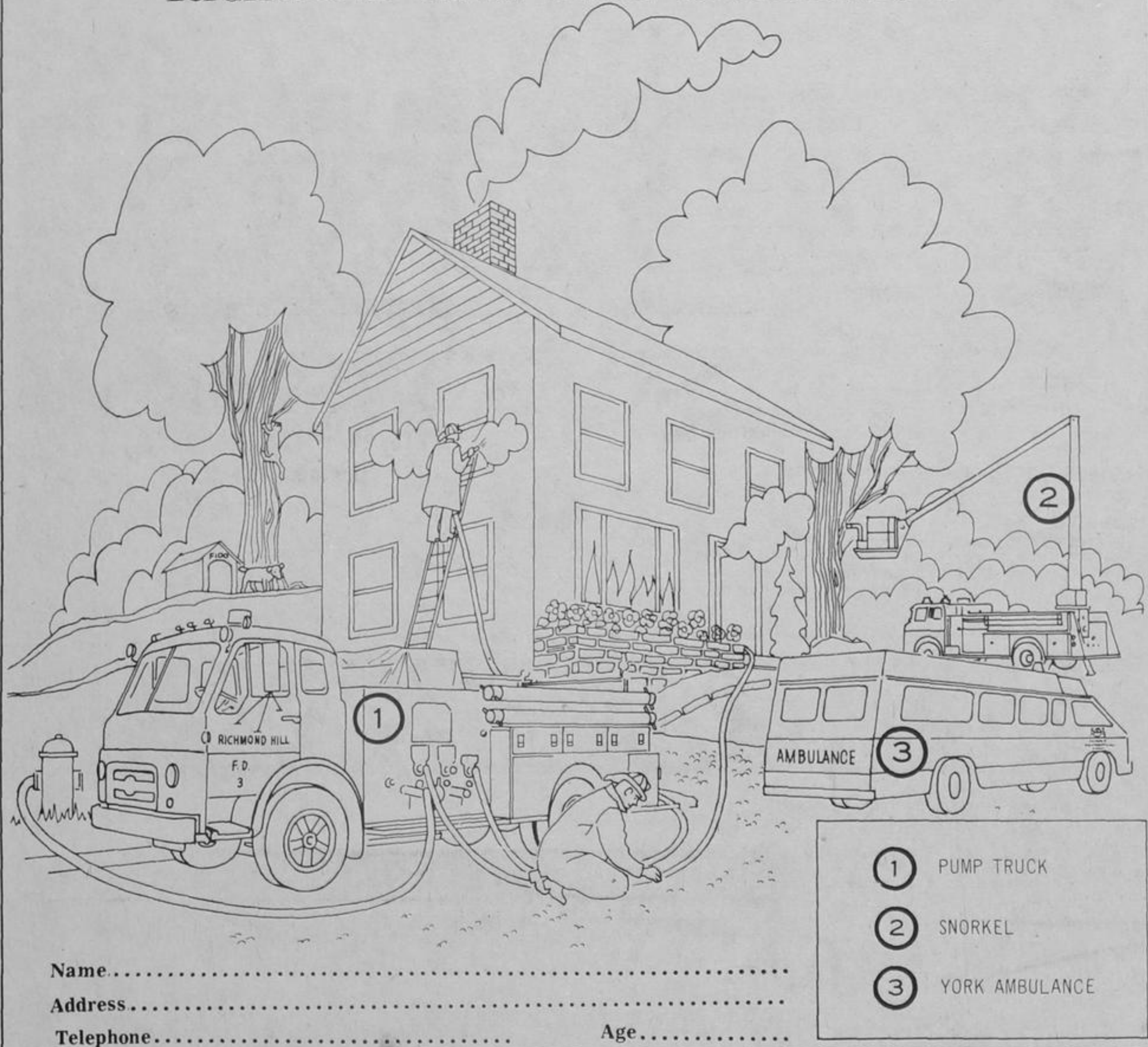


# RICHMOND HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT



Name.....  
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 Telephone..... Age.....

This coloring contest is open to youngsters from 3 to 7 years old. Prizes will be awarded in two age groups 3-5 and 6-7. Only entries on this picture clipped from The Liberal will be considered. Entries should be handed in at the Town Park

during the Fire Department charity Sports Day before noon Saturday. They will be judged that afternoon. Be sure to include name, address, telephone number and age.

