

Hobby Show Feb. 22 At Bayview S. S.

The hobby show committee of the York Summit Boy Scout and Cub executive has completed arrangements for the fifth annual York Summit District Hobby Show (from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m.) on February 22 at the Bayview Secondary School.

York Summit District includes all Rover Crews, Scout Troops and Cub Packs within the area Steeles Avenue on the south, C.F.R.B. Sideroad on the north, Highway 400 on the west and Highway 48 on the east.

Scout entries will be grouped into 27 classifications covering a wide range of subjects including such hobbies as electronics, woodwork, art, scoutcraft,

photography and several types of collections. One of the newer classifications for Scouts is scale model railroading which will be divided into sub-classifications covering structures, locomotives, rolling stock and displays. Train sets such as are sold in department and other stores are not eligible.

Cub entries will be judged in 25 classifications and include such hobbies as toy making, nature, stamp and coin collections, puppet show equipment, bird house making and baking.

First, second and third and good effort ribbons will be awarded for each classification and in addition, one point is awarded for each entry and 25-20-15

or 10 points are awarded for winning entries. The pack or troop earning the most points will be awarded a pack and troop award respectively and the George Harvey Memorial Trophy is awarded to the group receiving the most points for the Cub pack and Scout troop combined.

Judges are secured from various clubs in the area, school teachers, local businessmen whose business would give him the qualifications to judge a specific classification, and area hobbyists who are experts on a given classification.

Interest has been increasing each year among the Cubs and Scouts in

York Summit District and entries have improved in both quality and quantity each year the hobby show has been held. Last year a total of 893 entries were received and all indications are that this will be substantially increased this year.

Movies on nature and scouting will be shown throughout the day and a refreshment booth will be available.

A wide range of Scout activities will be demonstrated in an adjacent outdoor area, as well as in the building itself throughout the day.

If further information is required, kindly contact Mr. D. J. Boyle, 299 Palmer Avenue, Richmond Hill, phone TU. 4-4982.

County Psychiatric Unit Paves Way For Plans

Ontario mental hospitals may some day be moved away from their isolated locations and a more integrated community mental health program instituted.

An example of the start of such a plan is the psychiatric unit nearing completion at Newmarket County Hospital offering both in-patient and out-patient service.

Both changes were revealed at last Wednesday's sixth annual York County Branch, Canadian Mental Health Association meeting at Bayview Secondary School by Dr. H.W. Henderson, psychiatrist and director of Ontario's Community Mental Health Services.

He was speaking to about 175 branch members.

"Major disadvantages of mental hospitals are both in size and location but when they were first built, this is the way people wanted them to be," he said.

Next step initiated, he said, was the clinic which brought the services closer to the community and where early diagnosis and treatment of mental illness could be obtained. Third and latest step is the psychiatric unit in the hospital which offers a wider range of help.

"There is a fundamental factor that mental illness produces

a great deal of other illness," he said.

The doctor could foresee where Ontario Hospitals may someday become the psychiatric centre for in-and-out service.

He also emphasized the importance of linking the new Newmarket clinic with the schools and the courts, and suggested one way the branch could maintain its interest was to become members of an advisory committee.

Dr. Henderson commended the branch for its active participation in obtaining the new psychiatric unit for York County but warned members not to rest on their laurels.

He told the branch their role was to gain the interest and support of the community and channel the support into worthwhile efforts.

"Education is the keynote. There is still a lot of ignorance, suspicion and distrust about mental illness," he said.

"The new York County unit is only the beginning and something to build on. Already I have heard people say it will be too small when it opens."

The county is only the second in Ontario to undertake such a psychiatric service, he said.

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Community Service

Red Cross Continues Its Rapid Expansion

A year of rapid growth which saw a leap of from five to 12 committees was one of the highlights at the second annual meeting of the Richmond Hill and District branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society held Wednesday of last week in the Lions hall.

Re-elected president for 1964 was William Hamilton.

Mr. Hamilton paid tribute to the "many volunteers who have given of their time in helping with our various commitments" and looked to 1964 as an even more successful year.

Dr. J. Wachna, chairman of the blood donor committee related the past year's success stating the number of clinics in Richmond Hill increased to three per year.

"The space for these clinics,"

he said, "is given free to the Red Cross. Each donor gives his time and his blood free, and each volunteer worker gives her time when called up."

Dr. Wachna noted the society was "just one bottle short of our assigned blood quota at our last clinic which was very gratifying."

D.F. Lynn, chairman of the newly formed disaster committee, reported it was called upon to "assist seven families left destitute by fire in 1963."

"In each instance the committee arranged for either food, clothing or shelter to be made available to the victims. Total expense amounted to \$1,891.82 with the largest expenditures on clothing."

"My observations lead me to believe the disaster fund is providing a badly needed emergency service in the interval between the occurrence of a disaster and such time when other agencies can assume responsibility for the needs of the families affected," he said.

One of the most active of the local Red Cross work in 1963 revolved around the water safety committee.

Chairman Mrs. Lois Hancey reported "a successful program in initiating swimming lessons for 303 Richmond Hill children conducted at Thornhill Swimming Pool."

"As a result of the investigations throughout the summer and fall," Mrs. Hancey continued, "and keeping the issue alive, the Lion's Club of Richmond Hill came forward to sponsor a canvass of Richmond Hill and surrounding areas for a pool and the Richmond Hill Council agreed to donate the land as their contribution."

Mrs. Hancey also stated that further investigation by the

committee revealed that the 46 eligible children from the Loyal True Blue Orange Home for Children have no swimming or water safety program.

"It is the intention of the committee to try and include them in the swimming program for 1964 if the 'branch' agrees this program is to continue."

The women's work program saw the initiating of knitting and sewing in October with an order placed for wool to knit 20 children's sweaters, 20 pairs of children's socks, 10 pairs of men's socks and material for sewing 10 tropical lavettes.

A display of some of the various activities of the society's committees was placed throughout the Lion's hall for the benefit of those attending the annual meeting.

Financial statement for the year showed a balance on hand of \$375. Expenses included \$878.79 for disaster service, \$1,543.29 for water safety services. President Hamilton chaired the meeting.

Other members of the executive elected at the meeting include:

Dr. Lillian Langstaff, Mrs. P.C. Hill, honorary presidents; Mayor Thomas Broadhurst, Markham Township Reeve Charles Hooper and Vaughan Township Reeve Alfred Rutherford, honorary vice-presidents; Hugh Wight, 1st vice-president; Dave Glass, 2nd vice-president; Joe McBratney, treasurer; Mrs. Mabel Oakes, secretary; Mrs. R. L. Trotman, correspondence secretary.

Committee Chairmen: Dr. John Wachna, blood donor; Deputy-reeve Stanley Tinker, cam-

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School Board Will Join 5 Ontario Education Groups

Richmond Hill Public School Board will pay \$807 to belong to Ontario education groups this year.

Trustees last Thursday agreed to renew memberships or take them out in five organizations including Ontario Educational Research Council (\$50); Ontario Curriculum Institute at 10 cents a pupil which would cost Richmond Hill \$385; Ontario Urban and Rural School Trustees' Council (\$157) and Public School Trustees Association of Ontario (\$115).

They passed up membership in the Ontario School Trustees' and Ratepayers' Association (\$169) which some felt might be a duplication of information offered by other groups.

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