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At Elgin - Bathurst

# Vaughan Add 1,800

northeast corner of Elgin sons per acre. Mills Sideroad and Bathurst He also noted that there Street. This is a Milani de- will be a problem of storm velopment.

000 square feet. R. HILL'S DOORSTEP "This would in effect reate a small community right on the boundary of It's a two-edged sword and Plan has been approved. has its pros and cons."

Mr. Rimon continued, "This ter was referred to town could bring real pressure to council.

"The cat's out of the bag | develop more land in Richnow as to how extensive a mond Hill and Vaughan on development is expected," the basis of septic tanks and commented Regional Coun- wells." He found the procillor Lois Hancey at the Ja- posed development in direct nuary 9 meeting of Rich- controversy with the residenmond Hill Council's planning tial policies stated in Vaucommittee when she learned ghan's Official Plan and of a Town of Vaughan stated he felt the develop-Amendment to the Official ment should be allowed (if Plan which would see a po- at all) only at a density of pulation of 1,800 people es- two persons per acre rather tablished on 395 acres on the than the proposed 3.3 per-

drainage into the Mill Pond Vaughan Amendment 39 and developing of the area has increased the 162 acres will increase the runoff into rezoning from rural to resi- that body of water. He poindential first introduced in ted out that the second 1969 to 395 acres and the phase of development in the potential population from area presumes connection 1,300 to 1,800. The minimum with the Richmond Hill lot area has been increased water and sewage disposal from 15,000-18,000 to 20,- systems, rather than the wells and septic tanks called for in the first phase.

YORK REGIONAL PLAN Mrs. Hancey thought that Richmond Hill (Bathurst in light of the new proposal Street is the boundary line council could well change between Vaughan and Rich- its attitude to this developmond Hill), which would be ment recalling that it had functionally related to this entered no objections to the town," stated Planning Di- first proposal since there was rector Hesse Rimon. "Pre- no question of services (exsumably these 1,800 people cept firefighting since the would use the town's recre- Richmond Hill fire hall ation facilities, such as the would be much closer than swimming pool, the parks, any in Vaughan). She also the rinks and the library, recommended that the devewithout contributing one lopment should have no entax dollar towards the provi- trance from Bathurst Street sion of these services. At the and only one on Elgin Mills same time their custom may Road Sideroad West. She help the merchants of this also felt it unwise to proceed town at a time when such with these plans until the help will be needed badly. Region of York's Official

On motion of Chairman SEPTIC TANKS, WELLS David Stephenson the mat-





(Photos by Barbour)

HOME PAPER OF THE DISTRICT SINCE 1878

## Markham Centre Is Open

Markham Centennial Centre Saturday night was a very special peoples' place as citizens from near and far gathered in their thousands to celebrate the official opening of their grand new sports and cultural facility. It was standing room only at the arena, with total attendance including figure skaters and other performers estimated at close to 3,000.

Mayor Anthony Roman (top photo) at centre ice in the midst of the night's celebrations unveiled an official plaque for the occasion. Watching are the members of the last two town councils who were involved in the decisions which brought about the new town centre. They are (left to right) former Ward 5 councillor Murray Henderson who is partly hidden behind former Ward 6 councillor Norman Tyndall of Gormley; Ward 6 Councillor Ron Moran of Dickson's Hill with Ward 4 Councillor Bud Bonner and former York Regional councillor for Markham Harold Lawrie almost hidden; Ward 5 Councillor Mrs. Alma Walker; Mayor Roman; Ward 3 Councillor Mrs. Carole Bell who was chairman of the official opening committee; Ward 1 Councillor Gary Kay of South Thornhill; York Region and Markham Councillor Harry Crisp of Thornhill, clerk of the town when the project was started; Ward 2 Councillor Roy Muldrew of North Thornhill; plus York Region and Markham Councillor Robert Adams of Thornhill.

Among the more than 100 dazzling colorful figure skaters from the Unionville and Markham Figure Skating Clubs who put on a thrilling display were the three young ladies shown in the lower photo (left to right) Lorna Cox, 14, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cox, Gormley; Cathi Wilkes, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilkes, 3 Laureleaf Road, Thornhill; and Cathie Church, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Church, 27 Daffodil Avenue, Thornhill.

