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## Pole-cat saved

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Three cheers for the fellows at Ontario Hydro! Last week they came to the rescue of a tiny pussy cat who was caught at the top of a high pole. Concerned bystanders called the animal control and got no assistance. Then they decided to try the fire department, but unlike the movies and television, they do not rescue cats from poles and trees.

As a last resort, they tried the hydro. And sure enough along came a hydro truck and the little kitten was rescued.

Well done, boys.  
**New officers for Lions**  
Last week at the Lady's Night, the lions in Oak Ridges installed their new board of directors for the coming year.

The new officers are: president — George Neil; 1st. vice pres. Wayne Murphy; 2nd. vice pres. — Dave MacAdams; 3rd. vice pres. — Frank Mount; secretary — Doug Cook; treasurer — Kjell Styrmø; assistant treasurer — Joe Tanzos; tail twisters — Don Cook and Sajed Abidi; Lion tamer — Don Cook; 1st. year directors — Kjell Styrmø and Captain Ed Hawman; 2nd. year directors — Jack Blyth and Eric Findeison.

**Youth exchange**  
The Lions of district A-16 are carrying on a youth exchange with Connecticut. This year 23

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youngsters from district A-16 will be making the trip to Connecticut on July 10. They will return on July 24 bringing an American friend with them. The American youngsters will spend two weeks here at the home of their new friends.

Representing our zone, will be Henry Tanzos of Oak Ridges and Wendy Murphy of Richmond Hill

**Not a chimney sweep, but!**

If you have wondered about men walking the streets of Oak Ridges and district with brooms over their shoulders, take heart. We have not gone back to the good old days. We are in fact progressing.

The Lions are busy going from door to door selling their brooms. These brooms were made by workers at the Canadian National Institute For The Blind. The sales are going well in our area and we hope that when the Lions call on you, you will buy a broom to help the Lions in all their good works.

**Wheelhouse Club**  
June 27 will be the evening euchre at the Wheelhouse Club. The admission is only \$1 per person. The games start at 7:30 and there will be refreshments as well.

June 28 will be the last meeting before Sep-

tember. It will be a pot luck supper at 5:30 p.m. and all members are welcome.

The club house will be open all summer for the convenience of the members. The ladies who are working on the quilt will be pleased to know that.

The seniors are sorry to hear that Captain Ed Hawman is in the York County hospital recovering from surgery. The best wishes of everyone go to him for a speedy recovery.

### Summer playground program

The Richmond Hill Parks and Recreation Department are once again hosting a summer playground program for the school children. The schools in our area that will have such a program are Oak Ridges Public School and Lake Wilcox Public School. The four, five and six year olds will go from 9:30 to 11:30 and the 7 to 12 year olds will go in the afternoon from 1:30 to 3:30.

These programs will start July 4 and will end Aug. 12.

All children must register during their regular playground hours on July 4 or prior to that at the Parks and Recreation offices at 10,266 Yonge St. in Richmond Hill.

Registration fees are as follows: \$5. for a half day program for one child, \$8. for a full day program for one child, and a special rate of \$15. for a family.

Crossing Guards will be provided wherever possible to ensure the safety of the children.

This is an interesting and stimulating program for the children. There are various trips planned to help make the summer a little more interesting for the children who soon find time hangs heavy on their hands.



### High stepping

**Brown, good style, Jennifer Brown, 5, displays a marching step.**

By Sylvia Kernohan

The Richvale Lions Majorettes have had their first inter-corps competition. The girls were divided into three

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divisions; midgets (4-6); trainees (7 and over), and juveniles (7 and over). Each division was then subdivided into three age groups.

They competed in Basic Strut, Military Marching, Best Appearing (modelling) and Marching Routine — all taught from the start of the corps program last September.

To the top five winners in each event went a colourful ribbon. For the highest point count attained in all events trophies were awarded; one to each age group in each division.

There were five points given for first, four for second, three for third, two for fourth and one for fifth.

Winners were as follows:  
**Midgets:** Marianne Wanderslaben (age 14); Mary Lou Detacchio (5); and Kristine Kernohan (6).

**Juveniles:** Tracy Rudyk and Jennifer Gentle (7 and 8); Debbie Greenfield (9); and Debra Boos (10 and over).

**Trainees:** Sarah Woodrow (6 and 7); Tara Kaszuba (8 and 9); and Liz Halls (10 and over).

Of course, any majorette competition would be incomplete without a championship class. So there was a Juvenile and Junior Miss Majorette of Richvale.

The girls had to perform a basic strut entrance in a square, do a two-minute twirling routine (solo) and a military marching exit — all under the eagle-eyes of two judges.

There were nine girls in the juvenile division and five in the junior division. Winners were as follows:

**Juvenile Miss Majorette of Richvale:** First: Tracy Rudyk (8); second: Jennifer Gentle (8); third: Michelle Hall (8); fourth: Debbie Greenfield (9); Danica Deaust (7).

