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## New School Formed in Ward Seven

BY JOHN TRAFFORD

In September of 1984 a new school came into existence in Ward 7. There certainly was no fanfare. Physically you would have noticed little except a slight change in the name on the building -- a slash (/) was added to that name.

Two schools, rich in their own unique histories, were twinned as one school. Duke of York and Regent Park Public Schools became one -- Regent Park/Duke of York Public School.

During the past five years these schools had co-existed in the same building at 20 Regent Street. Two offices, two principals, two secretaries, two teaching staff, two libraries and two groups of students operating out of one building made this organization truly different.

In the spring of 1984 it was decided that these schools should be twinned as one. Would the students in this new twinned arrangement be able to get along together? Would the school staffs with their differences in philosophy be able to function as one staff? Would the new school function as one?

There were concerns. Some staff members decided that more suitable placements would satisfy their professional needs and therefore changes were made.

It is my impression (and I am somewhat of a newcomer, joining the school in October, 1984) that many of the concerns expressed have not developed to the level originally anticipated by some. This is not to say that there have not been concerns, of course there have, but not to the extent that programmes have suffered. The quality of the day to day experiences of our students has been rich and varied.

In December, our first evening Christmas concert was held and over 250 friends and relatives packed our gymnasium to view the show.

We have embarked on a series of mini-assemblies throughout the school which enables students of different ages and stages of development to show the products of their classroom work to other students. Presentation and audience skills, as well as an enhancement of self esteem have taken place as a result of these assemblies.

Many full school assemblies have been held in order to foster the cohesiveness so necessary for the students and staff in our twinned school.

A group of teachers at our school are presently making plans for an elective or enrichment afternoon. This will enable staff and students to get to know each other even better than presently.

The students have adapted very well to the new twinned arrangement. Co-

educational houseleague activities have flourished in soccer and cosom hockey. The school volleyball team recently represented the school in the semi-finals. The basketball team competed in the city finals, losing the championship to a superb Davenport team. The school hockey

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## Contact School Gets the Cold Turkey Award

The Lung Association, Metropolitan Toronto and York Region presented an award to Contact High School as the winners of the Cold Turkey Challenge. Contact had the highest percentage of students pledge to quit smoking during National Non-Smoking Week held January 17th to 23rd 1985.

Mayor Art Eggleton was on hand to present the award to the students and offer his words of encouragement.

"It is wonderful to see the students getting so involved in National Non-Smoking Week and taking up our Cold Turkey Challenge", says Kathryn Robins, Executive Director of the Lung Association. "It is so important that our message reach these young people and they realize the health dangers associated with smoking."

## Why Not Tech? A Woman's Day

There are about 23,000 kinds of jobs in Canada, yet women are in less than 50 of them. And more and more women are entering the workforce into these 50 job areas -- jobs that are often in the lower salary ranges.

Careers in technology can provide personal fulfillment and a fatter pay packet, yet women are often hesitant to explore technical jobs.

Why Not Technology? A Woman's Day gives participants a chance to listen to women who've made successful careers in technology, and learn from their experiences.

The day-long event takes place on Thursday, April 11, 1985, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at George Brown's Casa Loma Campus, 160 Kendal Avenue (one block north and one block west of Dupont subway station). Admission is free; enrolment is limited.

For more information or to register, please call 967-1212, exts. 2242, 2247, 2471.

## Food Program Fights Poverty

BY R.C. GASCHEN

Many churches in Ward 7 are involved in the War against Poverty, using as weapons the provision of drop-in centres, counselling programmes, supplying of hot meals, food banks, and a variety of other services in an attempt to help the destitute people of this area.

An increasing number of people are unable to find work or to exist at a minimum level with current social assistance programmes, whether they be old age pensions, medical disability, mother's allowance or welfare.

With the escalating cost of housing in the Inner City, many of these people find themselves with less than \$40.00 a month for all needs after rent has been paid. Thus the need for these food distribution centre, originally a relief service, now an

increasingly permanent feature of cities throughout Canada. Many churches in Ward 7, aided by other churches in Metro, help St. Peter's Anglican Church and its Rector, Father John Wiseman, run a food distribution centre. This help comes in the form of food, money and volunteers to staff the centre every Friday and Monday mornings.