## Kids! Kids! Kids! Color this for Saturday Sports Day Contest

Saturday's Richmond Hill Fire Department charity Sports Day in the Town Park, Church Street, has a fun-filled program which starts at 8 am with a pancake breakfast and continues into the evening.

All proceeds from the event will be donated to York Central Hospital. So come early, enjoy a hearty breakfast and stay to participate or to enjoy (as a spectator) the full program.

### Schedule of events

- 8 am -- Pancake breakfast
  - 9:30 am -- Extinguisher demonstration
  - 10 am -- Kids' races and events
  - 11 am -- Comedy demonstration using foam
  - 11:30 am -- Flammable liquid demonstration
  - 12 noon -- Beer garden
  - 1 pm -- Snorkel rescue demonstration and accident rescue demonstration
  - 2:30 pm -- Contest awards and bike draw
  - 3 pm -- Waterball competitions by fire fighters and the public
  - 4 pm -- Street dance
  - 6 pm -- Softball tournament with teams being entered by fire fighters, hospital staff, CFTR disc jockeys, McDonald's Restaurant staff and the town council and staff -- fun games
  - Dusk -- Outdoor movie and street dance
- Admission to the park on Fire Department Day will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students and children.

## No rocking chairs for zesty seniors

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 On the other hand, he believes older people who are not able to look after themselves are entitled to help from the community. Many who are alone and lonely do not look after themselves, and for them such organizations as Meals on Wheels are a wonderful thing. Some older people, Mr. Edmunds has noticed, are just existing. They have lost their sense of personal dignity, and for them he would like to see more senior citizens apartments, such as those now operating in Richmond Hill. People who cannot manage to keep up their own homes, for financial or physical reasons, should get more help from government.

"No one should have to beg for a living. They should get enough to live on, not to have to worry."  
 Speaking as an expert on budgeting, Edmunds says seniors are far from adequate for those who cannot find room in government subsidized accommodation. They provide barely enough for food and housing. Nothing is left for clothing, utilities, and the little things that are essential to the dignity of the individual. The Edmunds and the Seymours agree they are more fortunate than many in the so-called senior citizen category. They are very independent types.

## Rents trouble seniors

**By Ivy Reeve**  
 It could be the time of their lives. They had hoped it would be and had saved for these years. Instead, increased rent costs are making them

wish they had broken all the rules of the financially prudent. "Save for our old age? We'd have been better off if we'd squandered every penny," a senior citizen told The Liberal. Another rule must be broken: the dictum that a quarter of one's income is the sensible allocation for rent. "Some of us are paying about half our money for rent," said a woman who requested her name be withheld. During the past five months, her rent has increased by \$29. The first increase was \$10, but no lease was provided. When the lease was renewed, the rent was increased by an additional \$19 per month. In neither instance was she given the required two months' notice. On one occasion she was told, brusquely, that the management had been too busy to send notices. She believes she and some of her acquaintances are being "rooked over the rent". She lives in a modest apartment in a Thornhill building. Because the developer had received federal assistance in the form of below-market mortgage money, rents, she said, were "supposed to be controlled". She now pays \$172 per month.

## Trustee protests teacher pay

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 publicly supported education system) is too great for us to leave negotiations to trustees without their having the immediate support of people experienced in these areas. "In my opinion, this board is strongly supportive of its teaching staff, and so it should be, but at the same time it has been very weak in supporting its administrative branch. "The example of this is the fact it ignored the recommendation of its director to defer ratification of this new agreement for just one day in order to allow staff to price out and advise the board of the impact of the contract on its costs. Need labor experts "I think it is in the public interest for

ratepayers to discuss openly with their local trustees the advisability of hiring professional labor relations experts to negotiate all future contracts on behalf of the board. "I wish to emphasize my position is not anti-teacher. Teachers are members of a profession for which I have a great deal of respect. "I am simply calling for a sound and business-like approach to managing this very important and costly segment of our school system. "I would urge parent groups, ratepayer associations and others in York County to discuss these matters in depth with their trustees before next year's round of negotiations begin."

## Median Markham tax up \$105

The average 1975 municipal tax bill in Markham will be \$105 higher than last year's. Although this is the exact figure predicted several weeks ago by Treasurer Alex Barton, he doesn't want the town to take all the blame. Jokingly, he said Friday he will list on the tax notice the telephone number of the York County Board of Education and the Regional Municipality of

York beside their portion of the increase. On a house assessed at \$30,000, the total bill for public school supporters will be \$775, compared with \$670 in 1974. The town's portion of the increase is \$25; York Region's, \$27; and the board's, \$53. Town officials have said they are proud they were able to limit their increase to 14.5 percent but concern has been expressed about the rising town debt.

