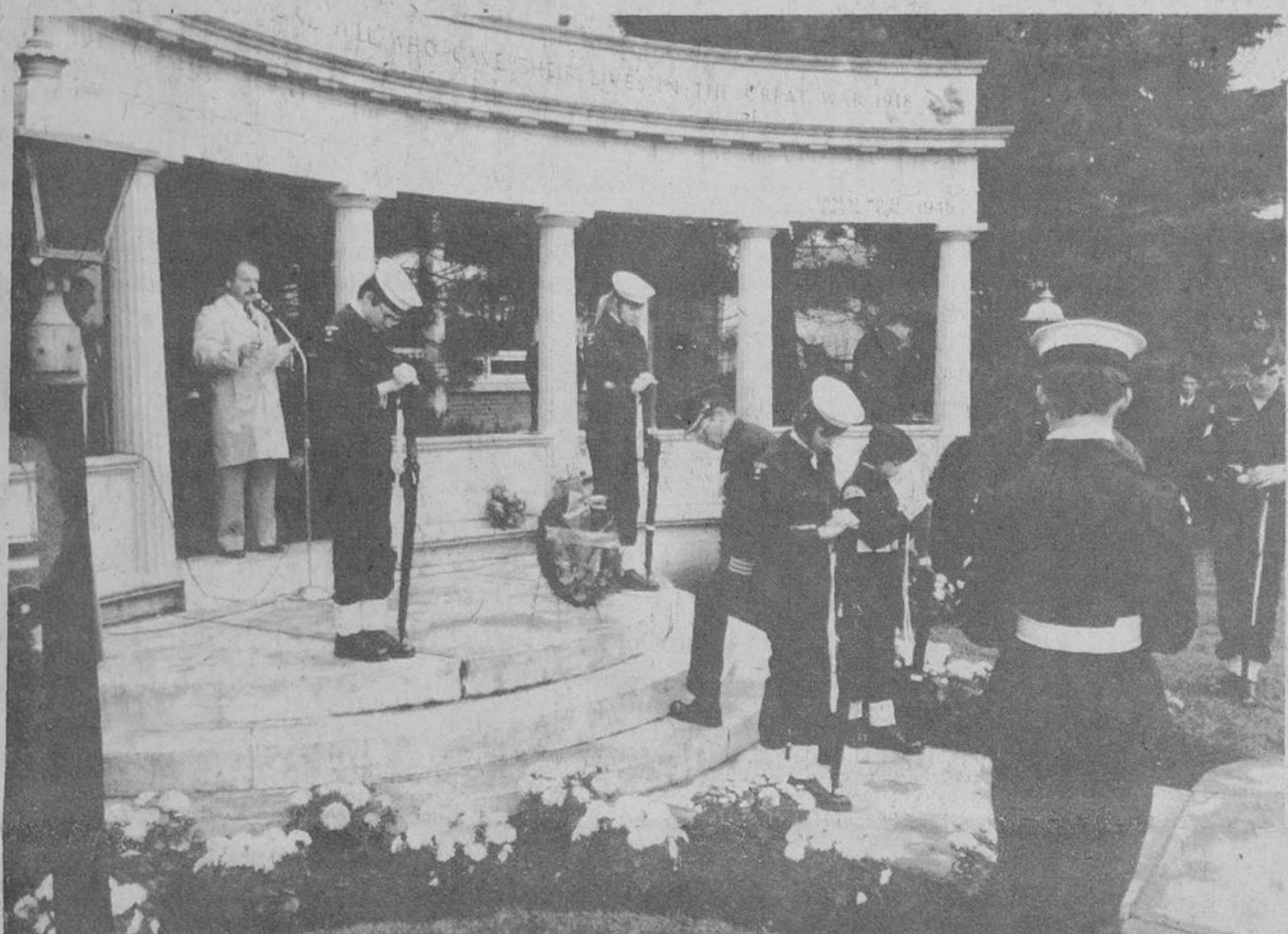


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Members of Richmond Hill Legion, Branch 375, (top) pay their respects Sunday during annual Remembrance Day ceremonies at the cenotaph on Yonge Street. Below wreaths are laid, while Richmond Hill Councillor Al Duffy (left) addresses the crowd. (Liberal photo by Alec Bruyns)

## Library Board seeking new site

To move or not to move — that is the question.

Representatives from the Richmond Hill Public Library Board asked council Monday night to approve plans to build a new library facility of 5,400 square feet at Richvale Community Centre. This new library would replace the present 1,700 square foot building on Pearson Avenue, south of Carrville Road.

Advantages of moving the library included the availability of shared public facilities such as washrooms and parking, reduced capital, maintenance and energy costs as well as the potential for future expansion, board members said.

