

1975 crime rate down, drug offences up

From January to April this year the crime rate in York Region was down 13.3 percent from the same period last year.

"It is still too early to consider that the decrease indicates a trend for the balance of the year," Police Chief Bruce Crawford told the police commission at its meeting last week.

More crimes have been

cleared (or solved to satisfaction) in the first four months of this year as compared to the same months in 1974.

1399 of 1953 criminal occurrences have been cleared, compared to 1081 of 2253 last year.

The chief also has reservations that this "high clearance rate can prevail

throughout the balance of the year."

In 1972, he said, 43.5 percent of crimes were cleared during the first four months; in 1973, 54.2 percent were cleared.

1974 showed a clearance rate during the same period of 49.8 percent — 1975 showed a 71.6 percent rate.

He found it "distressing" to report 179 people were charged with offences under the Narcotics Control Act and Food and Drug Act

during this period. In 1974, 95 people were charged with similar offences from January to April.

Designing new court for York

Preliminary sketch plans for a new courthouse and registry office in Newmarket are now being prepared by the ministry of government sources, according to Minister James Snow, in a letter to William Hodgson, MLA York North.

Hodgson released the letter to the press. In it, Snow said his ministry received requirements from the attorney general's department and consumer and commercial relations and his design staff would turn over its plans to the associate architect by the end of July.

The architectural firm retained for the project, which is to be situated on a nine-acre site purchased by the provincial government from the Region of York, is Boigon and Armstrong.

The preliminary design is based on a total area of 90,000 useable square feet, Snow said.



Jim James (left), owner of James Manufacturing Company, Concord, accepts award from MPP Leonard Reilly.

Concord company wins export award

A concord company has been recognized by the Ontario government for achieving a large percentage increase in export sales between 1973 and 1974.

In 1973, James Manufacturing Company Limited of Snidercroft Road exported approximately \$25,000 worth of woven fibreglass fabrics.

By 1974, the company had increased its business to over \$300,000 in sales to 16 foreign countries.

New Zealand, South Africa, Spain, The Philippines, Trinidad, Australia, Southeast Asian and South American countries have purchased the company's products.

Jim James of Schomberg was presented with a plaque and flag from the ministry of industry and tourism by the parliamentary assistant to Claude Bennett, Leonard Reilly.

The company has 20 employees. Exports represent approximately 20 percent of the company's trade.

Bailey Variety Night May 21

Guided by teachers Kay Heffernon, Morris Jacobs and Ed Murphy, work has swung into high gear for the George Bailey Variety Night, being presented by the grade 8 students.

The show is scheduled for two nights, May 21 and 22 (next Wednesday and Thursday) starting at 8 p.m. The price of tickets will be \$1.25 for adults and 75 cents for students.

Saturday May 24 these same busy students will hold a car wash at John Kucheraw's Maple BP Station from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

These two efforts are to raise funds for an Ottawa trip scheduled for May 29, 30 and 31.



(Photo by Hogg)

Kicking up their heels at a practice for the coming George Bailey Variety Night are (l-r) Robin Birnie, Michele McInnes, Bev Geddes, Jackie Lines

and Darlene Fleming. The show is next week on Wednesday and Thursday night.



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Maple ladies like big diamonds

Elsie Milne, Clemson Crescent, reports the Maple ladies have again formed a ball team for the season and will be playing teams from Richmond Hill, King, Downsview, and Kleinburg.

This team, formerly called the Maple Chic's, now has a sponsor — K.H. Blakelock Disposal Services of Maple. The Maple ladies have not decided on a name for their team as yet.

They are looking for a coach, so call Elsie Milne if you are interested (832-2469).

Sell hand-me-down uniforms

The Mother's Auxiliaries of Brownies, Guides, Cubs and Scouts intend to set up a depot for out-grown uniforms.

If your child has expanded in either direction and you wish to donate the uniform, please contact Marg Kucheraw (832-2336) or Betty Grahman (832-2459).

The ladies will sell these used uniforms at very reasonable prices on registration day in the fall. The proceeds of the sale will be used for Guiding and Scouting in Maple.

If on the other hand you wish to exchange your child's uniform, you will have the opportunity to do so on the same day.

Roadrunner Pack sees stars

Cub leaders Elaine Gammage of Malaren Road, Jean Sharples, Lancer Drive, and Roy Hawkins, Netherford Road, along with 18 members of the Roadrunner Pack, toured York University Observatory last week.

Bill Weller of the Astronomy Group of the Physics Department conducted the tour and lecture.

Through the 12 inch telescope the boys saw the Planet Venus and the Planet Saturn with its moon Titan.

They were also shown a star in order that they could observe the difference between stars and planets.

Tennis registration forms out

Tennis registration forms for Maple residents will be distributed through the mail soon. There will be group lessons for ladies, men and juniors. Private lessons will also be available.

Forms should be returned to Box 313 or to Gord Little, 20 Goodman Crescent, as soon as possible.

Valerie's Maple notes

Spring is being presented with a nosegay of dandelions by a neighbor's young son, with assurances he knows where there is a lot more.

Please keep an eye open for a blue budgie missing from his Major MacKenzie Drive home for the past two weeks. If you've sighted him, please call Doris Pflug (832-2369).

