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Trustees Dine In Style At Don Head School

Richmond Hill Trustee Robert Ross was one of 80 people who paid \$2 for a roast beef dinner prepared by students at Don Head Secondary School last week.

The students, in the food services department directed by Bernard Hengst, presented a menu of chicken bouillon, roast beef, baked potatoes, Yorkshire pudding, brussel sprouts, hot rolls, cheesecake with whipped cream topping and beverage.

Don Head, the first special vocational school in York County, will have its official opening on March 4. From September to December the school operated at Richmond Hill High School on a shift basis, and the food services students catered in the cafeteria for students and staff of both schools. They moved into their own school on Vaughan Road on January 5.

Construction workers are still on the site, but students are fully involved in courses in a wide variety of trades and skills — commercial, home management, child care, auto body, auto repairs, upholstery, retail merchandising, driver training, home management, horticulture, woodwork, metal work, as well as basic courses in academic subjects.

Students pictured above are (left to right) Mike Lee, Roger Woodward and John Leadbetter.

After lunch trustees, board officials and other guests had an opportunity to tour the school and see classes in action.

Wants Second Seneca Campus, York County

A proposal that Seneca College acquire a second campus in North York has met with strong opposition in York County.

At the February meeting of county council, Aurora Reeve Evelyn Buck presented a resolution urging the council to petition the college's board of governors for establishment of a campus in York County.

Many young people, she said, are discouraged from attending the college because of the distance they must travel — either to the rented campus on Sheppard Avenue at Yonge Street, or to the permanent campus at Finch Avenue East and Don Mills Road which opened a year ago.

The college was set up in 1967 by the Department of Education to serve the Borough of North York and the County of York. Two of the 12-man board of governors come from York County — Reeve Donald Plaxton of Richmond Hill, and Norn Garriock, a former reeve of Woodbridge and chairman of Vaughan Township Planning Board.

Mr. Plaxton told the council that the board of governors is considering acquiring land which may soon be available at the site of the Department of

National Defense Downsview Airport.

"Garriock and I have done our best to try to get them to purchase land north of Steeles Avenue," said Mr. Plaxton. "It was a mistake to combine North York and York County in the first place. Our only hope now is if there is a change in policy by the Department of Education."

The councils of the towns of Aurora and Newmarket have both endorsed a proposal that the college's second campus be located on part or all of the 90 acre property on Yonge Street south of Davis Drive that was formerly the York Manor Home for the Aged.

Since the new home was built further north on Yonge Street, the building has served as an Armouries for the Queen's York Rangers. The Newmarket division recently amalgamated with the unit in Aurora, and there have been proposals that the property form part of a regional park.

The resolution to be forwarded to the board of governors of the college does not include reference to a specific site, however. It asks simply that the college's next campus be located in York County.

Vaughan Council

To Meet McKeough Today Suggest Southern 6 Areas Instead Of All York County

Vaughan Township Council meeting with Municipal Affairs Minister Darcy McKeough today (Thursday) to discuss regional government.

To have something concrete to offer the Minister, at its meeting Monday afternoon, council passed a resolution favoring a regional government in the southern section of York County, bounded on the south by Steeles Avenue and on the north by the height of land at Oak Ridges (King and Whitchurch Townships) which forms the watershed. From that height of land streams drain south to Lake Ontario and north to Lake Simcoe.

The resolution, moved by Councillors Dalton McArthur and David Fraser, accepts and approves servicing of existing and future urban areas in the township through Metro facilities where feasible and practical and supports establishment of a government for the southern portion of the County of York or such other restructuring that meets provincial criteria and is compatible with servicing of the Vaughan development area by Metro, providing there is no partial inclusion of Vaughan or Markham Townships within Metro.

Reeve Garnet Williams reported that he and Councillors Fraser and McArthur had met with Metro Chairman Albert Campbell and other representatives of Metro Monday morning to discuss exchange of services and what Vaughan could expect from entry into Metro.

"I came away with the thought that we hadn't been offered anything except a trade of a land-fill site for some servicing in the Woodbridge area. We are going to meet with Mr. McKeough Thursday and I think this resolution is premature by three days," he stated.

Councillor Fraser did not agree. "At our last meeting with Mr. McKeough we agreed that this council would come forth with a clear proposal," he said. "To go to another meeting without a clear enunciation of our thinking would be a waste of time," he contended.

