

# OHC Tenants may get new deal

by NORMAN G. BROWNE

The Ontario Housing Corporation (OHC) is considering a plan that would virtually do away with low-income housing projects by subsidizing the low-income tenant instead of the unit as is the present case.

Under the program, people who qualify for housing assistance would receive a subsidy from OHC toward the rental of an apartment or townhouse owned by private interests. They would not, as is mostly the case now, be restricted to units owned by OHC.

OHC would continue to assess an applicant's need for a subsidy. If a subsidy is granted, the applicant would have a choice of opting for OHC or privately-owned housing.

If the choice is a privately-owned apartment or townhouse, OHC would pay the subsidy as long as it's a standard apartment, renting at a market or average rate.

The plan, which could be implemented in as little as six months, would pay the subsidy directly to the tenant so that landlords and neighbours won't know who is getting a subsidy and who isn't.

The program also calls for renting OHC-owned housing to any individual, regardless of income. Those not entitled to rent subsidies would pay the full market rate for the unit.

The idea for the plan is based on a study which shows that it costs \$193 a month to subsidize the rent in a development operated by OHC, while a similar unit privately owned would only cost \$135 a month to subsidize. At

present there are around 6,000 people living in OHC units in Ward Seven with the major concentration in Regent Park, St. James Town, Moss Park and Don Mount Court. The plan could have the effect of throwing these projects open to anyone to rent and at the same time spreading their populations into private housing across the ward.

Or it could add more low income people to the present population of the ward — if accommodation is available to them — as there is a present waiting list for OHC accommodation of roughly 10,000.

Simon Mielniczuk, community worker at Regent Park, said that some of the executive of the Regent Park association were aware of the plan but it hadn't been discussed as yet.

Mr. Mielniczuk did however say that he thought it was a good idea but could develop a number of problems. "A similar program was started in the States had problems such as quality of the apartments, landlords raising rents and even kickbacks." He added, "It gives people more freedom but could subsidize substandard housing."

Enquiries by Seven News show that the plan must already be in effect to a limited extent as a pilot project to test out its feasibility. One public housing tenant has been located in the private sector of St. James Town and Tenant Hotline reports a tenant in a private apartment building in North York is being harassed by his neighbours and landlord because he told them he was an OHC tenant living there under subsidy.

## Provincial ombudsman coming to Dixon Hall

Ontario Ombudsman Arthur Maloney, Q.C., together with a full team of investigators, will spend a whole day in Ward Seven on May 26.

The team of interviewers will be at Dixon Hall, 58 Sumach Street from early morning until late evening. If necessary, they will come back the next day as well. All interviews will be completely private and no appointment is necessary.

Mr Maloney himself will speak publicly at 7:30 at Dixon Hall and everyone is invited to attend.

Mr Maloney, as Ontario Ombudsman, is not employed by the government or any political party but is an officer of the Ontario Legislature and answerable only to

them.

His office has the power to investigate any administrative decision, act or omission of the Ontario Government or any of its Boards or Agencies.

He has no power to act with regard to the city government or the Federal government.

A spokesman from his office stated that people with complaints against the Ontario Government should first seek satisfaction through normal channels. Only if that fails should they seek help from the office of the Ombudsman.

The office of the Ombudsman, he said, is the "court of last resort."



First prize went to the above photo. More winning photos will be published in future issues.

Photo courtesy of Danforth Library

## Photo contest winners announced

During January and February, the Danforth Library sponsored a photography contest entitled, "Scenes from the Danforth neighbourhood". During March, all the entries, both black and white and color

were on display at the Library.

During that month, the users of the library were invited to look at the entries and choose the ones they

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# NEWS

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### News Round-up

## NDP leader Ed Broadbent to speak in area

Ed Broadbent, leader of the Federal NDP, will be guest speaker at a public meeting to be held at Eastern School of Commerce (on Chatham between Jones and Greenwood) on **Monday May 3**, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting, sponsored by the Riverdale NDP Association will also nominate their candidate for the next provincial election.

Dixon Hall, 58 Sumach Street is looking for **softball coaches** for boys and girls teams. Phone Fred at 863-0499.