**Junior Miss Majorette of Richvale:** First: Debra Boos (14); second: Saveria Mazda (10); third: Margaret Martin (11).

The contest directors were: head instructor Sylvia Kernohan; assistant instructors Kim Kernohan and Diane Greenfield. Judging the girls were: Cathy Botham, Lyn Williams, and Janet Lalor — all of Willowdale, and Irene Kernohan of Richmond Hill.

Twenty-one parent volunteers were required to ensure smooth sailing, and many of them learned a great deal about baton twirling to boot.

Fathers, mothers, grandmothers and friends were all on hand to cheer on their favourite contestant.

Sportsmanship was the theme; throughout the evening the girls were seen shaking hands and hugging each other — whether they'd won or lost.

"Thank you" to the parks and recreation department staff at the Richvale Recreation Centre for their help — and of course to Lynton Friedberg and his recreation committee for granting the group use of the centre for the weekly corps practices, as well as the special events.



### A ribbon for me!

Kelly Robertson, 5, is thoroughly delighted with the ribbon she has won. Pinning it on is Jackie Bell.



### Careful!

Complete concentration combines with satisfaction; everything's under control. Jennifer Gentle, 8, of Denham Drive is caught here in mid-jump.



### Hmm...

After an evening of hard (though sportsmanlike) competition, Danica Deaust, 7; Debbie Greenfield, 9; Michelle Hall, 9;

Judyfer Gentle, 8; and Tracy Rudyk, 8, look pleased with the results.

## Civic Corner

The following meetings of civic interest have been scheduled during the next two weeks:

Monday June 20, 7:30 p.m. — regular council meeting, council chambers.

Tuesday June 21, 4:00 p.m. — office of treasurer, finance committee meeting.

Tuesday June 21, 7:30 p.m. — council chambers, planning committee meeting.

Thursday June 23, 7:00 p.m. — council chambers, committee of adj. judgment.

Friday July 1, — MUNICIPAL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED.



### Guiding gift

Lynn Freeman, 11, Riverside Blvd., Robert White, 9, Baythorn Dr., and Kristin Tenyson, 7, Shasta Dr., all helped decorate this

quilt which was presented to retiring commissioner Betty Ball of Helen Drive.

## Surprise for leader

By Marilyn McDonald  
Brownies and Guides from the North Thornhill Division acted as an honor guard when a surprise party was held recently for retiring district commissioner, Betty Ball.

Over 50 members and friends of the Guide movement were at Heintzman House June 2 to offer their congratulations.

She now has assumed new duties as deputy division trainer.

commissioner with a quilt embroidered by girls from the division.

The individual patches — worked in the troops' traditional colors of blue, brown and gold — were sewn together by the Lutheran Church Women.

With 23 years of Guiding experience behind her, Mrs. Ball served as district commissioner for the past five years.

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## Guard can wear turban

Ishar Singh of Unionville is not sure yet whether he will take a job the Ontario Human Rights Commission ordered a security firm to offer him.

"I have not yet heard from the company. Until I do I don't have to think about it," said Singh, a Sikh who refused to remove his turban and shave his beard on religious grounds.

A policy of Security Investigations Services required that employees be

clean shaven and wear the police-style company cap.

Singh applied for a job with SIS two years ago when his own business was slow. He is a real estate agent.

He appealed the refusal to employ him to the Ontario Human Rights Commission because "it is the duty of a Sikh to stand up for his rights".

Professor Peter Cumming, a Thornhill resident, and a professor at Osgoode Hall Law School, was ap-

pointed to conduct the board of inquiry into the complaint.

His ruling does not mean SIS employees can start growing beards. Cumming said his ruling only applies to practising members of the Sikh faith.

He told SIS the employer should seek to accommodate the employee's religious observances and practices.

But he also established for the first time in Ontario that a company may exclude religious groups from em-

ployment if it cannot accommodate the prospective employee's religious observances and practices without undue hardship to the company.

Professor Cumming said SIS "bears no ill will toward Sikhs and there was no intention to insult or act with malice toward Mr. Singh".

No damages were awarded because Singh was able to continue in his previous employment and he suffered no injury to his feelings or dignity.

## Thornhill inspires comedy

BY DIANE MARSHALL  
Thornhill's Marie and Rene Aloma are a talented couple energetically involved in live theatre in the Toronto area.

Life in Thornhill has inspired Rene, a playwright-director, to write a three-act comedy entitled "Crabgrass, Mortgages and Love".

"It is about life in suburbia during the 50's, 60's and 70's and how lifestyles and the male-female relationship has changed", she said.

Marie, a professional actress for seven years, trained and worked in England. She may take a lead role in the play when it is completed.

As a team, Marie and Rene have collaborated on two musical children's plays entitled "A Friend is a Friend" and "The Magic Box". They were commissioned on a \$1,500 grant from the Ontario Arts Council through a company called "Theatre on the Move". He wrote the script and the lyrics. She wrote the music, although she said she has had little professional musical training.