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## Briefs rain on board

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 mendment of the study, which called for two major changes in the organization of school operations. The first was for the "elimination of one level of management at the area level," where there is both a superintendent of area and an area superintendent. The study proposed the superintendent of schools, with management responsibility for each of the four areas, be located at the board head office.

**Inconsistent**  
 "The geographic decentralization is not of operational benefit to the board," the report said. "It has resulted in inconsistencies in the interpretation of policies and management practices and has acted as a barrier to effective communications between the schools and the senior administration." The transfer of the superintendent of schools into headquarters would "improve consistency of decision making and ensure much more effective co-ordination..." the report said.

Band said he wondered if by eliminating one level of management, the report meant it was going to get rid of the other people working there as well.

"It doesn't make this clear," he said. **Band's Proposals**  
 Band said he would propose the steering committee never make a recommendation, but it should be for the board as a whole to decide. The committee should investigate and present the facts only, with the

## L. Wilcox home loans

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 (RRAP) will apply to the Lake Wilcox area. It is similar to OHRP but applies only to NIP areas.

Homeowners who qualify by having adjusted incomes of under \$11,000 are eligible for up to \$5,000 of partial grants and loans to make home improvements. The program's aim is to ensure that housing in the neighborhood will have a useful life of at least 15 years.

board deciding on the latter. That way there wouldn't be any pre-conceived ideas, he said. Also, if they broke up the decision-making powers, the board would become a rubber stamp.

**Stay As Is**  
 A brief from the business division of the school board said "administration of the board is more accessible to the public and the schools by having decentralized support services. "If anything, we need to make the area offices more visible to the public, students and teaching staff" the report said.

The Ross study also recommended changes in the information system. This would become a separate activity reporting directly to the superintendent of finance and administration, instead of the director of education.

The staff brief, however, said it was reporting to the director, as it served the whole board.

**Master Teachers Protest**  
 The Master Teachers called for the "introduction of a program and professional development manager to supervise the 29 master teachers who are currently without any point of co-ordination or management."

This drew protesting briefs from eight master teachers. They felt the system should be left as it is, with superintendent and assistant superintendent of planning and development — in this case, Steve Bacsalmasi and Cliff Grant — continuing to provide the link.

"During the five years I have worked as a master teacher, I have found communication lines with Steve Bacsalmasi and Cliff Grant always open," wrote Irvine Dean, master teacher for primary, summing up most of the briefs.

**Parents' Council**  
 Backing the teachers in this area was the Thornhill Parents' Council brief. Chairman Mike Bailey termed the Ross recommendation for a manager, "an unnecessary addition and a needless expenditure."

## New branch post office

A branch post office has opened in York Home TV, Bayview Plaza, for the convenience of the residents of the northeast section of old Richmond Hill and the surrounding area. Postal services being offered to the public include stamps, parcel post, registration, money orders, Old Age Pension application forms, passport application forms and a host of other federal government forms.

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## Big tax hike in Vaughan

Vaughan municipal taxpayers face their first major increase in five years. Due to the town's high proportion of industrial assessment, residential tax bills have increased only 26 percent since 1970, 18.28 percent in the current year. Most of the local government increase is as a result of the new indoor pool in Woodbridge, Treasurer Harold Burkholder told The Liberal. On the average \$25,000 home in Vaughan, the tax increase will be \$102.83 for public school supporters and \$125.71 for separate school supporters. Of this increase, \$26.20 will go to York Region, \$21.70 to public elementary schools, \$28.40 to elementary schools, and \$44.58 to separate schools.

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSING

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill proposes to consider the passing of a by-law to stop up and close the easterly part of the public highway known as Shelley Road where it abuts Sussex Street both as shown on Registered Plan 4644. The portion of the highway affected is shown as Part 1 on Reference Plan 64R 4112 and a copy of the plan and the draft by-law are available for inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk. The Council will consider the proposed by-law at its meeting on the 21st day of July 1975 and at that time will hear any person or the solicitor or agent of any person who advises the Clerk in writing prior to the 15th day of July, 1975, that he would like to appear. DATED at the Town of Richmond Hill this 10th day of June, 1975. The Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill. C. D. Weldon Clerk

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