

## Developer, Ronalds clash at meeting

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Ronalds Printing was "totally unaware" of the redesignation of the new official plan said Mr. Plaxton, consequently no objections were entered.

"Had my client been aware of the redesignation, they would have immediately objected," he said.

Councillor Al Duffy, Chairman of the Planning Committee, pointed out a map with proposed designations and a notice of public meetings was sent to every land owner in town, as well as notices and editorial copy in local newspapers.

His reply to Ronalds was that he did not know what else the town could have done.

Mayor Dave Schiller reiterated on this point, adding he felt people were "not just adequately, but fully notified".

General Manager of Ronalds Printing, John Hissink, said Ronalds wanted to be "good citizens".

In 1964 when they came to Richmond Hill they bought in the centre of an area zoned industrial, but with the current redesignation to residential, he was concerned.

"We will not be able to operate without creating problems," he said. "If you change the zoning, we will move elsewhere."

Mr. Hissink said the noise, vibration and visible smells were not objectionable in an industrial area, but, "I wouldn't want to live behind the plant, and neither would you."

Richmond Hill resident, Dave Stephenson, representing W.A. Stephenson Holding Company, said after the lengthy presentation by Ronalds and their solicitor, council had only heard one side and he would like the opportunity to have his legal counsel heard.

Mr. Stephenson pointed out he had not made any threats but felt his company was entitled to

rights and would like to do something with their property.

To Ronalds Printing officials he said, after admitting they were polluting the property with noise, "if they would like to use any property as a buffer... I know they are not poverty stricken".

A resident of Crosby Avenue, the existing residential area that would be backing on the proposed subdivision, Bruce Crowder, said, in his view, the residential proposal would "pick up" the character of the community.

Mr. Crowder suggested an attempt be made to have the residential area and a buffer zone to satisfy both sides of the controversy.

Councillor Dave Amos, representing the ward where both properties are located, said, "I will do my best to help resolve the problem."

Mayor Schiller tempered the whole discussion when he noted, "this is an incredible reaction to something still in the discussion stage".

It was decided after all sides were heard, planning staff will review the application and come back to the next or following planning committee meeting with their recommendations.

When interviewed by The Liberal later, Planning Commissioner Bill Power said one area Mr. Plaxton did not touch on was that the town's official plan does call for adequate screening to be erected between uses.

There are three ways to make sure protection is provided, he added, vegetation or landscaping, architectural or structural or extra distance.

Mr. Power said he and his staff would look at all issues raised in the meeting and find a solution, both for now and in the future.

Transcript of all that transpired at the meeting will be sent to the Ministry of the Environment, said Mr. Power to get their response to the application.



**JANET HUTCHINSON**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Hutchinson of Richmond Hill, graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Guelph. Her degree is in the honors program of Human Kinetics. Janet attended public and high school in Richmond Hill.

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The pack won last year as well.

First-place ribbons were presented to Ward Irvine, Steven

Rasmussen, Paul Revill, Robert Smock, Paul Butkovich, Matthew Smock, Martin Buchert, Craig Dimock, Matthew Barclay, and Barin Robertson by Bishop Alexander Barclay, at the Sunday evening service of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Akela Ruth Irvine volunteered to be the

"shooting gallery" target, and was peppered with wet sponges.

Besides the identification of shrubs, trees, and edible plants, there were progressive games, including a three-legged race, egg-and- spoon race, ski race, obstacle race, scavenger hunt, and stone tossing.

Judges commended the parents for their support.



**GEOFFREY C. SWITZER**, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Switzer, 2 Innis Crescent, Richmond Hill, has graduated from the Royal Military College, Kingston, Ontario with a Bachelor of Engineering Degree. He majored in Mechanical Engineering and achieved first class honors. Jeff is presently stationed at CFB Borden. He is a graduate of Bayview Secondary School.



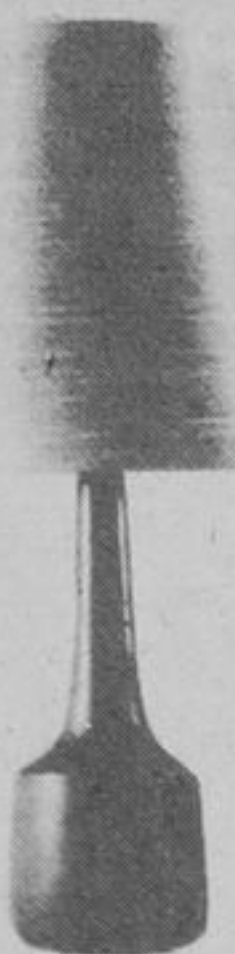
**SHERON MARIE (BOYNTON) WARD** of Ruthven graduated June 3 with a Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Windsor. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Boynton, formerly of Victoria Square, presently living in Stroud. Sheron has accepted an articling position with the law firm of Karry, Salem and Melinz in Kingsville.

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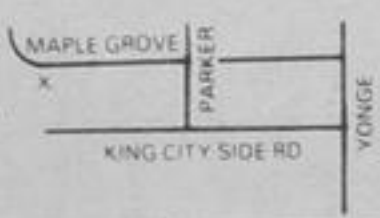
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