She said the problem with a lot of music for travelling troupes is the need for a piano accompaniment, an orchestra or a tape-recorded back-up. The music she has written can be accompanied with portable or percussive instruments and, in some cases, no instruments are needed.

"The actors each take the part of a

different instrument and self-accompaniment solves the problem", Marie said. "The music is not simple; it is full of harmonies and counterpoint."

Tom-tom is used in "The Magic Box", a play based on a Micmac legend. In an "Indian Song", audience participation is encouraged as a fairly

simple melody line can be easily taught quickly and sung in a round form, she said.

Both expressed the idea that there really is a shortage of good children's theatre here and in the States. "A Friend is a Friend", which has played in Windsor, North Bay and Toronto

theatres, was perhaps seen by local residents at Fairview Mall where it was presented by On Stage productions, a Thornhill based group, last year. Rene and Marie are happy to say that this play will be taken to off-Broadway in the fall.

"Toronto is a good dramatic centre; it is not really the big-time but it is comfortable", Rene said.

"You must make your own opportunities, have a belief in yourself and it takes just pure hard work", she said.

Rene recently completed a new adaptation of Collodini's classic, Pinocchio which will be presented by On Stage productions in Decmber.

Children's theatre is not the only type of theatre they are interested in. Rene has written situation comedies and adult dramas and Marie has acted in Children's theatre enough to be willing to concentrate in other dramatic fields.

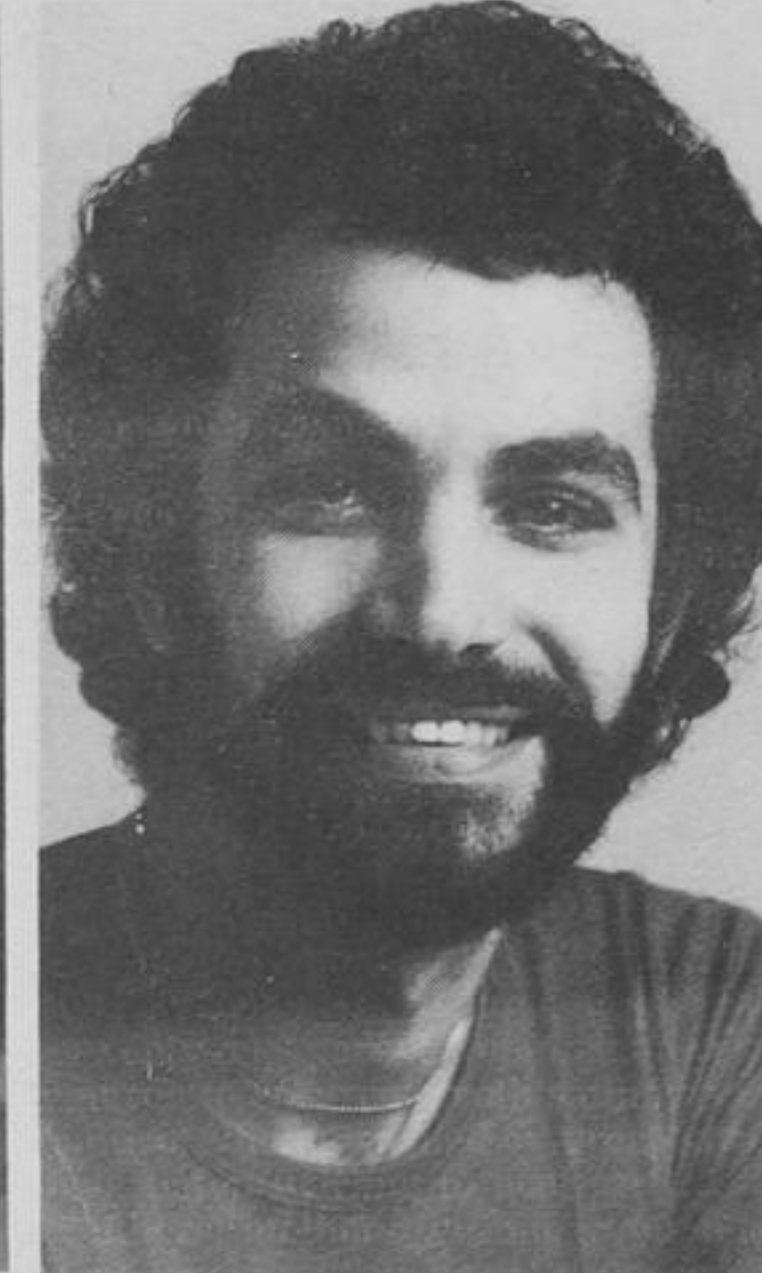
Rene, who is fluent in English, Spanish and French, is currently working on an English translation of the Spanish, "The House of Bernarda Alba" by G. Lorca.

"It has been translated literally before but not poetically which is what Rene is trying to do", said Marie.

He has been associated with various Toronto theatre groups and will be conducting the On Stage drama workshop next fall.



Marie Aloma  
..... writes music



Rene Aloma  
..... plan on suburbia