"We must indicate to the Minister the opinion of the majority of this council. I'm becoming more and more convinced these is no possibility of putting together a viable regional government for the whole country. The actual economics of this region is necessarily bounded by the watershed. The area to the north is drained into Lake Simcoe and has a community of interest with other areas which also drain into that lake. It clearly belongs in the Lake Simcoe region. Community of interest is where water comes from and where sewerage goes.

"Our community of interest belongs to Metro. I'm not prepared to say we belong in Metro but we do not belong in a region with the northern part of the county.

"Recently we have learned that the Metro boundary is not as sacred as has been suggested. I believe an economic and viable municipality could be established in mid-York in the Don and Humber drainage areas. I also believe it should go down to Highway 401 to give it the economic basis essential for success. I feel we are jumping into regional government without study to support the changes at this time."

"We have to take a stand,"

stated Councillor Louis Wainwright. "We have to tell the Minister where we stand."

"If we go to him again without a clearcut stand, we'll look like a bunch of fools," Councillor John Gilbert contended. "We'll look as if we don't know what we want. I have been talking to people in the area where I live and none of them want to become a part of Metro," he added.

Mr. Gilbert comes from the Woodbridge area. "Our suggestion to the Minister will be to form a southern region with the view to

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Heavy Damage In Richvale

Thieves, Vandals Active In Vaughan

Thieves and vandals were hitting Vaughan Township property owners hard last week-end, although only a \$2,900 home burglary near Woodbridge was a very uncommon event in police experience.

There was an unusual number of vandalism incidents where the cost of damage was high. But only some of them in the Richvale area appeared to be connected.

Between Friday and Sunday, glass and property were smashed in a restaurant, cars, a new home, a church, a Lions Club hall and an occupied residence.

Details of the \$2,900 burglary were withheld for police

reasons, except for the information that the money was missing from a mobile trailer home near Woodbridge. A padlock was forced and clothing and garbage was scattered on the floor, as if the hiding place of money was being sought.

"It only takes children 10 or 15 minutes to do these things," said Vaughan Police Chief William Shimmin. He said it's very rare that the property owner gets compensation, even though cases of vandalism get cleared up most of the time. The children's parents very frequently cannot afford to pay.

"Children don't know the value of what they're breaking.

And they don't know why they did it when caught," said Chief Shimmin.

The weekend's vandalism was unusual in the value of damage done, but it is not unusual to have three or four complaints in a weekend, he said.

There was \$150 damage February 14 at the Lions Hall on Spruce Avenue, Richvale. Windows, glasses, a coffee urn and a refrigerator were the objects of destruction.

Thermal glass windows and a chandelier valued at \$570 were smashed February 14 in a vacant new home on Pearson Avenue, Richvale.

In the Richvale Chapel on Oak Avenue there was \$50 damage to windows February 13. Windows have been broken at the chapel on several occasions recently.

In another part of the township, again with children apparently on the rampage, there was an estimated \$235 damage to windows in a home on Riverside Drive in Pine Grove. Windshields were smashed in three cars in the vicinity.

At Pine Valley's Texaco Station at Ron Davies Drive and Highway 7, Woodbridge, was entered by smashing a plate glass door February 15. Tools were found scattered around outside the building.

February 14 there was a break-in at the Voyageur Restaurant on Highway 400, and an attempt had been made to remove cigarette cartons from a storeroom.

On February 13 and February 14 there were two very surprised car owners. They left their cars running in the driveway to warm up, only to come back out and find the cars gone. One car was taken from Garden Avenue, Langstaff, and another from Spruce Avenue, Richvale.

February 13 a pair of skis worth \$185 were reported stolen at the Honey Pot Ski Lodge while the owner was in the restaurant.

Richmond Hill Reeve Donald Plaxton pointed out that the bulk of the assessment in the county, and the bulk of the appropriation for county projects is in the south. The program is to build roads over the entire county.

"We are now receiving a subsidy from Metro," he added.

He asked if there would be a charge to Richmond Hill for acquisition of the property needed for the widening of Maple Sideroad and was assured that this would come from the roads commission budget.

York County's share of the budget for 1970 is \$1,517,200 but \$242,350 of this has already been set aside for completion of projects now under way, and there is an estimated surplus of \$142,250 from 1969, leaving a county levy of \$1,132,400 for 1970.

Diabetes Meeting Tonight

The Richmond Hill Lions Club is inviting the public to attend a meeting tonight (Thursday) in the Lions Hall, Centre Street East, to learn more about diabetes.

Beginning at 8:15 pm there will be a filmed interview with Dr. Charles Best, co-discoverer of insulin.

