Sideroad to serve the York Central Hospital now under construction.

The committee's recommendation will be considered by the 1963 council.

Area of the land involved was 1.986 acres. The township will also fence the remaining land and provide an access to Trench Street.

Chairman Wilfred Keffer explained that Francis and Ernest Redelmeier, owners of the property, had been reluctant to sell at all. He suggested the extension of Trench Street would enhance the real estate value of the Redelmeier property.

Name Ex-Mayor To Metro Body At Last Meeting

Richmond Hill Mayor James Haggart was reappointed to the Metro Toronto and Region Conservation Authority by town council at its final meeting of 1962 Friday night.

Also appointed for another one-year term was John Bradstock, an ex-deputy-reeve.

Mr. Haggart was defeated by William Neal in the December municipal elections.

Vaughan Township Council Thursday afternoon affirmed the re-appointment of three members to its planning board, one member to the committee of adjustment, and two members to the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

Re-appointed to the planning board were Deputy-reeve Jesse A. Bryson, P. A. Deacon and B. P. Roberts. The board was formed in 1961.

Mr. Deacon, who lives near Woodbridge, is a partner in the Toronto Architectural firm of Deacon, Jone and Murray, a semi-retired businessman. Mr. Roberts lives in Thornhill.

Other members of the board are R. A. "Bob" Kirk, chairman of the 1962 board, Darrell Goulding, H. C. H. Miller and Reeve Albert Rutherford. Mr. Miller, who lives in Maple, was also re-appointed to the committee of adjustment.

Mr. Bryson, who spearheaded formation of Vaughan Township Planning Area, was also re-appointed to the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority along with Francis Redelmeier, who lives on Bathurst Street.

Turn Down Company

Markham Township Council Friday morning turned down an application from Imperial Oil to build a bulk petroleum storage plant on Highway 48 near the Mount Joy Sideroad.

A petition signed by neighbors near the site both in Markham Township and Markham Village, apparently prompted council to make a decision on the application.

March Of Dimes Set Fund Drive For January 28

Officials of the Richmond Hill March of Dimes Committee have set January 28 as the date for their annual fund raising drive. The drive will take place between 7 and 8 p.m.

March of Dimes is the more familiar title of the drive for funds for the Rehabilitation Foundation for Poliomyelitis and Orthopaedically Disabled.

Plans for the drive were revealed in a letter sent to heads of local industries.

Funds raised by the drive go towards care of people crippled by polio, arthritis, and heart disease. Provision of house-keeping services for crippled mothers and research are special projects of the Rehabilitation Foundation.

Last year's drive in Richmond Hill raised only \$3,000. Mrs. Helen L. Todd, general chairman of the March of Dimes Committee, revealed that the foundation had spent more in Richmond Hill on its work than it had raised during the past year.

WILLOWDALE: A system whereby eligible voters in municipal elections would be required to register and get an identification card which they would present when going to the polls may be studied by the 1963 North York Township Council.



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Some Drivers Took The Bus

Old Man Winter apparently decided to celebrate the New Year holiday in his own way by bringing to Richmond Hill the coldest weather in years. Many cars tried to go along with the celebration by taking a holiday. A tow truck interrupts one such vacation above. Garage owners in the district were the only people to enjoy the winter weather, as they ended 1962 with a flourish — of towing jobs.

Won't Accept Expense Account From Langford

Pressure on Industrial Commissioner Robert Langford increased Friday night when Richmond Hill Council rejected his expense account of slightly over \$100 for November and December.

All six members of council voted against acceptance of the account, submitted by outgoing Mayor James Haggart.

Mr. Langford's account had been turned down earlier by the industrial commission for lack of detail.

Councillor Alex Campbell, a member of the commission, suggested it would be improper for council to accept the account after the commission had rejected it.

Quiet Holiday, 2 Minor Accidents

Richmond Hill Police report a relatively quiet New Year's weekend with two minor accidents and no arrests for drunk driving.

