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BALLOON DART THROW
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BABY CONTEST
MR. REGENT PARK
CONTEST
BAKE CONTEST
OUTDOOR DANCE

The Teen Club and Entertainment Committee
of the
Regent Park Community Improvement Association

cordially invite
you and your family
to participate in

The Regent Park Community Festival Day

as
guests and contest judges

on
Saturday, June 10, 1972 Noon - Midnight

at
North Regent Playground
dress casual

Barry Tulip
Community Youth Worker

RSVP
Mrs. Ellen Ferguson
295 Sackville Street #312
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Ellen Ferguson
Chairman

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SPECIAL GUESTS TO ATTEND FESTIVAL

George Chapman and
Bob McLelland
(Richmond Hill
Dynes and former
residents of Regent
Park).

Clyde Grey
(Champion Boxer)

Margaret Scrivener
M.P.P.

Alderman John
Sewell

Alderman Tony
O'Donahue

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(Local 32 C.U.P.E.)

Robert Bradley (O.
(O.H.C.)

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Regent Parents Request Better Education



The following Resolution was unanimously adopted at a Tenants Meeting - May 23rd at Regent Park United Church. It was signed by all Tenants present and submitted to the Toronto Board of Education. A panel of parents, teachers and principals as well as Mrs. Helen Banks Inspector discussed the questions summarized in this resolution.

1) THAT ONE FULL TIME TEACHER'S AIDE BE HIRED (WITH TEACHER'S CONSENT). THAT THESE AIDES LIVE IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. IF FINANCES DO NOT PERMIT, VOLUNTEER AIDES SHOULD BE OBTAINED

2) THOROUGH MEDICAL CHECK UPS SHOULD BE COMPULSORY WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO HEARING, SEEING, DENTAL AND PERCEPTUAL PROBLEMS. CHILDREN REQUIRING GLASSES, HEARING AIDS OR ANY OTHER EQUIPMENT SHOULD RECEIVE THESE WITHOUT DELAY.

3) ALL NECESSARY STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN TO DIAGNOSE READING PROBLEMS AS SOON AS A CHILD ENTERS SCHOOL AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS MADE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO NEED IT. PERFORMANCE SHOULD BE CHECKED REGULARLY AND REPORTED TO PARENTS SO THAT THEY ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE CHILDRENS PROBLEMS AND PROGRESS. REPORTS ARE MADE NOW BUT MANY PARENTS CLAIM THEY ARE NOT GIVEN ENOUGH INFORMATION. SIMILAR REPORTS SHOULD ALSO BE MADE TO PRINCIPALS AND INSPECTORS.

4) MORE INFORMATION MUST BE AVAILABLE TO PARENTS ABOUT SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN WITH PROBLEMS. STUDENTS SHOULD BE PSYCHOLOGICALLY AND CLINICALLY TESTED BEFORE BEING PLACED IN SPECIAL PROGRAMS. PARENTS SHOULD BE FULLY INFORMED ABOUT THE CURRICULUM IN VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS AND POSSIBILITIES ON GRADUATION. PARENTS SHOULD BE MORE INVOLVED IN DECISIONS ON WHICH SCHOOL IS IN THE CHILD'S BEST INTEREST. A REPORT ON THE PLACEMENT OF THE NUMBERS OF CHILDREN FROM THE AREA IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE.

Teen-Agers to be Honoured

Peter and John Kokologos two teenagers will be special guests of honour at the Regent Park Festival. The boys ended an eight hour search for the missing baby of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Edwards of Belshaw Pl., Regent Park. The boys called police when they overheard a woman who lived in their house claim she had "bought" a new baby. A grateful community will express its thanks to the boys on June 10th.

5) THAT BURSARIES WHICH ARE AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS REQUIRING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BE PUBLICIZED.

6) THAT A REMEDIAL HIGH SCHOOL FOR REGENT PARK BE CONSIDERED FOR TEENS WHO HAVE DROPPED OUT OF SCHOOL.

7) STUDENTS SHOULD BE ASSISTED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE SCHOOL WHERE THEY CAN GET COURSES IN WHICH THEY ARE INTERESTED.

8) THAT COMMUNITY COUNCILS BE ENCOURAGED WITH THE AIM OF INVOLVING PARENTS IN THE OBTAINING OF THE ABOVE OBJECTIVES.

Parents' View of Education Meeting

Marlene Johnson- People had a chance to air their grievances. I found the meeting interesting although the panel did not answer my questions. I believe the children in Regent Park are getting the same chance as in any other community.

Edith Dorchester- The meeting was very good. The teachers seemed interested and concerned. More meetings of this kind would be beneficial.

Minnie Nicolson- It was all double talk. The panel seemed to talk around and not on the problems. The meeting was a waste of time. Education is not as good as it was 20 years. Standards should be better. Parents should go after the Board of Education to upgrade the standards.

Connie Chatten- I feel that teachers and principals do understand our problems and concerns but are not in a position to do anything about them. Final decisions are made at executive level at the Board of Education; this is where they should be directed.