### To Add 3rd Storey Church St. Building A substantial addition in- | Chassie represented Wood-

cluding a third floor for the lane Developments Ltd., ownoffice building at the north- ers of the building. Mr. Hicks east corner of Markham reported that when the build-Road and Church Street was ing was erected in 1968 fuapproved by Richmond Hill ture expansion was envisaged Council's Planning Commit- and some provisions, such as tee January 9 and a site plan elevator shaft to serve a third tee January 9 and a site plan elevator shaft to serve a third will be prepared by the plan- floor, were made. Since that ning staff.

Markham Blocks Thornhill School Campus

#### Macfarlane Faces New Charges

John Macfarlane, 23, of no-fixed abode, who last month received a one-year sentence for wounding a Regional Police.

ing of a young hitch-hiker | tional space. whom he gave a ride to, but a jury later found him innocent of the charge.

the latter charge, a man line in the region.

9, that Macfarlane will be subsequently charged.

Dalton Hicks and George the two houses and properties to the east of the buildparking spaces available than are required the second house

will be razed, Mr. Chassie reported. There will be 41 parking spaces, all behind the 25 foot line from Markham Road.

Present tenants of the building are the York County King City youth, now faces | Health Unit and the Central 1973. charges of theft following Ontario Regional Library an investigation by York | Association. The health unit's many meetings with council plumbing department occu- trying to get it to put in a Macfarlane was original- pies the first house to the swimming pool, arena and ly charged with attempted east. Mr. Chassie reported ball park in conjunction with

son ruled that Regional concern was to put in day- not in the location of that It was also recommended to avoid any delay in get-Councillor Lois Hancey would care centres, as encouraged shown on the master plan, that a meeting be arranged ting started if and when While he was on bail for not be in conflict of interest by provincial legislation. even though she is a member In the meantime the board wanted the school in its or- tion to discuss the cost of the ministry. used a stolen credit card to of CORLA since she would was holding up the school obtain \$300 worth of gaso- receive no monetary benefit, until it got a decision from either directly or indirectly Markham on the co-operative The Catholic Board said it an exchange of land with called for approval of the It was as a result of that from the committee's decis- use of land, Mr. Sim said. | was not prepared to place a the Roman Catholic Board. revised site plan, depending matter, which investigation ion. "There is no conflict of A staff report on the site permanent structure on non- Trustee John MacKay of on acceptance by the Cathpolice completed January interest - you just have the showed that a master plan owned lands, or to have a Markham said that, one of olic School Board, and an best interests of the town at was developed to provide for permanent structure placed the reasons for going to see exchange of land between heart," he said.

Refuse To Build Bayview Summit Pool, Arena, Ball Park, Trustee Sim Charges

cation Monday night.

murder following the beat- that CORLA requires addi- the Bayview Summit School complex site.

He said he had attended back on the site. DEMURS

York County Board of Edu- subsequently approved in facilities. principle by the board.

Mr. Sim said that the "at- An elementary school was Ross King presented a plan titude" of council where the next approved for the site Bayview Summit Subdivision and sketch plans were drawn in Thornhill was concerned up for it. Council objected was "one of the greatest dis- to the proximity of the appointments I've had in school to the street line and suggested it be built farther

SEPARATE BOARD

The Roman Catholic School Board representatives elementary schools, subject said that the proposed site to approval by the parent Chairman David Stephen- However, Markham's only for the separate school was bodies.

the joint use of lands owned on its lands. But it was the minister was because the the two boards.

Markham Town Council by the board, the town and ready to enter into a joint- board had tried to carry out was taken to task by Trustee York County Roman Cath- use agreement of lands for its policy of having a bet-Donald Sim at a meeting of olic School Board, which was play-ground area or parking ter community use

> In December, architect showing where the schools could be located on the site. The proposed revised plan would require an exchange of land between the York

Board and the RC Board. As a result, it was recommended that the two boards and the Town of Markham approve in principle the site plan drawings for the new

iginal position where soil the schools, the revised site His recommendation, which tests had already been taken. plan and the possibility of was approved by the board,

WANTS EXCHANGE

This had held the board up in its negotiations, and so it felt justified in having the school considered on today's costs and not those of 1971 when it was first

proposed. He also asked for an exchange of land and not a sale as this would affect the

Mr. MacKay also asked the board to approve the recommendations in order and indicated that they with the Minister of Educa- approval was received from

#### Police Salary Meeting Jan. 23 York Regional Police,

who recently turned down a purported offer of \$13,-500 a year for first-class constables, will hold their next meeting with York Regional Police Commission January 23, Commissioner Ray Twinney of Newmarket said this week.

