



**Helping**

Virginia Bregg of Richmond Hill spent two days last week at Hillcrest Mall displaying information about services in Richmond Hill and giving out samples of government information for Helpmate Information. Virginia

will be working with Helpmate for 16 weeks through a program entitled "Experience '78" designed to give students a "learning experience" for the summer.

## Two declared for Markham's four Regional Council seats

Two candidates are declared and two others are probable in the contest for Markham's three regional council seats.

The province has recognized Markham's population growth by giving it four seats on regional council, including the one occupied by the mayor, starting December 1.

The election date is also being moved forward this year to November 13, in the hope that the weather will be better than it sometimes was for December elections.

The new council will take office December 1 instead of January 1 and the present councillors are all being docked one twelfth of their pay accordingly.

Those who have declared their intention of running in Markham are Walter Grieve, currently councillor in Ward five, at the eastern end of town, and regional

councillor Ron Moran.

Councillor Moran says that if he does as well this time as he did in 1976 (he polled more votes than Mayor Tony Roman) he will go after the mayor's chair in 1980.

At the region last week, Moran was displaying some fold-out signs which could be used if he runs for regional councillor or mayor.

Mayor Roman is not expected to be challenged this year.

Councillor Grieve, in his second year as chairman of the Markham planning committee, thinks the region could operate more efficiently.

Another likely candidate is regional councillor Alma Walker. After it was reported that she would only run for a ward seat this time, she told fellow councillors she was seeking the regional seat again.

Councillor Stan Daurio who

now represents ward two (North Thornhill) wants to seek a regional post but his decision depends on his employer, Bell Canada.

If Bell's senior management decides that his duties can be rearranged so that he can fit in the regional and Markham council work, he will run.

Councillor Daurio notes that most councillors in larger municipalities are lawyers, or in other professions, or have their own businesses or are housewives, or else they work for a large company whose policies encourage political activity.

While they make good councils, "these people are certainly not a cross section of the people they represent."

He also noted the great increase in daytime meetings in Markham since he was first elected six years ago.



**yesterdays**

by mary dawson

## When milk cost 10 cents a quart

I spent the summer of 1923 in Richmond Hill with my sister, Elinor Zuefelt, her husband, Lance, and their daughter Jean.

They had moved to the village from the east end of Toronto in the fall of 1922 and had spent their first winter here in a small house at the west end of Rumble Avenue but in the spring had moved into the former Rumble farmhouse on Benson Avenue.

At that time it still faced the lane to the south and turned a blank wall to the new street. The storey-and-a-half brick house had a frame summer kitchen to the west.

On the property there was also a masonry henhouse and run, occupied by a dozen or more white laying hens, a dug well and a privy.

There was only one house between it and Yonge Street and open fields to the west on the south side of Benson, but a row of small homes stretched for a couple of blocks along the north side and there were a few homes on Hunt Avenue, then the most northerly area of the village. Rumble Avenue was in Vaughan Township.

To reach the Hill which welcomed visitors to "Toronto's highest and healthiest suburb" on a sign just north of Vaughan Road we came by the old Metropolitan Railway, which at that time ran all the way to Sutton and used green colored cars with plush covered seats.

I believe we boarded it somewhere south of the city limits and passed through a string of hamlets separated by wide open fields and farm buildings.

The names of these hamlets — York Mills, Lansing, Willowdale, Newtonbrook are still remembered, but it grows increasingly difficult to pinpoint them in the built-up street scene.

Nor is it any easier north of Steeles Avenue where Doncaster and

Langstaff have been swallowed up by Thornhill and Richvale, Elgin Mills, Jefferson and Oak Ridges by Richmond Hill.

Besides the church spires which still identify Richmond Hill from afar, Yonge Street in the heart of the village had a character of its own.

Almost every business establishment was located in an addition to the original house, the store front being flush with the sidewalk, but the entrance to the house being set back behind a well-kept lawn with flower beds and bushes.

Of particular interest was Tommy Allison's butcher shop where a porch was built out from the store front over the sidewalk, enabling his patrons to alight from their buggies in a sheltered spot. It also offered pedestrians shelter from the rain and sun.

Although the motor car was beginning to come into its own the blacksmith shop which stood just south of the lawn and lane which led to the Dr. Langstaff home was a busy place.

Across the road the well-kept lawn of Crosby Hall reached right to Yonge Street and the long lane was bordered with pine trees.

Kerr's bakery occupied the corner of Yonge and Dufferin Streets and I was delighted when my sister sent me there to choose what I pleased from the wide variety of delicious baked goods.

However my fondest memories are of buying home made bread at a nickle loaf at another bakery on the south-west corner of Centre and Yonge. Not only was the price right but I forgot to pay for the two loaves I purchased and was all the way back on Benson before I remembered.

I returned immediately and said to the very pleasant woman as I apologized, "but you didn't even know me." "But my dear you have a very honest face," was her reply.

Cowies ran the dairy at that time and our milk was delivered by one of the brothers at 10 cents a quart.

Pushing a baby carriage along Yonge Street sidewalks must have posed quite a problem as at almost every intersection at least two steps had to be negotiated down to road level and again up to the sidewalk level.

"From Arnold south 'ladies always walked on the east side of the street' according to my sister.