Mrs. Forrester- I found the meeting interesting. Volunteers and teachers aide program very well explained.

Mary Bilan- I heard many excuses made as to why our children are not getting a better education.

Doreen Torrens- I had a feeling that there were some people who left the meeting feeling dissatisfied with answers given by the panel. I felt the people were not convinced that their children, namely children from the Regent Park Area, were getting a fair deal as far as the educational system being used in this area. There is a stigmatism regarding children from Regent Park sometimes emphasized by the teachers, perhaps not always knowingly. However, I do feel that Parent and Teacher co-operation can overcome this problem just as Teachers and their Aides will help the children to gain a better understanding of the school curriculum. More organized meetings of this kind are a must, if these problems are to be solved.

THE EARLY YEARS DEVELOPMENTAL SCHOOL
(For Parents and Children)

TUES. & FRI. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
PORTABLE CLASSROOM AT OAK AND RIVER ST.



DISCOVERING BOOKS



LEARNING TO SHARE

To all Parents of Regent Park
North and South

It is about time that you woke up to the Toronto Board of Education and to the High Schools that your children are attending. I think it is about time that we make sure that they go to the high schools that are going to train them for the jobs they want to go into on leaving the schools after completing, the four or five year terms. Do not wait for the guidance teacher or your child's school teacher to tell you the parents what they want for your child. You should watch your children in Grade 8 and attend the P.T.A. meetings.

I have a son who has fought hard to get a transfer into the school that he wants to go to, he was sent to a high school that did not have the class which would give him the training for the job that he has his heart set on. I have watched him at home fixing electrical things around the house and know he has ability.

This does not make sense to me. I feel my son should be encouraged and helped to take the course he is interested in and should not be frustrated by the school system. Can something be done to help my son become a useful citizen and not another drop-out without hope. Ivy Cook,

From
the
Desk
of
the



President - Neil Tanner

The Association is working on a Brief concerning the present Rent Geared to Income Scale in Ontario Housing. When this is completed we intend to ask for support from all Public Housing Organizations. The Don District Council has discussed the issue and members of the R.P.C.I.A. executive attended a meeting of Moss Park tenants who intend to have a meeting similar to the one held in Regent Park. We hope other projects will do likewise.

BUILDING MEETINGS

Meetings in each building and zone to discuss tenants complaints will be completed at the end of June. Many important issues were brought out at these discussions with O.H.C. and the Community Guardians. Some good results have been achieved but we hope much more can be accomplished on matters of maintenance, security, vandalism etc. A summary of all major problems will be discussed with O.H.C. on completion of these meetings.

SWIMMING POOL

I feel I spoke for all the tenants when I said at a special meeting with representatives from O.H.C. and C.M.H.C. that I am very disappointed that the swimming pool will not be ready July 1st as announced in the Press. I feel there was sufficient time to have the pool ready. The people of Regent Park have waited long enough! An opening in September is not much use to the tenants and children who face a long hot summer.

A resolution concerning our children's education has been forwarded to the Board of Education. (See Page 1) Congratulations to the Education Committee for organizing a good meeting and a special thanks to Doug Barr who did an excellent job as moderator.

June 23rd will be the final week of the association before the summer. We plan to make it a fitting wind-up for a year of many successful activities. The executive wishes you and your family a very happy summer.

Neil E. Tanner

"T.R.Y." — THROUGH REGENT YOUTH

REGENT PARK TEEN CENTRE

Dear Member:

This is to inform you that your Teen Centre at 203 Sackville Green...WILL CONTINUE. We have been successful in getting money from the Government to keep it in operation.

The Centre's programs will move outdoors as of Saturday, May 15, until Saturday, September 11. We have a wide variety of exciting programs planned that will take us on 1 week and 2 week camping trips up north; a mini bike program involving 9 bikes, basketball teams, festivals, trips and tours etc.

The focal point this summer for information, small games and just sitting around will be our outdoor drop-in on the grass in front of the Root-n Burger Restaurant in South Regent.

Staff & Volunteers will be available all summer, at the above location, to give information and take names for the variety of activities.

The Teen Centre will be totally refurnished and re-done before we open in the fall. If any of you are interested in helping please contact me. It's going to take a lot of work!

This is going to be a great summer so I am asking you to get involved. I would also like to thank you for your support during the winter program. Your participation made Regent Park Teen Centre the best in Toronto.

203 Staff

Dobie(Jim Dobson)	Jim (Jim McKibbin)
Bill (Bill Walker)	Bob (Bob Beardmore)
Ann (Ann Dunn)	Nancy (Nancy clement)
Rob (Rob Hart)	

Thanks,

LETTER OF THANKS

We the Teens of the Regent Park Teen Centre would like to express our thanks to the Maycourt Ladies for their donation of \$700.00 to renovate and furnish a lounge area in our Centre.

