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Alternatives fizzle for Gormley bus

Two out of three options for a bus service into Gormley have not panned out for Richmond Hill's Engineering Administrator, Bud Newton, and he is not optimistic about the third.

April 30, GO Transit cancelled a bus originating in Stouffville, travelling through Gormley and hooking up with the Richmond Hill service, leaving Gormley residents without a mode

of public transportation. GO Transit's Manager of Bus Operations, Ron Swanson said the Toronto Area Transit Operating Authority board has ruled the ridership on this line through Gormley was not

sufficient to justify the cost.

"This is our position until a need is proven," said Mr. Swanson.

The manager from GO Transit said their surveys

show approximately three riders use the service each day.

Gormley resident Dr. Gerry Gold, who used the bus service told The Liberal, six to seven residents depend on this one bus to ride to Toronto each day.

Mr. Newton also approached Travelways about detouring a bus which travels from Orillia to Toronto via Don Mills Road.

The town engineering administrator said he was informed this Travelways bus could not go into Gormley and back (a distance of one mile) because of timing — their schedule is too tight for a 15-minute delay.

The fact there is not a suitable place for the bus to turn around on such a trip is another deterrent to Travelways, said Mr. Newton.

General Manager of Travelways, Yorke O'Flaherty, said this bus from Orillia cannot continue along the Gormley Stouffville Sideroad to Bayview Avenue, as approximately 50 per cent of

their ridership on Don Mills Road gets on south of Gormley Sideroad.

Travelways did say they would look into making a slight detour into the Gormley Post Office drive, about 500 feet, to be used as a meeting spot for Gormley residents.

When advised of this suggestion Ann Gold remarked, "It's ridiculous", the Gormley passengers then somehow have to find a way to travel the mile to meet the bus.

Mrs. Gold said she feels it is incumbent for GO Transit or the municipality to provide transportation facilities to all residents of Richmond Hill.

She suggested GO Transit could direct one of the buses travelling from either Newmarket or Aurora to the Finch Station to cross the Gormley Sideroad to pick up any passengers.

Mr. Newton said his final alternative would be of running a town bus to Gormley twice each day to serve these seven residents.



The Pleasantville Branch of York Central Hospital Auxiliary held its annual fashion show recently at the hospital. Fashions were by The Warwick House and Kent Clothes. Hair styles and make-up were courtesy of Monica Wood, Village Coiffure. Here Meg McCrae, an auxiliary member and Lorne Wells, member of the Board of Trustees model the latest in fashion. (Liberal Photo by Bruce Hogg).

Man risks life to rescue nurse

The son-in-law of Walter and Ina Sinclair of Oak Ridges was honored by the Province of Ontario last week for his heroic efforts in saving a woman who nearly drowned in Lake of the Woods in late March.

Bob Grant, a pilot with the Ministry of Natural Resources, and Brian Clegg, another pilot working for Heli-Voyage of Val d'Or, Quebec, made a daring sub-zero-degree temperature rescue after they received radio information from MOT officials.

A call came into Kenora that a twin engine Piper Aztec with three women and the pilot aboard, had

crashed near Kenora at the lake.

By the time Bob and his pilot had arrived on the scene (within 10 minutes) in the private helicopter, the pilot and woman doctor had managed to swim to shore. Upon closer examination, Bob spotted Sally Irwin, a nurse, who was floating in the icy water after the light plane had sunk through the ice, following an emergency belly landing.

A young woman patient in a stretcher aboard the emergency medical flight to Winnipeg, died after the plane sank.

Endangering his own life, Bob crawled out onto one of the skids of the

helicopter and immersing himself up to his waist, made four or five attempts to pull Mrs. Irwin out of the lake.

The pilot, Brian Clegg, was able to keep the craft hovering only inches above the water, and with both the ministry pilot and the semi-conscious nurse half inside the helicopter's bubble, he was able to fly to the hospital in Kenora and then return to pick up the two others waiting on shore.

