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FREE TAKE ONE

Staff and volunteer holidays and the cancellation of a 4-page supplement have conspired to make this issue of 7 News smaller than usual. Next issue, we'll be back to our normal size. We are still on our summer (three-week) schedule for one more issue, so the deadline for the next (September 12) issue is Monday, September 8. Bring or mail your news, pictures, or ads to 7 News, 315 Dundas St. East, Toronto M5A 2A2 or phone 363-9650.

OHIP Premium Assistance

By South Riverdale Community Health Centre

Up to 25 percent of the patients obtaining health care at the South Riverdale Community Health Centre are not covered under OHIP (Ontario Health Insurance Plan). While the Centre provides health care without charge whether the individual has OHIP or not, health insurance is still very important. For instance, should a person without OHIP need to see a specialist (such as an obstetrician, pediatrician, or eye doctor) or go to hospital, he or she will be responsible for paying these very high costs. Hospital costs in particular are extremely expensive; for instance, \$299 a day at the Hospital for Sick Children and \$229 a day at St. Michael's Hospital.

Why is it then that so many people do not have OHIP? Much fault lies with Ontario's health insurance system; a system that South Riverdale Health Centre staff and members have been lobbying to change. In Ontario, money to pay for health insurance comes from taxation and "premium" payments. Only three provinces in Canada charge premiums and Ontario premiums are more than double those of other provinces. Many Ontario residents cannot afford to pay \$60 every three months for a single

person, or \$120 every three months for a family.

While there are several kinds of assistance (full, partial, or temporary available to those who can't afford the premiums, such assistance has been poorly advertised by the government so that many people who are eligible don't know it. It has been estimated that 77 percent of those eligible for full premium assistance and 99 percent of those eligible for partial premium assistance are not receiving it.

Did you know that if you or your spouse are over 65 years of age, or if you receive any assistance from welfare, you are eligible for full premium assistance? Additionally, if your total income (including baby bonus, unemployment insurance etc.) as a single person is less than 6,705, or total income as a family supporter is less than \$11,070, you are probably eligible for some sort of assistance.

Application forms for OHIP premium assistance are available at the Centre, 126 Pape Avenue, 461-2494. If you would like to apply, or would just like more information, call or drop by the Centre. Centre staff know that the forms are complicated and would be glad to help you fill them out. Remember too, there are always exceptions to the rule. You won't know unless you ask.

South Asians fight back

About 30 representatives of several South Asian community organizations, meeting on July 6 and July 20, resolved to form a coalition that will actively promote the civil and political rights of the South Asian-Canadian community.

The need for a coalition of this nature has arisen from the growing recognition that the challenge facing the South Asian community of finding a place with dignity and equality in the Canadian society is a long, drawn-out struggle. Experience has shown that no single group or organization can meet this challenge effectively or adequately on its own. Only through collective action can South Asians hope to achieve their legitimate place in this society.

The coalition has the following objectives:

1. Meet the immediate threat of racial violence;
2. Work against institutional, racial and ethnic discrimination in the areas of employment, housing, law enforcement, etc;

3. Seek organizational unity within the community;
4. Disseminate cultural heritage and raise consciousness to prepare our youth to meet the life-threatening forces which threaten youth in North American society;
5. Create a common cultural centre; and
6. Develop a medium of communication for public discussion of issues that are of concern to the community, and improve liaison with other minority groups for furthering the struggle for equality and dignity.

This coalition, to be called COALITION OF CONCERNED SOUTH ASIANS, will meet on a regular basis to discuss the problems facing the community and work to generate broad community support for initiatives taken by individual groups participating in the coalition.

For further information please contact: Tania Das Gupta — 743-5280 (evenings), Alok Mukherjee — 532-7406 (mornings)

Shutterbugs!

Shutterbugs, we need you. With one volunteer photographer taking pictures in her spare time for 7 News, we often can't manage to take any pictures of your community activities, your bazaars, open houses, parades, outings, sports events, etc.

BUT WE DO LIKE TO PRINT PICTURES OF THEM, AND PEOPLE LIKE TO SEE THEM IN THE PAPER.

