

**NORTH RICHVALE NEWS**

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**Centennial Committee Seeking Suggestions**

The town of Richmond Hill is only two years away from its Centennial. Already a committee of council is at work on plans for this momentous year in the life of the municipality. Members are Chairman Andre Chateaubert and Secretary David Schuller.

Early this year a letter was sent to service clubs, churches and other organizations and industrialists within the community suggesting they discuss the matter and come up with a suggestion for participation.

At a committee meeting held May 21, several replies were studied and it was decided to call a meeting September 30, asking each group on the original list to send a representative with a suggestion for the year-long program.

The committee was particularly impressed with an offer from St. Mark's Anglican Church offering the former church, now the chapel, and the oldest church building in the community as a local museum for the year. Another suggestion came from the Knights of Columbus and the Shriners that they hold an NHL Old Timers game in conjunction with the annual winter carnival. The committee is also considering publishing a history of the municipality to retain the knowledge of the growth of Richmond Hill since the first settler arrived in 1794 for future generations.

Any further suggestions from groups or individuals will be gratefully accepted by the committee. Just address your suggestion to Richmond Hill Centennial Committee, Municipal Office, 56 Yonge Street North, Richmond Hill.

**3rd Richvale Brownies**  
Monday, May 10, the 3rd Richvale Brownies mother and daughter banquet was held at the Lions Hall, Richvale.

Nine golden bars were presented to the following girls: Suzie Underhill, Cathy Mark, Wendy Monroe, Janet and Yvonne Lawery, Beverly Willis, Marcia Stehauer, Sharon Soderberg, and Maureen Evensen. A total of 45 badges were presented, which included such badges as toymaker, pet keeper, housekeeper, collector, writer, cooking, booklover, gardener, skater, artists, and interpreters badge. A total of 93 badges were presented to the various Brownies in the pack during the year September 1970 - May 1971.

Also at the banquet, prizes were presented to the Kelpie Six, by Tawny Owl Ellen Sexton, for the highest marks in inspection during the year. For entertainment during the banquet, the Brownies sang three folk songs and were accompanied by Miss Anne Callum with her guitar.

Tuesday May 18, the 3rd Richvale Brownies had their fly-up ceremony. Nine Brownies flew up and one Brownie walked up. Those who flew up were: Cathy Evelyn, Diane Greenfield, Vicki Cuddihy, Mary Lemicka, June Jollette, Angela Ziltz, Darlene Bassor, Kim Robson, and Cindy Dunlop. Gizella Leight walked up. Area Commissioner Mrs. Eileen Lea acted as Guide Captain for the ceremony as their is no 3rd Richvale Guide Company. Guides from the 4th Richvale Company also helped out. Miss Cathy Brown, a local Guide, helped Brown Owl with the ceremony.

Brown Owl Mrs. Lois Callum, is leaving the 3rd Richvale

Brownie pack after five years; a Guide company in the area in service and Tawny Owl Ellen Sexton will be taking over in someone to help her. Anyone interested in helping out with Soderberg, the pack's Snowy Guides in the Ross Doan School Owl, will take over as Tawny this September, please phone Mrs. Callum at 889-2510.

**Province To Subsidize**

**Town Hall Will Feature Shrubs, Fountain, Tree**

A proposal for the surface treatment of the land on the Yonge Street frontage of the Richmond Hill Municipal Building (corner of Yonge and Wright Streets) was approved by town council at its meeting May 17. The proposal was presented by Ken Smith of Proctor & Redfern.

The plan retains the tall spruce tree which has been a feature of the building's landscaping for many years with a large section of concrete slabs, the Les Baker Memorial Fountain, ornamental pedestrian lighting, a planting area for shrubs and roses around the flag-staff, and a bus shelter.

Mr. Smith reported this work could be done within the budgeted \$7,000. He suggested that the bus shelter, being street furniture, should be referred to the mayor's civic improvement committee for design purposes.

The cost will be subsidized by the province, he also reported, both as sidewalk replacement and as compensation for the large amount of land surrendered by the town for widening and the bus bay.

When regional Councillor Donald Plaxton asked, "Do you have some aversion to grass?" Mr. Smith replied, "We think the area has been cut back so drastically grass would not show up. Because of the restriction on space we think this type of green area is preferable."

Councillor Louis Wainwright also expressed concern about the ability of spruce trees to survive being surrounded with concrete, but was assured that Treeman Harold Van Dyke had been consulted. He found the tree healthy and well worth saving, it was reported, and his recommendations will be followed.

**Tree Disappearance Concern Prompts Town Policy Suggestions**

Richmond Hill Mayor's Civic Improvement Committee, concerned about the disappearance of trees from the roadsides in the municipality, has submitted to council a list of recommendations which will be considered by the town fathers.

"The large trees that line many of the streets in the old part of Richmond Hill constitute perhaps the finest of that part of town," the submission, received at the May 17 meeting of the council, stated: "It is an asset which has accumulated over many years and is the legacy to use of the founding generation of our town. Besides the aesthetic values of providing a view, trees provide a habitat for birds and other animal life, filter the air, reduce wind disturbance, and favorably moderate the local climate during the summer months."

