

# MARKHAM INFORMATION

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## Update

### DOWNTOWN WEEK

The most remarkable urban phenomenon of the past decade is the revival of downtown Canada. From small towns to large cities, the traditional cores of many of our communities are coming back to life: buildings are being renovated, downtowns marketed, cores commercially developed, merchants organized, jobs created, and streetscapes beautified.

Inevitably, downtown is a shopping center where manifold retail activity attracts townspeople. Naturally, downtown is the decision-making center in any community. Unfailingly, downtown is the richest center for entertainment activity - for dining, arts, nightlife, special events. And nowadays interest in downtown living is on the rise, understandably.

Such headway, such vivification, has led the Ontario BIA Association, Ontario's Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and Ottawa's Heritage Canada Foundation, to join together to arrange Canada's first-ever national conference on downtown revitalization: "Downtown Coming Together" will bring together in Toronto in May delegates from coast to coast, individuals committed to making downtowns vital, alive and prosperous.

It is against this background that Markham will declare the week of May 8 - 14 "Downtown Week" to mark the phenomenon of downtown renewal.

The Honourable John Eakins, Ontario's Minister of Municipal Affairs, has endorsed this proposition: by means of a "Downtown Day", he has affirmed: a municipality can "recognize the efforts of those people who work in their community's downtown".

Watch future pages for Markham's official proclamation.

## Public Notices

### TOWN OF MARKHAM NOTICE OF LANEWAY CLOSING

Proposed By-laws to stop up and close and sell a certain laneway, north of Kirk Drive and east of Yonge Street.

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Markham intends to pass by-laws to stop up and close and to offer for sale to the abutting property owners a certain laneway being north of Kirk Drive and east of Yonge Street further described as being east of Lots 5, 6 and 7, Registered Plan 4184.

The proposed by-laws and a copy of the Reference Plan showing the portion of the lane to be stopped up and closed may be seen in my office in the Municipal Building at 8911 Woodbine Avenue, Buttonville, Ontario, during normal business hours.

The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Markham shall hear in person or by his/her Counsel, Solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his/her lands will be prejudicially affected by the by-laws and applies to be heard at a hearing to be held on Tuesday, April 12th, 1988 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 8911 Woodbine Avenue, Buttonville, at the hour of 2:00 p.m. or as soon as possible thereafter.

Dated at Markham, Ontario this 7th day of March, 1988

Christine Palmer, A.M.C.T.  
Deputy Clerk  
Town of Markham  
8911 Woodbine Avenue  
Markham, Ontario  
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## Markham Theatre

### THEATRE UPDATE

This past week local media and theatre staff were treated to a social visit by Alley Scatz, a dynamite trio of talent who perform tonight at the theatre as part of Music Series I. Rhythm, swing and hot vocal harmonies by these lively ladies entice audiences wherever they perform. The show closes tonight. For tickets please call the box office NOW.

The Concert Group of the National Ballet of Canada perform at the theatre on April 9 and 10 at 8 p.m. Presented by the Unionville Rotary Club, this is a fundraising event. The Concert Group is an ensemble of 15 dancers featuring leading principals and soloists. For this event, the principals are Kimberly Glasco, Kim Lightfoot and Gizella Witkowsky.

### THE NATIONAL TAP DANCE COMPANY COMES TO MARKHAM FOR TWO EVENTS

On April 15 and 16, the Markham Theatre presents the National Tap Dance Company in "Fascinating Rhythms", closing the Theatre's Professional Dance Series. This is an evening of versatility, originality, creativity and sheer entertainment. Now heading into its twelfth year, this company is Canada's first group dedicated to the art of tap dancing as a performing art form.

Sure to please our children is "Oliver Button is a Sissy," the National Tap Dance Company of Canada's heartwarming adventure of a little boy struggling to find his own happiness. Three performances on Sunday, April 17 will close the Theatre's Family Series. Oliver proves that in each of us there is a little child who never quite grows up.