So, if you have a camera, and you're going anyway, or if you've already taken pictures for yourself or your group, why not let us use them? We'd love to have them, and we only need them for a few days. The we'll return them to you, unharmed.

Call 7 News at 363-9650 or bring them to the office in All Saints Church, 315 Dundas St. East.

POETRY

On Parliament Street

As I walked down
Parliament Street,
in Cabbagetown,
I saw
before me
a "tippler".

His tattered coat,
unkempt hair,
a silhouette
against the sky.

And with a delicacy of aim,
arms outstretched,
He threw "alms" to the birds.
Hallelujah! he cried,

And the birds danced,
and my heart danced too!

Leah Burke

Scouting for volunteers

By PAUL WILLIS

Across Canada over 300,000 boys and adults are involved in the programs of Boy Scouts of Canada, part of a world-wide brotherhood that has more than 13,000,000 members. The aim of the Scouting movement is to help boys become resourceful and responsible members of the community by providing opportunities for their mental, physical, social and spiritual development. At weekly meetings of about one and one-half hours, games, instruction and comradeship enable these boys to understand and develop their potential worth for themselves and the community.

In downtown Toronto, as elsewhere, there are small groups that are part of this movement founded in England by Lord Baden-Powell in 1907. In Regent Park, for example, recommending early in September, the Wolf Cubs, boys of 8, 9 AND 10, will meet at Regent Park Public School on Monday evenings, while a Scout troop for boys 11 to 14 will gather at the same place on Tuesday evenings. Depending on their interests the boys are helped to develop their skills in outdoor activities, first aid, games, the arts and handicrafts. They participate as well in hikes, camps, trips and sports, gaining leadership skills and self-reliance.

However, in the area covered by this newspaper, problems are preventing the Scouting movement

from gaining the strength which it deserves. Look, once again, at the Regent Park Community. In this area there are 600 boys of Beaver age (5, 6 and 7), 600 of Wolf Cub age, and 1200 who are at the right age for Boy Scouts.

A couple of years ago there was a Scout troop with 40 boys in it as well as a Cub pack with 33. Not many, you might think, considering the number of young people there. But that total was huge compared to the total at the present. In the spring of this year all that the Regent Park Community had in the way of Scouting was a Cub pack of about 15 boys.

Why? Certainly not from a lack of youngsters. Rather, not enough adults can be found who are willing to give about 3 hours a week of their enthusiasm, energy, knowledge and skills to help the Scouting program work successfully.

It is fortunate that sponsors have been found for the area's groups. For example, the Toronto Optimists are willing to lay out a generous amount of money to support the Regent Park groups, while the Lions do the same in Cabbagetown. However, this money cannot be utilized without other adults stepping forward who are willing to give of their time.

This fall, the Regent Park group has been fortunate to find a new Cub leader and a Scout leader, both raring to go. They cannot do it

alone, though. A similar problem faces the Cabbagetown groups, which meet at Sprucecourt Public School. Once again, not enough adults have volunteered in order to help give the boys the program which they deserve. As well, look at the St. James Twon area, where not even 3 leaders can be found out of a community with more than 10,000 adults.

Who is needed? Assistants are required who are willing to come out to the weekly meetings to aid the leaders in giving the boys a positive group experience. As well, Scouting is looking for resource persons in the community who are able to be available for occasional meetings, either to teach their particular skill or to share their particular interest or hobby. Volunteer lifeguards are needed at the swimming pool at Lord Dufferin Public School as well as those who are able to teach swimming and life saving courses. Recruiters, fund raisers and public relations persons are needed on the committee that helps organize the program so that the leaders can devote their time to working with the boys.

Whatever your interest, whatever your background, if you have skills to share and an interest in working with other adults to help youth, Scouting has a place for you.

You are urged to contact Paul Willis at 863-1666.

PET PHOTOS

Have you got a good picture of your dog, cat, or budgie?

Then why not enter it in the 7 News Pet Picture Contest?

7 News' Pet Picture Contest is just for fun, and it's open to anyone in the area who has a pet picture to enter.

There aren't any real prizes, but if your entry is one of those chosen, you will have

the satisfaction of seeing Fido, Fluffy, or Oscar gracing the pages of your local community newspaper.

