

# Regional Police Briefs

## RADIO LAB RASED

On April 19 at 6 a.m. a fire broke out in the southeast corner of Sinclair Radio Laboratories on Rayette Road in Concord. Extensive damage in the amount of \$2 million was done to electronic radio equipment in the building.

Vaughan Fire Department attended the scene and extinguished the blaze. The cause has yet to be determined and the Ontario Fire Marshal's Office will investigate at a later date.

## STABBED DURING BREAK-IN

On October 14, 1978, at about 5 p.m., a King Township woman arrived home and was confronted by an intruder. At that time, he produced a knife and robbed her of \$200 in cash. The 25-year-old man then attacked his victim, stabbing her several times.

As a result of an investigation, a warrant was issued for attempted murder, since the man could not be located by York Regional Police.

## MOVER WAS CONNED

During August, 1978, Lamb Moving and Storage Company on Birch Avenue in Thornhill moved a quantity of furniture belonging to a Toronto man, to Florida. Afterwards, the customer presented the mover with a letter containing a phony letterhead falsely describing himself as the president of a company.

Efforts made to locate the man and collect the outstanding money have proven negative. A search of the Florida address has shown the accused has moved and taken all his furniture with him. Further investigation shows the man is still somewhere in the U.S.

York Police have issued a warrant for his arrest for obtaining credit under false pretenses.

## BUZZED OFF WITH HIVES

Between November 2, 1978 and April 12, 80 hive flows, used for making bee hives, were stolen from the rear of a home belonging to John Little of King Township. The flows are worth \$480.

## HORSE-VIEWER WASN'T STABLE

On April 13 at 3 p.m. Gail Thomas of Cookstown was at the Olympia Park Stables on Woodbine Avenue. She became involved in an argument with a 44-year-old Toronto man who eventually struck her with a piece of firewood.

She received a large contusion to her right side. Her attacker was arrested on April 18 for assault causing bodily harm and taken immediately to court for a show cause hearing.

## COLLISION KILLS INFANT

On April 16 at about 2:30 a.m. four Kitchener residents and a Newmarket man were involved in a serious motor vehicle collision on Dufferin Street south of the 16th Sideroad in King Township.

Kenneth Wright, 18, of Terry Drive in Newmarket was admitted to York County Hospital in critical condition and later transferred to Sunnybrook Medical Centre in Toronto. Scott Whittaker, 28 days old, was treated at York County Hospital and later transferred to the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, where he died. An autopsy was to have been performed.

His father, Geoffrey Whittaker, 22, was also admitted to hospital in Newmarket and his wife, Janice, 19 and a friend — Scott Tallman, 17, also of Kitchener, were treated for minor injuries and released.

York Police have issued a warrant for the arrest of the Newmarket man for dangerous driving.

## THIEVING FOR A WINNING TICKET

On April 14 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. the office area of Shop-Kwik Variety on Steeles Avenue West in Thornhill was entered. Someone stole 25 books of Wintario tickets, 50 tickets for the Provincial Lottery, 50 for the Cash for Life Lottery and 10 Loto Canada tickets. Altogether, they are worth \$603.

## MUSICAL CARS

On March 31, a 16-year-old Richmond Hill youth stole a car belonging to Jacob Ceschiotti of Steeles Avenue East in Thornhill. He drove it to Jefferson Auto Body in Richmond Hill and then broke into the premises and found a car belonging to Aurora Chrysler Plymouth of Aurora.

The first car was later found on Bayview Avenue in Richmond Hill. On April 17 at 11:30 a.m., the teenager was arrested on Langstaff Road and charged with break, enter and theft and two counts of theft over \$200. He was released for a court appearance on April 23.

On April 3, the same youth is alleged to have damaged property belonging to Allan Hughes of Beechy Drive in Richmond Hill. An additional charge of mischief to private property was added to those he already faced.

## MAKINGS OF A HUMBLE ABODE

Between April 10 at 5:30 p.m. and April 14 at noon, entry was gained to one of the vehicles owned by Terraphane Van Campers on Yonge Street in Richmond Hill, by forcing the lock. One portable toilet and several bed cushions worth \$750, were stolen.

## UNPLEASANT WELCOME

On April 18 at 1 a.m. Michael Joseph Walsh of Lot 15 Concession in King Township returned home to find his house on fire. The Nobleton Fire Department attended the scene and extinguished the flames. Cause of the fire is unknown but damage amounted to \$30,000.

## Student Manpower office opens doors May 1

May 1 the Student Manpower office in Richmond Hill will open its doors to students seeking summer employment and prospective employers looking for students.

Monica Janach, the supervisor of the centre said her office would like to become part of the community for the summer, to be a "high profile community service".

The summer youth employment program offers students and employers placement for periods ranging from hours to months.

Four student staff members will match students who come in and fill out a registration card with employers who call in and place orders for help.