"Bob was wet right through his long-johns," said Linda Grant his wife. "He went to a bar to warm up afterwards and even when he came home

to change he forgot to take off the wet underwear. He wore it all day and had a cold for a couple of weeks."

Bob, Brian and another man who saved two men from an icy drowning in a separate incident, received engraved silver plates and Ontario service scrolls from Natural Resources Minister James Auld, Premier William Davis and Lieutenant-Governor Pauline McGibbon last Wednesday.

After the ceremony in Mrs. McGibbon's office, a special luncheon was held in their honor at the Royal York Hotel.

HELPMATE INFORMATION COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY												
<p>Your community needs you</p> <p>... to help in a SCHOOL LIBRARY. If you are familiar with library systems and would be interested in assisting with the organization of a school library, then your skills can be utilized. A school in Richmond Hill is moving their library to another room and, therefore, needs assistance with the task. It is also a good opportunity for the right person to gain library experience. If you are interested, call the Richmond Hill Volunteer Bureau at 883-2235.</p> <p>... to DELIVER HOT MEALS. Meals on Wheels supplies a valuable service to elderly, handicapped and shut-in persons who cannot get their own meals. However, this service cannot continue unless drivers are available. Right now, 10 people are on a waiting list for meals-on-wheels. As a driver, you would pick up the hot meals at York Central Hospital, deliver them to clients and return the containers to the hospital. If you have a car and can help (mileage is available if requested)</p> <p>call the Richmond Hill Volunteer Bureau at 883-2235.</p> <p>... to ANSWER TELEPHONES AND MAKE REFERRALS. Helpline Information & Referral Service needs friendly, outgoing individuals who are familiar with the Richmond Hill area. After training, volunteers would answer confidential telephone inquiries by supplying the needed information, or by making a referral to an appropriate agency. An ability to listen and communicate is important. People are needed for one morning or afternoon a week. If you are interested in this, call the Richmond Hill Volunteer Bureau at 883-2235.</p> <p>... to BABYSIT. People are needed who are willing to babysit on an emergency basis. You would go into the home to give a mother a break or to free her for an appointment. Interest in children and an ability to accept people as they are is important. If you can help, call the Richmond Hill Volunteer Bureau at 883-2235.</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Thornhill Amateur Radio Club, Thornlea Secondary School. 889-3848.</p> <p>Evening Book Discussion Group, Thornhill Community Centre Library, 7.30 - 9.30 p.m.</p> <p>Bayview Secondary School Open House, Fashion show, gymnastics, etc. 7-9 p.m. Info: 884-4453.</p> <p>Young Life Youth Group meeting, 81 Crosby Ave. 7.30 p.m. Info: 884-4211.</p> <p>CNIB annual meeting in Newmarket. Info: 883-1367.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Richmond Hill Lions meeting, 6.30 p.m. Lion's Hall.</p> <p>B'Nai B'rith meeting at Gallanough Library, 8 p.m. 881-2027.</p> <p>Widows & Widowers meeting, Victoria & Grey Trust Building, 8 p.m.</p> <p>Pre-school French lessons at Richmond Hill Library. Pre-registration. 9.30 - 10 a.m.</p> <p>Thornhill Newcomers Club last coffee party 'til September. 10 a.m. Info: 881-8166 or 881-4530.</p> <p>Richmond Hill & Thornhill Area Family Services board meeting, 10225A Yonge St. 7.30 p.m. Info: 884-9148.