A fund-raising benefit dance to support the **Tenant Hotline** is being held at 8 p.m. tonight (May 1) at the Don Vale Community Centre, 80 Winchester Street. All ward seven people are welcome. Admission is \$1.00.

The Regent Park Adult Recreation Centre will hold their annual **Open House** at 605 Whiteside Place on **Friday May 7** from 1 to 7 p.m. Admission is free, refreshments will be served and all are welcome.

The Cabbagetown Boxing and Youth Centre will hold a dance at 2

Lancaster (behind Brewer's Retail at Parliament and Winchester) on **Sat. May 8** at 8 p.m. **Scott Carpenter** will be D.J. Admission at door is \$2.00.

Dixon Hall will be operating a camp this year with two 10-day sessions for **children 12 or under**. There will also be canoe trips into **Algonquin Park** for teenagers. Parents interested are asked to attend a meeting at Dixon Hall on **Wed. May 5** at 7 p.m. or phone Fred at 863-0499.

PEOPLE: Mr. and Mrs. **Frank Mangold** of Parkview Avenue

spent the recent holidays in Chicago with their son... Former Ward Seven residents **Doctor Bert Ottosen** of London, Ont. and **Capt. and Mrs. Karl Archer** of Ottawa visited recently at the **Bea Broughton** home on Wellesley East... Miss **Cheryl Stevens** of Vancouver spent a week recently visiting her sister, **Patricia Stevens, R.N.** of Wellesley East.

The teen-drop-in at the Parliament Library House, 265 Gerrard St. East will hold a **self-defence**

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## Childcare committee to meet

The Core Committee for Child Care in Ward Seven will hold its second meeting at Dixon Hall, 58 Sumach Street on **Tuesday, May 11** at 7:30 p.m.

The Committee, established last month, is attempting to create neighbourhood child care centres in the Ward which will be controlled by the community. Two areas,

Bain Avenue Apartments and Don Vale, have taken the initial steps needed to set up these centres.

The Committee will report on its progress at the meeting. A guest speaker familiar with the problems of community controlled child care centres will address the group. Children are welcome at the meeting and refreshments will be served.

## Women's weekend to be held May 7 and 8 at CNH

An impressive list of active community women and women's groups plan to make Women's Weekend a memorable and exciting event for Ward Seven.

The event, completely organized by women in the Ward Seven community, will be held **Friday and Saturday May 7 and 8** at Central Neighbourhood House, 249 Ontario with free admission to all women of the ward.

The major structure of the con-

ference will be workshops although a short play will also be presented Friday evening to depict the frustrations of sole-support women in the area. Producing this event are **Carol Edwards** and **Marilyn Smith**.

Following are the various workshops, their date and times and some of the people participating in them:

**Women Today** (Fri. 7 to 7:45 p.m.) Marilyn Smith, Janet Ross.

**Getting to know yourself** (Fri. 7:45 to 8:15) half-hour skit.

**Examination of Media** (Fri. 8:15 to 9:15) Trudy Sodd, Susan Lucker.

**Things you always wanted to do** (Sat. 10 to 11 a.m.) Carol Edwards, Linda Smith, Valerie Martatt, Marcella Lustig, Moira Armour and Melita Donaldson.

**Jobs and You** (Sat. 10 to 11

a.m.) Cindy Clarke, Angana Murthy, Susan Vandervoet, Virginia Kosak

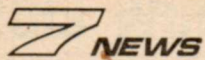
**You and Kids** (Sat. 11 to noon) Marilyn Smith, Sandy Stenicker, Jessie Cornish-Bohen and Wanda MacNiven.

**Law and Women** (Sat. 1 to 2:30 p.m.) Sandy Horan, Janet Howard, Phoebe Graham, Connie Nakatsu, Jill Swindell and Mar Bassett.

**Rape, Self-defence and Health** (Sat. 1 to 2:30) Vernon McEwen, Wendy King, Maggie Brockhouse, Joy Fodden, Wendy Weiss.

The final summary session will be held at 2:30 on Saturday when all previous workshops will bring their recommendations together and an effort will be made to form a structured, on-going group.

For more information regarding the Women's Weekend, contact **Lynda Salmon** at 925-4363.