This programme started 10 years ago and has grown tremendously in the past 3 years. There are some 400 on the card file and new names are added daily, and of the about 150 singles and families are cared for on a regular basis.

The amount of food given is related to the amount available and the size of the family. For example, a single person would get two cans of soup, one of pork and beans, one of vegetables, a macaroni and cheese dinner and some tea. A fami-

ly receives proportionally more. There are variations, as some people do not have cooking facilities, and so volunteers hope some canned fish or meats are on hand.

Demand increases during the winter, and in the past six weeks, not only were the line-ups longer than usual, but the atmosphere became tense and angry. Perhaps this is why the food room was broken into and its small freezer damaged, and the small supply of food stolen. On 11 March the food room exhausted its supplies and it closed for the next two service days.

What lies in the future? The emergency is still with us and donations of money, staple goods, foods which are easily stored are needed. St. Peter's would like to start self-help projects but that is another story.



Ward 8 Alderman Tom Clifford and Danforth Village B.I.A. Chairman Jim Karygiannis help decorate the route for the Greek Independence Day Parade, held Saturday 23 March.

## Nutritious Snack Program to Start for Riverdale Schools

BY DAN McARAN

Kids in South Riverdale schools could be munching on free milk, and cheese or peanut butter sandwiches under a proposed new Department of Health program designed to fight the absorption of lead by children near Canada Metal.

"If you have poor calcium and iron intake it increases your lead absorption," says Anne Birks, staff nutritionist for the Eastern Health Area of the Toronto Board of Health. The free so called "enriched snacks" are rich in calcium and iron, and act as a dietary supplement.

Birks says the nutrition of South Riverdale children "isn't the greatest", adding there tends to be nutritional problems in areas where income levels are low.

The program is designed to provide snacks to about 400 children, in junior kindergarten through grade two, attending Bruce Public School, Morse Public School, and St. Joseph's Separate School. Some children at Bruce Public School already receive snacks under a program called the Toronto Educational Opportunity Fund (TEOF), which is a private, charitable fund.

The new program is designed to reach "high risk" children under six in the area around Canada Metal.

However, unless local residents and politicians push the program, it won't be available until September 1986. Implementing a new program means changing the city's annual budget. According to Dr. Bill Shannon, Co-ordinator of Community Health and Promotion Advocacy for the Board of Health, this means the program won't come to City Council until May 1986. The first year cost of the program is \$47,000.

He says it is possible to send the program directly to City Council now, but that requires political action. As bureau-



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# Speaking Out on Pollution

BY LYNN McDONALD MP

The recent announcement of a federal acid rain control program was welcome news. The target of the program is to reduce the emissions of sulphur dioxide, a major air pollutant, by 50 per cent before 1994. The proposed steps include tougher emission controls for cars and light trucks, beginning with the 1988 models, financial assistance for emission controls at smelters, developing technology for a cleaner and more efficient use of coal, agreements with the provincial governments east of Manitoba on areas needing joint action, and a program to monitor the results.

It is encouraging to see concrete action to eliminate the harmful effects of acid rain. Without action, acid rain threatens the life of fish in many lakes, reduces the productivity of the soil, and erodes buildings, causing millions of dollars worth of damage annually. It has also been linked to respiratory health problems.

Implementing the program will require the continuing co-operation of industries, provincial governments, and the Federal Department of the Environment.