Employers can be large firms, needing specialized help, store owners needing services or homeowners wanting general maintenance chores or babysitting.

Miss Janach said she would like post secondary school students to come into the office to register right away for specialized services they might be capable of filling.

High school students are invited to manpower office at 10144 Yonge Street, the H. and R. Block Building, anytime between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday and introduce themselves, so placement workers can get to know them personally, and perform their service more efficiently.



Students from the Crosby School Band highlighted the opening of Education Week at Hillcrest

Mall Monday morning. (Liberal photo by Ron Wallace)



York County Board of Education Chairman Don Cousens, right, was on hand to participate in

Education Week at Markham Place Mall Monday. (Liberal photo by Bruce Hogg).

# Education Week opens at Malls Schools display arts and crafts

## Hillcrest Mall

Ontario Education Week (April 23 to 27) was officially launched in Richmond Hill with an impressive ceremony at Hillcrest Mall Monday morning.

The Crosby Senior Public School band was on hand and led the assembled guests in O Canada, after which, Mayor Schiller pronounced Education Week open.

Mayor Schiller explained to the boys and girls, who were on hand for the ceremonies, that education is a means of learning anew what has been discovered before, and he told today's young people how lucky they are to be living in this advanced age of technology.

All Stong, MLA-York Centre, brought greetings and good wishes from the province to the students of Richmond Hill and all the Towns, who will take part in Education Week.

John Gamble, Progressive Conservative candidate in the upcoming

election was on hand to greet the assembled guests and he left a message with the boys and girls.

He said "The future lies in the hands of those who are prepared to work for it".

He also commented on how much more fortunate today's young people are with the resources of knowledge at their disposal, than were their parents.

Steve Hicks, of Balkan Road and a student of Crosby School brought greetings to the visitors from the entire student body.

Klaas Vangraff, Toronto led the audience in a medley of folk songs, and was received with toe tapping and much hand clapping.

The band from Crosby Public School entertained the audience with several musical renditions.

There will be various displays from 22 schools in Richmond Hill throughout the Mall.

## Markham Place

The Central Court at Markham Place Mall in Thornhill was taken over by young people Monday afternoon because this is their week to shine.

The week of April 23 to 27 is officially called 'Education Week' and 24 Markham area schools are doing their best to make the shoppers at the Mall aware of what they do and how they do it.

The opening ceremonies were held at 2 p.m. Monday with Donald Cousens, Chairman of York County Board of Education, on hand to get things off to a good start.

Mr. Cousens asked children in the audience 'Why do you go to school?', and he got great responses from the kids.

The Reesor Park Public School choir sang O Canada and all assembled joined in the singing.

Other dignitaries on hand for the occasion were: Patti Grand and Margaret MacDonald, both trustees,

and Ken McDonald, Superintendent for schools for Area 41.

Two Master teachers, Evan Franklin and Jean Duran, were also present at the opening ceremonies.

Mr. Franklin is the co-ordinator of all the Education Week activities at the Mall.

The Unionville Public School choir and the choir from Reesor Park entertained the audience with their singing and the young voices made the tried and true favorites sound just a little bit sweeter.

For the remainder of the week, there will be exhibits of every sort throughout the Mall pertaining to education and all its aspects.

Twenty-four schools will participate and there will be gymnastics demonstrations, performances by choirs, bands and displays of art and science work.

All shoppers at the Mall are invited to look at the exhibits and watch the demonstrations and performances.

## Family Life Centre to receive grant

### Simpsons Announcement



H. Dempster

Richmond Hill Mayor David Schiller won a small victory last week on behalf of the Richmond Hill-Thornhill Family Life Centre.

He presented a plan that would allow the agency to receive a small grant because income from counselling subsidized clients will not meet the projected \$18,000 budgeted by York Region.

Mayor Schiller made his pitch at York Region's health and social services committee last week.

The problem has arisen because the Richmond Hill centre has not been able to make a smooth transition from the grant program and the purchase-of-service plan, Mayor Schiller explained.

In 1979, the region did not budget any money for outright grants to the region's four family life centres. Under the purchase of service agreement the region pays half of the cost, while the provincial government pays 50 per cent.

Mayor Schiller suggested last week that the region allow the centres to take as a grant unused money budgeted for the purchase of service payments. In the case of the Richmond Hill Centre their grant would be the remainder of \$9,000 not used in 1979.

The plan would provide extra time for the Richmond Hill-Thornhill centre to make the

transition, but would not cost the region more than the budgeted amount. Mayor Schiller contended.

The committee decided to approve the plan in principle and ask for a full report from the social services administrator Allan Wells.

Mayor Schiller explained that the Aurora-Newmarket and the Georgina centres have both been able to make the transition more easily than the centres in Markham and Richmond Hill-Thornhill.

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Residents of the Town are reminded that their clocks should be put forward one hour when retting on Saturday, April 28th, 1979.

C. D. Weldon, Clerk, Town of Richmond Hill

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