Most people are unaware of the valuable service these ladies provide to our community in the running of their clothing store from which all profits are returned back to the community. It is hard work and dedication of groups like the Maycourt Ladies that help make Regent Park a better place to live.

Thank you
Regent Park Teen Centre

SOMETHING NICE

Thanks!

We from the Teen Centre would like to take this time to thank all who has given us the chance we needed. Mostly we would like to thank you for our club. From the bottom of our hearts thank you very much. Since the last of October there has been a lot of people who have changed, to the good the betterment of the park. And we thank you for giving us what we needed. And we have proven we can do it so alls we ask is for you to keep giving us your support.

We wish to give a special thanks to first Barry Tulip, Robie, Jim, Bob, Ann, Nancy, Rob. We know there are many more people we could thank. So as there's not enough room don't be offended. Thank you everybody.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT REGENT PARK TEEN CENTRE

- MINI BIKES FROM MONDAY TO FRIDAY - JUNE 12 - AUG 13
- CANOE TRIPS IN ALGONQUIN PARK - AUG 1 - AUG 14
- COTTAGE (FOR GIRLS) DURING JULY
- 3 BASEBALL TEAMS (2 BOYS, 1 GIRLS) - LEAGUE GAMES WITH 4 TRAINING SCHOOLS.
- TRIPS THROUGHOUT THE CITY, CORN AND WIENER ROASTS.
- GOLF TOURNAMENT
- ROCK CONCERTS (WEEKLY)
- CARNIVAL - JUNE 10
- REDECORATING THE REGENT PARK TEEN CENTRE
- THERE WILL BE AT LEAST ONE STAFF ON DUTY FROM 6 TO 12 ON DUTY FROM 6 TO 12 AT THE OUTSIDE TEEN CENTRE DROP-IN
- IN FRONT OF ROOT AND BURGER RESTAURANT. GAMES, PICNIC TABLES..ETC....



24 HOUR
Youth Information & Referral Service
920-9210 ask for **BARRY TULIP**

CANDID CAMERA



Macdonald Meets With Executive on Rents

The Honourable Donald S. Macdonald met with the R.P.C.I.A. Executive and the Unit Representatives on April 24th, to discuss questions arising out of the General Meeting on the rent scale.

Mr. Macdonald agreed to follow up certain questions which relate to policies of OHC and the Families Benefits Branch of the Provincial Government and ultimately to Federal Attitudes under both the National Housing Act and the Canada Assistance Plan.

RECIPIENTS OF WELFARE OR MOTHERS' ALLOWANCE

The rent in these instances bears a different relationship to income compared to an employed person's rent. Although the amount charged for rent is given to the recipient in the allowance, there is a ceiling of \$300.00 a month paid the family. Therefore there is a reduction in the amount of money available for each child over four in a family. The tenants feel that under these circumstances the shelter allowance should be reduced.

At present no lease is given to those on allowances which tenants felt is unfair discrimination.

GROSS INCOME VERSUS NET INCOME?

Tenants feel that rent should be based on income after Income Tax, Canada Pension Plan, and Unemployment Insurance contributions are taken off. Mr. Macdonald asked if this is feasible and what would be the consequences of such a change? The man with larger number of children would have a larger take home pay which would mean a larger rent. Is this a self-defeating proposal? A further direct rent allowance for children would have to be worked out.

YEAR END BONUS AND OVERTIME

These additions to income are not of a predictable nature and yet rent is calculated as though it is going to be received. Overtime and bonus is inclined to be of an irregular nature, therefore rent should be calculated on the monthly minimum income and not overtime.

WORKING MOTHERS

A greater allowance than \$900.00 might be given before her income is included as part of the rent. At present many women find it does not pay to work. For women on Mothers' Allowance it was suggested that she be allowed to earn more than at present before losing some of her allowance or incurring an increase in rent.

DEPENDENT AND WORKING CHILDREN

Dependent children over 18 should receive \$5.00 rather than \$2.00, as at present rent increases are based on \$75.00 a month earned by the working child. This creates a hardship where the child may be earning only \$75.00 or close to it. The tenants suggested a sliding scale rather than a flat figure. This would create a greater incentive for a child to stay at home.

INCENTIVES TO SAVE

The recurrent theme was the fact that the present sliding scale of rent calculation does not make a provision for an individual to get ahead financially, to save the down payment on a house or to move to commercial partment space. Would it not be useful to work out some kind of system to enable individuals to save for an eventual move? One change that would assist families would be a two year lease without escalation of rent.



\$4,500.00 per year is the poverty level for a family of four. Many families are living well below that amount. The Regent Park Community Improvement Association has worked out a program which would help tenants in public housing achieve a better living standard. The Honourable Donald S. Macdonald and Mr. J.B.S. Rose (O.H.C.) have commented on our proposals.

WHAT DO YOU THE TENANTS THINK. Your ideas are most welcome and will be considered for the Brief to revise the rent structure which is now being prepared by the Association.