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## LETTERS



### Inter-agency group formed

Dear Mr. Browne:

In the fall of 1974, a few workers from various agencies, community centres and programmes in the Don District community, decided to meet for the purpose of getting to know each other. So often it was the case that the workers knew so many names but so few faces. Our first casual meeting was so successful that we decided to meet twice a month in order to keep up the personal contact.

We filtered out the news of our get-together to community workers and informally invited them to attend. Gradually, the attendance grew and before we knew it, we had a group of about 20-30 people representing most of the agencies etc. in the area.

In each meeting, we elected one worker to describe his/her job and the agency, community centre or programme she/he represented. This exchange of job descriptions helped us all to understand each worker's role in the community. And if any new programmes were

being started for the benefit of the community, we would disseminate this information in the group. This way, everyone was kept right up to date on activities. And at times, community issues were brought to our attention and as a group, we would support the cause and try to help, in the best way possible.

The Don District Inter-Community Group is a means of meeting with other workers to share information and mutual concerns. We encourage workers and other concerned people to attend in order to have as much of a total representation as possible. There is no fee to join the group, only your presence. We ask however, that people who come give a commitment to the group. In order to retain continuity to our meetings, it is asked that people attend regularly. We meet every second Thursday. For information on the time and place of these meetings please contact NIP — phone number 924-2543.

Susan Angus

### YOUTH — STREET WORKER WANTED

CENTRAL TORONTO YOUTH SERVICES has an immediate opening for a youth — street worker. This person will work within a team doing out-patient direct service and program planning with disturbed adolescents. Other job experience essential but not necessarily in social service field. Applications accepted until May 14. Salary range: \$10,000 plus.

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## Reader protests destruction of houses

Dear Mr. Browne:

As a full time resident living near Broadview Avenue in Ward Seven, I was very upset and shocked one day to see that hoardings of our greatest enemy in the ward — the wrecker — had been put up around four attractive 19th century homes at the northeast corner of Broadview and Withrow, opposite Riverdale Park.

I was upset because I had passed these houses every day on my way to and from school as a child. The nightmare of the wrecker's presence was now repeating itself.

That evening I phoned the Toronto Historical Board and notified them that these four houses deserved their utmost and immediate attention. The next day I received a reply that the Board's architectural historian did not consider the houses worthy of preservation.

They also informed me that a developer who had bought the site already had both a demolition and a building permit. Plans for the site now call for the erection of 22 townhouse family units "surrounding an English style courtyard" by a private developer.

As of this writing, Teperman and Sons are completing their senseless destruction of these homes. All of them possessed important features of 19th century residential architecture in Ward Seven. They have neo-classical details, Romanesque (round) window heads; and in the case of 505 Broadview, an octagonal verandah, highly attractive exterior woodwork and curved, leaded stained glass windows.

To see this house disappear is traumatic for those of us who are interested and concerned about our architectural heritage.

However, over a four day period I circulated a petition among area residents, most of whom signed it. It appealed for an immediate halt to the demolition (which Alderman Sewell could not even obtain), but it stated "we do not want our neighbourhood eaten away by the developer whose only real aim is to cram more and more people into less and less space."

I remitted the petition with 130 signatures to Alderman John Sewell as a reflection of our concern for the stability of our unspoiled neighbourhood. I hope this will encourage him, with our support, to save the best of our architectural heritage in Ward Seven.

I was told by Alderman Janet Howard that the demolition of the four houses resulted from "blockbusting", a tactic used by developers and irate landlords to have unwanted dwellings torn down for new development — usually apartments.

### Tenant Hot Line needs \$\$\$

Dear Editor:

Tenant Hot Line has asked very little from the people it has helped, but now that their Local Initiative Program grant has run out, their staff will be unemployed and their valuable service will be greatly curtailed.

They do however plan to stay open, manning their office with volunteers. But this can only be done if the bare necessities can be paid for — office supplies, telephone, etc.

They would appreciate cash donations to help keep them going. For further information call 922-6716 or 922-6544.

Dorothy Bushey  
Don Vale

It is very unfortunate that this action could not be prevented when it first arose; when the last owners acquired the houses and began "blockbusting".

The importance of this issue in Ward Seven cannot now be underestimated. Our two aldermen must be on the alert to prevent

blockbusting from occurring in the ward and to prevent developers from encroaching on our beloved neighbourhood.