Mr. Twinney would not confirm the \$13,500 figure, but reliable sources have indicated it to be the amount offered. At present, Peel Region, with a recently-settled rate of \$13,400, pays the highest.

In Metro first-class constables are paid \$12,295, but are negotiating for an annual pay of \$14,508.

York Regional Police are seeking \$14,272 annually, plus an option on overtime now paid on a time-and-a-half basis in money or time off.

Its new contract will be on a one-year basis, instead of the usual two.

February 7, 8, 9, 10

# Winter Carnival

Mayor William Lazenby, plus a Maple Leaf hockey star and a television personality, both still to be confirmed, will be the judges when Richmond Hill Winter Carnival kicks off its annual event with a dinner dance and the judging of the Snow Queen at the Legion Hall, Elgin Mills Road, February 7.

The Carnival itself runs | Hill Golf and Country Club. from February 7 to 10 at the A limited number of tickets

chosen from 18 candidates, 884-2746. representing Bayview Secondary School, Richmond Hill The traditional pancake High School, Langstaff and breakfast will be served by Don Head Secondary Schools. the ladies' auxiliary of the The girls will be judged Legion on poise, personality, appearance and over-all im- symbol of the Carnival and pression, with the winner these will be selling for 50 being announced Friday, Fe- cents each. The Carnival is bruary 8 at the Mill Pond, after which a gala party will of these pins and the combe held on the ice.

A musical showcase will highlight the evening, and musical performers and/or solo entertainers interested in auditioning are asked to call Bill Ruttle, 884-2371.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Saturday - sleigh rides, the evening.

Saturday night at Richmond competing.

are available from Ron Skin-The Carnival queen will be ner, 884-5694, or Jim Flett,

Ookpiks will again be the financed mainly by the sale mittee would like to see an Ookpik in every lapel.

The committee also urges all potential snow and ice sculptors, whether individuals or groups, to enter the competition now. Local architect Douglas Allen will again be the judge.

ICE CHIPS snowmobile races, judging of | William J. Klees and Son, the snow sculptures and a 69 Industrial Road, are once skating party to round out again providing all the hamburger, and Knights of Co-There will also be a log- lumbus are cooking them . . . sawing contest at 4 pm. | Entertaining for the Snow A soup kitchen and suit- Queen Contestants will be able warming beverages for the Richmond Hill Lions the cold weather will be Club and the Legion . . . manned by members of the Dwight Powell is organizing Richmond Hill Rotary Club. the log-sawing contest, in A dance is also being held which teams of two will be

## United Appeal Group Looking For Leaders

The committee to establish people are seriously interesta United Appeal in the Reg- ed in helping to share the ion of York is looking for load, says Mr. Mann, he is people willing to serve on confident that there will be committees which are in a York Region United Appeal the process of organizing a in the fall of this year. community appeal to assist At present individual agenorganizations and agencies cies such as Big Brothers, ple in the region.

nicipalities, says Neil Mann, they provide, municipal appointee to the Over the past ten years

Richmond Hill.

of Maple.

If a sufficient number of support,

serving special needs of peo- family services, YWCA, etc., have to rely on the generos-Five or six people from ity of local governments, each municipality in the reg- service clubs, churches and ion are needed to assist in private citizens to help fieach of the region's nine mu- nance many of the services

committee of the Town of numerous efforts have been made to set up a United The committees now set Appeal on a local or regional up, says Mr. Mann, are by- level. Meanwhile many York laws, finance, publicity, allo- Region residents who work cations and fund raising. He in Metro are making contriis a director on the bylaws butions through payroll deductions to Metro's United Chairman is Vaughan Rep- Fund without being able to resentative Dr. Gabriel Sabo reap the benefits provided by the agencies it helps to

### Dates To Remember Month Of January

17 — South Yonge Corridor Study, Don Head Secondary School 8 pm

21 - Richmond Hill Council 2:30 pm 23 - Richmond Hill Planning Committee 7 pm

28 - Hearing on extension of Sussex Avenue 31 — South Yonge Corridor Study,

Roselawn Public School 8 pm

## Objections Of Residents To Present Policy Spark Action

### By MARGARET LADE

Reacting to citizen protests in some parts of the region, York County Board of Education recently considered revisions in its policy on student funds and student projects involving funds.

Under policy established in

1969, students are allowed one major fund-raising activity in each school each year on the understanding that it will not unduly interfere with normal school routines, and that it be organized by the students. Board policy encourages them

to seek ways of giving service to their communities in raising funds in the community, with the "sales of goods by door-to-door canvassing" the last method considered.

