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Contest All Mkhm. Seats As Nominations Flow In

Standing room was at a premium at Victoria Square Community Hall November 27 when a full slate of candidates was nominated for the 1965 Markham Township Council.

A close fight is anticipated between incumbent Reeve Charles Hooper who was elected by a majority of only 40 votes last year and Stanley Patterson, Gormley chartered accountant.

This year's Deputy-reeve Stewart Rumble is being opposed for re-election as deputy-reeve by Councillor Robert Sloane, who represents Ward 1 on this year's council.

Two candidates are contesting the Ward 1 seat, the ward's former representative who was defeated in a bid for the reeve's post last year, Alan Sumner, and Geoffrey Walker, a two-time loser for a council seat.

In Ward 2, sitting councillor Cleary J. Palmer is opposed by newcomer Anthony Roman.

Ward 3 representative Charles Hooper is opposed by two other candidates, real estate broker Edward Cotton and Howard Coshburn, a former member of council.

All members of the 1964 council pointed out in their acceptance speeches that there had been a reduction in the mill rate in Markham Township this year.

"The township is in such good financial position," stated Reeve Hooper "that last week we sold debentures in a falling market and got \$100.06 for them. I don't think there is another township which could have done it."

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Mr. Hooper also stated that he was in favour of having taxes payable in three instalments with a discount offered for prompt payment.

Mr. Hooper announced he would run for the wardenship of York County in January for the second time.

"The tax line can't be held next year" stated Stanley Patterson, the contestant for the reeve's post. "Almost every school in Markham Township reduced its rates last year to use up its tax surplus before the new school board was formed," he added and insisted that next year they would have to start deficit financing and borrow money at the beginning of the year.

Mr. Patterson also felt strongly that central funds were to be spent only for educational, cultural or recreational purposes and should not be spent on an addition to the municipal building.

He favoured instead, the inception of a public library system in the township.

"We have heard a great deal about the great industrial boom," said Mr. Patterson. "As I have heard it, council has been chasing the pot of gold at the foot of the rainbow. It just isn't there," he concluded.

Deputy-reeve Stewart Rumble hoped everyone was as pleased as he was that taxes were lower last year, but felt the township wasn't in as good a position this year as it had been last year. Mr. Rumble noted that council had exchanged lot fees for external services in both the North Thornhill development and in the Hangar Subdivision at Unionville. "I think this is unfair," he said. "We don't do this for the individual who subdivides. He has to pay for his own services."

Gifts For All In This Issue

Twenty-four pages of tempting, titillating, traditional and unusual Christmas gift suggestions from Richmond Heights Centre merchants are included in your copy of "The Liberal" this week.

From playpens to petticoats to pyjamas and expensive phonographs, all sorts of valuable Christmas "buys" are listed in the attractive advertisements sent your way by Heights stores.

Beginning December 3, stores will be open every night until 9 p.m. until Christmas Eve. For the children, merchants have arranged to have Santa Claus on hand in his lavish trailer to record their Christmas lists, every day from 1 to 5.30 and from 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.

Take your "Liberal" flyer along when you shop and take advantage of some of the bargains offered.

And don't forget this Saturday's annual Santa Claus parade at 10.30 a.m. with hands, clowns and majorettes to add to the fun.



(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

It's A Date

Jolly Old St. Nicholas has a date with all the children in Richmond Hill and district this Saturday. He assures us that he will be in Richmond Hill at 10.30 a.m. to keep this date and asks all the children and their parents to be here to greet him.

The welcoming parade will leave Walter Scott School on Markham Road at 10.30, and with floats, bands, clowns and majorettes, will proceed along Markham Road to Yonge and then north on Yonge to Richmond Heights Centre.

But first make sure that you are present in the large crowds expected to welcome Santa Claus to Richmond Hill Saturday morning. Let us give the jolly old saint a reception right from our hearts that he will long remember.