Dr. James Langstaff of the Lions Committee for Health and Welfare, and Sonnee Cohen of the Toronto District Branch, Canadian Diabetic Association, will be present to answer questions.

The Lions are planning a clinic in March so that any of the public who are interested may have a free check for diabetes.

Want Highway 404

York County Council thinks it is time Highway 404 got off the drawing board and onto the map.

At a meeting of York County Council on February 5, Deputy Reeve Norman Barnard of Whitchurch Township submitted a resolution calling on council to petition the Department of Highways for construction of the highway, which would be a continuation of the Don Valley Parkway and would provide speedy transit from Metro to Lake Simcoe.

The project has been delayed since 1961, said Mr. Barnard, and pressure should be brought to bear to carry on with the job.

Residents of six municipalities in York County are paying for the delay, he said, as people from Metro going to and from the vacation areas to the north create traffic congestion on weekends and tear up county roads.

Reeve Gladys Rolling of East Gwillimbury seconded the resolution, pointing out that, with the advent of the snowmobile, it is no longer just a summer problem. There is a steady procession of cars passing through the townships of Markham and Whitchurch, and through the municipalities of Markham, Richmond Hill, Stouffville and Aurora all year round.

The people from Metro are not happy about the situation, either. Mrs. Rolling pointed out. "They complain about the gravel road en route to the recreation areas."

Blue Hills Asks For \$209,400 For The Emotionally Disturbed

It is a fact of political life that government bodies do not act, they react, declared Reeve Evelyn Buck of Aurora when the directors of the Blue Hills Academy for Emotionally Disturbed Children approached York County Council with a request for \$209,400, toward capital cost of the development.

"First you should prove the need by soliciting public support, then come to the municipalities," Mrs. Buck told the deputation that appeared before the February meeting of council in Newmarket.

Spokesman for the board of directors was Arthur Johnson, secretary-treasurer of the board of directors of Blue Hills Academy and a resident of King City.

Mr. Johnson pointed out that the province is prepared to assume full cost of operation of the cottage type development, now in the first phase of construction, but the municipality is responsible for one-third of the cost of land and building.

Total cost for three cottages, administration centre and kitchen is estimated at \$346,200. Construction is already underway on the six-acre site on CFB Sideroad, and a 12-bed cottage is 40 percent completed.

Bank loans for the cost of the land have been backed by the personal endorsement of members of the board of directors, and money donated by local groups is helping to pay for the first phases of construction.

In a brief presented to the council, the board pointed out that an emotionally disturbed child is not a mentally retarded child, neither is he mentally ill.

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He may be of any race or color and come from any level of society.

The emotionally disturbed child is unable to form healthy relationships with other children or a compatible relationship with his parents, his teachers, or with society. The result may be a total withdrawal or an explosion.

It is a problem that is not restricted to towns and cities — with the present fast-changing life style, television and the pressures of creeping urban expansion, the rural community is not immune.

In 1968 alone 250 children 16 or under were admitted to the out-patients psychiatric services at York County Hospital in Newmarket, and in 1969, 245 were admitted.

The hospital, however, has no facilities for residential care for children. Its psychiatric beds are for adults only. There is no public residential facility in the county for children.

In the long run, there will be a saving to the community if these children receive adequate treatment early.

"In the past," said Mr. Johnson, "many emotionally disturbed children were considered either mentally retarded or delinquent. The result for these children was that our

ing to discuss the bylaw before its final passing.

Mrs. Hancey claimed the planning consultant had stated that some of the clauses were "bluff". "This is an extremely important bylaw and I don't think bluff has any place in it. The strength of a bylaw lies in the minimal number of objections to it. We have not yet had an opinion from our solicitor on the bylaw as a whole, although his opinion has been sought on isolated clauses."

Deputy Reeve Ivan Mansbridge admitted that the consultant had used the word "bluff" but claimed he hadn't meant it. "He was unable to get a ruling from the department in some cases and so used his own wording hoping the department will approve it," Mr. Mansbridge advocated approval of the bylaw as it now stands. "We can always pass amendments when necessary," he claimed. "We have been considering it now for two or three years."

"We will never know how good a bylaw it is until a specific clause is challenged in court," contended Reeve Donald Plaxton.

Reeve Sam Nasello of Sutton, chairman of the county council finance committee asked what will happen if there are boundary changes in the south as proposed by Metro.

He pointed out that most of the major projects are in the southerly part of the county, "but we may lose jurisdiction over it before the end of the year."

County Engineer John Retlie replied, "The work has to be done. I cannot answer this question."