Maple Plaza parking lot has resembled a disaster area with the repaving job going on. However it's business as usual, and the finished surface will be well worth the inconvenience. Thanks to part time traffic directors Fran Lippay, Gosling Road, and Earl Johnstone, IGA employee, several of us managed to get home in time for lunch last Thursday.

A speedy recovery to Elaine Smitheram, Lancer Drive, who is a patient in York Central Hospital. And we hope that Betty Principe, Malaren Road is by now home from York Central and feeling better.

The Ladies of St. Andrew's Presbyterian will meet next Wednesday at 8 pm at the home of Margaret Andrew, Kirby Side Road.

H.E.L.P. has birthday

H.E.L.P. Information and Referral Centre's first annual meeting and celebration of its third birthday was a happy gathering, held last Thursday evening at the Pine Grove Nursing Home on Islington Avenue in Woodbridge.

The former co-ordinator of H.E.L.P. Dorothy Trimble's 18-page historical report on H.E.L.P. had been bound and messages to Dorothy were added to it during the evening by guests at the party.

The report will be sent to Mrs. Trimble who is now in South Africa.

Eddie Shack, of the Toronto Maple Leafs, very entertainingly cut the Italian birthday cake for the approximately 60 guests.

Some of the notables present were York North MP Barney Danson's sister and representative Marilyn Farber, Bob Nichols of the Bolton Contact Centre, Allen Wells, director of the administrative branch of York Region Health and Social Services, King Mayor Margaret Britnell, Vaughan Councillors Lorna Jackson and Jim Cameron.

H.E.L.P.'s office in Woodbridge (851-2333) services all of the Town of Vaughan.

Frustrated shoppers move to other side of hardware counter

Two often frustrated hardware store shoppers have moved to the other side of the counter in Maple.

Chris and Jeanne Sullivan have taken over the Dominion Hardware Store in Maple Plaza and renamed it Maple Hardware.

Chris, born in Barnet, Hertfordshire, England served with the Royal Navy and was attached for a time to the Canadian Navy.

While in the service he was cook for three months to the Duke of Edinburgh.

Until recently he has been teaching printing at George Brown College Toronto.

Jeanne, from Croydon, south of London, also served in the Royal Navy and has worked as a Chiropractic receptionist.

A cheerful couple, they are at present living in Markham, not far from the new zoo and have four children ranging from six to 19.

Chris has for years been a "do-it-yourselfer" and "Mr. Fix-it" so he should be of great help to those of us who are similarly inclined. He also sells and repairs bikes.

The Sullivans are at present looking for a home to rent in the area and look

forward to becoming members of our community.

Maple residents are also welcoming Victor and Janet Cronshaw, who have opened an antique shop at the corner of Major MacKenzie Drive and Keele Street.

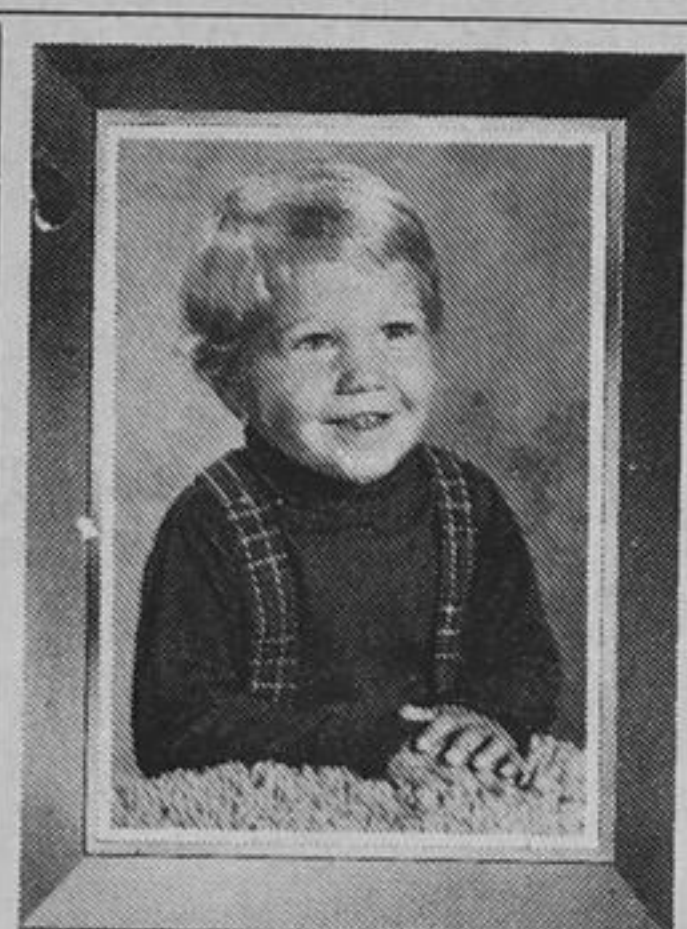
Longtime residents will well remember this shop as Lawrie's Hardware and Annie Lawrie's gift shop on the upper floor.

The Cronshaw's live on Keele Street at the north end of the village. Victor has for three years been a private dealer in antique brass beds and in the shop the couple have a nice display of just a few of the beds in the collection.

Janet, who married Victor just a year ago, has a great interest in antique wooden furniture and spends her time refinishing it. There are some very attractive pieces in the shop, which she has restored.

The couple interested in buying antiques for re-sale and invite all to drop in and browse.

They hope to be able to open the store on Sunday's as that's one of the favorite days for city dwellers to shop around for antiques.



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