Deputy Named County Magistrate Served 8 Years On Local Bench

York County's newest magistrate, a familiar figure at both Richmond Hill and Newmarket criminal and traffic courts for the past eight years, has been in his lifetime, a music composer, artist and accountant.

Russell Pearse of Gormley, was recently named magistrate by Attorney-General A. A. Wishart.

He was appointed justice of the peace in 1949 and a sitting justice in 1951. In 1953, he was named Justice of the Peace for the Province of Ontario and worked in traffic courts until 1956 when he moved north from Willowdale to become deputy magistrate in the county.



RUSSELL G. PEARSE

"I was very proud to receive this appointment," the magistrate said.

Formerly in his own accounting business in Toronto, Mr. Pearse served in the Royal Canadian Air Force. He had a fellowship in the International Accounting Executives Corporation and is a member of the Federation of Ontario Naturalists, the York Pioneer Historical Society and Royal Canadian Legion, Willowdale Branch.

Saturday Day Of Decision

Polls for the municipal elections in Richmond Hill open at 9 a.m. and will continue open until 6 p.m. this Saturday.

Electors will vote on two questions: "Are you in favour of the members of the Council of the Town of Richmond Hill being elected for a term of two years. Such provision to be effective as of the first of January 1966?" and "Are you in favor of the fluoridation of the public water supply of this municipality?"

All electors in the municipality will also cast their vote for the office of the mayor. This office is being contested by Thomas Broadhurst, incumbent mayor, who is just completing his first year as head of the municipality. He also has served a term as councillor and one as deputy-reeve. Opposite him is William Neal, the town's first mayor, who served for a second term last year and was defeated by Mr. Broadhurst in last December's election. Mr. Neal has also served the municipality as councillor and reeve for several years.

WARD 1

In Ward 1, lying east of Yonge and north of Crosby Avenue, electors will cast their votes for one councillor and two public school trustees.

Walter Seudts sitting councillor for this ward is seeking re-election for his third term. He is being opposed by Conrad L. Thompson and Eric George who both contested the seat in 1963.

David Stephenson, completing his first two year term on Richmond Hill Public School Board where he has served as chairman of the building committee, is seeking re-election as trustee. Also running for two seats (the second vacant because of the resignation of Mrs. Irene Worrell) are Ivan H. Mansbridge, president of Elgin Park Ratepayers, and Andrew B. Hutcheson, who are both seeking election for the first time.

Electors in the area bounded by Yonge, Crosby, CNR and Elgin Mills Road will vote at the municipal hall; the area bounded by the CNR, Taylor Mills South, Bayview and Elgin Mills will vote at Beverley Acres School, and the area

Dentists OK Fluoride

All eight Richmond Hill dentists have unanimously endorsed fluoridating the local water supply.

Dr. John Wachna, spokesman for Drs. William Bedford, D. J. Harris, Walter Mason, Philip R. Macfarlane, A. J. Citron, J. Perdicaris and J. M. Dryer, told "The Liberal" in a formal statement this week, fluoridation of a communal water supply in one part per million is the only effective means of safely reducing dental decay.

The statement read: "Only fluoride in the water gives a consistent reduction of 60 to 65% of dental decay.

"Fluoridation of water is endorsed by the Canadian Medical Association, the American Medical Association, the American Dental Association and the World Health Organization.

"No major reputable health organization has come out with a statement against fluoride.

"The Hall Report (the Royal Commission on Health in Canada issued in 1963) as part of its findings has stated without qualification fluoridation of water in all communities should be implemented as soon as possible.

"Needless to say the dentists of Richmond Hill support this measure."

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Christmas Contest Has Prizes Galore For You

To encourage Richmond Hill and district people to do their Christmas shopping in Richmond Hill where selection is excellent, where parking spaces are ample and where service is exceptional, "The Liberal" is including a special page of advertising in the issues of December 3, 10 and 17. This advertising will feature a simple contest with a number of prizes involved—and YOU may be a winner.

