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Marg. Britnell: Mayor For All People

By FRED SIMPSON Newly-elected King Township Mayor Margaret Britnell will be nothing if not a "people's

mayor. Mrs. Britnell, the first woman mayor in King's 118 year history, made that clear in a recent interview with "The Liberal"

"I'm definitely against any closed meetings with the exception of those few special ones pertinent to employees or other personal problems not of general interest to the public." She was just warming up to the subject.

"Why should we hold private meetings when the business we're dealing with is the business of the public? The public should be the first to know what we're planning to do. They shouldn't find out after it's a fact. It's their business."

The subject was recycling - not roses - recently when Mayor Britnell commented at a council meeting that the municipality's reports were being printed on too expensive paper.

for the township office. "There is really no reason for these reports to be printed on the quality paper," she said.

She suggested that re-

cycled paper could be used

Mrs. Britnell continued: "I believe we should involve the people of the township as much as we can whether by just informing them of what is happening or getting them involved in a more active way

such as special committees. "All too often in the past the people just found out by accident what had already become a fact. I want them to know well ahead and have their say in it." She said that it was still up to council to make decisions

"but not until all the evidence is in. I realize I have a lot to learn, I recognize I'm going to make mistakes.

"I think the people know we are just human and subject to

errors. But I'm not afraid to be wrong, I can admit when I'm wrong. We have nothing to hide. Let's state our opinions and reasonings in public and be prepared to be judged by

She also feels that with the tendency to bigger, remote governments that "the various councillors are getting farther and farther away from the public. We've got to get back to the people and increase our communication with them. None of us can afford to stand on pedestals."

Above all: "I want the people to realize that you not only can fight city hall but you can beat it," she

She cited the controversial Ontario Hydro line which was designed to go across King Township.

"The people fought hard and wouldn't be discouraged by seming failures and got their point across. You can fight city hall."

On other subjects: "I'm opposed to any further increase in council salaries. I really feel we're too money oriented in our councils today. We think too much about what we can get out of the public and not enough of what we can

contribute to it." Mayor Britnell stated that she realized "that council is time-consuming and getting more-so and a councillor should be paid a reasonable sum. But he should consider it also a responsibility to serve the public, put something back in the

She said her salary as mayor will total \$12,000, \$6,000 as local council representative and \$6,000 for serving on regional government. Local councillors are paid \$3,200.

Mayor Britnell is also concerned about the municipality "dragging its tail in passing our zoning bylaws to complement the official plan which has been passed since 1970. The official plan is useless if you have no bylaws to enforce it."

She cited the lack of proper

bylaws as the reason for the municipality being wide-open for objectionable uses or ones that are located in the wrong

"If incoming people know you have bylaws they also know what they can and cannot do. They don't always want to break a law but they've got no law to go by. I'd like to see this changed as quickly as possible." She said she realized that "maybe some of the zoning bylaw might prove to be a detriment to the township. Well, then we'll change them. Not everything is perfect but at least we'll have something. If they prove wrong in some cases

On her "serve the public" theme, Mrs. Britnell said she hoped to hold a number of public meetings on questions which will be of interest to the people.

we can always amend the by-

"I want to get them involved, hear their opinions before the fact and not after it. People get frustrated when they are kept in the dark and then they get angry. They can be very understanding if you just talk with them."

Mrs. Britnell agrees that she will be only one voice on council but "I think we have some very reasonable members who want to serve the municipality as a whole and not just isolated areas. I think we'll get along reasonably well although we might disagree on some things which is the way it should be. Right out in the open."

