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# Millions For Richmond Hill, Thornhill Rail Transit

"In Essentials Unity: in Non-Essentials Liberty; in all things Charity"

Many Community Benefits, Higher Property Values, More Development Pressure

By HAL BLAINE

Substantially improved property vales, greater development pressures and appier neighborhood living conditions ere in Southern York Region are expectto result from Monday's federal-proincial announcement of a new commuter ail service for Thornhill and Richmond fill terminals within two years.

This according to the transportation hairmen of Markham and Richmond fill Town Councils in interviews Tuesday. "The Federal Government will proide \$10,000,000 for the purchase of rollng stock for a three-train peak-period ail service between Richmond Hill and

'oronto Union Station," said the Monday

ederal - provincial - municipal announce-

The trains will be operated for about

a \$1,000,000 annual deficit by the Ontario Government as part of its expanding GO Transit network. GO buses from Barrie, Newmarket and Aurora will be rescheduled to tie into the Richmond Hill end of the new rail commuter service. \* \* \* \* \*

Ward 3 Councillor Roy Muldrew of Thornhill, Markham transportation chairman, says the new rail service is the greatest thing that could happen to the Thornhill community. Muldrew predicts a whole series of major transit improvements here in the coming months, with talks and studies already under way.

Muldrew says Markham's recently inaugurated local transit service has revealed an unexpected potential for commuter service connecting Unionville and the Highway 48 - Old Markham Village area into the Yonge Street traffic corri-

Details regarding plans for commuter stations at Richmond Hill and Thornhill aren't yet available.

Muldrew says these are two possible Thornlea station locations on the CN Bala Line to be used by the service. CN has buildings and property on the Bala Line at John Street in the Bayview Fairways neighborhood area. The best station location from a traffic access point of view might be at Bayview Avenue where York Region is building a multi-million dollar overpass in a major road widening program. At this location a station would have to be tied in with the overpass plan, Muldrew says.

Richmond Hill Council's transportation committee chairman, Ward 2 Coun-

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PARTICIPATION

She is in charge of arrange-

OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

guests, unveiling of a plaque

and ribbon cutting.

town resident

cillor Graeme Bales of Gormley, says he expects there will be a new GO Rail terminal in connection with the existing GO bus terminal here on Newkirk Road where the CN Bala Line crosses Markham Road.

Councillor Bales notes Richmond Hill now has only the very old CN station which probably isn't adequate for the new rail commuter service.

Bales says he thinks the new service will be of real benefit to Richmond Hill and to the residents in the Maple area of Vaughan Town too, as well as to residents of King City and municipalities to the north.

But Bales is disappointed the service can't be started immediately using the ordinary type of railway passenger cars instead of waiting for construction of new rolling stock. A major point in the Mon-

Hurrah! New Markham Arena RC Board Inaugural

day announcement emphasized industrial considerations. "A contract to build rolling stock would ensure continuation of employment of skilled and unskilled workers in the locomotive and rail car industry," said the official announcement.

The Markham and Richmond Hill transportation chairmen were agreed the rail service will be of great benefit while at the same time increasing already high development pressures in the local area.

"We will have a lot more pressure on building in Richmond Hill. This is certain to raise the price of houses. When any community has gone on this type of service the property prices have gone up. All existing property owners will benefit but people wanting to buy will have to pay more," said the councillor.

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# Look Out, Switzerland?

They may be larking it up now but they'll be deadly serious come Monday night. The "they" are (left to right) Oak Ridges' Alex Brockton Midgets Bill Metcalfe, Peter McConachie, and John Lenneville. That's when the big exhibition game with the Walliseillen Switzerland Midgets takes place at 7:30 pm at Bond Lake Arena. The above fellows will likely form one of the Oak Ridges lines who are looking to turn back the visitors.

Read story on Page 13 for full details of Monday's contest.