Parents Plan Oak School

We are a pitifully small group who call ourselves the "Oak Street Citizens Committee." We do not pretend to represent all the parents within the boundaries of the "Oak Street Community School" either. We only represent ourselves as future parents of children of the Oak Street School. At first a few of us worked as volunteers doing a random survey of the school boundaries to see what the parents would like to see in the new school and how they felt about education. As a result of this we decided to stick with the Oak Street Community School relations problem and then formed ourselves into a citizens committee.

More recently some of us are working under a local Initiatives Group (L.I.P. from the Government. We are running programs for pre-schoolers and mothers pre-teens and teenagers on the "Oak Street Site."

What we need and want is more involvement of the people of the Oak Street Community School area. Right at this time- its very important that we do this because of what's happening now. "Whats happening now" is that our community is about to have a new school and we as parents of the community especially have a real chance to have our voices heard about the kind of school we think would be best for our children.

by Janet Ross

THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF THE STEPS ALREADY TAKEN IN DEVELOPING THE "OAK STREET SCHOOL".

SAMPLE COMMUNITY SURVEY
OAK STREET COMMITTEE FORMED NOVEMBER 1971
NEIGHBOURHOOD SCHOOL MEETINGS NOVEMBER 1971
APPLICATIONS TO BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR K-8 SCHOOL JANUARY 1972
VISITS TO OTHER SCHOOLS e.g. RODEN -GATEWAY- PINEWAY
CITIZENS L.I.P. GROUP STARTED WORK JANUARY 24, 1972
STUDY OF ACCOMMODATIONS IN PUBLIC AND SEPARATE SCHOOLS FEBRUARY 1972
DISCUSSIONS FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1972 ON DAY CARE FOR 85 CHILDREN
METRO JOINT PLANNING COMMITTEE APPROVAL FOR K-8 APRIL 18
DEPT. OF EDUCATION APPROVAL for 675 PUPIL SCHOOL MAY 2
MEETING WITH ROBERT BRADLEY FOR SHARED FUNDING ON ADDITIONAL FACILITIES MAY 12, 1972

CHANGE TO RENT SCALE?

J.B.S. Rose (O.H.C.)

1] Much of the discussion at the meeting centred on net versus gross income for the purpose of computing rental charges. There are many variations to net income depending upon the deductions at source, the type of employment (i.e. whether self-employed or employed by a firm) the size of family, allowable income tax deductions, and many other factors. Therefore, administratively there is no advantage in moving to a net income scale. However, there is certainly an advantage to a tenant as less rent would be paid. At the meeting I stressed the need for revenue to offset the large subsidy and did mention that Regent Park had not been paid for, but that there were still outstanding charges for amortization. Along with the amortizations charge, there are costs of operating, maintenance, and municipal taxes.

The establishment of the rental scale based on a maximum of 25% of gross income was arrived at by the federal government after considerable study and analysis of what represented a fair charge on one's income for shelter. As many of you are aware, the scale at one time went up to 30% of gross income. The rental scale, based on gross income, as set out by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation (C.M.H.C.) is used throughout Canada and, should a province wish to depart from the scale, then the share of subsidy paid by C.M.H.C. is adjusted accordingly.

2] A number of questions were asked on the inclusion of other family income for the purpose of calculating rent. With respect to working wives, the first \$900.00 is not included. The remaining gross income is added to the husband's income and then computed. This would not result in more than 25% of the wife's remaining income being paid in rent.

3] A very good point was raised by Mrs. Holmes concerning the inclusion of the first \$75.00 of income (for rent calculation) of working son or daughter not attending school. A child working partime and attending school

full-time does not have any income included for the purpose of rent calculation. As many youths find it difficult to earn much more than the basic \$75.00 this may create a hardship. However, there may also be families where a secondary wage earner is earning far more than the husband and wife but only \$75.00 is included for calculating rent. I agreed that this whole area would be looked into.

Capsule History of May Court

In October 1965 the May Court Club of Toronto was approached by the Board of South Regent Park Co-Operative Nursery School and with the co-operation of the Ontario Housing Corporation the Club opened a "Nearly New" Clothing Shop in the basement of 605 Whiteside Place.

All clothing and household items are donated by the Members and their interested friends and neighbours. May Court Members staff the Shop twice weekly. One day sorting and pricing, with sale day every Thursday (except school holidays and vacations) in the mornings from (9:45 to 11:00 a.m.).

The May Court Club of Toronto with funds from the "Nearly New Shop" at 605 Whiteside Place will contribute \$25.00 monthly for one year to Regent Park Community News.

In a letter from Mrs. Catherine Barber, Convenor of the Shop she expresses the hope that this will help in a small way to defray the rising printing cost.

"Lack of communication can be the root of a lot of today's problems. Your paper is going to help bridge the gap. The Club wishes you every success with this worthwhile project".

The R.P.C.I.A. and the Editorial Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the Maycourt Club for this very generous gesture.



