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York Region Association for Children with Learning Disabilities Annual Meeting will be held at Crosby Heights Public School, Richmond Hill, Tuesday Sept. 27 at 8:00 p.m. The association also needs a secretary, directory of programs and volunteers for various committees. For more information call 884-7933.

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## Area man jailed 15 days after his wife assaulted

A 32-year-old South American immigrant was sent to jail for 15 days last week after pleading guilty to the assault of his wife in Thornhill recently.

Luis Moriera was told by Judge F. D. White "I don't know what they do in the country you come from, but in Canada we don't like wife beaters, and we have laws against it."

Mr. Moriera, according to crown testimony, ordered his wife Victoria to drive to the Finch subway station and meet him with the car.

According to testimony, Mr. Moriera punched her in the face and head while she was driving him home and threatened to

hit her with a socket wrench if she stopped the car. He also told the woman he would shove the wrench down her throat if she complained.

The court was told that Mr. Moriera's young daughter was in the vehicle during the incident.

### Jail for theft

With the price of cigarettes skyrocketing, some people are willing to go to extremes to obtain them.

Last week in Newmarket Provincial Court, a 21-year-old Markham area man pleaded guilty to the theft of cigarettes from a Markham pharmacy and got 30 days in jail as punishment.

Wayne C. Reddick was charged by Police last November after he was nabbed at a Markham shopping plaza.

Judge H. E. Zimmerman was told Reddick had earlier failed to appear for trial on another matter, and was given 14 more days in jail for that offence.

## Drug offences net probation

An 18-year-old Markham youth has been given a suspended sentence, placed on a one year term of probation and ordered to do 100 hours of community service following his conviction last week in Newmarket Court on drug offences.

Richard A. Tracey, who was charged last New Year's Day at a party in Markham, pleaded not guilty to trafficking in resin, but guilty to the lesser offence of possession.

When police went to Mr. Tracey's residence in answer to a noise complaint they found the drug along with a set of scales and \$901 in cash.

The court was told that Mr. Tracey admitted he had sold quantities of the drug.

## Bacteria kills gulls

MUSS LAKE — As reported last week, a fungus infection, described by Dr. Ian Barker of the University of Guelph as "severe", is believed responsible for the deaths of dozens of seagulls in the resort area of Musselman's Lake.

Dr. Barker said the majority of gulls he inspected were in an emaciated state due to lack of food. Their weight, he explained, was less than half that of normal birds.

He suggested that in a vain search for nourishment, these young gulls are landing on or near the water and are too weak to fly out. This particular species is known as ring-billed gulls, Dr. Barker stated. They're highly susceptible to fungus diseases, he said, particularly when in a weakened condition.

The autopsy report is not complete, Dr. Barker said, with further checks now underway related to pesticides. This, he said, could take anywhere from three weeks to three months.

## Cemetery vandalism

By Elsie Boland  
GOODWOOD — The Goodwood community is distressed over the wanton vandalism at the cemetery, Sunday night or early Monday morning. Thirty gravestones were either overturned or smashed. Durham Regional Police are investigating and it's understood officers have come up with some lead clues concerning the identity of the culprits responsible. Let's hope so.

M.P. Scott Fennell was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Women's Institute in the Goodwood Hall.

Mr and Mrs Charles Redwood entertained the United Church choir members at a corn roast; Saturday evening.

Mr and Mrs Peter King have been pleased to have their son John visit with them from Vancouver.

The 1st Goodwood Brownies will meet on Mon., Sept. 19 in the Goodwood Hall. Registration will take place from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Girls aged 6, 7 and 8 are welcome. For additional information call Kathy Hopkins at 640-3804.

Jack Crone, Elsie Boland and Mary Risebrough were each winners following the Goodwood Srs. pot-luck luncheon, Sept. 6. Other prize-winners were—Louise Hammond, Frank Jenkinson, Ivan MacElwain, Elva Symes, Isobel Home, Jean Bell, Esther Archer, Gladys Bergin, Margaret Eckardt, Van Bell, Everett Hammond, Ken Home, George Archer, Jim Eddington, Millie Eddington, Rita Parratt and Peg Jenkinson.

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