Dead line for the contest is Thursday September 18.

So, enter now. We'd love to see your pictures.

And of course your picture(s) will be returned unharmed as soon as the contest ends.

Mail or bring your entries to 7 news, 315 Dundas St. East (All Saints Church), Toronto M5A 2A2.

Centre opens

The Ralph Thornton Centre (formerly the old Post Office) at 765 Queen Street East officially opened its doors with a tour of the building on August 12.

The opening ceremonies featured old time music, a theatre skit, a parade, and a dance.

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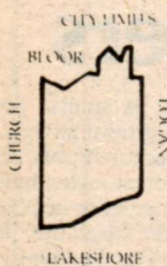


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Letters describing the program will be sent home to parents with the students in early September with information about registration for the programs.

If your child does not bring this information home, please telephone your local school for copies.

For further information, you may call the Heritage Languages office of the Toronto Board of Education at 598-4931, Extension 605.

KKK denounced

At the August 5, 1980 Board of Directors meeting of South Riverdale Community Health Centre (SRCHC), the staff and Board of the Centre unanimously approved the following resolutions concerning the KU KLUX KLAN (KKK).

Whereas the K.K.K. has a long, nefarious history of white supremacist activity including physical attacks on and murder of non-white people.

And whereas the K.K.K. has recently opened its Toronto head quarters at 1439 Dundas Street East, in the Riverdale area.

And whereas the Toronto K.K.K.

has been extremely active in propagating its virulently racist views.

1) The Staff and Board of SRCHC: strongly condemn the presence of the K.K.K. as a disruptive and dangerous force in our community;

And demand that appropriate municipal, provincial and federal authorities take action to remove the K.K.K. from the Riverdale community and anywhere in Ontario and Canada;

2) The Staff and Board of SRCHC will support and join with any groups of organizations that are legitimately and legally countering the activities of the K.K.K.

Copies of these resolutions have been sent to different government authorities including, The Honourable Jean Chretien, Minister of Justice, The Honourable R. Roy McMurtry, Attorney-General of Ontario and Mayor John Sewell of the City of Toronto.

Yours sincerely,
 Philip B. Berger, M.D.
 Staff

Sheila Cram, President
 Board of Directors
 SOUTH RIVERDALE
 COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

Amateur boxing

In recent weeks there has been a tremendous outcry about the negative aspects of professional boxing. Most of what has been said is true in the match-making, officiating and medical supervision need to be vastly improved. Professional boxing is money-making showbiz; and a lack of concern for the health of the athletes involved, even by the athletes themselves, is obvious.

Unfortunately, much of this current criticism has been deflected onto amateur boxing. However, there are vast differences between the pro scene and that of the amateurs. For instance, there has never been a death in amateur boxing in Canada. This statement cannot be made for most other amateur contact sports.

Amateur boxing fosters such desirable qualities in boys and young men as courage, self-discipline, self-reliance, physical health and a quiet respect for the rights of others. Very few amateur boxers are bullies or tolerate bullying by others.

Great emphasis is placed in this aggressive sport on careful match-making by age, weight and experience, short bouts, relatively infrequent bouts, protective gear, physical conditioning, strict medical attention, and strict officiating. Injuries are relatively few and on the whole are not as severe as those encountered in other contact sports.

Moreover, amateur boxing offers, besides the self-defense aspect, a means of athletic achievement to youths who are often not tall enough for basketball, not heavy enough for hockey or football, not strong enough for wrestling, or not wealthy enough for golf, squash or yachting.

Amateur boxing is non-profit. Amateur boxing encourages safe, healthy competition. Amateur boxing is a well-controlled, character-building sport.

Yours sincerely,
 Ken Hamilton
 Coach — Cabbagetown
 Youth Centre

Cancer study

This message is aimed at all women between the ages of 40 and 59. Did you know that the leading cause of death—among women in their middle years—is breast cancer? Years of research have shown that early detection holds the greatest hope for cure.

That's why the National Cancer Institute is conducting a five-year study, involving women like you, to find out if mammography screening will reduce the mortality rate from breast cancer. All it will involve on your part is an hour-long examination once a year for five years. So, help yourself, help your daughters, help future generations. Call the Breast Screening Centre at Mount Sinai Hospital at 596-3972.