SOME UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

1. WHY THE DELAY IN MOVING MOUNTAINS OF DIRT AROUND NORTH AND SOUTH REGENT RINKS? THIS HAS BEEN THERE SINCE LAST FALL.
2. WHY DID THE CONTRACTOR WAIT SO LONG BEFORE ORDERING VITAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE SWIMMING POOL? THEIR INEFFICIENCY MEANS NO SWIMMING FOR THIS SUMMER.
3. WHY DO THESE MATERIALS HAVE TO BE ORDERED FROM THE UNITED STATES?
4. WILL THIS POOL BE FOR REGENT PARK TENANTS OR FOR OUTSIDERS AS WELL?
5. WHY SUCH POOR WORKMANSHIP ON THE BOARDS AROUND THE RINKS? THESE HAVE HAD TO BE REPLACED AFTER THREE WEEKS OF USE - AN UNNECESSARY WASTE OF MONEY!

Downtown Boys' Club

May 3, 1972 was a busy afternoon and evening in the basement of 540 Dundas, the new home of the Metropolitan Downtown Boys' Club. Parents and friends dropped in to visit. Interested businessmen came to have a look at the club. And of course, the members, boys and girls ranging from 7 to 15 years of age were all around busy in the crafts room, in the woodwork shop, playing in the games rooms, the older ones enjoying a game of pool or ping-pong or leading groups of visitors around the place.

It's their club; the members that is. Some of them have been around for a long time...back before February when the club was on Bond Street in the basement of Metropolitan United Church. In the club pictures they can see themselves growing up. They already know what it is to belong to the club. The new ones are learning. It's fun, a place to go, with friends or to meet new friends. It's hikes in the country, crafts, making models, swimming, a talk with Dave, or a game of floor hockey in the gym. And they can come five days a week from 3:30 to 5:00 and from 6:00 to 9:00.

Now, with the opening on May 3, a new part of the club history starts. Membership is up to 400. But with that number more help is needed, so that each child can get the attention he deserves. If you have a few spare hours, come over to 540 Dundas and find out how you can help; or call Dave Nelson at 367-0648.

Sharon Watley, Program Director

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Ability to organize and an interest in drama.

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TEACHING DRAMA

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Guide to Parents

GOLDEN RULE: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." This means that you should treat other people the way you want to be treated. In our country this rule is important. We have a government run by the people. Each person is as great as any other. Adults and children hear about this a lot, and it makes a difference in what they expect.

RESPECT is a word that means honour. Everyone has the right to be respected or honoured by others. This right cannot be taken from us. No one should bully another person. Adults should not be slaves to others. Adults usually have a feeling that they are better than children. This feeling keeps them from respecting a child. When parents respect a child they listen to him talk about his ideas. They do not make fun of him. Parents who show respect for the child get respect from him. They teach the child to respect himself and other people.

ENCOURAGEMENT means that you should believe in and respect the child as he is. Parents should not want a child to do more than he really can do. A child becomes discouraged when he believes he cannot do what we want him to do. A child does not behave himself when he feels he cannot do well. He does not behave well when he is discouraged. He does not behave well when he thinks he can't do what he is supposed to do. If a child finds his schoolwork hard and thinks he cannot do it, he usually finds a way to get into trouble with the teacher. A child needs encouragement just the way a plant needs sun and water. When we tell a child he could do better we are saying he is not good just as he is.

CHILDREN WHO "DON'T CARE" ARE JUST PRETENDING THEY DON'T CARE. Many children who act as if they don't care really do care. They are just pretending they are afraid they can't do what they are supposed to do. When parents yell at a child about something, a child pretends he does not care. He does this so that he will not appear to be hurt. When a child says that he does not care, he believes he cannot do very much. Every child wants to be able to do things well so that his family, teachers and friends will like him.

CHILDREN OFTEN DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY SEE. Children can see things clearly. Children sometimes cannot explain what they see. **EXAMPLE:** A new baby comes to a family. The mothers spend a lot of time with it. The older child sees this. He thinks that the mother loves the baby more than she loves him. A child sees how his parents act toward each other. He may think all parents act this way. Children remember things even when they cannot explain them in the right way.

CHILDREN DO NOT DO THINGS UNLESS THEY HAVE A REASON. Sometimes children are bad just to keep you busy. **EXAMPLE:** A child picks his nose. Mother does not like this. She tells him not to do it. The child soon knows that this is a good way to keep his mother busy with him. He picks his nose more just to keep her busy. The mother does not know it, but she is encouraging the child to be bad.

A CHILD WHO WANTS TO BE BOSSY HAS A PARENT WHO IS BOSSY. Most of the time a child wants to be boss has a parent who wants to be too bossy. When a mother always wants her own way, her child tries to act like her. He wants his own way all the time, too.

The mother and child fight against each other. The child does not do what the mother wants. Parents who try to boss their children do not get what they want from their children. Fighting teaches a child that only bossy people get what they want. Fighting also makes a mother and child unhappy with each other.

A mother has something better to do than fight with her child.