One other advantage, a contribution of \$100,000 available from the BAIF developers, would pay about one-third the projected cost of the new library which is estimated to be \$430,000 (Wintario subsidy would amount to about \$24,000).

The Library Board felt the .79 acre site on Pearson Avenue would not only be difficult to expand, but would not have place for adequate parking and could not accommodate any future expansion.

Residents south of Carrville Road want the library location to remain where it is, on Pearson beside Charles Howitt Public School for sentimental reasons as well as its proximity.

Richvale Library, a Centennial project inherited from Vaughan, serves the communities of north and south Richvale, Hillview, Langstaff and Doncrest.

Council was hesitant to approve the plans not only because of financial restraints in the municipality but because there are plans for a library to be included in the civic centre.

The Library Board wanted a decision Monday night but because so many residents felt strongly it was a "vital decision" for the community, council will set up a public meeting where all can air their opinions and the library board can explain their choice statistically.

## Teachers want tapes as evidence

In what has been called a precedent-setting case, lawyers for York secondary school teachers have asked that tape recordings of a private school board meeting last September be subpoenaed to show trustees illegally closed high schools for two days.

The teachers, in their efforts to recover nearly \$250,000 in lost salaries from September 4 and 5, have taken their case to the Ontario Labor Relations Board.

The first set of hearings ended Friday and they will be reconvened December 18.

For more on the story see Page C-1.

## Garbage problems piling up

York Region is running out of places to put its garbage.

While it authorized a solid waste management study in 1974, the fight to find, own and operate appropriate landfill sites has become a desperate one and is likely to plague future residents of the Region for years to come.

The sites now available are filling up at such a rate that the approved capacity is down to a maximum two-to-four year period, according to a report by the Regional Commissioner of Engineering.

Those dumping areas which have space and the potential to expand are all privately owned and controlled by a company competitively involved in the waste haulage industry.

The Region is afraid such a monopoly could cut down the competition and result in higher disposal rates.

York will produce an estimated 250,000 tons of solid refuse by 1981 and that will grow to 480,000 by 1991. Since it must address itself now to a problem of future disposal sites, Regional Council picked up the initiative begun in the Provincial Legislature on May 31, 1979, when an amend-

ment to the Regional Municipality of York Act was given first reading.

The amendment is designed to give York legal jurisdiction over proposed solid waste disposal sites. Council approved further amendments to the first reading of the Bill last Thursday, and actually won a two-year fight with the Town of Vaughan over the ownership and operation of garbage dumps.

A private firm in Vaughan, Superior Sand and Gravel, applied for development of a two-year site at Maple about two years ago.

The original application was for a 520-acre site and during the Environmental Assessment Board hearings held in the summer of 1978, the application was changed. The owners modified the plan and the size of the proposed dump was scaled down to about 245 acres.

The board ruled this constituted a new application so another hearing was set up. The decision of that hearing is still pending.

**PARTNERS**  
All along the Town of Vaughan has insisted since it has sunk so

much taxpayers' money into the project, it had become a bona fide partner in the ownership of existing sites and the new one. Solicitor Tom Fraser, Mayor Garnet Williams and Councillor Dario DiGiannantonio did their best to change the amendments to the Bill proposed by Regional Solicitor Ed Oakes.

Mr. Fraser's efforts were two-fold: he asked that Vaughan be given jurisdiction over Regional roads used or slated to be used by vehicles dumping refuse. On that he won a partial victory.

Vaughan, one of only three area municipalities to have landfill sites (King and Georgina are the others), has tried desperately to win control of these sites from the Region. In one amendment to the Bill which was voted down, Vaughan tried to cut out Regional responsibility altogether: "On and after the day this section comes into force, the Regional Corporation may provide facilities for the purpose of receiving, dumping and disposing of waste".

The two Vaughan representatives lost virtually every motion they tried to bring before council. In his introduction to the subject of the Maple dump, Mayor Williams said:

"What we have here is an item of magnitude — it's a multi-million dollar business. We have come to the Region to request control of our own landfill sites. And that's all we want."

"There has been some concern about the use of the land once the site is finished as a dump. There will be 600 acres unused even if the owner of the site is able to use all the acreage available — and he's not able to. I'd like to make it clear the operation of this site applies to what happens in Georgina or Whitchurch-Stouffville as well as Vaughan."

After all the amendments had been either defeated or passed and the smoke had cleared, Richmond Hill Councillor Gord Rowe admonished council for the hindsight it had shown in preparing waste facilities.

## Four-way stop sign OK'd in Oak Ridges despite staff report

The intersection at North Lake Road and Wildwood Ave. in Oak Ridges will get a four-way stop sign, even though the Regional Engineer claims it doesn't warrant one.

Richmond Hill Council passed a bylaw approving the stop sign but engineering staff of the Region went to considerable trouble to show there is no need to slow the traffic down at the intersection in question.

