

# Youth fined for bomb scare

NEWMARKET — A 16-year-old Thornhill youth who made threatening phone calls to the Thornhill Secondary School, was told by a Provincial Judge last week that but for his age, he would be on his way to jail.

David Ballantyne was charged by York Regional Police last October after he phoned the school threatening that a bomb was about to go off, and warning the school principal to evacuate the premises. Judge Wilch angrily told the youth "I do not

consider this matter a practical joke in any way, shape or form. We are well aware of people in our country today and in other countries who threaten to bomb our buildings and aircraft. The Judge told Ballantyne "This sort of thing has reached the extent

that it has become too unbearable to live with. Your threat could very well have caused the death of other human beings aroused by emotions." Judge Wilch told the 16-year-old youth he felt that jail was the only deterrent to such actions

and noted his record of previous convictions on other offences. "Had you been charged other than under a summary offence and been older than you are, you would have gone to jail," Judge Wilch told the youth in fining him \$500 or 90 days.



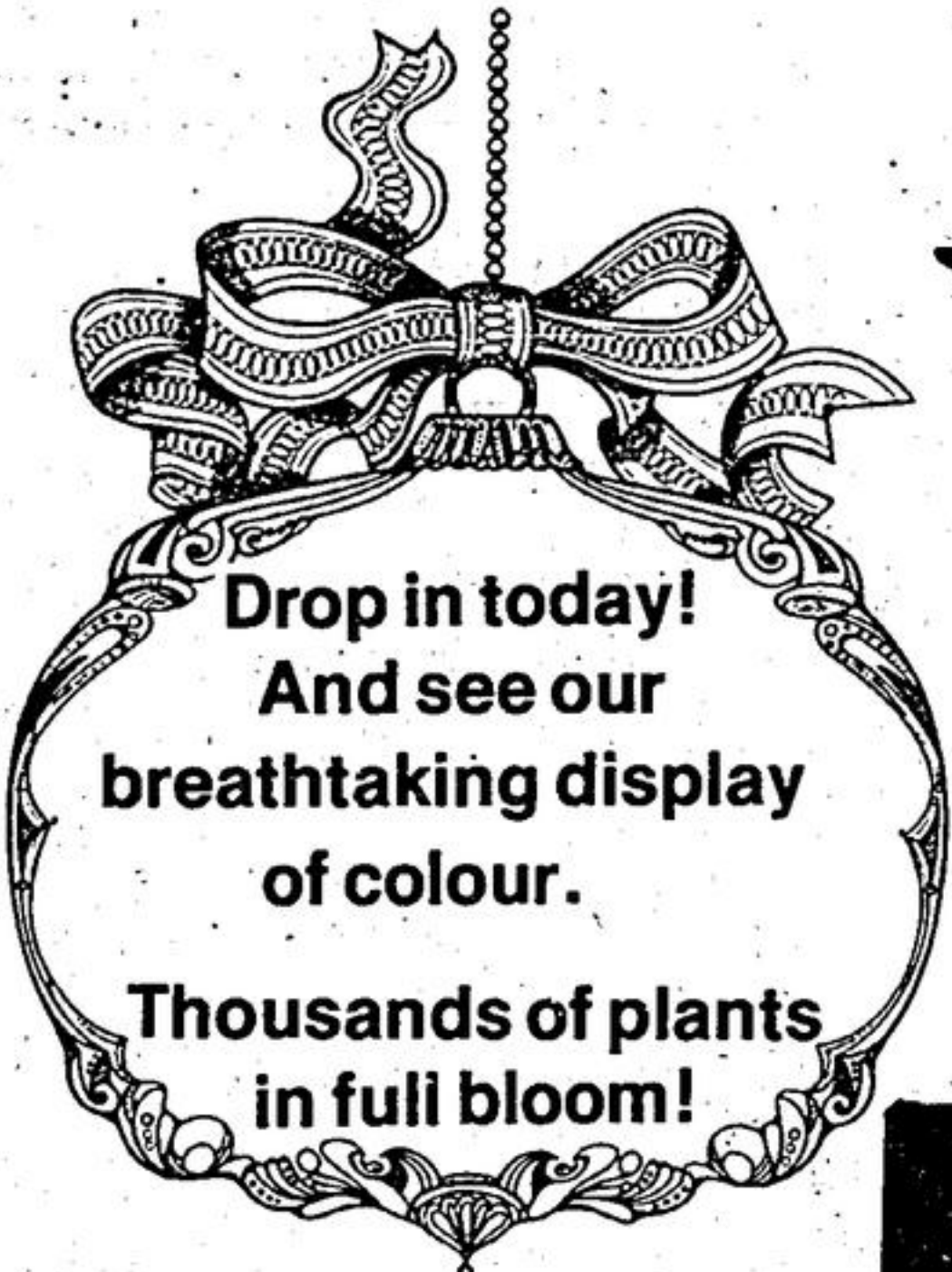
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Ken May of K.R. May Real Estate, Stouffville, was recently appointed to the executive of the Ontario Real Estate Association for the 1978 term. Mr. May was appointed to the Finance Committee during executive elections held a few weeks ago at Aurora Highlands Golf and Country Club. Executive for 1978 are, front row from left: Fred Penney - Regional Vice President of the Ontario Real Estate Association, Executive Secretary - Gloria Cruse, Past President - Bob Davies, F.R.I., President - Bob Arm-

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Centre has outgrown its present premises in the Richmond Hill United Church. The move to the new building is expected to take place in the spring.

A first fundraising effort is the sale of Christmas cakes.

Recently a Christmas tree in the Hillcrest Mall was decorated with nametags of people who made donations on the spot. This will be repeated at the Upper Canada Mall in Newmarket on November 24, 25 and 26. A fashion show is planned for the end of March. Service clubs and businesses in York Region will be approached with a request for support. For further information call Craig Shields at 884-6534 or 773-5303 about the Centre or Yvonne Philpott at 881-0212 about the fundraising.

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