

MARKHAM

the MARK of EXCELLENCE

Town of Markham Information
February 29th - 2000



The Little Prince

APRIL 7, 2000
7:30 PM

Motus O Dance Theatre retells, through movement, the classic fable of a small prince on a tiny planet who travels to earth to find out what is really important in life. A charming and intriguing show that will delight audiences of all ages.

Tickets:
Adults \$15.00
Children \$11.75

Presented with assistance from
Ontario Arts Council
Laidlaw Foundation
Royal Bank of Canada



Markham Theatre

Don't miss out! Call to reserve
your seats today!
(905) 305-SHOW

(305-7469)

NOTICE OF 2000 INTERIM TAX BILLS

RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND MULTI-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

The 2000 Interim Tax Bills for ALL PROPERTY TAX CLASSES were mailed in January. Installment payments are due February 23, March 27 and April 25, 2000.

The 2000 Final Tax Bill for all property classes will likely be mailed in June with payments due in July, August and September.

NEW HOME OWNERS

Supplementary Assessment Notices are issued twice a year by the Ontario Property Assessment Corporation (OPAC). Residential property owners in NEW HOMES occupied after June, 1999 will receive a Supplementary Assessment Notice in 2000. Questions pertaining to Property Assessment should be addressed to OPAC at 1-800-263-3224. The Town of Markham will issue Supplementary Tax Bills shortly, after receiving the Supplementary Assessment Roll from OPAC. These bills are usually issued in July and December and represent the "house" portion of your property taxes, effective from the date you became the owner of your new home.

Question pertaining to your Property Tax Bill should be addressed to the Town at (905) 475-4864.

LEARN HOW TO KEEP YOUR FAMILY SAFE

Join Markham Ward 2 Councillor Randy Barber for "Family Safety Night" — learn how we all can make our home and community a safer place to live. Hear presentations from York Regional Police, Markham Fire Department and engage in an open discussion to find ways we can all improve our level of safety in everyday life.

EVENT: Family Safety Night
PLACE: Thornhill Community Centre
775 Bayview Ave. (at John Street)
DATE: Thursday, March 9, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

MILLIKEN ON THE MOVE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COOKING CLASSES!

Milliken on the Move is looking for volunteers to demonstrate cooking a favourite recipe or a series of different dishes for adult classes being held at the Milliken Mills Community Centre. Classes are held on Thursday evenings beginning the end of March and running for four weeks.

A variety of cultural dishes, quick and easy recipes from any country, or a family favourite are welcome. If you have some time to spare during the evenings, why not swap some cooking ideas?

Anyone wishing to volunteer should contact **Amina Jamal at (905) 474-1316**.

BLACK HISTORY CEREMONY 2000

As part of Markham's Black History Month Celebrations the following were presented with Certificates of Achievement by the Mayor and Members of Council at a ceremony on Tuesday, February 22, 2000. Thanks go to the Race Relations Committee and the Markham African Caribbean Association for their support of this celebration.

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| Delrose Aiken | Joe Halstead | Opiyo Oloya |
| Verna Andrade | Deanna Heron | Paul Scotland |
| Chris Bullen | Clive Hilton | Robert Small |
| Curtis J. Cadore Jr. | Claudette Howell | Sheila Steaman |
| Charles Chambers | Dr. Charles Kere | Ricky Veerappan |
| Barbara Charlesworth | Candace Lipurd | Clemmie Went |
| Hugh Graham | Brenda Morrison | |

COME AND HELP THORNHILL CELEBRATE 25 YEARS!

Calling all interested Markham/Thornhill groups, sports organizations and residents! The Thornhill Community Centre, Library and Day Care celebrates its 25th anniversary April 28 to 30, 2000.

This is your chance to get involved in the community.

We're looking for ideas, volunteers, stories and corporate sponsors to help make this special event a success.

The weekend program is planned to appeal to all ages. More details will be available soon. Anyone interested in being involved in this anniversary celebration should call **Glen Taylor, Town of Markham at (905) 477-7000 ext. 3180**.

MARKHAM'S YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS WORKSHOPS

**Are You Between 18 And 29?
Would You Like To Start And Operate Your Own Business?**

Markham's Young Entrepreneurs Workshops — a joint-venture of the Town of Markham and The Ontario Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Tourism — are designed to help you start and operate your own business as well as a prerequisite to apply for a *Young Entrepreneurs Program* loan.

You will learn:

- How to turn your business idea into a business opportunity
- Complete the *Young Entrepreneurs Program* loan application
- How to minimize your risks in starting a business
- Legal and financial business requirements
- Effective marketing and personal selling strategies



The cost of the two-day 12-hour workshop is \$125. Pre-registration is required.

To reserve your space in the next workshop, or for more information, contact Ailene Holder, Small Business Consultant, at (905) 475-4890. Or stop by Markham's Small Business Self-Help Office at the Town of Markham, Thornhill Entrance, 101 Town Centre Blvd (Hwy 7 & Warden Ave), Monday to Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

THE MANY FACES OF MARKHAM

The Markham Race Relations Committee invites you to an evening of multi-cultural performances of music and dance.

Many Faces of Markham United in the New Millennium

A Celebration of Diversity
Commemorating the International Day for the
Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Date: Thursday March 23, 2000
Time: 7:30 pm
Place: Markham Theatre for Performing Arts
171 Town Centre Blvd.

For tickets (\$2.00 each)
Call (905) 415-7500 Information Markham

MARKHAM AFFORDABLE HOUSING TASK FORCE MEETING

All members of the public are invited to a public forum to share ideas and hear speakers from many sectors of the community as the task force looks at the issues surrounding affordable housing in Markham. The Task Force is chaired by Regional Councillor Tony C. Wong.

Event: Public Forum on Affordable Housing
When: Thursday March 9
7 - 9:30 p.m.
Where: Town of Markham Council Chambers
Civic Centre, 101 Town Centre Blvd.
(Warden Ave. and Hwy. #7)