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Volunteers needed

Residents of east-central Richmond Hill will be having a community school meeting in Crosby Heights Senior School, Crosby Ave., at 7:30 p.m. Monday to consider the design of a community survey for the area bounded by Elgin Mills in the north, Palmer Ave. in the south, and on the west and east by the railway lines and Bayview Ave. respectively.

One hundred volunteers will be needed to conduct the survey. The future and direction of the school as a community facility may largely be determined by the outcome of this survey.

The number of committed persons prepared to participate, to attend the meeting, to get involved and put forward ideas and suggestions, will largely establish the direction the survey will take.

For additional information call Bob Crosby, 884-5281.

Five new Lions

At the April 15 meeting of Richmond Hill Lions, five new members were inducted into the club.

Sponsored by members, Vern Furtney, Bill Lazenby, Bob Beggs, Peter Milne and Harvey Head were welcomed by president Grant Marshall and 42 other members following the ceremonies conducted by membership chairman Lion Don Cowden who read the Code of Ethics and Aims and Objectives of Lionism to the new members.

The meeting concluded with discussion of this year's Lions auction sale to be held June 19 at the hall followed in the evening by the June Fest dance to close out the Lion year.

Science of soul travel

Eckankar, the science of soul travel, will be introduced in a free public lecture in the MacLaren Auditorium of Richmond Hill Library on Wright St. on April 22 at 7:30 p.m.

Followers of the doctrine of Eckankar believe each person has the opportunity to personally experience worlds which are out of reach of physical senses, using the soul body, the unlimited unit of awareness which is the true being.

Ombudsman speaker

Richmond Hill Social Planning Council is having its annual meeting at 7:30 p.m. May 13 with CBC Ombudsman Robert Cooper as keynote speaker.

At the meeting in the Blue Flame Room, 500 Elgin Mills Rd. East, the social planners will report on the activities of the past year. Focus has been primarily on emergency housing and services for the handicapped.

All residents of Richmond Hill are entitled to voting membership in the social planning council and are welcome to attend the meeting when a new executive will be elected.

Family fun and fashion

With all community and family people services and agencies caught between declines in public financing and increases in costs, Richmond Hill-Thornhill Family Services volunteers are launching their biggest fund-raising project ever.

Family Fun and Sales Day April 24 will feature everything from rummage, garage, baking and plant sales to bingo, teacup reading, music, dancing and fashion show.

The event is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Our Lady Queen of the World Church Hall, Bayview Avenue at Crosby, with games from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and an antique auction at 2 p.m.

Sale items range from a pine commode and Royal Doulton china to bicycles, appliances, garden tools, records, books, toys, linens.

On stage for the fashion show will be professional models. Dancing from jazz to ballet will entertain viewers as students from Jennifer Morton studio do their bit.

People wishing to donate items for the sale should call Mrs. Isabel Ewing, 884-3577.

New executive for Ward 1

A new executive was installed at the April meeting of Ward 1 Ratepayers in Beverley Acres School. President is Eric George of North Taylor Mills, vice-president Ross Tierney of Lynett Crescent, secretary Leo Morier of Gells Rd. and youth representative John Vrantisidis of Allgood St.

Guests who spoke at the meeting were Joe Baglieri of York Region Roman Catholic Separate School Board and Warren Bailie of York County Board of Education.

Their comments left the ratepayers with the hope of school board participation in solving the Lynett drainage problem.

Baptismal robe from 1876

When Kyle James Boardman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boardman of Hamilton and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Boardman of Scottdale, was baptized on Palm Sunday, April 11, he wore a Christening robe made 100 years ago by Mrs. Boardman Sr.'s maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Thomas Chadwick, in England.

The ceremony took place in St. Mark's Presbyterian Church in Don Mills. Among those present were the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Boardman of Richmond Hill, and their sons, Thomas, Edward and Ronald, and daughter Jennifer. Also the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Cutten, their son Fraser, and daughters Niara and Ainslee Cutton, all of Don Mills.

Family parties followed at the home of both sets of grandparents.



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Progressive euchre

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Ontario gardener at AMO

Richmond Hill resident Bob Keith, known to Sunday morning radio audiences as the Ontario and Quebec Gardener, will be speaking about Your Summer Garden when the AMO group meets for its final program morning of the season April 28. Child care mornings will continue to mid-May.