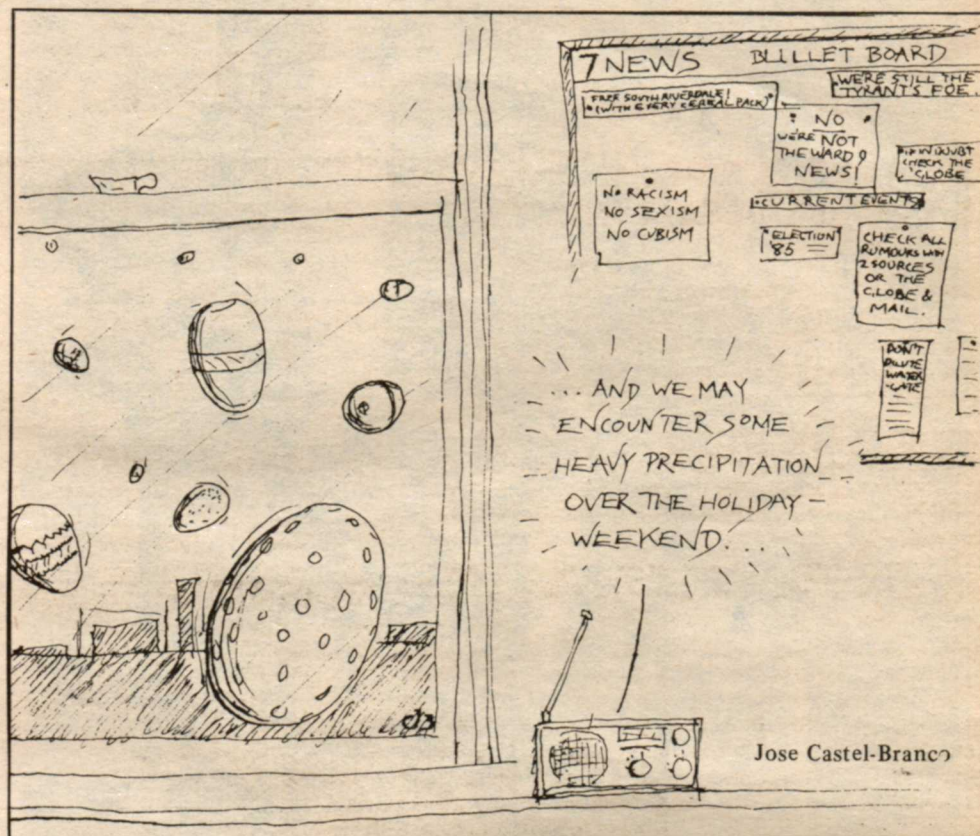
The new program also provides a stronger basis for putting pressure on the United States to take the problem of acid rain seriously. U.S. action is vital to the long-term success of the program.

New emission standards for automobiles will reduce the level of automobile pollutants by over 45 per cent before the end of the century. That will also help to reduce the level of lead pollution in

urban areas. Achieving this goal will require the co-operation of car owners in the use of non-leaded fuels and the maintenance of the pollution control mechanisms.

In part this action is the result of the work done by many citizens and groups who continued to draw attention to the

problem of acid rain for many years. Hopefully there will also be action to solve other problems, especially lead pollution, a major problem in Riverdale. I will continue to press for action, at the federal and provincial levels, in co-operation with the Riverdale environmental groups.



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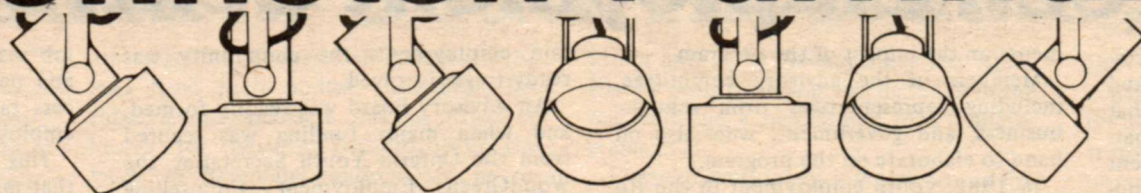


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The Centre celebrated its second anniversary on December 19th 1984.

Media representatives met with youth and employers to get their direct com-

ments on the impact of the program.

Members of the advisory committee, including representatives from schools, business, and government, were also on hand to elaborate on the program.

In 1982, youth employment in the Riverdale community of Toronto was estimated at 25%.

Local educators, youth workers, politicians and employers were becoming increasingly concerned about the repercussions of unemployment for youth and the general community.

When WoodGreen Community Centre took the initiative in examining ways of supporting youth in their efforts to ob-

tain employment, the community was ready to get involved.

An advisory board was readily formed, and when major funding was secured from the Ontario Youth Secretariat, the WoodGreen Employment Counselling Centre was established.

The Centre is staffed by 3 full-time staff plus one additional staff who is co-ordinating the Work Experience Program which is a special employment program provided through W.E.C.C.