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Richmond Hill Aquatic Club practice, Centennial Pool, 5.30 p.m. Info: 669-1840 or 884-4594.</p> <p>Dynes Jr. Ball Club "Meet the Club" dinner and dance at Lions Hall. Cocktails, 6.30 p.m. Tickets & info: 884-7549.</p> <p>Teen Drop-In, Concord Community Centre, 8-11 p.m. Ages 13-17. Info: 669-1840.</p> <p>Duplicate Bridge, 12125 Yonge St. 8 p.m. Info: 884-1689.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Richvale Branch Library, Symphony Street Mini-Concert with Don Kuehn on percussion. All ages welcome. 2 p.m.</p> <p>Stuff and Such 11 Garage Sale. Pottery, plants and baked goods. Burr House, 530 Carrville Road. For further information call 889-3637.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Richvale Lions Bingo, Richvale Lions Hall, 31 Spruce Avenue, 7.30 p.m.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Cantabile Chorale, 8 p.m. Thornhill Baptist Church. Info: 881-1105.</p>	<p>ELECTION DAY. 22</p> <p>Richmond Hill Horticultural meeting, Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.</p> <p>"Let's Discuss Parenting", Richmond Hill-Thornhill Family Services office, 10225A Yonge. 8 p.m. Info: 884-9148 or 884-8281.</p> <p>Storytime for pre-schoolers at Thornhill Community Centre Library, 3-5 years old. 2 p.m.</p> <p>St. Mary's Anglican Church annual pot luck supper. 6.30 p.m.</p> <p>Ladies night out. Yoga and a variety of crafts. Viking Club, Oak Ridges. 7 p.m.</p>	<p>23</p> <p>St. John Ambulance Brigade meeting, Don Head School cafeteria, 8-10 p.m. Info: 884-4204.</p> <p>Canadian Progress Club, York Central branch, meeting, 7 p.m. Info: 884-3888.</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Mobile Citizenship Court, Richvale Community Centre, 2-8 p.m. Info: 883-2234.</p> <p>Pre-school French lessons at Richmond Hill Library. Pre-registration. 9.30 - 10 a.m.</p> <p>Canadian Iris Society at Richmond Hill Library, 7.30 p.m.</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Richmond Hill Aquatic Club practice, Centennial Pool, 5.30 p.m. Info: 884-4594 or 669-1840.</p> <p>St. Paul's Lutheran Church LCW meeting, Mother-daughter dessert hour.</p> <p>Flea market and rummage sale, Loyal True Blue and Orange Home. Info and pickup: 889-5421.</p> <p>Teen Drop-In, Concord Community Centre, 8-11 p.m. Ages 13-17. Info: 669-1689.</p> <p>Duplicate Bridge, 12125 Yonge St. 8 p.m. Info: 884-1689.</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Y Auction and Garage Sale, 83 Dunlop St. R, Hill 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.</p> <p>Fun Day, German Mills Nursery School, Thornhill, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Rain date: June 2.</p> <p>R. Hill Curtain Club "The Haunting of Hill House", 8.30 p.m. Tickets: 884-3703.</p> <p>White Elephant and Rummage Sale, St. Stephens Anglican, Maple, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Pick-up: 832-1345 or 832-1324.</p> <p>6th Thornhill Cubs & Scouts, paper drive. Pick-up from 9 a.m. - noon. Info: 889-0206.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Richvale Lions Bingo, Richvale Lions Hall, 31 Spruce Ave. 7.30 p.m.</p> <p>Richmond Hill Curtain Club "The Haunting of Hill House", 8.30 p.m. Tickets: 883-3703.</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Cantabile Chorale, Thornhill Baptist Church 8 p.m. For further information, call 881-1105.</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Babysitting Co-op meeting, 284 Essex Ave. 8 p.m. Info: 884-1210.