AMO (a morning out) is a program for mothers of young children and meets each Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Richmond Hill United Church. Nursery and pre-school care are provided on a co-operative basis.

New bishop from Richvale

Kenneth Atkins, formerly of Richvale, has been appointed the first bishop of the newly-organized London First Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Bishop Atkins' wife, Glenna, is the daughter of Alexander Carmichael, Spruce Ave., Richvale.

Barrens and woodlands

The Barrens and the sub-Arctic woodlands, the land and its wildlife will be the subject for the next meeting of Richmond Hill Naturalists Friday at 8 p.m., in the Blue Flame Room, 500 Elgin Mills Rd. East.

His talk should appeal not only to those interested in fish and wildlife, but also to wilderness canoeists of the actual or armchair variety. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting.

The speaker, Al Hall, will illustrate his talk with slides.

A biologist and an expert canoeist, Mr. Hall has extensive experience as a tripper and guide on the Coppermine and other waterways in the Northwest Territories.

The club has also scheduled a field trip to Holland Marsh on May 8. Take a lunch and wear waterproof footwear.

Meet at Richmond Hill Library parking lot, 43 Wright St., at 8 a.m. For further information call leader Ott Devitt, 884-1208.

Treasure and trivia

York Region's Family YMCA's volunteers are preparing for their annual Treasure and Trivia sale and luncheon, to take place this year May 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Lions Hall, Centre St. East, Richmond Hill.

There will be antiques and treasures, country baking, boutique, jewelry, books, toys, kitchenware, garden and patio accessories, trivia and coffee bar. Admission is 25 cents.

Luncheon sittings are scheduled for 11:30 a.m., 12:15 and 1 p.m. For tickets, \$2.25 each, call 884-1942.

There will also be a draw at 1 p.m. for a hand-made applique quilt. Donations for the sale may be left at the Y's headquarters, 83 Dunlop St. For pickup call 884-7419 or 884-7171.

Seniors' sale Saturday

Richmond Hill Senior Citizens Club 35 are having a rummage sale Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon at the clubrooms, 10149 Yonge St. and convener Don Hick will be there all day Thursday and Friday, along with some of his helpers, to receive donations.

Refreshments will be available throughout the morning.

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The March winner of the S.S. Kresge Co. "Double Your Baby Bonus Draw" was Mrs. Brigitte Stegmann, 42 May Ave., Richmond Hill. Mrs. Stegmann doubled her family allowance cheque of \$44.16 for a whopping win of \$88.32.

Any mother could be a winner in the April draw, simply cashing her family allowance cheque at Kresge's, Richmond Heights Shopping Centre, Richmond Hill and filling out the coupon provided.

Parents last of amateurs

RICHMOND HILL — At a recent meeting of the AMO (a morning out) group at Richmond Hill United Church Joyce, volunteer sponsor for Parent Concern, talked about the difficulties of being a parent.

She told the group, all mothers of young children, the toughest and most challenging job they will ever have is that of being a parent.

Parent Concern, she explained, is a self-help, help-each-other group designed to help parents cope with parent-child stress.

"What cannot be deeply known ahead of time is the never-ending responsibility, the constant demands and the nerve shattering crises that characterize the role, at least as much as the joys," said Joyce.

"We tend to overlook the fact we are not all equally suited for parenthood any more than we are for teaching school or playing various sports," she continued.

"Matters of temperament, age, health and competing interests, to mention a few, play a part in determining suitability. And as parents we are blamed, not trained."

Parenthood, said Joyce, is one of the last stands of the amateur.

Most parents see the whole problem of discipline in child rearing as a question of being either strict or lenient, authoritarian or permissive, their relationship as a power struggle, she continued.

Some parents oscillate between the two because they know of no alternative to these ineffective win-lose methods.

"Family life lays the foundation for how we feel as a person, and how we cope with life," said Joyce.

A co-operative family atmosphere is the ideal toward which families should be working, she said. Such an atmosphere is characteristic of a family in which children and adults treat one another with respect, in which each person has self respect and a feeling of self-worth.

The authoritarian or permissive method of parenting generate neither of these feelings, said Joyce.