Remember, with your help, cancer can be beaten!

Seniors get grants

Three seniors' groups in the area have been awarded New Horizons grants from the federal government.

The Danforth Greek Canadian Senior Citizens Club on Pape Avenue is getting \$17,766 to help with a drop-in, including movies, lectures, visitation of sick members, celebration of special Canadian and Greek events, receptions, arts and crafts, traditional games, music, pot-luck dinners, and the sale of coffee and refreshments.

McCleary Towers Sunshine Club on Logan Avenue is getting \$11,962 to organize a program including band, hymn sings, film showings, arts and crafts, exercises, shuffleboard, carpet bowling and indoor games.

The Club "60" on Earl Street will receive \$11,126 to organize a program including hymn sings, sing-alongs, social events, movies, trips, exercises, dancing, cards, bingo, table games, carpet bowling and crafts.

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Ty Turner runs

Tyrone Turner, a Parliament Street doctor, has declared his intention to seek the NDP nomination in the St. David provincial riding.

In addition to maintaining a practice on Parliament Street, Turner has been active in a number of local organizations, serving on the board of the Don Vale Community Centre, Nellie's Hostel for Women, Neighbourhood Information Post and the Rooming House Tenant Project. He is the author of a research study entitled "Poverty and Health".

Turner stresses the NDP's "outspoken concern for medicare and other economic and social issues".

Block-o-rama

You may become overwhelmed or suspicious of the word "success". Let us set you at ease. The BlockO-Rama on Saturday, August 9th, was indeed a great success and the community danced and ate its way into Sunday morning.

It is not possible to mention all the people responsible, but the Teen Association wishes to take this opportunity to thank you all for your participation, as well as good health and ongoing success.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community Calendar is a free community service. If you have something to announce just send your notice to 7 News, 315 Dundas St. E., or call 363-9650.

Friday, August 22

The first convocation of **Pathways College's** Grade 12 and 13 graduates will be held this afternoon at Hart House Chapel, U. of T., at 3 pm. This ceremony will be followed by a punch reception in the Quadrangle at 4 p.m. The public is invited to share this event.

Saturday, August 23

The YMCA is sponsoring a trip to Elmira to experience Mennonite hospitality. A buffet at the Stone Crock Restaurant is followed by a conducted tour of the area. Then onto Brox's Olde Towne Village for a little shopping. The cost for this trip is \$17.50 and the bus leaves from 200 Wellesley St. E. at 8:15 a.m.

Tonight is the last night for **Bell Theatre Company's** "new-wave" production of Bertolt Brecht's **Threepenny Opera**. York Quay Centre at 8 p.m. \$5 for adults; students and seniors \$4.

Come to the **Wanepuhud Open House** today from 12 noon to 6 pm. You'll get to meet the staff; there will also be refreshments, crafts and much more. 436 Dundas St. E.

Sunday, August 24

World Cinema: Fellini's controversial film **Casanova** is featured at York Quay Centre. 235 Queen's Quay W. at 7:30 pm. \$2.

Saint Luke's Forum presents Mr. J.B. Waterman who will speak on Legal Aid today at 2:30 p.m., St. Luke's Church, Sherbourne and Carlton.

Tuesday, August 26

There will be a performance tonight of **Fables**, an end-of-term presentation by the

13 to 17 year old students of Young People's Theatre's August summer theatre camp. **Fables** is a series of new and traditional parables based on the collection by David Felshuh. Tonight, tomorrow and Thursday at 7:30 pm, YPT (Front St. E. and Sherbourne) \$2.

Wednesday, August 27

Mariposa Mainland presents **Beverly Glenn-Copeland**, a singer-pianist whose musical style can be described as a blend of jazz and blues to express her strong emotions. 8:30 pm at Harbourfront's Brigantine Room, 235 Queen's Quay West. For reservations, call 364-5665.

Thursday, August 28

The Parliament Street Library, 265 Gerrard St. E., is screening **The Stranger** (1946), with Edward G. Robinson, today at 6:30 pm and tomorrow at 2:00 pm.