UNDERSTAND THE CHILD'S GOAL. A child has a purpose for everything he does. His first goal is to have a place in the family. A happy child has found his place in the family. This child does what he is supposed to, like being helpful, for example. The unhappy or bad child tries in the wrong way to feel important in the group.

EXAMPLE: A child is not allowed to help at home. His parents tell him he is not big enough to do anything. This child does not feel important. He does not think he has a place in the group. The only way he feels important is to be bad. By being bad he keeps his mother busy. His mother will yell at him. When the mother is busy with him he feels important. He feels like a part of a group.

THE FOUR GOALS OF CHILDREN WHO CAN'T BEHAVE. Most of the time a child does not know why he does the things he does. Neither do the parents. A child acts a certain way because he thinks he has a place and is important when he acts that way. All bad behaviour is done for one of these reasons:

- GOAL 1. Keep People Busy: he wants people to notice him all the time.
- GOAL 2. Feeling Powerful: he wants to be the boss.
- GOAL 3. Getting Even: he wants to hurt us.
- GOAL 4. Proving he is "good-for-nothing": he wants to be left alone. He does not want anyone to ask him to do things.

PARENTS CAN FIND THE CHILD'S GOAL by watching the way they act toward the child.

EXAMPLES:

1. When a child's goal is Keeping People Busy, parents become angry. They become angry because they must tell him to do things all the time.
 2. When a child's goal is Feeling Powerful, parents become angry and try to be stronger than the child. Parents think, "The child cannot get away with this."
 3. When a child's goal is Getting Even, parents feel hurt. They feel sorry for themselves. Parents think, "How can he be so mean?"
 4. When a child's goal is proving he is a "good-for-nothing," parents feel very discouraged. Parents do not know what to do. They give up.
- Do you act in one of the above ways? If you do, then you know the goal of your child.

Continued Next Month

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and

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MAY COURT SHOP

In Basement

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SATURDAY JUNE 3(9-3)

STEVE'S FINE STATION
Shuter and River St.

PROCEEDS TO TRIP TO
CAMP MAZLOW

ARE YOU INTERESTED
IN BUYING YOUR HOME
IN REGENT PARK. IF
SO PLEASE CO-OPERATE
ON SURVEY CONDUCTED
BY THE R.P.C.I.A.

Why Are Drugs Used?

The reasons for drug use and abuse vary from drug to drug, person to person, occasion to occasion. Humans share many basic needs and desires, and drugs sometimes used to satisfy them.

These are dangers in generalizing about the causes of drug abuse. This newspaper tries to present some of the causes in the interest of better understanding.

One of people's basic needs is the relief of pain a headache, a stomach upset. There are hundreds of available remedies for such minor pains and most of us use them from time to time.

People need to relax, to escape regularly from his thoughts, to sleep. Pills and alcohol are often used for this purpose.

Man is a curious animal. Many people take a drug simply to experiment, to find out what it is like.

People with feelings of inadequacy, of inferiority, or who fear failure, tend to seek chemical comforts. Others with self-destructive tendencies may turn to alcohol (or other drugs). Along with these are hypochondriacs--those people who worry excessively about their health, and who take medicines hopefully.

DRUGS AND THE YOUNG

These reasons for using and abusing drugs can apply both to adults and to youth. The preoccupation of young people with drugs involves many factors. One is adolescence. This is the time of change from childhood to adulthood when the body undergoes important biological changes. It is also a period of profound psychological changes, including an awakening of sexual feelings.

It is a time when all youngsters strive for identity - to discover who they are as individuals and their place in the world. Despite outward confidence, they often hide their fears and their real emotions, masking their need to be needed while concealing doubt about their abilities to manage; as well, they can be frustrated by the demands made on them by family and friends, by schools and society. Young people may not accept authority readily, thus they tend to argue about or ignore their parents' wishes. Rivalries with brothers and sisters can deepen frustration. They may worry secretly because they are not developing physically as rapidly as their friends. While all these changes and pressures confuse and fascinate youngsters as individuals, other factors can influence them and compound their difficulties.

To All Those Who Contributed to

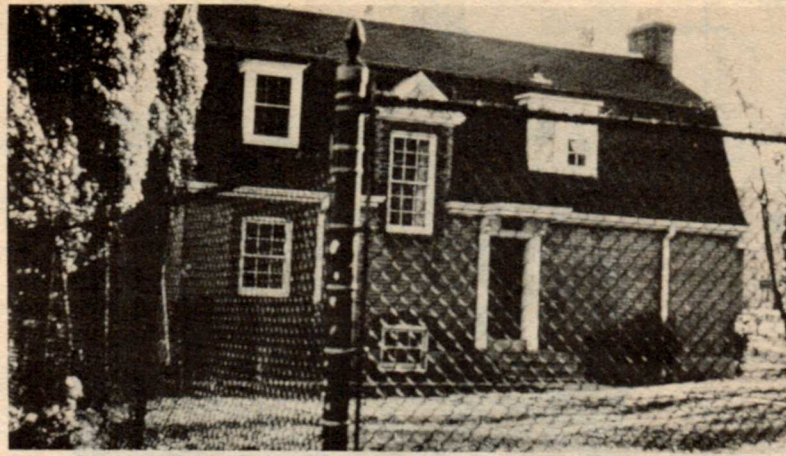
THE JODI PHILLIPS FUND

a meeting will be held

Monday, June 12, 8.00 p.m.