One thing she really regrets: "As mayor, I'll be in a position where I'll have to be more of a conciliator than a participant. I'll only get to vote on isues in case of a tie. I rather regret this because I like a good fight once in awhile." Mrs. Britnell, who lives on

King Summit Road near Concession 5, was also King's first lady councillor in 1969. She later opposed Ken Mactaggart for the mayorship posi-

tion in 1971 and lost by 148 What a difference a year can

School News

Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion By Chris Ratchford - 884-5260

Legion Reports

gathered from recent rum- North Gwillimbury for an excellent Chinese Exhibit, ors reported in this column, evening of social sports. At while the grade 6 students the town of Richmond Hill the close of the activities, we viewed the display of fossils and Branch 375 Royal Can- had won darts and cribbage; for their science program. adian Legion have come up but blew the biscuit when it Four community mothers, with a pipe band. The nuc- came to euchre. Oh well, Mrs. Irene Boyle, Mrs. Alice leus of this hand practices maybe we will get that back Mashinter, Mrs. Beverly

pm in the Legion Hall. band. This is not necessarily skunked. Cheer up Ab, you so. There may be some com- just can't win them all. Me," we submit the follow- lucky guy.

If you're nae a piper, you're nae good tae me. A drummer for me; a drummer for all A piper, a drummer in

kilts for us all. It is poor verse but you get the idea. We know there are many former piper and drummers in this area. To make our marching band a success, why not contact Bob Dickson (band committee chairman) either at home (884-4907) or at the Legion (884-0086). Further instruct- kiddies, we don't mean that Whitten, Arnold Stehouwer all! are given each Sunday at the Legion from 12 noon to

1 or 1:30. This band is for the bene- that right). fit of the whole town and one that has long been need- It was sure nice to be able Janice Jackson and Evonne ed. Don't sit back and pass to say Happy Neay Year to Johnson. the buck. Let everyone that Comrades Art Heaton and The girls, with the help of can get out and show just Freddie Hopper Friday even- Richard Hughes, then played what can be done, Sorry, your ing. Seems they are soundreporter can't carry a tune, ing the bell in favour of the let alone play a drum or the "Olde Sweats Night" to be Zone Commander pipes, but will support the held February 17. We wish band to the best of our abil- them every success. ity. How about you?

ing that very sincere con- served steak dinners with all gratulations are to go to the trimmings. Monies raised Lorenzo and Janet Johns on to be used by the pipe band. the occasion of their Silver Wedding Anniversary. The birthdays please accept our starters how about this very good wishes also. May happy events.

don Flu". For everyone that for \$5 per couple. Won't you Commander Betty Gordon. falls down with this com- come and join us!

Still others are in worse tion contact Gord Mills at shape than most of us: Fred- the Legion. die Smith is slowly improv- Saturday. February 3 ing in Sunnybrook Hospital Zone cribbage at Branch 426 while our very own Mickey Newmarket, Leaving Branch Smith has been transferred 375 at 11:30 am. Registrafrom the hospital in Taunton. tion 12 noon, Newmarket. Massachusetts, to another Saturday, February 10 place of incarceration in Bost- Men's bowling. vou very much.

Just where we? Oh yes, Monday, February 19 now we recall. Last Wednes- General meeting night. All day evening members from members please be sure to Branch 375 travelled from attend. It is important.

Need More Pipers & Drummers As you all may have home base to the wilds of grade 5 students toured the every Wednesday night at 8 when we host Branch 566 at Jackson and Mrs. Marilyn There have been rumors Ab Ball is out for revenge- children as supervisors. A that this is a competitive he and his partner got special thanks is extended to Last Sunday there was a

petitions planned for the This past Friday night social was rather quiet, Still

and came out on the wrong extra points.

end of the stick. great guns when we took on John Walker. sport of shuffleboard. The local boys held their own and won the day. We gather the competition was stiff. No players going against us.

Late Flash! Good attend-Now that we have that lit- ance at the Super Bowl Show tle storm off our chest, let's held on Sunday in the lounge. see just what is in the mail Gord Mills and Ned Cook cooked (sorry about that Ned) There is a note here stat- themselves up a storm and

There are many coming big day is January 24. To all events in store for one and celebrating such events or all this next little while. For