The **Union of Injured Workers** has called for a demonstration for today in front of the Ministry of Labour, 400 University Ave. For more information, contact UIW at 536-7224. "Come out and help us let people know injured workers are human beings with human dignity."

Saturday, August 30

New Wave, heavy metal and straight rock 'n' roll are featured in this all-day outdoor concert performance by seven bands. 1 pm to dusk at Bathurst Quay (the foot of Bathurst St.) Free.

Sunday, August 31

Prof. J.M. McNamara of York University will be speaking at the Saint Luke's Forum at 2:30 pm. today. At St. Luke's Church, Sherbourne and Carlton.

Harbourfront presents Fellini's **Amarcord** as part of its weekly **World Cinema** series. 7:30 pm at York Quay Centre. \$2.

Friday, September 5

Toronto's Chinese community invites you to sample the oriental delights of the **Chinese Canadian Heritage Festival**. Colourful kites and dragons decorate Harbourfront for this weekend of Far Eastern food, music and dance. See demonstrations of paper cutting and folding, calligraphy and painting, or wander through a photo exhibition presented by the Chinese Canadian Heritage Festival Committee. Today, tomorrow and Sunday at Harbourfront. Free.

Once again, the Toronto Public Library is having a **gigantic sale of old books and magazines**. Today from 5 pm to 9:30 pm and tomorrow from 11 am to 4:30 pm you can shop for the best book bargains in Toronto. The sale will be held at 222 Queen's Quay West across from York Quay at Harbourfront.

Saturday, September 6

The **Church-Isabella Residents' Co-op** is holding a flea market at 593 Church St. today from 10:30 to 4 pm.

Tuesday, September 9

There will be a **public health forum** at Centre 55, 97 Swanwick Ave. (Gerrard St. E. and Main) tonight at 7:30 p.m. Learn about the new community-based Eastern Health Area. All welcome.

Friday, September 12

Fireweed, a women's quarterly journal, presents its third annual two-day cultural marathon of poetry and fiction reading, jazz music, interpretive dance and an all-female rock band. A weekend pass is \$12 at the door, \$6 per day. Today and tomorrow at **York Quay Centre**, 235 Queen's Quay West.

Saturday, September 13

Neighbourhood Information Post is holding a **Garage Sale** on the lawn of the Parliament Street Library, 265 Gerrard St. E. today from 9:30 am to 4 pm. Vendors needed. Call 924-2543 for more information.

The Cabbagetown Youth Centre will be presenting a **Boxing Show** as part of the Cabbagetown Cultural Festival tonight at 6:30. The Centre is at 4 Lancaster Ave., near Parliament and Winchester St. Proceeds from this show will go to the **Youth Centre Building Fund**.

The Elizabeth Fry Society will be holding a **Yard Sale** from 10 am onwards at 215 Wellesley St. E.

The Cabbagetown Cultural Festival brightens up the Parliament Street area on September 12 and 13 with a wide selection of displays and events.

Clowns, street musicians, piper parades and a variety of entertainers will combine with walking tours of "Cabbagetown" in this year's version of the annual festival.

Theatre Next Door will present short skits every half hour on Saturday September 13 at Bobbins Restaurant patio, 547 Parliament St. The fun begins at 1:00 p.m. and in between skits, the Cabbagetown Strutters, a New Orleans type jazz band will perform. Clowns and circus characters will be on hand all day.

A closing dance will be held on Saturday evening, beginning at 9 pm and continuing until midnight. Mainstream will be featured, and the band will play music that encompasses the Bee Gees to The Mills Brothers... music for everyone. The outdoor dance will take place at the Riverdale Farm House off Winchester Street.

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The Creighton Academy of Dramatic Arts presents a course in voice, movement, creative drama. Also commercial technique for T.V., film, radio, stage and audition techniques. (Miss Creighton also casts for directors.) For more information, call 461-5375. (11-5)

IN CONJUNCTION WITH MTV, Channel 47, the Academy of Universal Artists offers career opportunities in theatre and TV. Register now for fall and winter programs in ballet, jazz, modelling and commercial acting. Children to adult classes available. no inscription fee, call U.A. 787-0693 for appointment.