The wreckers must not be permitted to further destroy what remains of our architectural heritage.

George Akula  
Riverdale Ave.

## OPINION!

### Wanted: A sane transportation policy

by NORM CRAVEN

Are you still with me? Good! Now put down your wife, it may save your life. Come on now, unwind. Let those priceless muscles sag, especially the one between your ears.

As you are well aware, the T.T.C. is a monopoly and always in financial difficulties. Capital costs of subway construction and new vehicles must be paid for. Fares are constantly rising!

Every fiscal year the T.T.C. must go cap in hand to the Province and Metro for financial assistance.

It should be understood that these grants received from the province come from the taxes paid by all residents of the province. Now it seems decidedly unfair that taxpayers living in Thunder Bay or Wiarton should be subsidizing the T.T.C.

It is as equally obvious the T.T.C. believe in the old adage "ask and ye shall receive." The T.T.C. Commissioners in their Davisville Towers are a law unto themselves. They are not the only transportation system in the province.

However, this is not to infer the T.T.C. is inefficient. Their service on the whole is reasonably adequate with a few exceptions in the suburbs.

If the province is to continue to pay these subsidies then it follows that all transportation systems within the province should be subsidized.

Now because taxpayers are users of transportation systems then it is a logical progression to abandon the present fare box method of raising revenue. Instead, all transportation systems should be totally funded from the tax dollar.

This would result in some savings and greater efficiencies. For examples, no tickets or transfers need be printed. Drivers would pay greater attention to the safety and comfort of their passengers.

The effects of a "free transportation policy" throughout the province would result in Ontario being known throughout the world as a progressive people oriented province. This is the kind of publicity that no amount of money can buy!

Before you scoff, consider the implications and the benefits that would accrue to the citizens of Ontario.

Visitors from elsewhere would return to their homes saying what a great place Ontario is. Our flagging hotel industry would have a new lease on life. Ontario would be the place to visit. The influx of visitors would boost the economy.

Because hotels pay property taxes and visitors buy goods and services then it follows they also pay taxes and in effect they would pay for 'their' transportation.

In the cities, more people would leave their family cars at home thus fewer cars travelling and parking downtown. Less cars downtown equal fewer accidents equal cheaper insurance.

The ever present poor in our midst would be able to take trips out of the cities on family outings and weekends for holiday they are at present unable to afford. This in turn would lead to a general healthier population.

A generally healthier population is a happier one. A healthier population has less need for expensive hospitalization and a reduction in visits to doctors in their offices thus resulting in a reducing of OHIP costs.

Happier and healthier people are more content. A more contented people would result in a friendly co-operation and good neighbourhoods in 'great' cities.

In the end run this will lead to a humanizing of people prone to violence, and a reduction in criminal statistics plus a declining prison population.

Being a believer, I am convinced. I could go on extolling the benefits of an enlightened and responsible government with a "free" transportation policy, forever.

Because Seven News is a citizen paper and space is a precious commodity I must close now, thanking you and the Editor for allowing me to intrude into your mind.

OPINION! is a column of a guest editorial nature on topics of special or general interest to people in Ward Seven. Your comments on its subject matter would be appreciated. Anyone wishing to write a column of OPINION! should contact the editor, Norman Brown at 920-8632 for guidelines on length and subject matter.

## Education Report

### Why kids aren't in school

by GORDON CRESSY and DOUG BARR

Last issue, in response to queries from the community, we began a discussion on why some students appear to be on the streets during school hours.

Four legal reasons were mentioned — suspension, home instruction, the "leaving school early" program, and work experience. They can also be absent illegally as truants.

Last issue we dealt with suspensions, their reasons and their rate in Ward Seven. This issue we will deal with the other reasons for apparent or real truancy.

#### HOME INSTRUCTION

Home Instruction is a program for a small number of usually elementary school youngsters who for reasons of health or behavior are unable to cope with the regular in-school program.

To become eligible a student must be recommended by his or her school and seen by a Board psychiatrist. Instruction is usually given in the student's home by what is called an itinerant (or wandering) teacher for approximately five hours every two weeks.

After a period of individual tutoring and when the teacher feels he/she is ready, the student may be integrated back into the regular program.