In addition to this one major project, policy leaves to the good judgment of various student councils the degree to which students will be encouraged to participate in money raising activities for charitable organizations by serving as taggers, collectors of funds (for example UNICEF)

as canvassers, or by participating in walkathons, etc.

### AREAS OVERLAP

Problems have arisen in some areas where schools with overlapping attendance areas decide simultaneously to go out into the community to raise funds for their selected projects. Citizens have objected to what, to them, appears to be an endless succession of students knocking on doors. Merchants complain that students selling such things as ballpoint pens and nuts, candies, etc., are taking away local bus-

When certain principals at the meeting argued that selling doorto-door is a learning experience, and that it happens only once a year, they found support from many trustees, but trustees also agreed with an amendment proposed by staff, that "Care should be taken to ensure that the community understands the need for such projects, and that younger children will not be encouraged to roam the community during hours of darkness".

WORK TOGETHER

Another amendment proposed that principals of schools serving the same geographic area develop ways of working together to prevent fund raising activities involving the public from overlapping and becoming "burdensome" to the community, keeping reasonable the number of projects involving the same community.

Young people cannot learn too soon that they should be expected to put forth some effort to gain the things they want or need, that they have a responsibility to the community at large, and if the schools can make this a part of the overall learning process so much the better.

WORTHY CAUSES

To the best of our knowledge the public has responded favorably to the annual Hallowe'en UNICEF drive which relies on the co-operation of schools and principals.

Telephone calls to principals of the schools involved revealed that none had received any adverse each member, they give concerts,

comments on the annual blitz conducted by their students - the door to door sale of Christmas Cards for ARC Industries in Richmond Hill to raise funds for the sheltered workshop for mentally retarded adults.

While the amended policy was tabled until student councils could be heard from, schools we have contacted seem to be quite satisfied with the present arrangement. Some things, such as dramatic presentations and school year books sometimes break even, or even make a small profit, but more often they have to be subsidized by student council funds. But since all students benefit, and public presentations enhance the image of the school in the community, the student body in schools of South York Region is prepared to assist with in-school activities and services to the community such as car-washes, leaf raking blitzes, and newspaper collections.

If a small group, such as a school band, wants blazers for music nights, public performances, Principal George Domina of Richmond Hill High reports.

### BOARD SUPPORT

The budget crunch has not so far affected board support of such activities as music and sports. Musical instruments and equipment for gymnasia and team sports are considered capital expenses, and principals interviewed feel that the public does not appreciate just how much the board has done to encourage these activities.

Each school has a per pupil allotment for these activities, but most find that these funds do not cover all expenses, such as refrees, transportation of teams to inter-school games, etc., and so rely on funds raised by the students. School proms, clubs (such as a camera club) also often need subsidy, and according to our own findings, are cheerfully supported

#### by the student councils. GOOD CITIZENS

Students are encouraged through such programs as Richmond Hill's Bayview Secondary School KAP campaign to become responsible world citizens, says Bayview Principal Arthur Martin. For several years now they have supported seven Korean orphans at a cost that has increased from about \$1,700 to about \$2,000 a year, and for this they all chip in, with each class responsible for its own project - walkathons, car rallies, car washes, baby sitting, a bridge and euchre party, (always a tremendous success, thanks largely to the support of local merchants who give "tremendous support" in providing prizes, etc.)

The campaign has gained momentum from year to year, even to a telethon on local cable television last spring and proceeds range from \$4,000 to \$5,000. But the spirit of giving is still the cornerstone. At commencement each year, the KAP Committee in cooperation with the student council, gives the surplus to local services such as York Central Hospital, Big Brothers of York, Daybreak House, Blue Hills Academy, etc.

### Student Fund Raising Projects In York County Schools Under Review By Board DISSERVICE TO STUDENTS

While no one wants to see students turned into neighborhood pests, always with their hand out, the trustees who approved present board policy felt it would be a great disservice to them and to the community to forbid them to exercise their energy and enthusiasm in giving of their time and initiative in raising money in the school and in the community for themselves and for the community at home and abroad.

One student council even maintains a fund which provides needy students with such essentials as shoes so that they can stay in school and complete their formal education. Learning to give gracefully and quietly and without applause is as essential as learning how to determine the radius of a circle or the formula for water, or the exploits of the discoverers and pioneers, said one principal

- perhaps it is even more important. And no less important is learning to work for the extras. even the essentials, of living - a skill that seems unhappily to be losing popularity in recent years.