## Firefighting Expansion Coming

An evening at the Board Richmond Hill Town Council prevention purposes. of Trade Country Club in Woodbridge is proving to be expensive in more ways than one. For the second time in the past two months, a woman has had her mink fur stolen from the premi-

Mink Stole(n)

Sunday night, it was

municipal building. Greta Barrell of Toronto, whose \$1,600 mink stole The fire station is manned was taken from the cloak round the clock by a force of room between 1 am and 20 men, working in two shifts, 1:15 am. On December 16, Mrs.

Two of these are captains and the whole force is head-Doris Henderson, also of ed by Fire Chief Robert Toronto, reported the theft of a knee length, natural mink, valued at \$3,000,

from an upstairs room at the club which was later

Preparing for future needs, for administration and fire

is seeking a deputy fire chief | An elevating platform has at the present time. The been ordered and delivery is whole town from Highway 7 expected in April. It will be north to the Bloomington housed in the Richvale Fire Sideroad and from Bathurst Hall on Spruce Avenue. By Street east to the proposed the time it is delivered the Highway 404 is provided at roof of the structure will present with firefighting have been raised to accomservices from the central modate the new apparatus fire station at the rear of the for fire fighting and rescue work and that fire hall will

The town is calling for tenders for the construction of a combined fire hall and library building at the corner of Yonge Street and the King Sidercad in Oak Ridges, on a site acquired two years ago The town's fire department from the Oak Ridges Lions is equipped with five pumper for \$20,000. It is planned to trucks, two tank trucks and a man this fire hall, at least at station wagon, the latter used first, by volunteers.

ject in a municipality's history usually calls for Sports Section). a major civic celebration to mark the occasion.

And Markham Town is no exception to the rule. Saturday the newly re-organized Town of tennial Centre is already be- The arena building in-Markham, a York Regional local manicipality ing used this year for hoc-cludes The Penalty Box now for three years, officially opens the new key leagues throughout the Lounge, an attractive mez-\$1,400,000 Markham Centennial Centre Arena. The name of the new building this season just swinging into operation was chosen to remind and cultural activity in the receptions, etc. residents of the 100 year history of the old town. Discussion of future Markham community that was recently cele- expansion and use of the The operating and man- board at the 1974 inaugural

PUBLIC INVITED FREE There will be a reception

brated.

icipal and community lead- people belong to the Unioners at 5:30 pm. But all res- ville Figure Skating Club finally decided. idents of the town are in- which is featured in the 7 festivities starting at 7 pm. which starts the public por-Admission to the arena be- tion of the official aren fore 7 o'clock for the hoc- opening celebrations. key, official ceremonies, fig- figure skating show will it ure skating and music pro- clude 200 pretty young ladgram is free. The arena is ies and handsome young located east of Unionville on men, says Unionville Ward a block north of Highway 7 Bell of 12 Tuscay Court.

Most of the Thornhill ments for the official openpostal area here is included ing events. in the new regional Town of Markham professional Markham, The town includes skater Frances Allan will the former Markham Town- lead the Markham Skating ship area north of Steeles Club and Unionville Skating (Photo by Pikulin) Avenue, east of Yonge Club professional Hans Ahl-Street, south of Highway 7 gren of Metro will lead that along both sides of Don skating show will last 40 Mills Road (Woodbine Av- minutes. enue) to the new Whit- The Thornlea Band and church - Stouffville Town Choir from Thornlea Secondboundary.

#### Fill Ward 3 Seat January 16

The vacant Ward 3 seat at Richmond Hill Council table will be filled by appointment at a special meeting January 16 at 8 pm, it was announced at Monday night's meeting of

The seat was won in December 1972 by Charles Stewart in a two-way battle with Ray Gemmill and became vacant when Mr. Stewart died in a highway accident November 27. The outcome of a spec-

ial council meeting December 20 was that no election would be held and that the seat would be filled by appointment. At Monday night's

meeting Regional Councillor Lois Hancey asked that two letters supporting the appointment of Mr. Gemmill to the seat be recorded in the council CULTURE AND RECREATION

ebrity programs to fill in ville. between hockey and figure

## the Concession 7 road, about 3 Councillor Mrs. Carole Name Jackman Committee

dent of Richmond Hill for Nobes. more than a quarter century, received the unanimous supand north of Highway 7 club's skaters. The figure port of Richmond Hill Counas the municipality's repre- February 8, 9, 10 sentative of the new York Region Land Division Comary School under the direc- mittee. The region has detion of well known Canad- cided to set up a committee ian musician Ellis McClin- of nine members, one from tock will provide the open- each of the municipalities.