Usually there are fewer than 100 children across the city who qualify for home instruction, the majority for reasons of health. Of those in the program for reasons of behavior, many appear to be children with severe emotional problems awaiting placement in some form of treatment centre.

#### LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY

In April of 1975, the Ministry of Education approved regulations to the Education Act which made it possible for 14 and 15 year olds to leave school early under special circumstances. Basically these are students who have been doing poorly at school for years and for whom either work or volunteering seems more appropriate than chronic truancy or continuing with an unworkable situation.

We won't go into detail regarding this program as it will form the basis for a future article in Seven News. Suffice it to say, however, that each student is thoroughly screened by a school social worker and the Leaving School Early Committee before he/she is approved for the program. The student is also carefully monitored by one of our two teacher-advisors.

In Area Four, which covers all of Ward 7 and parts of Wards 6 and 8, there are only 12 students on the LSE Program. The objectives of the program are to assist those teenagers to make a successful transition to the work world, become involved in a program that interests them or consider returning to school either part of full time.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Work experience is the name given to a particular approach to learning which combines classroom study and practical experience for varying time periods in employment and voluntary community service.

There are several types of work experience:

- Non-paid, one or two week placement in business or industry as preparation for graduation.
- Half-time, one day a week or three month block placement in business for the development of work and social employment practice.
- One or two half-days per week, usually unpaid, in business or industry, as an extension of an existing course or as a special interest project in the regular school program (e.g. urban studies).
- Education on-the-job — which is full-time employment in business or industry where educational courses are offered in the work place or taken at the local school as part of the conditions of employment.

Two schools in Ward Seven have students participating in work experience programs. The numbers vary each year depending upon interest and placement opportunities available.

#### TRUANCY

As mentioned previously, one of the ways a student is absent from school is that he is illegally absent — i.e. he/she is truant. The responsibility for attempting to locate and return these students to school under the Education Act, falls to attendance officers, who in the Toronto school system, are school social workers.

Although some wish it were not so, we no longer have truant officers riding around on their bikes snaring errant youngsters. Today, truancy is viewed principally as a symptom of deeper concerns in either the school or the home.

As a result, school social workers spend much more time with individual students who are truant. Fewer and fewer youngsters are being taken to court for truancy (from Sept. to December in 1975, only 14 charges of truancy were laid for the entire city) as it appears that little is accomplished by this method.

The options available to family court judges are usually either too ineffectual (warnings or probation) or too heavy (training school or Children's Aid). As a result more and more of these students will be channelled into the Leaving School Early Program.

But to be candid, it will be a long time before all of the truanting students are either returned to school or placed in a more appropriate program. On any given day, from 25 to 30% of our students are absent from our secondary schools, although the rate is somewhat less in the academic high schools.

To get to the reasons for such a high proportion of truants, one has to study the same reasons which accounts for 25% of all our high school students dropping out before they complete their program.

We will address ourselves to that problem and some of the possible solutions in a future column.



### Canoeists invade Ward

On Saturday April 17, 130 canoes invaded Ward Seven from the upper reaches of the West Don River. This was the fourth annual event to publicize both the good and bad points of the Don River. Some of the canoes got temporarily stranded in shallow water, a few turned over, but all canoes and their passengers made it down the Don River and along the waterfront to Harbourfront.

Photo by Steven Evans

### Don planners relocate

As a result of the consolidation of City Planning staff work programmes in East Toronto, a number of personnel and office relocations will shortly take place.

The South of Carlton Site Office at 381 Dundas St. East will close as of May 3. John Gladki, the planner who has been responsible for the South of Carlton area has moved to the Junction site office in the west end.

With the South of Carlton Part II final recommendations currently before the Planning Board, John is able to undertake new duties in the Junction area.

Alan Dudeck, planner working in various areas of the Don District, including Trefann Court and South St. James Town, will assume responsibility for matters in South of Carlton.

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Planning Office at 26 Berkeley St. which has been staffing the King-Parliament Part II Study. Alan can be reached at 367-7549.

Julie Valenta will be moving to the Main-Gerrard site office in Community Centre 55. Any friends who have been dealing with her as the South of Carlton secretary can contact her at 698-0704.