In the contest the reader is asked to find one number in each advertisement. This number is excess and is never part of an address, phone number, price or quantity.

When all inserted numbers have been located, the reader totals them. Then he or she goes to one or more of all the places of business whose advertisements appear on the pages and secures an entry form which bears a number. If the total of the hidden numbers and the number on the entry form equal any of the winning numbers posted weekly in the stocking in the centre of the advertising page you are a WINNER.

The reader then mails or brings in to the office of "The Liberal" the entry form—and receives in person or by mail a certificate, issued by an advertiser, for the prize won.

It is possible for a reader to secure an entry form for any one week of the contest that could give a winning combination in any week of the contest. For example—an entry form obtained in the first week could give a winning combination in the third week and one obtained in the third week could give a winning combination in the second week or

Jury Wants A Better Ambulance Service For King Township Area

A coroner's jury in King Township, after absolving the driver of a truck for a fatal accident on the Aurora-Schomberg Sideroad October 31 which took the life of a 12-year-old boy, recommended a better ambulance service for the township and a police safety program for children.

The program would teach children the proper and safe way to walk on unlighted highways and avoid accidents, the jury said.

Three doctors who treated Leslie John Ball at York Central Hospital and Toronto's Sick Children's Hospital were commended for their efforts trying to save the lad's life.

Monday night, the jury was told the boy was riding his bicycle behind a load of hay east of Highway 27. When he reached his home, he swung his bike into the path of a westbound truck driven by Harvey J. Hill of Kettleby. Mr. Hill was absolved of all blame by the jury.

A pathologist's report said the boy died 12 hours after the accident in the Toronto hospital where he had been taken from Richmond Hill after first aid there.

Doctors at both hospitals testified the boy's heart stopped twice during emergency treatment but had been revived by chest massage.

Dr. J. A. Hardy testified he waited with the boy at the accident scene for an ambulance for 15 minutes. He said a nearby resident finally offered a station wagon.

Fire Destroys MF Barn, 12 Cattle Rescue 160 Head

A \$100,000 fire swept through the major barn at the Massey-Ferguson farm at Milliken at midnight Tuesday, destroying the building and 12 head of cattle, valued at \$1,000 each.

Another 160 head were led to safety by Farm Manager Bill Sutherland with the help of police, firemen and neighbors.

By Wednesday morning, Mr. Sutherland was conferring with representatives from the Ontario Fire Marshal's office to determine the cause of the blaze in the feed-filled barn while many of the rescued cattle still roamed free around the large property.

Unionville-Markham Fire Brigades and Markham Township Constables Allan Chadwick and Glenn Forrester were at the scene helping to fight the fire but were hampered by weather.

Mr. Sutherland said Wednesday morning the dead cattle were part of the farm's breeding stock. The rest of the cattle would be put on the market immediately since there is no other building large enough to house them. Another building 12 feet away was kept from burning by the brigades. Mr. Sutherland commended everyone's actions during the rescue attempt.

He plans to rebuild as soon as possible. The farm is the site of the 1965 International Plowing Match.

Vaughan 3-Way Fight For Reeve Livens Tempo

Vaughan Township's December 12 election has split wide open with Monday's nomination of a third candidate for reeve, opposition for what looked like Garnet William's sure-fire acclamation as deputy-reeve, a heavy field for the three council and five school board seats and a determined "get out the vote" campaign launched from Thornhill.

Richvale contractor Brian Bailey, who last Friday gave up his municipal contracts to contest the reeve's post, the multi-million dollar administration with incumbent Reeve A. H. Rutherford and Deputy-reeve Jesse Bryson said he had decided to run only last Friday.

Mr. Williams, a councillor for the past two years, before Monday's meeting of a jam-packed crowd of 300 at Maple Community Hall hadn't foreseen any opposition but Bathurst Street farmer and former defeated candidate Milton Savage added his name to the list at the last moment.

