

COMING EVENTS

BINGO — THURSDAY night 8 p.m. sharp, jackpot; — 4 special and 25 regular games. Our Lady Queen of The World Hall, East side of Bayview at Crosby Ave., Richmond Hill. tfc39

APRIL 20, TUESDAY — 8 pm. Horticultural Society in high school auditorium. New members welcome. Admission free. clw42

APRIL 21, FRIDAY, Dinner and Dance. Lions Hall, Richmond Hill. York Centre New Democratic Party. Guest speaker Honorable T. C. Douglas. Tickets 884-1203. c3w40

APRIL 22, SATURDAY. Rummage Sale; sponsored by the UCW Forest Grove United Church, to be held at Community Hall 5090 Yonge St. Willowdale at 1 pm. c1w42

APRIL 23, FRIDAY, 8 pm. Card Party, Bridge and Euchre, Rose-lawn School, sponsored by 1st Richvale Scout Group Committee. Tickets \$1. Call 889-3870 or 889-7422. c1w42

APRIL 29, SATURDAY, 1.30 pm 45 Legion Court, North Yonge St. Rummage Sale. clw42

APRIL 29, SATURDAY, 2-4 pm Spring Fair and Bazaar, Emmanuel Church, MacKay Drive, Richvale. Tea room etc. c2w41

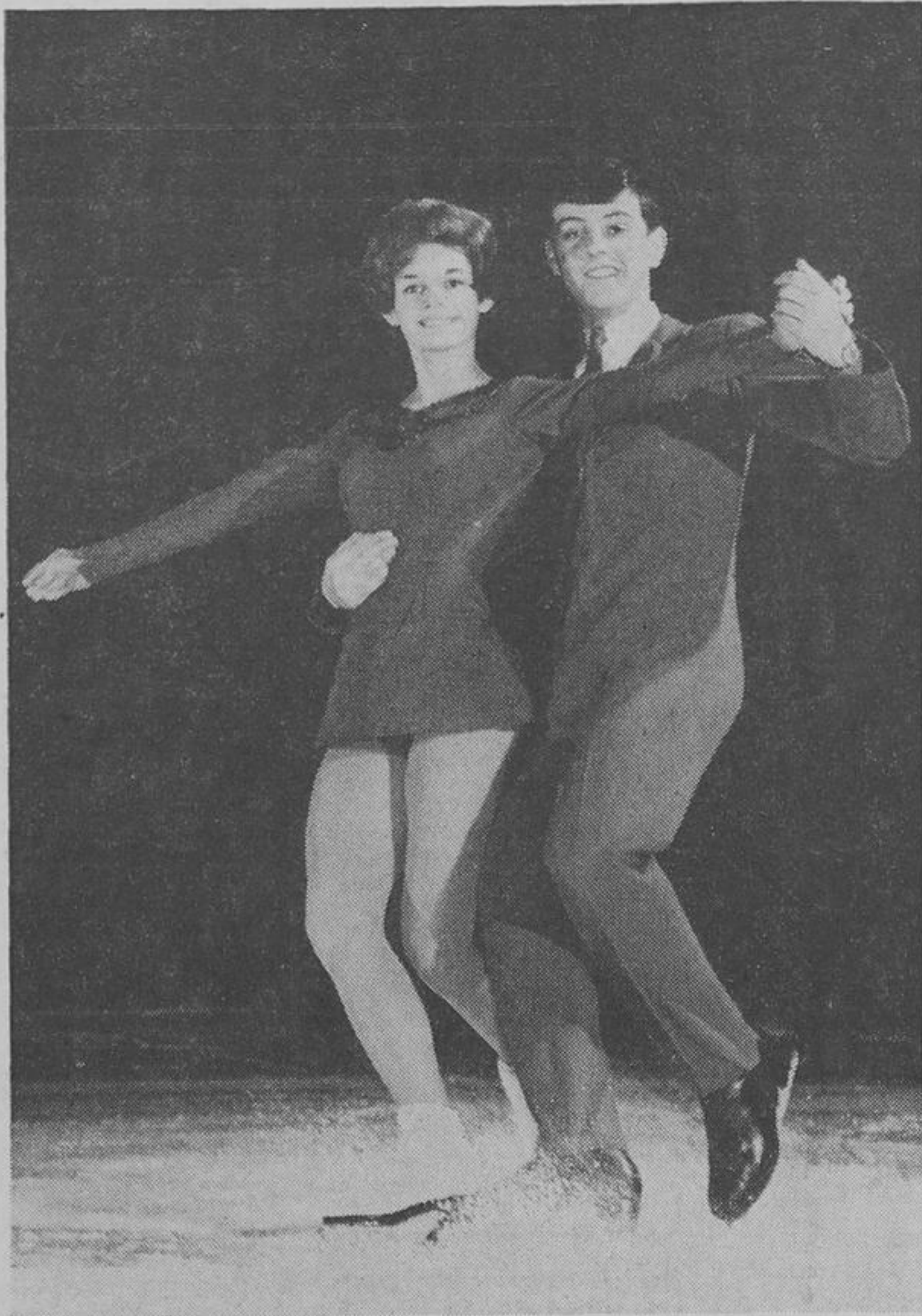
MAY 13, SATURDAY. Centennial Concert by Festival Choir and Richmond Hill Symphony Orchestra, People's Church, Willowdale. Tickets \$1, for information call Mrs. Saunders 832-2281. c5w41