The distinctive nature of the W.E.C.C. program (ie. the two week intensive job readiness program; the job club in which youth are encouraged to organize daily

job search activities; and the strong staff and peer support) has led to a 50% success rate in getting youth into full-time employment.

This is remarkable considering the fact that most youth have not completed high school, have little job experience, and lack basic job search skills such as resume writing, meeting employers etc.

'Not only are youth able to find jobs' states Anita Daniels, a counsellor in the program, 'but they actually have a choice of jobs in many cases. Youth aren't restricted to labour jobs -- they have found jobs as editorial assistants, chemical specialists, day care workers and video technicians.

Staff of the Centre are now being asked to extend the program by doing workshops in local schools, group homes, and government programs.

The Open House helped launch the program into its third year of operation.



## IT'S BETTER TO BE AT HOME

Ongoing medical care no longer has to mean an extended stay in hospital. Most people recover faster and feel better in the comfort of their own home.

Across Ontario, the Ministry of Health's Home Care Program can bring the health services you need right to your doorstep - services like visiting nurses, physio and other therapies, drugs, dressings and medical supplies, laboratory services. Homemaking and meals-on-wheels are purchased from local community services as needed.

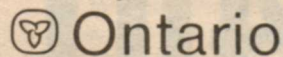
There is no charge, if you qualify. To be eligible you must be under the medical supervision of a doctor, and need a professional health service that cannot be met on an outpatient basis.

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Ministry of Health



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### Welcome

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April 5 Good Friday Devotions, Readings and Special Music.

April 7 Easter Day. 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion. 11:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist and Sermon.

Nursery and Church School for children meet during 11:00 a.m. services.

St. Simon's Anglican Church, 525 Bloor St. E. (Sherbourne Station).  
Rector: The Reverend Canon D.H.M. Crane.



The Black Youth Hotline: Monday to Friday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Call 967-6104 or 924-7161.

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# The Problem in South Riverdale , Part 2

BY GRACE CAMERON

For the past three years the Public Health Department has conducted tests for blood lead in children under six in the area most contaminated. The result of the latest test, which was conducted last September, showed an average blood lead level of 15.5 micrograms per decilitre of blood. In 1983 the average was 15.8 and 14.0 in 1982.

Of the 216 children in the latest test, two had blood lead of more than 25 micrograms. Three others had levels of more than 20 micrograms.

The possible sources, according to the report, are the soil and dust in homes, paint from houses more than 50 years old and proximity to gas stations.

The Centre for Disease Control in Atlanta has issued a new warning to family doctors that children with 25 micrograms will be considered at risk and should have further tests and possible treatment.

The level of concern used to be 30 micrograms. Toronto's health officials have decided to be cautious as well, and lowered the warning to 25 from 30 micrograms.

Children with severe blood lead levels

are treated with chemicals that leach the lead from their bodies. However, Dr. Edward Ellis, associate medical officer of health for Eastern Toronto, says the levels in Riverdale children can be reduced by removing the contaminated soil from properties near the Canada Metal plant.

Michael Evans has been living on Bertmount Avenue in the region of Queen

Street and Jones Avenue since last April. His 18 month-old son was included in the test and had a blood level of 27 micrograms.

Evans is cautious in jumping to conclusions though. 'I can't say I attribute it just to the area,' he says. He has taken his son to his family doctor and plans to keep monitoring his level for changes.

'It does give you a scare though,' says

the co-chairman of the EEEEC.

While public attention has been focused on blood lead in children, American researchers have been studying the effect on adults. A study to be published in the American Journal of Epidemiology this month has found that lead can cause hypertension in men, not women, at a level of 15 to 30 micrograms per decilitre of

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## Ball Hockey League Seeks Teams

The Central Toronto Ball Hockey League is a non-profit organization dedicated to the growth of amateur ball hockey. The league will be composed of a total of 32 teams and will play out of McCormick Arena (Dufferin & Dundas area). Both senior and junior teams are welcome to apply for the remaining spots available.

The Directors of the league have several years experience in both playing and operating leagues. The league has applied for membership in the Ontario Ball Hockey Association, which is the provincial body that officially governs the sport. As a member of the OBHA the league's players will receive limited dental and medical insurance, copies of The Ball Hockey News, and a chance to parti-

cipate in regional and provincial championship tournaments.