42 Blevins Place Apt. 101 (R.P.C.I.A. office)

Three summers ago close to \$2700.00 was collected for a swimming pool in memory of Jodi Phillips who was killed. This money is still in trust and a decision will be made at this time about the money. Everyone who contributed or who was involved in this effort is invited to attend.



FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

Children today reach adolescence earlier than previous generations. At the same time they are expected to know more, sooner. Some authorities believe our schools underutilize children's abilities while adding to the pressures upon them to cope in a highly technological society. At the same time, the traditional relationships within the family are breaking down. Both parents may be working and away from home much of the time; television has invaded what used to be family time; little time is left for talking, for exchanging ideas, for creating understanding between family members.

Friendship is becoming harder to achieve and maintain. Job changes and movement of families from city to city contribute to this. Neither parent nor child has the time to develop real friendships at work, at school or in the community. Those who do not change jobs or move are often affected by this mobility to others. In many cases youngsters witness an inconsistent attitude to drugs in their own family. Alcohol and tobacco are often accepted - sometimes in excess - without question. An alcoholic parent leaves deep and long-lasting scars on a child. Tranquillizers and headache remedies or other household drugs are frequently abused by parents.

A SPECIAL GROUP

When the family rejects or ignores a youngster's need or confuses him because of inconsistency, the youngster may turn elsewhere to seek fulfillment. He may turn to a group in which adults are not welcome. Its members have their own music, art, language and outlook. Even in families in which parents and children do talk and love one another openly, the youth scene has an attraction of its own.

The companionship of youth often criticizes or de-emphasizes in modern society. They claim that the future is unclear. Modern technology is often impersonal. Development in all aspects of human endeavour has been rapid, but it seems unable to resolve many basic human problems.

The young who reject the past, discount and fear the future, may turn to what they believe is an easy alternative-- to enjoy life now, or simply with draw.

The use of drugs is one solution. Drugs have been praised for several years in their songs and as the way to escape from problems.

Young people may initially take a drug to experiment. When they do so, they come in contact with others who introduce them to the availability of a wide range of drugs. Experimentation for the sake of curiosity, may then become an established pattern of their behaviour.

Some people believe drugs are the only true way to discover themselves and the real meaning of life. They believe drugs can expand the mind so that great words or music can be written, or inspired and created.

Edward Clark- Services Unit
Board of Directors

CO-ORDINATOR
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SERVICES UNIT
70 PASHLER AVE

If you have had any experience in Social Work or related fields and this position interests you give us a call at 863-1768. For further information call Mrs. Sheila Holmes at the above number.

PARKS and RECREATION SUMMER PROGRAM

REGENT PARK NORTH PLAYGROUND
415 Gerrard St.E. 363-2955

Girls' Programme for May & June 1972

Mon&Wed: Punchball House Lea.
3:30-5:45 (12 yrs & under)

Active Games

Playschool (6 yrs & under)

Tues&Thurs 3-Pitch House League
3:30-5:45 (12-16 yrs)

Athletics (11 yrs & under)

Fri: 3:30- Special Events (all ages
5:45 mixed)

Sat: 9:30- Playschool (8 yrs & under)
11:00am.
11-1:00pm Active games (all ages)

Mon& Wed: Girls Softball House League
6:45-9:30 (14-17)

Quoit Rounders (13 yrs. and
under)

Tues & Thursday Ladies Softball House
6:45 9:30 League (17 & over)
(Moss Park Until further
notice)

Tuesday 6:45-Active games, relays (all
9:30 ages) Crafts (12 yrs. & over)

Thursday 6:45- Volleyball House League
9:30 (12 yrs. & Over)

Friday 6:45-9:30 Volleyball mixed (14 &
over) Active Games (all ages)
Pre-Teen Dance (mixed all ages)

Boys's Programme for May & June 1972

Mon&Wed: Tiny Tyke Hardball House Lea.
3:30-5:45 (11 yrs & under)

Tues:3:30- Mixed Volleyball
5:45

Thurs:3:30- Quoit Tournaments
5:45 (all ages)

Fri: 3:30- Junior Rugby House League
5:45 (12 yrs & under)

Sat:9:30- Senior Rugby House League
11:00 am (13-16 years)

Mon.& Fri: Junior Fastball House League
(12-16 yrs.) 6:45-9:30

Tuesday: 6:45-9:30 Boys Craft (all ages)