The Adult Learning Centre offers upgrading courses in English and Math for levels Beginners to Grade 8. **No fees.** We are located at St. Ann Annex, 70 Boulton Ave., Toronto, phone 469-3659. Registration: from Sept. 2, daily from 10:15 am to 10:45 am. (11-5-7)

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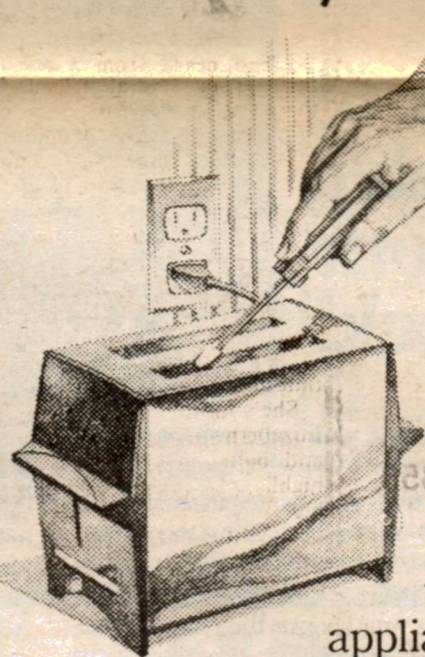
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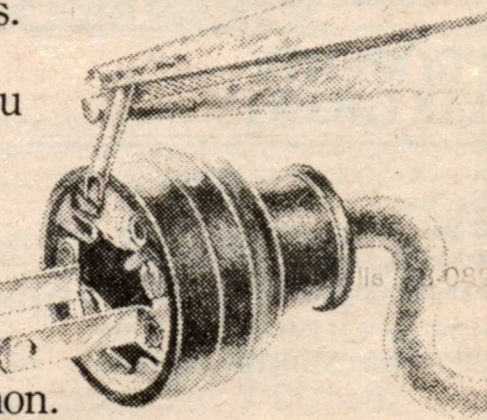
It means never removing the third prong from your three-pronged plugs. It's there to ground the appliance and protect you from shocks.

There are many other ways to practise electrical safety. And they all have one very important thing in common.

Common sense.

Think about it, please.

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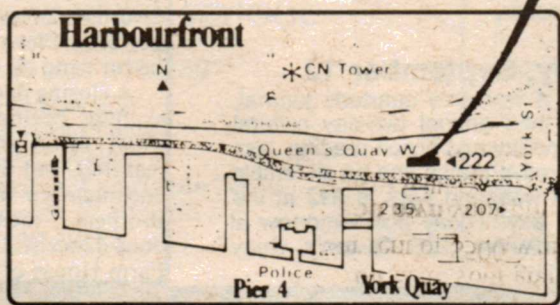
The Toronto Public Library is having another gigantic sale of used materials, fiction, non-fiction, children's books, art books, etc at unbelievably low prices.

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WHERE?

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UIC problems? Give them a call

By RHONDA SUSSMAN

The Unemployment Help Centre, which has been helping people with unemployment insurance problems for over two years, may close at the end of August for lack of funding.

Although the Centre receives money from both the United Way and the City of Toronto, it will close unless its application for coverage by the Ontario Legal Aid Plan is accepted.

The Centre provides information, advice and legal representation for individuals having difficulties dealing with the Unemployment Insurance Commission bureaucrats. The Centre also provides information for people who need to know how to apply for unemployment insurance.

Staff legal worker Margaret Malone says that most people are not able to get the information from the Unemployment Insurance Commission that they need to apply or what to do if they are cut off insurance benefits.

Ms. Malone says that disqualification often depends upon reasons that the person disoriented doesn't know about. Usually, it is because the person has not done enough job searches according to the Commission, or they are "restricting" themselves in terms of the type or location of work, or wages. Case-workers will often try to trick an applicant into restricting himself by

asking such questions as, "Are you willing to work anywhere in Toronto? Are you willing to relocate? Will you work for the minimum wage? Are you willing to do any kind of work?"

Anyone who answers "no" to any of these questions is liable to be disoriented. However, most people coming in for their first interview with the Unemployment Insurance Commission don't know this.