She recommended courses based on the books, "Children the Challenge" by Rudolph Dreikurs and "Parent Effectiveness Training" by Thomas Gordon, both offering an alternative which can help everyone in the family in reaching

the kind of acceptance and feeling of belonging that breeds self-confidence and co-operation.

"Really listen to how you are parenting," Joyce advised. "Are you satisfied with what you hear, or do you say to yourself 'There must be a more positive and constructive way?' If the latter is true, look into the courses mentioned."

Each person has different needs, she said, and for some a transactional analysis course or personal, marriage or family counselling would be the right way to go about growing as a person and/or a family.

For those who are seriously concerned about their parent-child relationships, there is Parent Concern, Joyce told the group.

"If you are ridiculing or putting down your child or have lost or are afraid of losing control of your anger, call me at 884-3503 to say, 'I'm under a great deal of stress and I'm taking it out on my child.'"

Parent Concern meets weekly, and to preserve the anonymity of members, only first names are used. There are no fees or dues.

"Reaching out for help, having the desire to change and work at that desire is now 'the in thing' to do," Joyce concluded. "We're so fortunate in our times. Help is available. All we have to do is reach out for it."

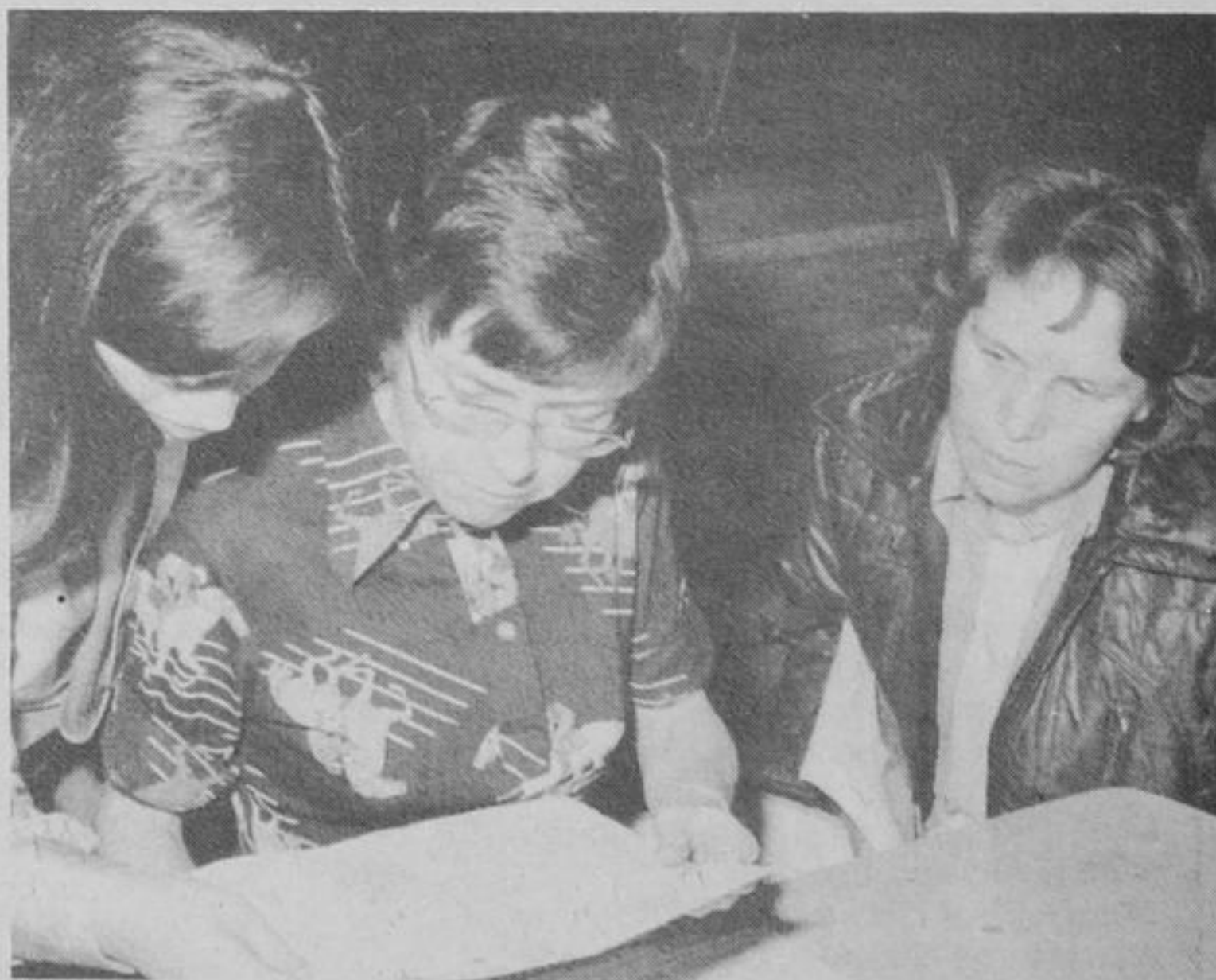


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Bowling for music

Members of York Philharmonic Choir exchanged their music sheets for bowling score sheets in a recent fund-raising bowling to help finance their coming production of Verdi's Requiem. Checking scores, left to right, are Carolyn Kerr, Mary Carmichael and Mina Doedens. The choir will be accompanied in its performances by the York Philharmonic Orchestra.

Preparing for Requiem

RICHMOND HILL — Rehearsal finished early for York Philharmonic Choir on Monday.

Members then repaired to the ABC Bowling Alley to bowl for money to build up finances for their next concerts, May 8 and 9.

Performances such as this choir does always require subsidizing, and Verdi's Requiem is the most ambitious and expensive yet. Consequently the choir has been doing a number of things to raise money, and more patrons and

donations are always welcome. The bowling event had been organized by public relations chairman Dorothy Gummingsall and everyone had fun watching their friends — some old hands, others utter novices — having a go in the alleys.

