



### Pre-Confederation Christmas

David Van Halter of Richmond Hill and Kathleen Menken of Thornhill, Grade 8 students from Willowdale Christian School, decorate the Christmas tree in the Mackenzie Home at Black Creek Pioneer Village. From now until Jan. 3, the Village recalls pre-

Confederation Christmas in rural Ontario. Homes in the Village have been decorated to reflect the lifestyles and beliefs of original owners. Food preparation and rituals of the early settlers are re-created in special demonstrations.

# Little change in Vaughan despite a heated election

By Denise Romberg

MAPLE — Now that the smoke has cleared from the town of Vaughan, the results of a fiery election have produced little change on council.

Retired councillor Fred Armstrong has been replaced by Dario DiGiannantonio. Other than that, everything is exactly as it was.

"It took all that fighting to replace Armstrong with Dario," said Mayor Garnet Williams, returned to office by a comfortable 1,686-vote lead over competitor Tom Gale.

"I think we've really got a mandate now to go ahead with the Leisure Park," Williams said.

#### Conclusive vote

Although a slate of four (Jim Cameron, Lorna Jackson, Gail McCormack and Ted Pickles) had maintained throughout the campaign that 72 per cent of population opposed the Maple amusement park development, the election results didn't reflect that, Williams concluded.

The final results from a 53 per cent turnout at Vaughan's 46 polls weren't known until well after 1 a.m. A polling

station at St. Peter's school in West Woodbridge was forced to stay open until 9 p.m. as last minute voters crowded the station.

The latecomers were eligible to vote since they arrived at the poll before the official closing time at 8 p.m.

#### Topped polls

However, the early-evening trends continued as incumbent Terry Goodwin, a fifth place contestant in the 1974 election, topped the polls with 3,618 votes.

He was followed by incumbent Ab Hollingshead, who polled 3,560 votes.

Newly elected Dario DiGiannantonio played it "cool", running a "middle of the road" campaign.

He placed third with 3,518 followed by incumbents Jim Cameron and Lorna Jackson.

Cameron led the polls two years ago. He placed fourth with 3,398 votes.

Jackson, who received more votes this time around, fell from second place to fifth with 3,205 votes.

#### Slate unsuccessful

"We did the best we could to get our message across Mrs. Jackson said, speaking of the slate.

"There has to be an opposition at all levels of government and I guess we're it," she said.

The other two members of the Cameron-Jackson slate, Gail McCormack and Ted Pickles, ran within 10 votes of each other throughout the evening. They placed eighth and

ninth respectively, with Mrs. McCormack polling 2,544 votes and Pickles 2,537.

Tony Kirk, owner of the Jane and 7 Restaurant, placed sixth with 2,939 votes. Seventh was Gord King with 2,809.

# Roman wins in Markham

VICTORIA SQUARE — Mayor Tony Roman scored a narrow victory of 181 votes according to unofficial returns in Monday's municipal election in Markham.

The vote on the basis of phoned-in results Monday night was 7,471 votes for Roman and 7,238 for challenger Bob Adams.

"I expected the results to be close," said Roman Tuesday. "At 8 p.m. when the polls closed, I predicted it would be decided by 200 votes."

Roman proved a better prognosticator than a disappointed Adams. "I thought I was winning. The last couple of days, with the enthusiasm, I thought I would win big," he said.

The two regional seats in Markham were won by Ron Moran and incumbent Alva Walker, with Roy Muldrew third. Unofficial returns gave them 8,456 votes, 7,814 and 6,689 respectively.

The biggest upset of the night was in Ward 7 where an efficiently organized Tom Gove defeated sitting councillor Peter Grosskurth by a narrow margin. Ron Femson defeated Allan Sumner

in Ward 1, also on a close vote. In Ward 5, incumbent Walter Grievie retained his seat with 1,814 votes to 1,126 for Joan Lynen, according to unofficial returns.

In Ward 6, Elsp Miles, defeated Alex Cowley and Wayne Patterson. Three other councillors, Stan Daurio, Carole Bell and Bud Bonner, were acclaimed.

In the race for mayor, Roman won wards 3,4,5 and 6, Unionville, old Markham and the north. Adams won Wards 1,2 and 7, all in Thornhill.

Roman had not had a chance to examine the returns closely by Tuesday, but he was pleased with the returns in his home poll of Victoria Square where a 65 per cent turn-out was largely in his favor.