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# Witness the Past...Dramatic Local History

BY E.P. SHROEDER

Sometimes things go by unnoticed. From March 13 to 23 Adelaide Court House Theatre ran a play sponsored by an Employment and Immigration Canada Project called the Mystery of John Sheridan Hogan (or Blood on the Bridge); sub-headed 'A true tale of Murder and Betrayal in Muddy York'.

J.S. Hogan, an M.P.P., disappeared December 1859 and a body identified as his was found in the Don River on March 30, 1861. Three suspects, James Brown, Jane Ward and John Sherrick were tried at Adelaide Court in April and October of 1861, at two separate trials. In one, Ward and Sherrick were acquitted, but at the other, Brown was found guilty and subsequently hanged for the murder.

The play begins in the court room; then the audience goes for intermission and is divided into three groups, who go to separate locations to view different versions of the play as presented by various witnesses (the accused, other members of the Brooks Bushgang, and others from York and environs (now Ward Seven). The Gallery 940 Collective feels that Federal support of the arts in Canada is already disproportionately low, and that further cutbacks in cultural funding would be unwarranted. The members urge those others sharing this opinion to write to the Hon. Marcel Masse, Minister of Communications, Dept. of Communications, Journal Tower North, 300 Slater St., Ottawa, ON, K1A 0C8. Call Gallery 940 at 466-8840, for updated information in this situation.

Serious doubts are raised about testimony, evidence, and even the "murder" itself.

Once each group has seen half a dozen tableaux (and each group sees different scenes), they are led back into the court

where they are party to the decisions handed down in both trials.

James Brown is then taken outside and publicly hanged before a crowd comprised of the audience and the cast.

This play, presented free, is the best

treat seen by this author, for many a moon, and should have been running indefinitely during the City's Sesqui celebrations or Ontario's BiCentennial. More of this please, Canada Employment and Immigration.

## STAFF PROFILE Nuala Bourke



Photo by Lisa Horrocks

Nuala Bourke was introduced to Seven News through Dennis, the Advertising Manager. She has been our typesetter since January 1 of this year. Nuala lives in the east end of Toronto with her husband, Dave and her two daughters, Mary and Alana.

### HELP YOUR COMMUNITY TICK — BE A DIXON HALL BOARD MEMBER

Dixon Hall is managed by a Board of Directors made up of 21 volunteers. Together with the staff, the users of Dixon Hall and the community in general, that Board determines the direction in which Dixon Hall moves. In recent years affordable housing for single low-income men and skills training for both women and men have been important growth areas at Dixon Hall. Those things didn't just happen—the Board helped to make them happen.

Being on the board of a community agency isn't just attending boring meetings (actually the meetings can be exciting!) it gives you a chance to get to know your community better; it gives you a chance to have some effect on your community. It means willingness to participate in some of Dixon Hall's activities from helping out at 'Nashville' to working with local people on issues that concern them — housing issues, employment issues, security issues, etc.

If you want to become a board member get another Dixon Hall member to nominate you. A nomination form accompanies this newsletter and they are also available at Dixon Hall. Remember nominations close one week before the annual meeting which is scheduled for Wednesday April 17th.

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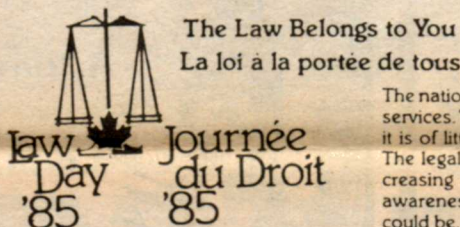
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## New School in Cabbagetown

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team defeated Withrow school in the finals at Maple Leaf Gardens winning the city championship for junior schools — intermediate division. Approximately 200 students, teachers and parents attended these final games demonstrating, in a sense, their support not only for the teams, but also their acceptance of their new school Regent Park/Duke of York.

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If you are available please call Margaret Smith at 461-9251.

The exciting **Toronto International Children's Festival** being held at Harbourfront, May 14 to 20, is now welcoming interested, enthusiastic volunteers ages 16 and above to help out for a day or a week. For details, call Jim O'Neill, Volunteer Bureau, at 869-2426 Mon. to Wed.