Some sponsors might have felt uneasy when one utter novice scored a strike with the first ball she ever bowled.

Requiem will be performed by York Philharmonic Choir accompanied by York Philharmonic orchestra and conducted by Edward Luka.

The May 8 performance will take place in Minkler Auditorium at Seneca College, Finch Ave. at Woodbine Ave. in Willowdale.

On May 9 it will be presented in Our Lady Queen of the World Church, Bayview and Crosby Avenues in Richmond Hill. For information call 884-4831.

Eastern Star Anchor Year

RICHMOND HILL — Richmond Hill Chapter 302, Order of the Eastern Star had three busy meetings recently, March 2, March 16 and April 6.

The first was Presenting Matron and Patron Night.

This is the chapter's Anchor Year, and Worthy Matron Shirley Morehouse welcomed visiting Anchor Matrons and Patrons Sister Cathy Russel and Brother Charlie Russel of Clovelly Chapter, also Sister Thelma Anderson of Bedford Chapter, Sister Betty Sandford of Aloha Chapter, Sister Rosemary Christianson of Beeches Chapter, Brother Lynn Mitchell of Faith Chapter and Associate Matron Jean Lumsden of Clovelly Chapter.

Also present were two District Deputy Grand Matrons, Sister Betty Garland and Sister Jean Jolly. Past District Deputies Daisy Holden and Constance Snaith are

both from the Richmond Hill Chapter.

The district deputies, past and present, were welcomed by Worthy Matron Sister Shirley.

The 35 members and visitors present, including 10 past matrons and four past patrons from Richmond Hill and other chapters, were welcomed by Worthy Patron Stewart McGrandel.

Welcomed by affiliation was Sister Emily French, past matron of Zenith Chapter.

Sister Alma Hill, Richmond Hill Chapter's first worthy matron, presented Sister Connie Snaith with her past district deputy pin. Sister Connie is the first in the chapter to achieve this honor.

Sister Jean Jolly, DDGM, spoke a few cheery words, and Sister Betty Ford spoke on behalf of the Anchor Matrons, then Brother Lynn Mitchell spoke on behalf of the anchor

patrons and read an article on prayer.

The farewell was given by Sister Betty Garland and a social hour followed.

It was inspection night for the chapter March 16. Sister Betty Garland, DDGM paid an official visit and was welcomed by Worshipful Matron Shirley Morehouse.

Two new members were welcomed into the chapter, Mrs. Anne McLachlan and Mrs. Gladys Fear.

