

Letters

Who represents the taxpayers, this reader wants to know

Alas, it is so difficult to determine how the mayor considers situations that are similar in nature.

I purposely left out the areas referred to by the mayor as a result of his criticism made previously that rural areas should not be compared with the Towns of Aurora, Newmarket, Markham and Richmond Hill.

Vaughan was left out of the comparative figures since it has a high industrial assessment base. This left the four towns that have a relatively similar tax base for comparative purposes. The mayor makes the

erroneous assumption that most of the other monies received by the Town are pennies from heaven rather than recognizing that these monies are from the same taxpayers but by different routes.

Our elected representative runs to defend the municipal expenditures every time. Who is the representative for the taxpayer?

Where three towns in the Region show salary costs related to the total expenditures in the 33 to 38 per cent range, and your own Town shows the salary costs in the 48 to 51 per cent range, I think a

proper explanation, based on facts, should be given.

We do not need a negative reaction. "On staff" employment requires all these costs — additional employee benefits, office space, parking space, equipment for the staff, office supplies, maintenance space and supplies, more supervisory staff and other costs.

In addition, more ongoing projects are required to keep the staff employed throughout the year, since once hired, staff is not easily dismissed.

This is called the building of a bureaucracy and denies the private sector of development. Where a municipality opts to contract out more of its activities, costs end when the project ends.

However the philosophy of our Town, based on the mayor's comments, appears to be that they

can do the job as well as or better than the private sector.

I believe that we are becoming better informed as to how our Town operates.

Are the other three towns going the route of outside contracts as a matter of fact, or is the mayor only leaving that impression?

In comparing my taxes with a similarly assessed house in Markham, I find that my taxes are 16 per cent greater in total.

Since I assume that the regional and school levies would be the same, it would mean that there is a greater than 16 per cent difference at the municipal level.

What extra services are provided for the Richmond Hill taxpayer?

Possibly we may be enlightened by comments from the mayor.

R. Marquis,
16 Roosevelt Drive,
Richmond Hill

In Memory

It's soon to be a year,
And yet — only it's like yesterday.

People die every day,
But it's always so far away.

Until someone you love dies,
Suddenly death is so real.

He had a special sparkle,
In everything he touched.

Always it was good — but,
He'd laugh and joke.

Somewhere in the skies,
I still can hear his laugh.

Years fade into the mist,
But special people live on.

Their memories float in and,
Still touch our hearts with Love.

Marg Donovan
366 Browndale Crescent
Richmond Hill

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Area Science Fair at Crosby March 6

On Tuesday, March 6 at Crosby Heights Senior Public School, Area 3 will be presenting their Science Fair. All schools from the area will be entering their best exhibits. The winners of the Area 3 Science Fair will proceed as entrants to the County Fair in April.

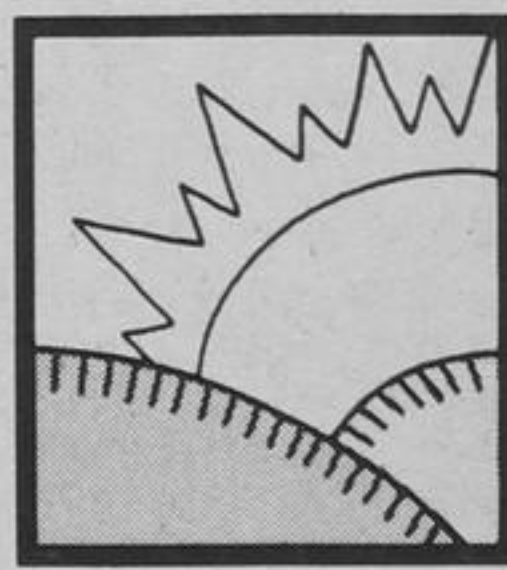
which all the schools in the community are involved, we would like to ensure that the entire community is notified. It would be appreciated if your newspaper would mention it either as an upcoming event, or perhaps as a general interest article.

The fair is being held at Crosby Heights Senior School, on March 6, during school hours. Projects will be set up on Monday, March 5 (after school).

Thank you for your cooperation, and if you have any questions related to the fair, please contact me at 884-5598.

Joann McNamara
Publicity Representative
Area 3

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Letters criticizing council members upset this reader

As a subscriber to your paper, I enjoy very much reading the "Letters to the Editor".

However, reading letters from some of the same people week after week criticizing members of Town Council becomes rather boring to read.