As part of its goal of educating the public about their rights, the Unemployment Help Centre has held a number of public forums, as well as making a videotape called UIC "Ripoff" that was shown on national TV July 18 and can now be rented from the Cross-Cultural Communication Centre (phone 653-2223) or the Development Education Centre (phone: 964-6560) for a small fee.

There are publications and flyers available through the Centre.

Legal workers at the Centre recommend talking with sympathetic people such as themselves or with a legal clinic before fighting the Commission about a disqualification or disqualification.

Above all, legal worker Margaret Malone adds, "people shouldn't assume that because they're honest, they will get good treatment."

Anyone having problems obtaining insurance payments should contact the Unemployment Help Centre (provided it is still open) at 531-3585.

"If you're 65 or older, watch your mailbox this week."



Ontario's Property Tax Grant applications were mailed this week to all senior citizens receiving the federal Old Age Security pension. If you are eligible, complete the application and return it as quickly as you can. Your Grant will soon be on the way. These Property Tax Grants of up to \$500 help offset municipal and school taxes for Ontario's Senior Citizens. There is also a Sales Tax Grant of \$50 each for every senior citizen starting in 1980. For seniors, these Grants replace Ontario Tax Credits previously claimed by filing income tax returns.

PROPERTY TAX GRANTS

You are eligible for an Ontario Property Tax Grant if:

- ◆ You are 65 years of age or older and
- ◆ You paid rent or property taxes on your principal residence in 1980.

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UP TO \$500, STARTING IN 1980.

◆ If you rent, your grant will total 20% of your rent or \$500, whichever is less.

◆ If you own your principal residence your grant will equal the amount of your property taxes or \$500, whichever is less.

◆ If you share your home with anyone other than your spouse, the grant will be apportioned according to rent or property tax paid.

EXCEPTIONS: Only one grant will be paid to a married couple or to unmarried seniors sharing accommodation. People living in homes for the aged or similar institutions are not eligible for this grant.

SALES TAX GRANTS

A \$50 grant will be paid annually to every senior citizen.



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HOW TO CLAIM YOUR GRANTS

◆ If you receive the federal Old Age Security pension, an application form for your Property Tax Grant will be mailed to you automatically before September 1980. An information pamphlet outlining the program has been mailed to you. Your Sales Tax Grant will be mailed to you automatically before October 1980.

◆ If you do not receive the federal Old Age Security pension and are 65 or over, please phone our Information Centre toll-free after September 1, 1980 for full details.

◆ In Metro Toronto, call 965-8470.

◆ In area code 807, ask the Operator for Zenith 8-2000.

◆ All other areas, dial 1-800-268-7121. For further information or bilingual literature call one of the numbers listed above.

WoodGreen's new nursery

On June 23rd WoodGreen Community Centre's Win Harris Day Nursery opened its doors to Christopher Bath, the first child to be admitted to the Infant and Toddler program. Program staff eagerly awaited his arrival.

Many months had gone into preparing for this moment — a program that would provide day care services for twenty children aged between three and twenty-four months, of working parents. Some parents had signed up as far back as last fall, when it was first announced that this unique type of service would be available for the South Riverdale community.

The new program is one of the results of a \$500,000 grant from the South Riverdale Neighbourhood Improvement Plan to WoodGreen for capital renovations towards Children's Services. The funding also allowed for the upgrading of the existing day care facilities, improved and increased space for child and youth programs. The renovations began in the summer of 1979 and were completed by February 1980.

The new Infant and Toddler program began its operation with an enrollment of five. It now provides services for fifteen children with a staff-child ratio of 1:3 offering a variety of activities to promote and stimulate social, emotional, physical and cognitive development with the aid of trained and dedicated staff.

Plans to continue or to expand the program group size to full capacity in September may be in jeopardy because of a decrease in the expected percentage increase from the provincial government's 1980 allotment to day care for subsidized children.

This blow has not dampened the spirit of the program staff, who are sure that the provincial government will reconsider their commitment to children. And interested parents who seek this type of program are requested to phone Carmen Burnett, Program Supervisor, at 461-1168.

Connie Handelman
Day Care Unit Director
WoodGreen Day Nursery

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