The reason was because the Palmer House still had its wide verandah both on the ground floor and on the second storey. The rocking chairs on the ground level were usually occupied by the elderly men of the neighborhood as they commented on the news of the day and on the passersby.

The Dominion House across the street still had its upstairs balcony but did not attract or encourage the hangers-on. Alex Hume, the village clerk-treasurer had his office behind the drug store in the Trench building at Yonge and Lorne.

Yonge Street was a narrow macadam road at that time, accommodating only two lines of traffic, with the radial line going up the east side of the street. I think it was 1925 when a major rebuilding of the road surface was undertaken and a concrete roadbed laid still only two lanes wide with the radial line in the centre.

I must have met more

of the Zuefelts' neighbors but the only ones I recall from 1923 are the Bert Pattendens from across the road and the Helmkeys from Rumble Avenue, particularly Mernie with whom I shared many good times that summer.

**635 Births**

CHILDERS — John and Sheila (nee McMenemy) welcome with love their daughter, Aijson Kathleen, 7 lbs. 8 ozs., on Monday June 26th, at York Central Hospital. Special thanks to Drs. Luk and Rosen.

DIMMA — Bryan and Sandi (Hood) are happy to announce the birth of a son Douglas Fraser, 7 lbs., 8 ozs. on Monday, July 3, 1978, at York Central Hospital, a brother for Jamie.

FERGUSON — Ross and Glad are delighted to announce the birth of their second daughter, Deborah Lyn, sister of Cathy Lee. Born June 24, 1978 at York Central Hospital. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dean Finlay, Winnipeg, and Mr. and Mrs. Watson Ferguson, King City, and great-grandmother Mrs. Ethel Ferguson.

**645 Engagements**

MR. AND MRS. HARRY BROCK of R.R. No. 3 Claremont, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Debra Joan to Kenneth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kuncie of Barrie, Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Shearer of Richmond Hill are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Catherine Ann to Stoney Kudel, son of Mrs. Hope Kudel and the late John Kudel of Willowdale.

**615 Coming Events**

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY CARNIVAL  
Games, Prizes & Refreshments  
SATURDAY JULY 8th  
1 PM to 4 PM  
23 TRENCH ST., RICHMOND HILL

**646 Forthcoming Marriage**

MR. AND MRS. HARRY BROCK of R.R. No. 3 Claremont, wish to announce the marriage of their daughter Shirleyanne to George Walkinshaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Walkinshaw of North York, Ontario. Marriage to take place in Stouffville on July 15, 1978.

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## 3rd Annual Rose Awards

The Liberal newspaper, with the co-operation of the Richmond Hill Chamber of Commerce, announces a Beautification Awards Program for Richmond Hill property owners

**40 AWARDS.**

A total of 40 awards will be presented for those properties which achieve the highest ratings as scored by the judging committee.

Three top winners in the four categories will receive major prizes, while 28 others will win certificates.

- First prize — Red Rose Award
- Second prize — White Rose Award
- Third Prize — Yellow Rose Award

**IS THERE AN ATTRACTIVE LOOKING PROPERTY ON YOUR STREET?**

**NOMINATE IT TODAY WITH THE ENTRY FORM ON RIGHT**

**AWARDS PRESENTATION**

Names of all winners will be published in The Liberal near the end of August.

**THE COMMITTEE**

The Awards Program committee is chaired by Ingrid Wharton, Members of the committee are Bob Saunders, President of the Richmond Hill Chamber of Commerce; Albert Card of the Horticultural Society; Stuart Casement and Dino Salvatori; and Ron Wallace, Editor of The Liberal.

**NOMINATION FORM**

**THE LIBERAL 1978 ROSE AWARDS**

I herewith nominate the property listed below for The Liberal 1977 Rose Award. (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name of property owner (if known).....

Street address and no.....

Phone number.....  
Nominated by:

Name.....

Address.....

Phone.....

I understand that the Awards Program is open only to properties within the Town of Richmond Hill.

MAIL OR TAKE THIS ENTRY FORM BEFORE JULY 14, 1978 **THE LIBERAL**, P.O. BOX 390 10395 YONGE ST., RICHMOND HILL, ONT. L4C 4Y6

Having received the official sanction of the Council of the Town of Richmond Hill, The Liberal and the Chamber of Commerce are pleased to present this Awards Program to the citizens of Richmond Hill.

The program is designed to encourage and recognize the efforts of the people of Richmond Hill to improve and maintain a high standard of appearance of local properties. It is open to individual residents, commercial establishments, industry and institutions.

**NOMINATIONS.**

To become eligible for an award, a property has to be nominated for judging. The nominations can be made by any person or company.

The nominations can be made with the use of the entry form printed below. Forms will also be available at the Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Richmond Hill offices as well as the Town Library.

**CLOSING DATE FOR NOMINATIONS.**

The last day for nominations is Friday July 14, 1978. All entries must be at the Liberal office before closing at 5 p.m. that day.

**JUDGING.**

All judging will take place as nominations are received. As a guide, judges will rate the following areas on a point basis:

1. Originality of landscape design in relation to building.
2. Cleanliness of building, flower beds, etc.
3. Maintenance of trees, shrubs, flowerbeds in relation to pests and diseases.
4. General appearance and color of lawn.
5. Use of color in flowers and shrubs in relation to building (at time of judging).
6. Contribution of property to beautification of the neighbourhood.