One of Engineering Commissioner Bob Hodgson's reasons for no sign was there hasn't been an accident on either of the roads for 12 months.

He claimed there isn't enough traffic, either vehicular or pedestrian and that installing signs would only give pedestrians a false sense of security while crossing.

"Our policy is to agree with the bylaw passed by the area

municipality," said Engineering Committee Chairman Ron Moran.

"Even though the engineering staff did a report which was contrary to Richmond Hill's request, we go along with what the town wants."

The report noted that while there is a "School Crossing" sign on North Lake Road for east-bound motorists, there is no guard at or near the intersection.

It said the town should either appoint a guard and install a sign for westbound motorists or take down the existing sign.

"The use of this sign, not accompanied by a crossing guard is contrary to its use as set out in the 'Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices', stated the report.

Council approved Richmond Hill's bylaw without question.

Bayview Secondary  
Bayview Avenue

Welcome  
Santa  
Sunday

Sixty-four units strong, the annual Richmond Hill Santa Claus parade hits the streets this Sunday afternoon.

And it should be something to see.

Boasting more bands and more floats than ever before, the enormous parade will start out from Bayview Secondary School at 1.30 p.m., head south to Markham Road, west to Yonge Street and north to the Richmond Heights Plaza.

One of the highlights of the parade will be an appearance by the Ontario Provincial Police "Golden Helmets" a precision motorcycle unit.

Included in the list of bands are 48th Highlanders, the Burlington Teen Tour Band, the Maple Leaf Accordion Band, the Etobicoke Crusaders, and bands from Richmond Hill and Bayview secondary schools.

Also making an appearance, courtesy of Canada's Wonderland, will be Yogi Bear and Fred Flintstone. Ronald McDonald will join Yogi and Fred in the parade.

The parade committee this year has done everything in its power to present a spectacular event to the people in Richmond Hill. A light dusting of snow would make the magic complete.

Trophies and awards will be presented to floats in various categories.

Yonge Street  
Richmond Hts. Plaza

## Rotary Auction keeps on growing

Everyone in the community stands to benefit from Richmond Hill Rotary Club's first TV Auction.

Kim Wildfong, Program Director for Classicomm, Channel 10, who is busy these days co-ordinating the auction, said he feels people in the community will be donating to a worthy cause (all proceeds go to the York Centre for Learning Disabilities) and getting a good deal at the same time.

Not only is the public cashing in on attractive merchandise, said the program director, but merchants in town are getting free advertising and the Rotary Club itself is getting the largest dollar return for the number of fund raising man hours being put in.

There is also the human value, said Mr. Wildfong, the possibility of drawing the community together, with each household taking part in the same event, as well as the value of keeping the money raised in the region where all may benefit from services provided.

So far over 300 items have been donated, "and they're still coming in," said Mr. Wildfong. Items will be shown in groups for about 20 minutes, complete with description, name of the donor and value.

Another 20 minutes will then be allowed for bidding by telephone. Bids will be posted on a board so everyone will be able to see the latest bid.

Right now it looks as though the auction will be held two evenings, December 6 and 7, beginning about 6 p.m.

Classicomm and representatives from the Rotary Club have researched other TV Auctions "taking the best ideas, discarding the worst, and adding a few of our own," said Mr. Wildfong.

"Now it will depend on the number who tune in to watch," he added.

Mr. Wildfong's problem now is to come up with a flow of people through the studio, from answering calls to moving merchandise in and out of the studio.



The efforts of this Grade 13 Family Studies class at St. Robert's in Thornhill won't be forgotten by families involved in the Mississauga emergency. Under direction of teacher Joe Visconti, a collection of over \$260 was made Monday morning and the girls, after visiting Knob Hill Farms and A&P, put

together 480 sandwiches. They also provided milk and juice, in sterile bottles for those young children who had to leave their homes. The shopping list included 55 quarts of milk, 40 pounds of apples, 15 packs of cookies, 40 tins of juice and 40 loaves of bread. They still had \$60 left over for use yesterday.

### Community Pulse

#### Christmas cake on sale

Although the Civitan Club of Richmond Hill is not yet officially chartered, members are selling Christmas cake to raise funds for underprivileged people in our community.

Claxton Fruitcake is available at Bargoon Palace or the House of Baron Men's Hairstyling, both located on Yonge Street in town, or any member of the Civitan Club. Charter night will be November 24 at Arc Industries.

#### One violin, please

Once again Richmond Hill's theatre group, The Curtain Club, is appealing to the public for help in finding props.

This time it's a violin — functional or otherwise — and it's required for the Club's next production "The Lady's Not For Burning", which opens November 29.

If you have a violin you'd consider lending until the middle of December, call Joan Ryland at 884-2917.