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1. To receive and consider the report of the Directors, President, and Executive Director;
2. To receive and consider the Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 1975, and the report thereon of the Auditors, Clarkson, Gordon & Co.;
3. To elect Directors;
4. To elect Auditors;
5. Generally to transact such further and other business as may be properly brought before the meeting, or any adjournment or adjournment thereof.

DATE AT TORONTO, this Eight Day of April, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy Six.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Paula Warder  
Secretary

WOODGREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE is now accepting nominations to the Board of Directors. Nominations should be presented in writing to Mr. W.N. Blamer, WoodGreen Community Centre, 835 Queen Street East, Toronto, Ontario, M4M 1H9, by WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1976. All nominations should include a consent form signed by the nominee indicating his/her willingness to stand for office. Please indicate the full name of the nominee, address, phone number and a brief personal resume.



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## Distributor of the week

by PHIL JALSEVAC

This issue's Distributor of the Week is 16 year old Nancy Craine who has been delivering almost 200 copies of Seven News for many months to the tenants in her building at 325 Bleecker.

Nancy and her family have resided in the St. Jamestown complex for approximately seven years, though she herself attends school outside the ward, at Loretto College for girls.

The Grade 10 student is a great sports enthusiast and spends many extracurricular hours at school, involving herself as a member of the track team, the jogging team and badminton competitions. She is also a Senior Red Cross swimmer, presently working on her Bronze Medallion.

Nancy admits that she is out most nights and days, busy with one thing or another, and usually only staying at home for occasions when the homework is especially time-consuming. Apart from her activities in sports, she finds time to act as a company leader for the Girl Guides 15th Company at St. Simon's church and is also an adept seamstress who can make her own dresses and slacks.

She volunteered as distributor for Seven News when approached by an old friend who is presently himself a volunteer, Carmel Hill of Spruce St. Nancy had met Carmel through a social service program that he previously had helped to co-ordinate at Our Lady of



Photo by Steven Evans

Lourdes Church, where they would bring crippled children from Bloorview Children's Hospital to and from the church for various services.

How does she like living in St. Jamestown? "Well, it's O.K.," she replied, "but sometimes there's nothing to do when nothing's open — unless you find a bunch of kids then you find something to do." At the same time, Nancy admitted that many of her closest friends were fellow students at the girls' college.

Nancy's plans for the summer are to take on a job, preferably as a camp counsellor, for which she has made several applications. This lively and cheerful young girl has ambitions of being a teacher someday, with physical education as her primary subject.

With so many varied activities that keep her busy, we are fortunate that she can still make time to deliver Seven News twice a month to you, the reader, and our mutual note of appreciation is hereby extended.

## Forsythia festival is tomorrow

by JOANNA SCHMIDA

For the fourth time in as many years, Don Vale is revving up for its Forsythia Festival, a rollicking spring-time event devoted to beautifying the area and bringing the community together.

Tony Brady, originator and still organizer of the festival, says that this year it will be held May 2 from approximately 12:30 on. As usual, it will be held in Wellesley Park at the end of Wellesley Street East, and all local residents as well as friends and guests from further afield are invited to come and take part.

The mutt show which was so successful last year will be re-

peated. Judges will be Toronto Sun columnist Paul Rimstead, broadcaster Gil Christie, Alderperson Janet Howard and veterinarian Dr. Mary O'Riordan. Dog owners are asked to bring their mutts on a lead to the Park for 1:30.

An unusual new event this year is a pet rock contest taking place after the mutt show. Proud owners should lead their rock to the Park for 2:30. Judges for this event will be well-known actresses Barbara Hamilton and Jean Templeton, Rosie the Clown, Parks Commissioner Tommy Thompson and MPP Margaret Scrivener.

Another unusual event will be a belly dance lesson by George Cortez. Reputed to be the king of

the belly dancers, he will lead Paul Rimstead, Barbara Hamilton, Mary O'Riordan and others in a chorus line.

Music will be provided by Ethna Dunn, Liam Lacey and other musicians of note. Artist Larry Noble has arranged for numerous artists and craftsmen to display their works, among them, a jeweller, a weaver, painters, sculptors, photographers and a glass blower.

In keeping with the spirit of the occasion and the purpose of it, Tommy Thompson will plant a forsythia bush in the Park. The shrubs planted during previous forsythia festivals are now mature enough to add a distinctive look to the area.