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Council Approves New Flasher Centre Street - Beaverton Road

Richmond Hill Council approved a flasher-signal Monday on Centre Street East at Beaverton Road to complement the one already there.

Decision came in the wake of a letter from Mrs. A. Drew, of 337 Centre Street East, urging council not to change the stop sign at Centre and Beaverton.

"We live on Centre Street," Mrs. Drew writes, "directly at Sussex and we can see the cars as they approach Beaverton. We feel it would be most highly dangerous to even consider this move."

Mrs. Drew goes on to say that if "the sign was taken from Centre Street and it be made a through street to Bayview speeding would be worse as it is a long straight stretch of road from Newkirk to Bayview Avenue.

"As it is now Centre is unsafe and I know from talking to other home owners along this street they feel the same. No sign is needed on Beaverton as the traffic has to slow down on approaching Rockport Crescent."

Councillor Ivan Mansbridge — who had originally requested the stop sign change at Centre — said he appreciated Mrs. Drew's feelings and went on to say that "thought should be given to placing a flasher stop sign on Centre."

"But by the same token," he said, "something should be done on Crosby Avenue as there are no stop signs there. It's a similar situation."

Councillor Lois Hancey, chairman of the fire, ambulance by-laws and traffic committee, stated there were other intersections to consider also "and we should look at the town as a whole."

She felt it was improper to just pick on a particular spot without considering others that merit the same action.

Mayor Thomas Broadhurst wasn't sure flasher signs were that effective but felt that the council—in approving a flasher for Centre was coming to a snap decision without giving thought to the whole matter.

Councillor William Lazenby said considerable thought had gone into the matter.

"Perhaps in committee," reported Mr. Broadhurst, "but not in council."

The mayor added that "in my opinion you might have less accidents or might have more with flashers. I don't think they do an awful lot except to add to the expense of signs."

Councillor Hancey thought the flashers did have a good effect on traffic.

There were also suggestions considered to erecting school crossing signs at Beaverton and Centre.

Mrs. Henry Bow To Head Liberal Women

An organizational meeting for the York North and Centre Women's Liberal Association was held last Wednesday afternoon, April 12, at the home of Mrs. Frank Plaxton, John Street, Thornhill.

The new organization will serve both the provincial and federal ridings of York North and York Centre, including the Townships of Markham and Vaughan, the Town of Richmond Hill south to Highway 401, east to Markham Village and west to the Village of Woodbridge.

Elected to the executive were the following: Past President Mrs. Frank Plaxton, Thornhill; President Mrs. H. Bow, Grandview Avenue, Highland Park; 1st Vice-President Mrs. Mrs. D. McCutcheon, Bayview Glen; 2nd Vice-President Mrs. Jack Schaeffer, Grandview Avenue, Highland Park; 4th Vice-President Mrs. G. C. B. McHardy, Bessarion Road, Willowdale; Treasurer Mrs. P. A. Lapp, Bayview Glen.

WHITTECHURCH; Chinchilla of the Cares Chinchilla Ranch of Whittechurch took the highest awards at the recent national show of the National Chinchilla Breeders of Canada at London.