Saturday - Robbie Burns' you all celebrate many more Night. Dinner and dance. Cocktail hour 6-7 pm. Dinner at 7:30. Dancing to the music of this year will be at 8 pm We hear that many of our of Alice Sherrat and her comrades and friends have group. First parade of our fallen victims of the "Lon- pipe band. Tickets limited

plaint, two or three come | Saturday, January 27-Disback. Our sympathies are trict bowling. Dinner and dance. For further informa-

on. Hurry up Mick, we miss | Saturday, February 17 -Valentine's Dance at the

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The grade 5 and 6 students 4-3 team room enjoyed an excur- be held Monday. sion to the Royal Ontario Church News Museum January 9. The

our next date. Gather our Watford accompanied the

marching band. This is a it was a good night. As is week. Any student may join of Alfred George Wilton by different kettle of fish al- usual we had a mystery win- in the fun. Events planned his son, Ken, his wife and together. So far there are ner, this time Miss C. Kern- are hockey games, toboggan family. only 16 members and more ohan our ex-Navy type Alec's races, snowball throw, skatare urgently needed. Using lovely daughter) picked ing races, largest snowball in ing party and game of the music of "A Gordon For George Sullivan for the a set time, toboggan pull, broomball for the junior tug-of-war and ice sculpture, young people Friday evening Saturday was rather a busy which will be done in groups. on the pond at Daybreak. A piper for we; a piper day around the Legion and When the events will take The young adults will meet for some members of the place depends on the condi- for their regular fortnightly

sorry to report that the Everyone who enters will 8. The passage will be Matladies raced to Newmarket gain points for their house thew 5 to 6. for the bowling competitions leagues. Winners will get Next Monday the men's

Meanwhile back at the four have organized and are ship at St. John's. ranch (oops, we mean Le- running each event. Captain Community News gion), things were going of the co-ordinating team is

ning, Doug Case, Steven ary 24. Happy birthday to anyone was looped, just that Mark Dennys. The champion girls' team included Barb- tended to Darryl Bowyer of there were some darn fine ara Mashinter, Kathy Lund, Gamble Sideroad, who has (Sure hoped we explained Shari Ashton, Louise Whit- been in York Central Hoston, Roberta Ball, Sheryl pital. Jackson, Tracey Kennedy,

Canadian Legion. The first special event for

the year 1973, was a whist party at the home of Gloria Sandford, There was a good representation present and prizes were won by a visitor, Frank Titshall, and by Elsie

Grete Tonner is recruiting waitresses for a banquet to be held Saturday and is looking for volunteer helpers.

The first general meeting Monday at the Legion Hall, and a good turnout is anticipated to meet the new Zone

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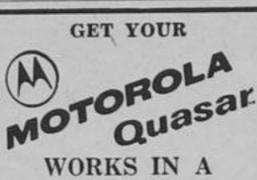
the boys and defeated them in Jefferson Public School's The skating races were to

Jefferson Public School is munion at the morning servholding a Centennial Winter ice. The flowers on the altar Carnival during January on were placed to the glory of two or three afternoons a God and in loving memory

This week Frances Gold The first events, hockey celebrates her eighth birthand Branch 1 in the fine old championships, were held day January 20, Nigel Wallast Friday. The winning ker celebrates his tenth on boys' team was composed of the same day, Lisa Nielsen Richard Hughes, Tim Miller, will be 11 January 22 and Ross Hazelhurst, Clark Can- Sheryl Jackson eight Janu-

members.

At Legion Auxiliary sympathy is also extended to Emma Cullum of Aurora in New Year's greetings to all the death of her husband, members of the Ladies' Aux- Bert, January 9 in York iliary of Branch 375, Royal County Hospital, Newmarket.



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Sunday there will be morning prayer at 10:30 am at St. John's Anglican Church. Guest preacher (the first of the 125th anniversary year) will be St. John's former Rural Dean, Canon Reginald Howden of Holy Trinity Church, Thornhill. At 8 pm there will be a confirmation

ladies' auxiliary. We are tions and the snowfall. Bible study Friday night at

club will meet at St. Mark's Committees from room and the spiritual life fellow-

Get well wishes are ex-

Our deepest sympathy and warmest love are extended to Harry Hannah of Stancroft Drive in the death of his wife, Dorothy, January 9 at Sunnybrook Hospital. Condolences also to her children, grandchildren and family

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