All members of Council have been elected in a Democratic manner and because some new and younger people have been elected does not mean that everything they vote for is in error.

Being Clerk of the Municipality for a few years, I believe that each

and every member of Council has been elected to office for the sole purpose of making Richmond Hill a better place to live in, work in, play in and bring up our children.

Just because a member of Council is elected that we did not vote for does not mean that all decisions made by that Councilor are wrong.

Rather than accusing these members of Council, I would suggest we get behind them and encourage them in their endeavors.

R. "Curly" Lynett
Richmond Hill

Person who threw dog out window 'makes me sick'

To the unknown person who threw the little female German Shepherd puppy out to freeze to death at the corner of Newkirk and Elgin Mills on Saturday, you can rest easy.

Someone has found the puppy and given it a warm comfortable home.

If you have the least amount of compassion, which I doubt, you may rest assured that, a) the people who know you will probably never find out what a basic rotten person you are; and, b) the puppy which you so thoughtlessly tossed out to freeze is quite happy and warm and not hungry anymore.

I would just like to say to you, whoever you are, that your type of person makes me sick, and I sincerely hope that one day in the not too distant future you find yourself in a situation similar to the one you placed the puppy in on Saturday.

Paul Hunt,
R.R. 3, King

Huntsville High plans birthday

Huntsville High School will be 75 this year.

In celebration, a gala reunion of students and teachers is planned for Victoria Day weekend, May 19 and 20.

Anyone wishing to receive details of the events planned for this home-coming weekend, write to:

Huntsville High School
Reunion, Huntsville,
Ontario, POA 1K0.

Joan P. Hayden,
Huntsville

We are attempting to locate all those who attended the school and are part of her history.

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UNIONVILLE AUTHOR

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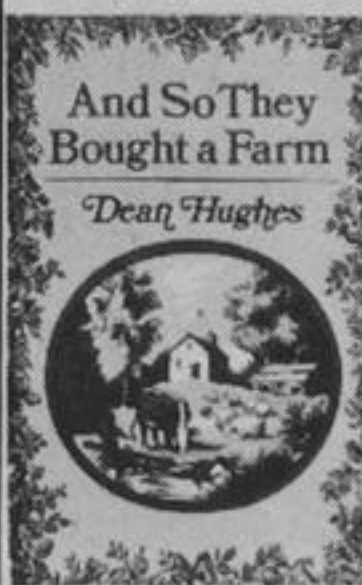
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- C. Fly-front pants.** Velour. Elasticized back waist. Natural, ginger or moss green. 8 to 16. Each, \$34
- D. Short sleeve "window pane" check knit blouse with V-neck.** 100% cotton. Natural, ginger or moss green. S(8-10), M(12-14), or L(16). Each, \$20
- E. Shawl-collar jacket with 2 pockets.** Velour. Natural, ginger or moss green. S(8-10), M(12-14), or L(16). Each, \$55
- F. Striped, V-neck short sleeve top.** Velour. Knit hem. Natural/ginger/white, ginger/grey/natural or moss green/natural/dusty rose. S(8-10), M(12-14), or L(16). Each, \$28
- G. Pull-on shorts.** Velour. Natural, ginger or moss. 8 to 16. Each, \$20
- H. Snap-front jacket.** Velour. 2 front pockets. Elasticized cuffs and waist. Natural, ginger or moss green. S(8-10), M(12-14), or L(16). Each, \$44
- J. Cap sleeve, V-neck T-shirt with shirring at shoulder.** 100% cotton knit. Contrast band at neck and waist. Contrast tab on sleeve. Natural/ginger or moss green/natural. S(8-10), M(12-14), or L(16). Each, \$20
- K. Pull-on pant.** Velour. Natural, ginger or moss green. 8 to 16. Each, \$32
- L. Striped, short sleeve blouse.** Velour. Natural/ginger or natural/moss. S(8-10), M(12-14), or L(16). Each, \$36
- M. Fly-front slit skirt with pleat.** Velour. Natural, ginger or moss green. 8 to 16. Each, \$34
- N. 100% cotton knit skirt with soft pleats, elasticized waist.** Natural, ginger or moss green. 8 to 16. Each, \$30
- P. V-neck, dolman sleeve top.** 100% cotton knit. Gathering all around neck and hem. Natural, ginger or moss green. S(8-10), M(12-14), or L(16). Each, \$22

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