Sister Betty Garland spoke briefly, thanking Sister Shirley for her gift which will go to Sister Betty's project — muscular sclerosis.

Sister Elsie Tolley invited everyone to stay for a social hour and refreshments and thanked Sister Daisy Holden for her contribution of cup cakes made especially for the occasion.

Past matrons and patrons were honored on April 6. There were 14

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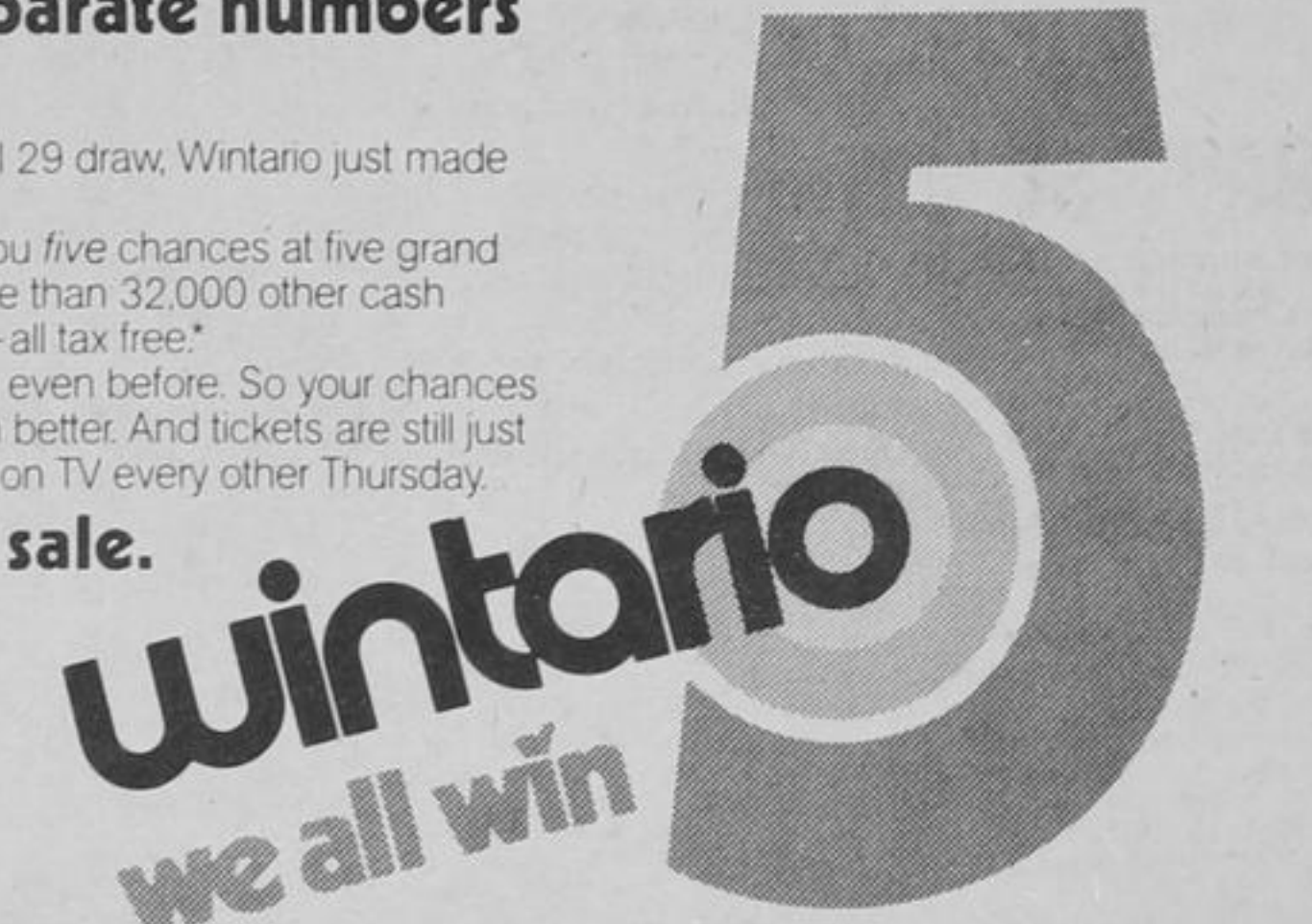
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