Seven candidates had their names posted for the three council seats, none of whom are incumbents; they include a welder, a farmer, an insurance agent, a former NHL referee, a teacher, a painter and a restaurant owner.

Incumbent Reeve A. H. Rutherford, accompanied to the meeting by his son, David, said he accepted his nomination for a third two-year term "with great pleasure" and outlined some of the accomplishments of his administration.

"I am aware of the problems facing this municipality," he said. "We need constructive leadership."

He hinted that if "our neighbors" (Markham Township) are successful in a present plan for large residential growth, Vaughan might be forced to set up its own board of education for its levels of school government "to keep the taxes at their present level". He said he was representing "planned progressive leadership and was asking for support for re-election."

JESSE BRYSON, a farmer from the Purlyville area of the township, councillor for four years and deputy-reeve for the past four years said he felt it was time to move up to the reeve's post.

"The township has been growing. There is more to report at this meeting than at any other nomination meeting in the history of the township."

He said that prior to 1959 when the CNR decided to locate its west classification yard near Maple, plans in the township had been drifting too much towards residential development "but it became apparent industrial development was what we needed to help our assessment grow."

While he was on council, he said, Vaughan got a much needed water system and now has a sewage system for part of its area.

Poll Percent "Terrible" Get Out Vote Campaign

Percentage of voting in past elections in Vaughan has been "pretty terrible", Allan Crawford, chairman of a "Get Out The Vote" campaign told "The Liberal" late Tuesday.

"My group feels there is room for improvement and our basic aim is to get out the vote... with a vengeance."

Mr. Crawford is heading a new association which to date has 15 polling division captains and about seven organizers who'll be either telephoning or "pounding on doors" to encourage Vaughan voters to exercise their democratic rights.

(In 1962, there were 10,066 eligible voters. Two years later there are only 10,118 eligible in the 35 polling divisions. Voting statistics from the "Liberal" record show that in 1960 35.42% voted and in 1962 about 31.5% cast their ballots.)

"We are primarily concerned at the moment with what's known as the front end (Yonge Street). Basis of the campaign is to tell the people they have a stake in their municipal government and schools and if they're going to beef about how they're run, they should vote first."

Mr. Crawford who is a Thornhill resident and owns a small electronics equipment sales company said.

Dedicate St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Dr. Albert W. Lotz, president of the Eastern Canada Synod of the Lutheran Church in America, officiated at the Francis Wagschal, Rev. University, preached at the Avenue last Sunday. Dr. Lotz's afternoon service, planned to accommodate friends and neighbors attending other churches.

Ground breaking occurred in June and William Wolfe Contracting of Clarkson completed the new church, October 1. Pastor Richard Tubbe of Chesley who held the first of Lutheran services in Richmond Hill was also present for the 3.30 service which was followed by refreshments and a social hour.

St. Paul's congregation now numbers 200 and operates a full youth program.



(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

Candidates for council and school board in Vaughan have a hectic round of ratepayers' meetings leading to the December 12 election.

Tonight (Thursday) there's a meeting at the Vellore Hall sponsored by the Federation of Agriculture for council candidates.

Next Monday, council and board opponents are invited to Roselawn Public School by its home and school association and on Tuesday, both the home and school association of Powell Road School for south-east residents and Thornhill Public School's group have invited candidates to meetings.

On December 9, Pine Grove Ratepayers Association is holding a meeting at 8 p.m. in the Pine Grove Community Hall.

Any groups planning to hold election meetings are asked to call Township Clerk James McDonald to check suitable dates to avoid conflicting plans.

A resident for the past 19 years, BRIAN BAILEY, said he felt the potential for industry in Vaughan was "better than any other in York County."

"But we don't seem to have the right attitude towards the development nor are we able to get clear decisions," the Richvale resident said.

"We have terribly restrictive by-laws detrimental to industry which we must do something about," he told the meeting, in pledging his time and effort.

Mr. Bailey urged all present to attend as many election meetings as they could before

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