## Local cook book has good recipes

Reviewed by CAROL FINLAY

### The Pinocchio Faces' Heritage Cook Book

I was struck by two things while going through this school cookbook. First, what an extraordinary wealth of cultural diversity we have in our area; and secondly, and more important to the cook, how nicely this little book opens up to lie flat on the kitchen counter.

It is a simple book with an open spiral ring back and it sports a chocolate cover designed by Yi-Li Su, one of the students at Rose Avenue Public School who are responsible for this money-making project.

The intriguing title had to have a story so I went to Ruth Johnson who published the book. She is the grade two-three teacher at Rose Avenue School and in the 1974-75

school year, her class named themselves Pinocchio Faces due to their consuming interest in all aspects of the Pinocchio story.

She explained that in April of 1975, she had a Pinocchio Week declared at the school. It was a multi-cultural experience for the children, and was endorsed by the Toronto Board of Education and declared city-wide by Toronto City Council.

Ms Johnson stated that the story of Pinocchio, originally Italian, has now been translated worldwide. Most Europeans have it in their childhood experiences and even Russians and Chinese now have translations.

Basically the story is moralistic and teaches the child to love his parents.

The cookbook project is also multi-cultural, as it reflects a variety of foods from all over the world. As well, it familiarizes its readers with people in the community. Recipes were collected from the school crossing guard, a Japanese parent, teaching staff, YMCA staff and Ward Seven politicians.

The recipes all look delicious and are most attractively illustrated by the pupils at Rose Avenue School. At \$1 a copy, it's a good buy for a gift or for yourself. But there are only 300 copies published and not many available.

The review copy, donated to Seven News, has been donated to the Parliament Library for people who just want to browse.

## OBITUARY: Wally Ford

Wally Ford, well-known and liked both in the Don District and throughout the city is dead. He was 54 years old. He suffered a heart attack on the evening of April 14 at the Winchester Hotel, his home for many years.

His funeral was held April 17 at 10 a.m. at St. Paul's Church and interment was in HOLY Cross Cemetery.

Born in Kingston, Ontario, he

was the husband of Rita Harrigan and the son of John T. Ford of Perth and the late Mary Agnes Fitzgerald. He was also the dear father of Sheila, (Mrs. A. DeNardis), Anne Marie, Mary, Jane, Kevin, John, James, Danny and Noreen. He was the brother of Margaret and Ernie.

Wally Ford was active in church, community and political affairs. He was an active member and one time on the executive of the Ward Seven Businessmen's Association. During the last civic election he was an active campaign worker for one of the candidates.

When the Winchester Hotel, his home for many, many years was written up as an historical article in Seven News, he personally came over to the Seven News office to pick up 20 extra copies of that issue — "to mail to my friends around the world."

He had more friends than that — and they will miss him.

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## NEWS ROUND-UP

## Players for soccer and baseball teams sought

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**workshop** for women aged twelve and up on Thursday, May 6 from 7 to 9 p.m. Also present will be speakers from the **Rape Crisis Centre**. Admission is free.

The Don Vale Community Centre, 80 Winchester Street will hold a **Rummage and Bake Sale** on May 15 starting at 10 a.m. Donations of baked goods and rummage are still being sought. Phone **921-2426** if you have any to donate.

We interrupt this column for a special bulletin: those marks in chalk all over the streets and sidewalks can be erased now. They were put on to indicate utilities for an aerial survey which has since been taken. A wire brush is needed. **We now resume our regular gossip.**

Dixon Hall, 58 Sumach Street is starting up a **mixed Dart League** for people 18 and over. It starts **Mon. May 10 at 8 p.m.** and will run until the end of August. Admission is \$1 per night. For info call Fred at 863-0499.

**Jackie Dineen** has recently been hired as the new community worker at Central Neighbourhood House. She is interested in **meeting residents** and talking with them about their ideas, opinions and complaints about CNH and other community services. Call her at 925-4363.

The **Broadview-Riverdale NDP Association** is holding a dance on Fri. May 7 at 8 p.m. at the Ulster Memorial Hall, 1047 Gerrard East. Guest is **Bill Croker**, founding member of the Association.