In proposing Mr. Jackman's ing music and perform at all intervals in the program. name, Mayor William Lazenby questioned the propriety of this region's decision to Then comes the official establish the committee, since ceremonies with Reverend it does not take into consid-Robert Ball of Central Uneration the great differences ited Church, Unionville, givin assessment and population ing the official blessing. among the municipalities Markham Mayor Anthony which make up the Region of Roman will preside at the Yerk. introduction of special

The mayor noted Mr. Jackman of Roseview Avenue has served on the town's commit-The master of ceremonies tee of adjustment for 14 will be Johnny Esaw, a telyears, most of that time havevision personality and local ing been its chairman. He also told council that the Markham Museum Cur- committee of adjustment rator John Lunau, an old would continue to deal with Markham hockey figure, will minor variances but that all do the hockey introductions future land severances will and be commentator for the be handled by the new land

hockey game. The game fea- division committee. community senior team the Hancey said each member of Markham Millionaires, play- the regional council was ing against the well known asked to nominate an ap-NHL Oldtimers. Lunau is pointee to the land division a former Markham Million- committee, "but I would preaires trainer and now is fer to appoint a nominee suptrainer of the NHL Old- ported by this council". The timers. (See further story mayor agreed with her.

Achievement of the biggest recreation pro- on the hockey game in the skating activities during the are hockey school and figure The new Markham Cen- skating classes.

town, including Thornhill zanine facility providing acarea. It is intended to pro- commodations for parties, vide a focus for recreation private meetings, wedding

ARENA COMMITTEE

balance of the 12-acre land agement committee of the meeting held January 2 in site has included proposals Markham Centennial Cen- the board room. He succeeds for swimming pool, curling tre includes four town Eugene Jacobs of the Town rink, tennis courts and other council members and five of Vaughan, who has headed for about 200 invited mun- Many Thornhill young recreation facilities. But local residents. The coun- the board since its inception these items remain to be cil representatives are Mayor five years ago. Anthony Roman, Regional Leo Wigglesworth, a Town Future plans for increased Councillor Robert Adams of of Markham trustee, was vited to come and enjoy the pm Skating Extravaganza community activity at the Thornhill, Regional Council- elected vice-chairman in a Centre include Guy Lombar- lor Harry Crisp of Thorn- two-way battle with Richdo in Concert, Duke Elling- hill and Ward 3 Councillor mond Hill Trustee Malcolm ton Presents and other cel- Mrs. Carole Bell of Union- Peake.

atives are Doug James of great tribute to Mr. Jacobs Thornhill, Bruce Sage of "who has used his ability Old Markham, Dennis Har- very wisely on this board vey of Old Markham and for the children, parents, Bud Lunney of Unionville, teachers and principals" as The committee chairman is 11 small boards were welded Barry Nicholls of Thornhill. into a county unit. Manager of the Markham THANKS FOR SERVICE same thing - the best pos-Howard Jackman, a resi- Centennial Centre is Cecil

# Winter Carnival

Richmond Hill's fifth annual Winter Carnival will be held February 8, 9 and 10. Mayor William Lazenby announced at Monday evening's council meeting.

William Ruttle of 47 Laverock Avenue, who has served on the committee since its inception in 1969, has agreed to provide leadership and other members of the committee have also indicated their willingness to carry on,

The mayor expressed his this highlight of the winter season once again.

Mr. Ruttle told "The

Liberal" Monday afternoon that the Rotary Club has tures members of the old Regional Councillor Lois offered to help the committee which has already met to begin planning for the big annual event. It is hoped that an innovation this year will be a snow slide for the youngsters. More details will be available next week.