Tutors are needed to assist English as a **Second Language** students in the YWCA's Focus on Change and Working Skills for Women programs. Placements in the Danforth/Greenwood and Broadview/Gerrard areas. Please contact Francie Storm, volunteer Coordinator at 961-8100.

The **Workers' Educational Association** is recruiting volunteers to operate a telephone service, to provide information and planning assistance to adult learners. Training is provided. Time involved: 3 hours per week. Please call Sara or Wendy at 924-2275.

**East End Literacy** is a community project based in Wards 7, 8 and 9. We train volunteer tutors to work with individuals and small groups. We are urgently in need of dictionaries and thesauruses (new or used) for our students and tutors. For more information call 968-6989.

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**Interested in cultural, recreational and social services** in the Ward 7 area? For 14 years, Neighbourhood Information Post (NIP) has been providing information and assistance for residents of the downtown community. We are now in need of help researching new services and programs. If you'd like to learn more about your community, give us a call at 924-2543.

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## The South Riverdale Problem

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blood. This is well below the 40-microgram level of concern in adults.

The research done by four doctors at the Centres for Disease Control was done on 560 white middle-class men between 1976 and 1980.

There's a disquieting atmosphere in South Riverdale, and 'people are scared, because they don't know what's going on,' says Evans. 'The lack of information and the implications flying around scare people because they don't know what they mean. They hear about acceptable guidelines but they don't understand the meaning.'

Canada Metal Senior Vice President, Peter J. Irwin, agrees. 'The government is not doing a proper job of informing residents,' he says. 'When reports are published they're not written in lay man's language. They're not answering the questions on health dangers in a manner which people can understand.'

Irwin is used to having the finger pointed at his company for promoting the lead problem in the area. And while he declines to go as far as saying he's angry, he admits the accusation is vexing.

He blames the media for fuelling the controversy and blowing the matter out of proportion. In an editorial in a community newspaper last October, he lashed out at the media.

Says the editorial: 'Regrettably, the truth of the situation was far different than presented in the media. Rather than a battle between good and evil, the controversy should have been for what it was: a sincere attempt by concerned people on both sides to discover if a potential health hazard...did exist, and if so how best to deal with the problem.'

In 1973 the lead level in soil around Canada Metal was close to 3,000 parts per

million. At the time this was the accepted maximum level. Irwin admits that when the standard was substantially lowered in 1973 his company was over the new limit.

'But we've responded by putting our house in order,' he says. We've spent approximately \$3 million over the past 10 years on pollution control equipment', he adds, driving home his point.

According to Allen Jones, provincial lottery funds were used in 1977 to replace the contaminated soil.

Two years later Canada Metal was slapped with a control order from the Ministry of the Environment.

Irwin bristles over the telephone at the memory. 'The government felt it had to show its muscles by imposing the order,' he says, 'even though we were working with them.'

The order expired in 1980, and since then the company has been within the standards, according to Jones.

Despite the concern of officials and residents, Irwin is unconvinced South Riverdale has a lead problem. There has never been a proven case of lead poisoning, and the 1984 lead level results show little difference from those in 1982, he says.

'In urban areas there is always a lead burden in the body. And, the biggest source comes from automobile emissions.'

Recent studies done in Canada and the U.S. support Irwin's claim. Leaded gasoline has been identified as the culprit responsible for 50 per cent of all lead emitted.

Recognizing the problem, the Federal Government which has responsibility for this area, has proposed to decrease the lead in gasoline from the current average of .44 grams per litre to .29 grams. The new standard comes into effect January 1, 1987.

**More on the South Riverdale Problem next issue**



# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## Thursday

April 4

**PEACING IT TOGETHER**, an anti-nuclear cabaret will be performed at the New Trojan Horse Cafe at 7:30. 179 Danforth Ave., \$6, 921-6179 or 769-3425.

## Friday

April 5

**PHOTOGRAPHY GALLERY AT HARBOURFRONT**: Forty members of the Toronto Photographers Workshop exhibit recent works in the Photography Gallery at Harbourfront. Open daily from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., located in the Loft, 2nd floor, York Quay Centre, 235 Queen's Quay West.



