

Block Parents provide assistance when needed

By MILLIE STEWART

The importance of the Block Parent Program cannot be stressed too often, especially now that the youngsters are back in school.

A red and white Block Parent sign in a window tells the child or senior citizen or for that fact, anyone who needs some help, that it can be found at that location.

The Block Parent Organization would like to reiterate about the correct use of these signs.

They should be displayed in the window only when you are available to render assistance should it be needed.

They should be removed from the window when you are away from home or are unavailable.

One idea started by the Block Parent Program that is especially important now that school has resumed is the note system.

In this case, instead of sending a note to tell the teacher why the child has been away, they want you to send a note on the first day the child is away with an older brother or sister or a neighbour child to say that the child will be away from school and how long the absence is expected to be.

BLOCK



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PARENT

When the child starts out to school in the morning, the parent naturally expects him or her to arrive safely.

But there is no way for the parent to know whether the child has arrived and most parents would not become alarmed until the child failed to return home for lunch or even at the end of the day.

The note system is designed so that if the child fails to arrive at school and the school has not been notified of an absence, then the teacher will contact the parents of their designated representative.

This will mean that if a child should be missing, action can begin immediately instead of

several hours later.

The Block Parent Organization has in the past year or so carried out an extensive program in the schools to acquaint the children, teachers and parents with the value of the program.

They will continue to do so this year.

Some of the schools in the area have on hand a beautiful record made just for the program that is self explanatory.

The music and lyrics were composed by Will Millar of the Irish Rovers and the song is sung by Sandy Beech.

The recording studio and all the personnel necessary to making a recording donated their time and services.

Also on hand in some of the area schools, is an excellent book called 'Never Talk to Strangers'.

This book explains the perils that could be encountered in a form that appeals to children; cartoons.

As you can see, the program is very extensive. One need not be at home all the time to become a Block Parent.

Many working people are Block Parents in the hours that they are at home.

If you are interested in more information about the program or if you would like to be a Block Parent, please call Penny Spence at 884-7360 or Pat Smith at 773-5754.

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Hospital plans autumn dance and casino nite

A formal dance and Casino Night will be held Friday, September 16, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Yonge Street, Richmond Hill.

Sponsored by the York Central Hospital Recreation Committee, the dance will be called an "Evening in Autumn".

Tickets at \$5 per person include buffet, door prizes

Possession charges are laid by police

Surveillance by York Regional Police of a tavern in Schomberg last week, has resulted in the arrest of five members of one family, all charged with possession of cannabis resin, (slab hashish) which police said has a street value of \$50,000.

The arrests took place shortly after some people left the Cariova Tavern at Highway 27.

Police said an attempt was made to stop the car, but the driver continued on and a high speed chase ensued.

The car, which police said, went through several stop signs, was finally stopped at the town line of Adjala and Tecumseth townships in Caledon.

Police confiscated 15 pounds of hashish from the car, plus seven pounds of the same drug and 23 pounds of Mexican marijuana from the residence of the five occupants.

Charged were five members of the Carrick family of Mills St. E., Tottenham. They were: Charles, 59; June, 42; Wayne, 25; Judith, 21; and Dale, 18.

Applications required now

Applicants for Richmond Hill Town Hockey League are reminded to get their applications in for the 1977-78 season as soon as possible.

Registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Applications should be sent to Jack Major, 383 Wenlock Ave., Richmond Hill. Postal code L4C 1N1.

Clarification

Wayne Charles Downey, 27, of Toronto, who was charged with arson two weeks ago, is not the Wayne Downey, 29, formerly of Leisure Lane, Richmond Hill, and now living in Willowdale.

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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING RE: THE THORNHILL-VAUGHAN COMMUNITY PLAN

A special meeting of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Vaughan will be held in the Council Chambers at Maple, Ontario, on

Wed., Sept. 14th, 1977 at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

to consider certain modifications, suggested by The Honourable Minister of Housing, to Amendment Number 70 to the Vaughan Official Plan. All interested parties are invited to attend the meeting. The actual wording of the proposed modifications will not be available until the day of meeting.

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