On the afternoon of New Year's Eve, residents of Richmond Hill and Toronto received flash injuries to their necks after a three-car collision on Yonge Street between Arnold Avenue and Markham Road.

Injured were Margaret Turner, 325 Broadway Ave., Toronto, and William Murray, 125 Lucas St., Richmond Hill. Other driver was Doris Boyd, Minerva.

Police report only minor damage. The accident is still under investigation.

New Year's morning, an accident at Yonge Street and Markham Road resulted in about \$600 damage. Involved in the accident were Norman Tonkin, 436 Bonita Cr., and Raymond McAnally, RCAF station, Portage la Prairie, Man.

Police say Marion Tonkin, a passenger in the first car, suffered minor abrasions to her left leg. The accident is still under investigation.

Only one arrest which might be linked to New Year's celebrations was made, according to police. Horace Kruger, Mimico, has been charged with being drunk in a public place.

Public washrooms are also planned for the building.

Mr. Ruttle was told by Deputy-reeve Thomas Broadhurst that it was a misunderstanding between council and the board that prompted the motion to transfer the funds.

He told the board member council was willing to go along with the request to have the funds ticketed for the structure.

Council also agreed to let the Recreation Commission spend \$1,050 surplus to the park a facelifting before summer.

Mr. Ruttle told council the commission wishes to grade and gravel the driveway, provide benches and paint the fences.

"The park is the only impression that many out-of-town teams get of Richmond Hill and the least we can do is make it look attractive", the board member stated.

Police Chief Comments

(BY R. P. ROBBINS)

Police Chief

Thank you citizens of Richmond Hill.

This past holiday season has shown us once more that you appreciate peace, goodwill and unbroken bodies more than you like drinking disorder and saddened homes.

Our Christmas and New Years were spent here in almost unbelievable peace. We finished off 1962 fatality free. This is a good record considering the traffic that we have flowing through our arteries.

For the record since my first knowing the town in 1950, we have had only two fatalities in the limits, one in 1957, a pedestrian, and one in 1960, a passenger in an automobile.

It would have been nice if we could look back and say: "We have not known of a fatal accident", but looking back is not good for an active community; so let us look forward to a bright new 1963 and set our sights on a safety award each year to come.

Dugald McCowan Dies Suddenly

Dugald McCowan, long a leader in the community life of Maple, died Wednesday morning, "The Liberal" learned before press time.

Mr. McCowan, chairman of Vaughan Planning Board, Maple at 4 years, and the local I.C. originally from

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Now In Operation

Haggart Breaks Tie Vote To Put Meters On Yonge

Parking meters are back in operation in Richmond Hill. In one of his last acts before vacating office Mayor James Haggart Friday night was forced to cast the deciding vote on

Campbell voted against the motion while Councillors Mrs. Margaret Southwell and John MacDiarmid along with Mr. Broadhurst voted in favor.

The deputy-reeve informed council the town had lost at least \$600 in parking revenue since the police department had removed the meters for servicing in early November.

He estimated parking fees reached the \$100 mark every week.

"This money is needed for the purchase of badly needed parking land", Mr. Broadhurst said.

He was of the opinion the police department had had ample time to complete the servicing and suggested that a prior council order calling for installation as soon as possible had been disobeyed.

Council's instructions have not been carried out. It has taken far too long to repair these meters and I demand that Police Chief R. P. Robbins be informed the meters must be placed on the street before January 1", Mr. Broadhurst stated.

Mr. White objected strongly on the grounds that some of the posts had not been relocated at their proper position.

"Some parts of Yonge Street have posts ready for the meters and some have not. This is absolutely ridiculous asking that only certain blocks be metered", he said.

He suggested it was the responsibility of the transportation and parking committee to decide when the meters would be put back in service.

"They must be put back no later than December 31 and the police department be instructed forthwith", the deputy-reeve replied.

Mr. Broadhurst was defeated in his bid for the reeve's post by Mr. Perkins in the December 8 municipal elections by three votes after a recount was made necessary when the two candidates each polled 1,833 votes.

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