### year. Being considered for summer recreation activity are hockey school and figure MCDermott Chairman the teachers and respect for John McDermott, trustee the teachers as professional representing Whitchurch- people and of realizing that

BY MARY DAWSON

Stouffville and East Gwillim- all are concerned with the bury on the York County Roman - Catholic School Board, was the unanimous choice for chairman of that

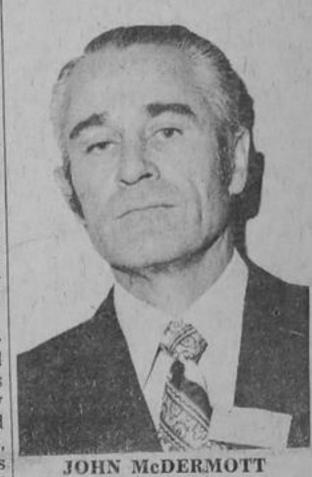
In his speech of accep-The community represent- tance Mr. McDermott paid

vice you have given to this the children. board and to this county in REPRESENTS PARENTS

the retiring chairman.

assistant to Father Cle- attending separate schools."

of the clergy. Father Pearce said that a REPRESENTS TEACHERS



Stouffville-Whitchurch

"We thank you for the ser- sible Catholic education for

Catholic education," he told Richmond Hill Lawyer John Lawlor, and a graduate Representatives of the se- of the local Catholic veral groups involved in edu- school system in King Towncation spoke briefly, bring- ship, was the representative ing greetings to the board of the parents. He spoke of at the beginning of a new the "spirit of joy we got out of school - a tremendous

happiness. I notice that same Father Ken Pearce, joy in my children who are ment Schwalm at St. Mary Lawlor closed with the Immaculate Church, Rich- hope the board would be mond Hill and involved in able sometime in the future the religious education of to provide a Catholic educathe children attending Our tion for Catholic children Lady of the Annunciation, from kindergarten to grade Oak Ridges and St. Mary 13.

Immaculate in Richmond "The parents of this dis-Hill, was the representative trict would like a separate high school," he said.

personal appreciation and lot of the role of a priest in Representing the teachers that of council and the the school is just walking in was Miss Isabella O'Shea, town's citizens to this dedi- and being a presence. "Part who is doing special educacated group for the work of my job is to see to it that tion and library work at they have done in the past what is being taught is as Notre Dame, Newmarket. and their willingness to close to the mind of the She came to York County in assume responsibility for bishop and of the church as 1967 and has never regretted her decision to come here. He pointed out the impor- She has had the pleasure of tance of co-operation with (Continued on Page 3)

## recovered by police. Parent Effectiveness Course Starts January 16 In Hill

Have you ever wondered what to do when a child refuses to do his homework, practice the piano, stop fighting, tidy his room or go to bed on time? If so you're a typical parent in the 70's who often senses that something is wrong but not what

or how to cope. The Richmond Hill-Thornhill Family Services is offering a Parent Effectiveness course beginning Wednesday of next week, based on Dr. Thomas Gordon's book "Parent Effectiveness Training" which will provide parents with greater insights into themselves, their children and the communication process between them. It is Gordon's contention that parenthood is a highly skilled job, and that most people would handle it better if they were trained. LIMITED REGISTRATION

The course will continue for six weeks each Wednesday from 8 to 10 pm and registration is limited to ten couples or 20 people with a fee of \$10 per person, or \$20 per couple, plus a copy

of the book that provides the background for discus-

Tapes and visual materials will also be used to demonstrate the questions and answers to such topics as how to listen so the children will talk to you, how to talk so they will listen to you, how to change unacceptable behavior and how to avoid being "fired" as a parent.

In the six sessions the group will explore the permissive way of bringing up children, the authoritarian way, and the effective way. (This one works, says Dr. Gordon). The family services office is located at 25A Yonge Street North, Richmond Hill, and for information interested persons may call 884-8822 or 8231.