Friday through Sunday will see a celebration of **EASTER AT HARBOURFRONT**. The Chocolate Factory, a Bunykins Tea Party and the Toronto Independent Dance Enterprise production of the Adventures of Gerald McBoing Boing are some of the highlights. Everything takes place at York Quay Centre, 235 Queen's Quay West and Queen's Quay Terminal, 207 Queen's Quay West. For more information call 364-5665.

## Saturday

April 6

The Bach-Handel Repertory festival presents, **THE BACH ST. JOHN PASSION**, 7:30 p.m. at the Simpson Ave. United Church, 115 Simpson Ave., (Broadview and Gerrard). Tickets \$5 in advance; call 961-3218, or \$6 at the door. The evening features the Bach-Handel Repertory Choir and Orchestra, conducted by Robert Van Wyck. The concert is sung in German. Produced by Norman Abbott.

## Sunday

April 7

Toronto Beaches Lions Club sponsors today's 19th annual **EASTER PARADE**. 2 p.m. Queen St. East from Nursewood Rd. to the Racetrack. Call 691-0710 for details.

## Tuesday

April 9

A preparation meeting for **LESBIAN & GAY PRIDE DAY 85** is at 8 p.m., 519 Church St. Community Centre.

**ASTHMA PROGRAM**. The Lung Association present a family Asthma Program, an educational experience for both parents and children (six to twelve years of age) will be held tonight and every Tuesday evening until 30 April at Church St. Junior Public School (at Carlton). Program fee is \$15 and pre-registration is required. For more information call 864-1112.

Queen/Saulter library hosts an **INCOME TAX CLINIC**. If your income is \$12,000 (no dependents) or less, or \$17,000 (with dependents) or less call 465-2156 for an appointment. 765 Queen East, Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. until Apr. 25, 1985. A free service of Toronto Public Library in Co-operation with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario.

## Wednesday

April 10

**BINGO** at the Dundas Sherbourne Neighbourhood House. 7 p.m. in the community room, 249 Sherbourne St. 50 cents for first card, 10 cents for each additional card (25 cents for special cards). Good luck!

**HERBICIDE TRIALS**, a moving account of the citizen-led fight to stop the spraying of health threatening herbicides in Cape Breton. Film night out at the South Riverdale Community Health Centre, 126 Pape Ave. (just north of Queen) at 7:30 p.m. tonight. It's free.

## Thursday

April 11

George Brown College invites you to attend the **WHY NOT TECHNOLOGY? A WOMAN'S DAY** from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. today at the Casa Loma Campus, 160 Kendal Avenue (1 block north and 1 block west of the Dupont subway stop). There will be panels, displays, guest speakers and an open house. To register call 967-1212 extensions 243-3/4/5/6/8 before 4 April. Registration limited to first 300 applicants.

## Friday

April 12

**AFTER-SCHOOL CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN** celebrates Food Month at Queen/Saulter Library. To-day is paper pizzas. Call 465-2165 for details. 765 Queen Street East.

## Saturday

April 13

Nuclear Madness From Tritium Exports to Star Wars: A Prescription For Change. **DR. HELEN CALDICOTT** will be speaking at Convocation Hall on this topic at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$5 in advance (\$6 at the door) at SCM Books, the Toronto Women's Bookstore, and Pages Books. Co-sponsored by Toronto Disarmament Network (535-8005) and Toronto Nuclear Awareness (537-0438).



**A LATIN AMERICAN FILM FESTIVAL** is at the Faculty of Education, Bloor & Spadina, for \$3.50 advance. Call 537-0445 for more details.

The predominantly Greek-Canadian merchants of the Danforth Village B.I.A. present an **EASTER PARADE** today on the Danforth.

## Sunday

April 14

Brazilian Archbishop **DOM HELDER CAMARA** will be speaking at 7 p.m. at Convocation Hall on issues concerning youth and their future. There will also be dance song and theatrics performed by young people. \$5 youth, \$7 adult. Sponsored by Youth Corps (80 Sackville). Call 863-6702.

## Monday

April 15

**OLDER LESBIANS AND GAYS**. If you

are interested in being part of a new social/political group for older lesbians and gay men, please attend a discussion evening at the 519 Church Street Community Centre, beginning at 7:15 p.m. Info: Chris, at 860-1544.