AURORA: A former mayor of Aurora and active member of the community for many years, Frank R. Underhill, died at York County Hospital April 10. He was 74 years old.

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Henderson Avenue School

Need Long Sidewalk For Students But Who Pays?

Markham Township's lingering problem, how to safely accommodate the nearly 1,000 children attending Henderson Avenue and Woodland Schools as they pour down Henderson Avenue to and from school, was given its annual airing at a meeting of council Monday afternoon.

Concern for the children's safety was expressed by TSA 1 in a letter to council, in which it stated it would like a meeting to see what could be done about it.

Councillor Allan Sumner said that four-foot sidewalks in the area would be "absolutely useless," while Councillor Charles Hoover thought a service road might be necessary.

"I think there's only one answer," said Engineer Dusan Miklas. "We'll have to build a sidewalk from Steeles Avenue to John Street."

The main problem, so far as council was concerned, however, was who would pay for it and who would look after it.

Council agreed to meet with the school board in the near future.

Council may have to ease up on an easement agreement it made regarding a development in Baythorn Village.

Ernest Goodman, Toronto solicitor for the builders, said his company had purchased the lots from Wimpey Subdivision and had registered an agreement with the subdivider showing a five-foot easement on both sides of two lots.

However, 19 days later, the township solicitor had registered an agreement showing easements of 10 feet each.

One house was already underway and encroached on the easement, Mr. Goodman said. He said his company would like permission to continue the houses as they are.

Engineer Miklas said the sewers were already in and the only difficulty that would come is if and when they might have to be repaired.

"Shouldn't you go back and see Wimpey?" asked Deputy-revee S. J. Gadsby. Wasn't it (the easement) mentioned in the agreement of sale?"

Mr. Goodman said that when he searched the title, there was no notice of the easements.

Reeve Stewart Rumble said he didn't see why the matter couldn't be resolved, but felt a counter agreement would be needed so the township could come in close to the houses and work it necessary.

Said Councillor Charles Hoover: "There appears to be some responsibility on Wimpey's part for not catching it."

"With all due respect, I think it's the municipality that erred," said Mr. Goodman.

Council referred the matter to the engineer.

Council had further legal solicitations from Hengran Developments asking that they be allowed building permits for their 102 lots in Varley Village.

"It is our considered opinion that you have no right to withhold the permits," the letter read. If Hengran didn't get them soon, it would sustain heavy financial damage.

Council has contended that the sewage plant put in by the developers is still not operating properly, and has had its solicitor studying the agreement between the township and Hengran.

The letter was tabled, pending report of the solicitor.

Council gave first and second reading to a bylaw calling for the payment of \$6,500 in lieu of taxes by the City of Toronto — the same amount as last year — for the Langstaff jail farm property, but got stopped when it tried to put through the third reading.

And the man who stopped it was Councillor Charles Hoover, who usually vetoes any proposed council spending.

"In view of what the assessment commissioner in Toronto wants to assess farm lands, I move we get more," said Mr. Hoover.

Last December, the York County commissioner proposed that farm lands be assessed on their market value.

Said Reeve Rumble: "In view of council's resolve to hold the tax line, we're on rather weak ground."

However, it was the reeve's vote that broke the tie when the motion to consider a third reading of the bylaw was lost.

Council also: Approved road accounts for March in the amount of \$46,789.50 and general account in the amount of \$83,741.87.

NEWMARKET: Council last week turned down a resolution to request the federal government to allocate February 15 — the anniversary of Canada's new flag — as Flag Day in Canada and make it a statutory holiday.

NEWMARKET: Employment opportunities were up during the past month, with 93 clients assisted in finding jobs and 25 more recommended for additional training, it was reported by Newmarket Canada Manpower Centre last week. Employers seeking future high school graduates, are urged to list their requirements as soon as possible.

NORTH GWILLIMBURY: Protests have been received over council's recent action in posting "no parking" sign on the south side of Church Street, Keswick, to clear a route for the fire department truck. As the latter uses the north side of the street, the ban is hard to understand, George Snelling of Simcoe Plumbing Supplies, told council. His store and others are on the south side, making loading and unloading difficult. Police Committee Chairman Jim Poyntz, said his committee will look into the matter. In the meantime, no tickets have been issued.

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