He also did well in another poll with a rural flavor, Box Grove, and felt there had been a good turn-out of voters across the town.

Asked if he thought there was a turning point in the campaign, Roman said, while it was difficult to tell from his viewpoint, he felt he had been winning all along.

## PQ here to light up the election scene

By Jim Irving

RICHMOND HILL — Parti Quebecois was alive and active in Richmond Hill last week.

For a little while, anyway, until it finally went up in smoke.

But it had a brief fling, lighting up a few faces along the way, to say nothing of numerous cigarettes and pipes.

For its presence was noticed mostly by the smokers, who came across the party's name on the covers of match books in a box on the front counter of the Brais Burger, 10141-A Yonge St.

Not that owner Wasfy K. Brais, had them there to assist le parti in any way. In fact, he was quite upset about it all.

"I don't know how it happened," he said. "I didn't even notice them until later."

Brais said the matches always come in a case, 1,000 boxes — such as the small one he had on the counter — to a case.

They're sent in with the cigarette orders from distributor Peter Gorman Ltd. in Concord. Brais doesn't think he should have to pay for the wayward matches; he feels it's bad enough as it

is, that he gave the party a little free space on his restaurant counter top.

"Now, these are okay," he said, picking up some new matches with a message about handicapped children on them. "I don't mind paying for them, but not these other ones."

Distributor Gorman wasn't happy about the situation either when contacted last week.

"I class it as sabotage," he said, after contacting the manufacturer, D.D. Bean & Fils Ltee., St. Cesaire, P.Q., because Bean, just as Gorman, was unaware of what was going on until notified.

Gorman said the company said it would give him credit for any of the matches that were returned. He said the matches must have been shipped into various shipments by workers in the Quebec plant.

Now that they've been discovered, does he think that's the end of them? "Don't worry, they'll come rolling along," Gorman said.

Which is one way of striking up an acquaintance with le parti, even if the glow only lasts for a moment or so.

## Chapman has heart attack

TORONTO — A Markham man, Alexander Steven Ingram, 22, was one of two men convicted in an attack on a Tanzanian immigrant last Jan. 3 in a subway station. He was sentenced last week to 21 months in reformatory.

His companion, Thomas Allan Grimsdale, 19, of Etobicoke, received 16 months.

The two were convicted of assault occasioning bodily harm, after Shamshudin Kanji, 49, of Etobicoke, was pushed from the platform of the Islington station. Kanji broke both his legs and may be crippled for life.

Evidence showed that both men had been drinking heavily before the at-

tack, consuming more than 20 draft beers and several Singapore slings.

Court was told that the attackers had first taunted the victim with racial slurs and then struck him in the face.

In passing sentence, Judge Patrick Lesage said that he was taking into consideration the eight months they had already spent in jail. Also, he was sentencing them for the attack, only, and not because the case had racial overtones.

Both men have criminal records. Ingram was convicted for possession of narcotics and theft, while Grimsdale was convicted of possession of stolen property and theft.

# ...The hard part begins

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"Oh, isn't this surprising," Schiller commented, showing him with a wide margin in the area of the drugstore operated by former mayor William Lazenby, the man Schiller deposed two years ago.

A couple of minutes later, the results from another poll, giving him 128 to Rowe's 69, came in.

"That's his (Lazenby's) drugstore," Schiller said. And then, "That's right on his drugstore."

Naturally, he was pleased with his win, but was he disappointed with the turnout?

"Not at all," Schiller replied; "the total vote in 1975 was 9,300." (This year it was 10,332).

In being returned, he said he felt it was because "the people were pleased with our policies."

Any other comments, another reported asked.

"Well, it's always nice to have a party when you're ahead," was the reply.

Over at Rowe's headquarters, the gloom which had started earlier was even heavier now, made so both by the election result and the absence of the congenial Rowe, who was watching at the arena, where the election party was to be held.

"Well, that's two more years of water on the ball diamond," a man said to Casey Cripps, manager of the Dynes' fastball team, who has been after the town to mend the drainage system in the town park.

A few minutes later, just after 10 p.m., a woman wearing a long gown and fur, and obviously dressed for a celebration, walked in.

But somehow, one felt the party was already over.



### Cancer society leaders

Richmond Hill unit of the Canadian Cancer Society recently elected a new slate of officers for the coming year: from left, Jack Follows, Janice

Minator, Elizabeth Follows, Flo Nesbitt, Helen Schenoff, Dorothy Price and Ruby Purdon.

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