**SPRING SHOWCASE OF THE ARTS** presented by the Cabbagetown Community Arts Centre and the Toronto Christian Resource Centre. Opening ceremonies by His Honour, John Aird, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario. Performances by kids, youths and special guest artists. Produced by David Blackmore. 40 Oak Street (1 block south of Gerrard, east of Parliament St.). From 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Youths/Seniors \$3, Adults \$5, Special support \$10. For more information 925-7222 or 363-4234.

## Wednesday

April 17

**VARIETY DINNER THEATRE OUTING** to see 'No Sex Please, We're British.' \$15 with \$10 deposit to hold your place. Please book early. East Toronto Seniors Centre, 2029 Gerrard St. E. 690-3877.

**ACTION AGAINST HUNGER IN TORONTO**: A forum presented by F.A.C.T. (Food Advocacy Coalition-Toronto) this evening from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the St. Lawrence Centre. Admission is free. The general public is invited. Professional child care will be provided. Tomorrow there will be a workshop from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Bloor St. United Church, 300 Bloor St. West. Registration fee \$5 (includes lunch). Registration limited to 150 participants.



## Friday

April 19

**"THE CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS: IMPLICATIONS FOR HUMAN SERVICES."** A working conference sponsored by the Social Planning Council of Metropolitan Toronto, in association with the Canadian Council on Social Development. At the Park Plaza Hotel. For information on registration, contact the Social Planning Council at 961-9831.

## Saturday

April 20

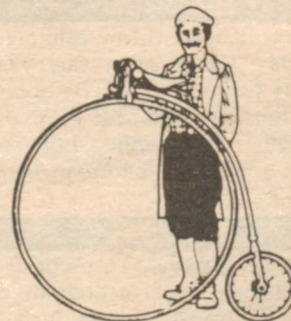
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Jackie Simm **CHILDREN'S DANCE CLASSES** at Ralph Thornton Centre. The spring term starts today and classes run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday until 22 June. Four years to adults. Registration and information 461-6311 or 367-3738.

A mass protest is scheduled for today against **US INTERVENTION IN CENTRAL AMERICA**. Contact Scott for more details at 537-8022.

A benefit for the **TORONTO ANTI-INTERVENTION COALITION** will be held at the Rivoli from 1 pm to 1 am. 334 Queen St. W. 596-1908. 12 hours of music, performance, poetry, events, an exhibition, & more.

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The **VARIETY CLUB BIKE-A-THON** begins with a Pre-Bike-A-Thon parade. The Mayor, celebrities, clowns and bands leave from Varsity Stadium at 10 a.m., east to Yonge, Yonge to Queen, west to City Hall. Join the fun, and ride for a kid who can't next Sunday (Apr. 28).

## Sunday

April 21

**TORONTO STUDIO PLAYERS** is presenting its 6th April-Spring studio style theatre festival tonight until 28 April at the Ralph Thornton Centre. Showcase evening of experimentation and entertainment by young Toronto actors, dancers, poets, and musicians. Any artists or dance Co., musical ensembles and theatre group may apply for a 20-50 minute spot in the festival. Call TSP at 863-1309.

## Monday

April 22

Theatre de la marmaille presents **L'UMIAK**, a French-language play recommended for children 6 years and up. L'Umiak is based on the life and mythology of the Inuit people of Canada's North. The play opens today and runs until 27 April at Adelaide Court Theatre, 57 Adelaide St. E. Call 363-4977.

## Friday

April 26

**ENERGY PROBE**, the environmental and energy activist group is hosting a conference on bicycle advocacy today and tomorrow. The registration fee is \$10, and more information can be had from Kate Sutherland, Energy Probe, 100 College St., Toronto, Ont. M5G 1L5, or call 978-7014.

## Monday

March 18



**EAST AREA SCHOOLS TOGETHER (E.A.S.T.)** and the Trustee's Secondary Education study group presents a parent's night at Riverdale Collegiate at 7 p.m. sharp; coffee at 6:30. Trustees wish to hear parents experiences and ideas on secondary education. Teachers and students will get other opportunities.

Community Calendar is a free community service. If you have an item for the next (April 19) issue of 7 News, please have your material in by Friday, April 12. Events between April 19 and May 8 should go in this issue.