For program information and tickets please call the Markham Theatre Box Office at 479-0201, Monday to Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## Facts

### TORNADO AWARENESS

Each year, an average of 25 tornadoes touch down in Ontario. Some are minor and cause little damage, others such as the central Ontario tornado in 1985, are major and cause injuries and deaths.

March 30th marks the beginning of the severe weather season in Ontario.

#### TORNADO TIPS

**Weather Watches and Warnings**  
Environment Canada issues weather watches and warnings when anticipated weather poses a threat to public safety. This information is relayed to the public by radio and television.

A severe weather **watch** is issued up to six hours in advance to alert the general public that, for a specified portion of Ontario, there is a high potential for dangerous thunderstorm weather, which may be accompanied by a tornado.

A severe weather **warning** is issued to alert the public that severe thunderstorms or tornadoes are imminent in the warning area - i.e., a severe thunderstorm is in progress or expected to occur within two hours.

#### Tornado Safety Hints

- A personal tornado awareness program should include:
- being aware of the weather, knowing the radio or television stations which broadcast up-to-the-minute weather information
  - knowing the name by which Environment Canada refers to your forecast region when they issue weather forecasts
  - reviewing your plans of action

#### When a tornado threatens

1. Stay away from windows, doors and outside walls. Protect your head.
2. For maximum safety, go down to the basement or seek shelter under a stairway or sturdy table, or in a closet.
3. Try to reach the centre of the house or the side away from the storm.
4. Avoid buildings with large areas of unsupported roof, including arenas, barns or supermarkets. If caught in such a building, seek out the lowest floor, an inside hallway or small interior windowless room, or get under something sturdy.
5. If caught in the open, try to determine the tornado's direction of travel and move at right angles to it. If you cannot avoid the storm, find a ditch, ravine or other depression and lie flat. Do not remain in your car. Many people have been killed trying to ride out a tornado in their car.
6. If no shelter can be found, hang on to the base of a small tree or shrub.
7. Remember that damaged and weakened structures, fallen debris, downed hydro wires, and gas leaks are potential dangers after a storm has passed.

## Transit

### PRICE INCREASE

Effective Sunday, April 3rd, 1988, fares in the Adult and Express categories will be increased to the following:

	Exact Cash	Tickets
ADULTS	\$1.05	10/\$9.00
EXPRESS	\$1.30	10/\$11.50

Fares in the Student and Children/Senior categories will remain unchanged.

Please note that the existing Adult and Express tickets will continue to be accepted along with a cash supplement of 5¢ per ticket up to the end of May.

After May 31st, 1988, the old tickets will no longer be accepted but will be redeemed at face value by Markham Transit. Please call 475-4888 for further information.

# MARKHAM

**YOU'RE INVITED**

The Chairman and Board of Management request the pleasure of your company at the

**Gala Fund Raising Dinner Dance for the Markham Theatre for Performing Arts**

on the evening of  
Friday, the 29th day of April, 1988  
at  
Bayview Golf & Country Club

Proceeds for a concert Grand Piano \$125.00 per person (all inclusive)  
Champagne Reception at 7:30 p.m.  
Black Tie optional Dinner at 8:30 p.m.  
Partial Tax Receipt Music by Bob DeAngelis

## Proclamations

The Council of the Town of Markham hereby proclaims March 30th, 1988 as "TORNADO AWARENESS DAY" in the Town of Markham.

Mayor Carole Bell

# MARKHAM

CAROLE BELL Mayor	RON MORAN Regional Councillor	DORIS QUIRK Ward 1	FRED COX Ward 3	GORDON LANDON Ward 5	MIKE POPOVICH Ward 7
FRANK SCARPHI Regional Councillor	BOBBI RWOOD Ward 2	TOM NEWALL Ward 4	ELSON MILLS Ward 6	ALEX CHIU Ward 8	
BUD BONNER Regional Councillor					