The opinion of the civic community committee was that the town should adopt a policy to assist in the conservation and extension of these benefits. Their recommendations for policy were:

1. The appearance of existing tree streets is to be maintained by a planned, active program of protection, maintenance and replacement of any tree which must be removed as a safety measure or because of essential construction activity.
2. The public is to be clearly informed as soon as possible of plans that are being considered to remove trees, and residents will have the right to make representation in defense of retention of such trees if it is felt that more would be lost than gained by such removal.
3. Where private property adjoining a street and containing trees is expropriated, and the trees must be removed for road widening or other construction purposes, replacement trees are to be planted at town expense on adjacent town property, or on adjoining private property if necessary. Monetary compensation should be considered only if the replacement of a tree is not possible.
4. A tree-planting program is to be encouraged in built-up parts of the town presently without trees.
5. The maintenance and planting of all trees on town property - street and park - are to be the responsibility of the Parks Board.

The civic improvement committee feels, the recommendation states, that trees even on private property, are in a sense "everybody's trees", as they all contribute to the overall appearance of the town. Anything that can be done to heighten the public awareness of the aesthetic and ecological values of trees would be encouraged, the report concludes.

Our new official plan has a policy on tree plantings along our roads," reported Councillor Lois Hancey.

According to Ivan Mansbridge, a member of the Civic Improvement Committee, 40 trees will be planted as part of "Operation Facelift" during Yonge Street Reconstruction. The money for half of this number was included in the town's 170 budget, the reports, and it is hoped that service clubs and other groups will provide the others.

In connection with the reconstruction of Yonge Street, samples of the new street furniture, including garbage containers, newspaper receptacles and telephone booths will be set up soon in front of Richmond Hill United Church, he



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This is how governments know where to spend money for the most necessary things: hospitals, schools, housing projects, roads and highways, community centres, parks. For example, a high percentage of children under five in one section of your community may alert the board of education to the need for a new school. Or, districts with a high proportion of sub-standard housing may be identified and earmarked for urban renewal and development programs. Things like that.

It's a do-it-yourself census.

Any day now, you'll receive your census questionnaire. The idea is that everyone in Canada must fill in that form on June 1. If a pre-paid return envelope came with the population census form complete the questionnaire and mail it back. If there is no envelope, don't mail it but hold the form until it is picked up by a census representative.

This will probably be the first time you've ever had the chance to fill in your own census form. The old way of sending census takers around knocking on doors and asking you questions served a useful purpose in its day. But we've found, after many trial censuses, that people do a better job when they fill in their questionnaires themselves.

If you are a farm operator.

If you have a farm, the census representative will bring you the Census of Agriculture form along with the population census form. The extra information you give is important for government farm programs and farm organizations in the years ahead. Some time after June 1, the census representative will call on you to pick up the completed census forms. So don't mail them back.

What happens if somebody doesn't fill in his census form?

Everyone in Canada is required by law to be counted in the national census. If you don't bother, a census representative will have to come around and fill in your questionnaire with you. So, if you do it yourself, you'll save time and money for everyone.



We need facts about you... and your family. Otherwise we won't have the whole story.

Give a few minutes to the Census of Canada. And Canada will give you a better future.

It's your census. Everyone has the right to be counted. Everyone has the right to expect the information he gives to be treated in absolute confidence. And you can be sure that the information will be used for the good of all Canadians.

So, don't forget, June 1. Tell us what's new.

**Count yourself in.**

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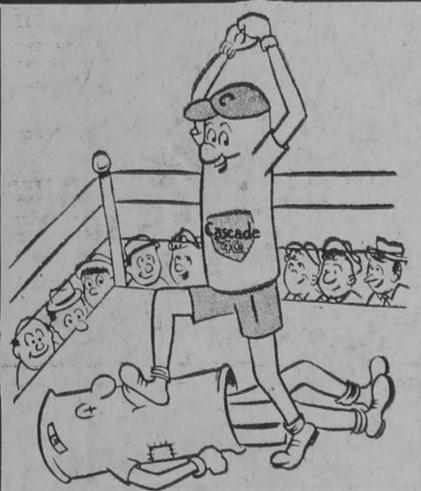
**OAK RIDGES DETACHMENT  
3 Hurt In 2 Single Car Crashes**

Ronald Webster of RR 3, Parry Sound sustained minor head and arm injuries in a single car crash on Highway 400 south of the Maple Sideroad, May 17. The car was driven by Frederick Webster, 31, RR 1, Waubashene, who received serious head injuries. They were taken to York-Finch Hospital. Damage was estimated at \$1,300. Provincial Police Constable Robert Lorentz was the investigating officer.

Joseph Farlashidy, 53, 63 Fifeshire Road North, Willowdale, sustained a concussion and facial abrasions when his vehicle rolled over on Highway 400 south of the King Sideroad at 12:05 am the same day. Damage to his vehicle was estimated at \$2,000. Provincial Constable Terry Stone investigated.

SUTTON: Georgina Council has agreed to wipe out a debt of \$4,809.17 for ice time for the South Shore Athletic Association. Part of the long-range solution it is believed is to do away with the dual executive set-up and have the OMHA teams playing in Sutton and Keswick operate directly under the SSAA.

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TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill proposes to enact a By-law under the authority of Section 459 of The Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1960, C. 249, to stop up and close up a portion of Muirhead Crescent, being the westerly 1 foot (1') thereof as shown on Registered Plan 349 registered in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of York North.

The Council will hear on the 7th day of June, 1971 in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected by the By-law and who applies to be heard.

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