Roads Commission Chairman W. J. "Tom" Taylor added, "We are at sea on this. We have had no word on regional government so there is no way but to carry on."

A contract was also awarded for installation of a large metal culvert under Don Mills Road north of Steeles Avenue, and this should be completed in time to handle the flow from the spring run-off.

The commission's property department completed 172 property settlements, purchasing land at a cost of just \$12 under the half million mark. This included land for widening Egypt Sideroad north of Sutton in addition to the projects mentioned above.

In 1969 about 150 trees died and the commission will be tendering for their removal from the roadside.

Kennedy Road is to be widened from two to four lanes with curbs and storm sewers from Steeles Avenue to Highway 7. Money was set aside in 1968 for purchase of the right-of-way, and in 1969 for the construc-

Zoning Bylaw Receives Approval To Implement New Town Plan

Richmond Hill's new zoning bylaw, which will implement in detail the broad principles laid out in the new Official Plan which was passed last year after receiving approval of the Municipal Board, was approved with numerous minor changes in wording at Monday night's council meeting. The bylaw had been considered in detail at a committee of council as a whole meeting on February 9. Planning Consultant Max Bacon who had drafted the bylaw was present at the meeting.

When the bylaw has been re-typed with the changes, it will be given two readings by council and then forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs which must give its approval before the third and final reading may be given.

Councillor Lois Hancey lost an attempt to have the bylaw submitted to the town solicitor for a written opinion as to the legality and chances of judgment in the town's favor should any clause be challenged and if the town should have to prosecute for any infraction of the bylaw the chances of a successful prosecution. She won approval of holding a public meet-

Widening Of Don Mills, Maple Road, Other Projects Planned

Toronto and York Roads Commission is planning on spending \$1.1 million on the widening of Bayview Avenue from Steeles Avenue to 500 feet north of Highway 7 and another \$70,000 to widen and improve the intersection of Maple Sideroad and Yonge Street in Richmond Hill.

In reporting at the winter meeting of York County Council in Newmarket the commission submitted a budget of more than \$3 million for maintenance and improvement of roads this year. In most of the projects scheduled, the province is expected to bear 50 percent of the cost, the county 25 percent, and Metro 25 percent.

Some projects, however, such as design for a grade separation where the CN tracks cross Markham Road in Richmond Hill, will get an 80 percent subsidy from the province, with the remainder divided equally between County and Metro. The committee is anticipating increased traffic on that road if GO transit comes to the area.

The same division of cost will apply to design of the subway proposed where the CN tracks cross the same county road at Maple.

Bayview Avenue will be widened from two lanes to four from 900 feet north of Steeles Avenue to 500 feet north of Highway 7.

The work will include curbs, storm sewers and installation of traffic lights at John Street.

Paving and shouldering Keele Street from the north limit of Maple to the south limit of King City and paving of Bayview Avenue, 14th Avenue to Elgin Mills Road, are also on the TYRC schedule of work to be done in 1970.

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February 25 At RHHS

Dr. Hugh Little To Head Panel Experts On Treatment Of Arthritis

Those who suffer the pains of arthritis, as well as those who wish to avoid such pains, will have an opportunity on February 25, to hear the views and obtain the advice of a singularly well-qualified expert.

On that date the York Central Branch, Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society, will hold a public forum at 8 pm in the auditorium of the Richmond Hill High School. Heading the panel of experts will be Dr. Hugh Little of Toronto, the society's director of professional education.

Dr. Little was born in Taiwan (Formosa), the son of medical missionary parents. He attended the University of Toronto where he graduated as a doctor of medicine in 1959. The next few years were spent in post graduate studies in Toronto and in Halifax, after which he spent a year in Newfoundland practising general medicine.

He then went to Great Britain on a CARS Fellowship to pursue further studies in rheumatology, followed by another two years, also as a fellow of the society, in Toronto. He became senior resident in medicine, specializing in rheumatology at Sunnybrook Hospital, Toronto, and is now the same hospital's senior consultant in rheumatology, as well as directing CARS' professional educational program.

On the same panel will be Ross Morrison of Toronto, executive director, Ontario division, CARS, who will discuss the aims and functions of the



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society, its program of research, patient care, professional education, public information, and the various ways in which it helps arthritis victims. Mr. Morrison has been a member of the permanent staff of the CARS since 1967. Previous to that he had been in the construction business and served at sea in the Royal Canadian Navy during World War 2.

Two members of the staff of York Central Hospital, Richmond Hill, will complete the panel, Dr. Victor Zuck, chief of medical staff and Miss Elizabeth Flood, in charge of the

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