Thursday: 6:45-9:30 Special Events

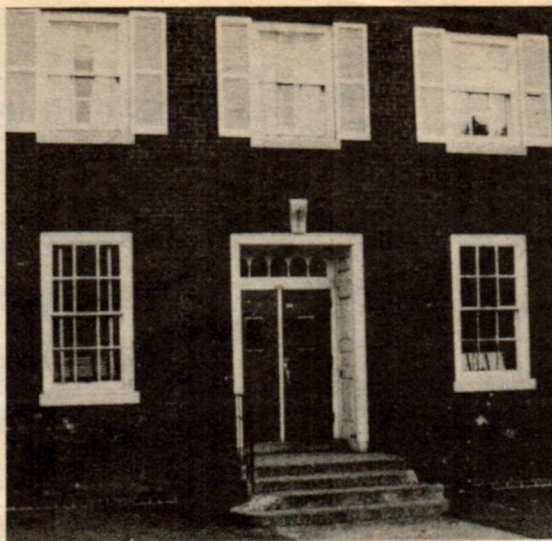
Friday: 6:45-9:30 Pre-Teen Dance (mixed)

Saturday: 1:00- Soccer House League (14
5:30 years and under)

Boys and Girls Program - 600 Dundas St.

Mon. to Fri. Billiards, Shuffle Board,
3:30-5:45 Table Games (Mixed) 6:45-9:30

Wed. 3:30-5:45 & 6:45-9:30 Movies Mixed
(all ages)



The following letter was sent by
A. E. Kelley Acting Chairman of
the Don District Council to the
Commissioner of Development-
City Hall

" The Don District Council
is concerned over the possible
closing of the teen centre in
Regent Park. From everything we
have heard, the centre is serving
a vital need in the Regent Park
area and serious problems could
arise if it were closed down.

Our council, representing all
the public housing tenants ass-
ociations in the District, strong-
ly urges the City of Toronto to
provide funds for the continuation
of this program."

Salvation Army Classes 470 Dundas Street

Typing classes for the tenants of
Regent Park are taught by a qualified
typing teacher and an instructor from
Office Overload. When the ladies have
learned to type adequately Office Over-
load will help them to find a job.
Classes are held two afternoons a
week. If there is enough interest in
evening classes these also can be arr-
anged.

Sewing classes There are two profess-
ional sewing instructors. Sewing
machines, patterns, irons and ironing
boards are provided.

A NURSERY SCHOOL FOR THE PRESCHOOL
CHILDREN IS AVAILABLE FOR MOTHERS IN
THESE PROGRAMS.

CLOTHING CENTRE

Tuesday and Friday 1:30 in the afternoon.

Exchange or buy garments at considerate
saving.

SALVATION ARMY CLOTHING CENTRE 470 DUNDAS
STREET (BASEMENT)

SCHOOL BUS

The Salvation Army has purchased a
school bus which is available to the
community of Regent Park. Any group
or organization needing a bus is asked
to call the Salvation Army.

For further information call the Sal-
vation Army at 366-3104 or 864-9364.

Oh that \$2.88 added to my pension

For the past 12 years of my work-
ing days - I paid 6% toward a fund for
superannuation - from my gross salary
and then an extra 1% for Canada Pension
Plan.

In addition to those payments, in
the 12 years I paid \$13,500 in Personal
Income Tax.

Today my wife, and I receive an
Income of:

O.A.P.	\$82.88
Wife	82.88
Superann.	99.73
C.P.P.	66.86
	<u>\$332.35</u>

Out of this I now pay Income Tax
Rent - 25% of Gross Income - plus u-
tilities - insurance premiums - net
Income \$220.80.

If I had not been so fortunate
enough as to work, we would receive
\$285.00 which with reductions, our in-
come would be similar. The \$285.00
does not seem enough but my payment
toward pensions should entitle me to
7% more than I receive at this time.

Since I retired in January 1971 -
the cost of living has risen 1.3 . We
have no union to aid us . What do we
do, suffer in silence, or holler in
protest.

The strikers at present in pro-
gress in Canada, will have only one
result, a raise in expenses; we will
pay for it without a raise in income.

We do have a vote-but to whom do we
give allegiance? One part did not
listen to the Old Age Pensioners; one
party gave us raises we are now in re-
ceipt of from Jan. 1st., 1972, which in
my opinion; was a bare bone.

The \$2.88 to me is 3 golf balls or
an extra round of golf or 11 glasses of
beer and a 13 cents tip for the waiter.

It is time that we, the Golden Age
People, stood up and be counted.

If I work for wages I lose my
Canada Pension Plan, because every
dollar I make over \$804.00 I donate 50
cents of each dollar. After 50 years o
work, how can I stay "idle". My purpose
in life is cut down- physically I am
able - my "mental marbles" do not rattle
yet.

PENSIONER

GO GO BAND

During the week of April 24, April
29th, the Department of Parks and
Recreation held Special Events each
one had a marvellous display. The
one outstanding in my mind was Wed.
April 26, held at 415 Gerrard St. E.

SENIOR CITIZENS GO-GO BAND

Everyone who attended was more
than entertained. Under the direc-
tion of Geraldine Swan the band was
absolutely fantastic.

Bob Woodgate