Through the various discussions the course will deal with the 12 typical responses to children's problems ranging from threatening. name-calling, preaching or sarcasm to praising, reassur-

ing and offering solution. Each of these responses can have undesirable effects upon the child; some are put downs which can make a child feel worthless hurt or resentful. Solutions rob the child of the growth experience of developing his own, while praise tends to make the child dependent upon the parents opinion rather than his own NEED FEED-BACK

"Active Listening" is another skill which the course teaches. It is the process of listening to the child when he comes to you with a problem and checking your impressions by feeding them back to him without criticism, judgment or new material. It leaves the child feeling comfortable, understood and free to go on talking. It often enables him to solve his own problems through the clearer understanding this kind of exploration allows him. Often, however, the child will behave in a way which creates a problem for the parents. When this occurs, parents are urged to send an "I" message. "I" messages according to Dr. Gordon, should consist of a nonblameful description of the child's unacceptable behavior, a statement of how that behavior makes the parent feel, and the tangible effect of the behavior on the parent. This technique, over a period of time, can often do



YETTA NASHMAN Discussion Leader

more to encourage a child to change without hurting him or the relationship, than the rewards, punishments and screaming battles most of us engage in without too much success. FOUR METHODS

The techniques of "Active Listening" and "I" messages are the essential tools for the no win - no lose problem solving approach which Dr. Gordon refers to as "Method III Problem Solving". Method I is the authoritative way in which conflicts end with the parent winning and the child losing, Method II is the permissive way in which children win and parents lose. Method IV involves setting up a conference between parent and child at which both sides of the conflict are clearly stated, the solutions called for and written down, and the one solution which seems satisfactory to everyone, chosen for a trial run.

REALLY IN TOUCH Parents who have taken the course in the past stated that they were for the first time in their parenthood experience, really in touch with the way their children felt about their own problems, and aware as well of their own real feelings. Genuine communication

was beginning to take place with improvements in the general home atmosphere. The leader of the PET Group is Mrs. Yetta Nashman, a former high school teacher and mother of five children. She is presently an MA student at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education and a member of the counselling staff at Richmond Hill - Thornhill Family Services.

Mrs. Nashman first became interested in parent study groups as a participant looking for solutions to problems she was experiencing in her own home. Now, as a leader of many such groups, she is sharing her knowledge of parent effectiveness training and her personal experience in the application of PET principles.

# RC School Graduates Found More Hopeful

Two Chicago sociologists life situations," including recently stated that Roman being told that one's child to be more hopeful about ing of natural disasters. who have not. The sociolo- that respondents who had gists are Rev. Andrew Gree- gone to Catholic schools ley and William McCready. "seem to be considerably They are members of the more likely than those who staff of the National Opinion have not, to be men and wo-Research Centre in Chicago. men of hope." For instance, The implication of this 29% of Catholics who had finding is that Catholic attended separate grammar schools "may have worked and high schools and 24% better than most people of those who had attended thought" in their goal of one of the two were among equipping students with the "hopefuls". Among those

Christian values. However, they warned that cation the figure was 17%. such news may have come too late to help revive the separate school system in the United States. "The deterioration of self-confidence is such that it is improbable that any good news can reverse the process," their report says. "It is almost as though no one wishes to believe in the possibility of phoney bill turned up at good news about Catholic R. F. Molt Sheet Metal,

schools." findings and conclusions on Allencourt Plaza. research conducted for the Henry Luce Foundation. A 2449667. preliminary report based on a sample of 356 U.S.A. Ca- believed to have come tholics has already been pub- from the Bank of Comlished in the National Ca- merce in Willowdale, was tholic Reporter. In the sur- deposited in the Bank of vey, the respondents were Montreal in Aurora. asked to indicate how they would react to six "critical

Catholic adults who have at- would be mentally retarded tended separate schools tend and interpreting the meanhuman problems than those | The two sociologists found

with no Catholic school edu-

#### Stay Away From \$50 Bills

York Regional Police reported two counterfeit \$50 bills in the area last week. In Richmond Hill, the after a cash payment from The two men based their the Bank of Commerce,

Serial number was A/H-

The other bill, which was

Serial number was A/H-3984029.