</p> <p>"Let's Discuss Parenting", Richmond Hill-Thornhill Family Services office, 10225 A Yonge. 8 p.m. Info: 884-9148.</p> <p>Stroke Recovery meeting, Don Head School, 7.30 p.m.</p> <p>Storytime for pre-schoolers at Thornhill Community Centre Library, 2 p.m. Ages 3-5.</p> <p>Ladies Night Out, Yoga and a variety of crafts, Viking Club, Oak Ridges. 7 p.m.</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Auction, bake sale, snacks and refreshments at St. Paul's United Church, Oak Ridges. Info: 773-5707.</p> <p>Curtain Club "The Haunting of Hill House", 8.30 p.m. Tickets: 884-3703.</p> <p>Social Planning Council annual meeting, Blue Flame Room, Consumers' Gas bldg. Elgin Mills East. 7.30 p.m.</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Richmond Hill Right to Life meeting, 24 Thornhill Avenue, Thornhill, 7.30 p.m. For further information, call 881-1727.</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Richmond Hill Aquatic Club practice, Centennial Pool, 5.30 p.m. Info: 669-1840 or 884-4594.</p> <p>Teen Drop-In, Concord Community Centre, 8-11 p.m. Ages 13-17. Info: 669-1840.</p> <p>Duplicate Bridge, 12125 Yonge. 8 p.m. Info: 884-1689.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>One Parent Families Association Dance, Thornhill Community Centre, 8 p.m.</p> <p>Carnival, Bayview Glen Public School, Thornhill, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. For further information, call 881-7886.</p>
<p>Monday</p> <p>York Philharmonic Choir practice, R. Hill Baptist, 7.30 p.m.</p> <p>Tuesday</p> <p>Legal Aid Clinic 7 to 10 pm 884-9148</p> <p>Mother's Break 9:30 to 11:15 R. H. United Church, 884-4294</p> <p>Yoga 7:15 to 8:30 beginner 8:30 to 9:45 inter. Richmond Hill United Church 884-2671</p>	<p>Richvale Lions Drum Corp & Colour Guard, Lion's Hall, 31 Spruce Ave., 6:30 pm - 8:30</p> <p>C.G.I.T., R.H. United Church 7-8:30 pm Girls 12-17 years 883-5971</p> <p>Free topical fluoride clinic for children 3-16 years 8:30-4:30 pm. Call Health Unit for info. & app'l., 884-1133, 887-5245, 832-1384, 297-3324</p> <p>Scone Tea, Burr House 528 Carrville Rd. R.H. 1:30-3:30 pm. 884-0327</p>	<p>Wednesday</p> <p>Seniors Euchre Game, 1:30 Club Room, 10, 149 Yonge St. R. H.</p> <p>R.H. Lions Majorette and Drum Corps. practice Lions Hall 7-9 pm</p> <p>Duplicate Bridge, St. John's Anglican Church, 12125 Yonge St. R.H. For further info. call 884-1689</p> <p>Free topical fluoride clinic for children 3-16 years 8:30-4:30 pm. Call Health Unit for info. & App'l. 884-1133, 887-5245, 832-1384, 297-3324</p>	<p>R.H. Legion Bingo, Legion Hall, Ohio Rd., R.H. 7:35 pm</p> <p>R.H. Public Library Pre-School Story Hour 2-2:45 pm. Richvale Dr. 10:30 am. Charles Connor 2 pm Pre-registration for all</p> <p>Senior Citizens Bowling 1:30 pm. Newkirk Bowl call Mike Kyte 884-6922</p> <p>Thursday</p> <p>Yoga Class 8:45 to 10 am. Thornhill Holy Trinity Anglican Church</p>	<p>Yoga Class, R.H. United Church 9 to 10:15 am beginner 10:15 to 11:30 inter. 884-2671</p> <p>Weight Watchers Concord Comm. Centre, 7:30 pm 669-2173</p> <p>Thornhill Recycling Depot Bayview & Green Lane 7 to 8:30 pm</p> <p>Maple Leaf Accordion Band McKillop School, 7-9 pm 884-8390</p> <p>Air Cadets male & female 12-18 yrs. Royal Canadian Legion 7 pm. Ohio Rd. 884-4521</p>	<p>Richmond Hill Youth Concert Band Rehearsals 7:30 pm. St. Joseph's school 884-8873</p> <p>Saturday</p> <p>R.H. Recycling Depot, Elgin Mills Rd. E. at Leslie, 10 am - noon.</p> <p>Thornhill Recycling Depot Bayview at Green Lane, 10 am to noon.</p> <p>Euchre, 1:30 pm. Seniors Club Room, 10, 149 Yonge St. R.H. All welcome.</p>													