**DIED**, on Wed. April 21 in Toronto, **Gertrude Lister McFerran** (nee Hyde). She was the mother of **Bart Davis** and President of Davis Cleaners, Ward Seven's oldest cleaning establishment.

The second annual **Geneva Street Sale** will be held on Sunday, **May 9**, starting at 10 a.m. Furniture, clothing, books, dishes, garden equipment, baking and plants will be all on sale. Geneva is one block south of Carlton, east of Sumach.

Dixon Hall is sponsoring three boys

teams and one girls team in the **Cabbagetown Softball Association**. Boys should be 11 to 17 years of age and girls must be 18 or under. Deadlines for registration is **May 14**. For info phone Fred or Gayle at 863-0499.

The Don Vale Community Centre, 80 Winchester Street will hold a **Coffee House and Pub Night** on May 8 starting at 8:30 p.m. There will be guest singers performing.

Broadview YMCA is sponsoring **two soccer teams** for kids 7 to 11 and 12 to 15. Deadline for registration is **May 8**. Fee is \$1. Apply at 275 Broadview or phone Fred at **461-8123**.

**Anyone who has been in a Provincial Training School** recently and is interested in action and changes in the system is asked to call **Don Weitz** at 923-2772 or 922-7391.

A Grand Island **Bus tour to Buffalo** will leave 41 Oak Street at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 22 and return that night. A blossom tour through the Niagara Peninsula, the

tour is for **seniors** with a return ticket price of \$8.50. Contact **John Sanlon** at 368-7503.

**Charlie Hutchinson**, a resident of 200 Wellesley St. in St. James Town recently returned from a much enjoyed 66-day ocean cruise on the Mediterranean.

Book and information **kiosks** have opened at 41 Oak St., 155 Sherbourne, 375 Bleecker, 200 Wellesley, 275 Bleecker, and 220 Oak. Available are a large selection of current paper backs, fiction, large print books and information pamphlets, etc. For information on date and times open, phone **964-8595**.

The Broadview YMCA is holding a ten-week course in **track, field and swimming** for boys 7 to 15 years of age. Sessions will be held every Saturday morning starting April 24. Fee is \$10. Phone **Greg Lockhart** at 461-8123 to register.

All people in the **Riverdale** area interested in starting or belonging to a **food co-op** are invited to a meeting to be held on Wed. May 5, at 7:30 p.m. at the Broadview YMCA, 275 Broadview, 3rd floor. For more information, call **Wolfe Erlichman** at 465-8045.

## Playter residents protest removal of light

The Playter Area Residents' Association (PARA), in a brief presented last month to the Metro Transportation Committee, have come out strongly against the removal of the traffic lights at Danforth and Jackman.

The brief states that the removal of the traffic lights "will increase the distance to 2,000 feet along the Danforth between Broadview and Chester Avenues without a crossing point. For the elderly and parents with children shopping along this stretch of the Danforth, the

increased distance means additional hardships and danger."

The brief adds, "To suggest walking across this extremely busy thoroughfare without a legal pedestrian right of way, is to court disaster."

PARA says the matter deserves thorough study of determine where the best crossing point should be but "stand firm" that there must be a crossing facility along the Danforth for the use of people on both sides of the street.

The PARA brief also stated that

the association was concerned about traffic lights on the Danforth diverting traffic into the residential streets north of Danforth. It points out that these streets are used extensively by local children on their way to and from Jackman school.

The Metro Transportation Committee decided not to install lights at Danforth and Playter. They also asked for a traffic and pedestrian study within three months of the installation of lights at Danforth and Jackman.

## New dance program at Winchester

The program of community dance lessons at Winchester School has begun a second season with additional classes being added.

On Mondays from 3:45 to 4:45 there is a class on Modern Gymnastics for children 4 to 12 years of age. From 4:15 to 5:15 the same class is held for those age 12 and up. Babysitting is provided.

On Tuesdays from 3:45 to 4:15 there is a class in Tap Dancing for those 4 to 8 years of age. For those 8 years and up there is a class in Tap Dancing starting at 4:15 and running to 5:15.

On Wednesdays there are two classes. Ballet is taught from 3:45 until 4:30 and Creative Movement from 4:30 until 5 p.m.

The new classes of Mime and Creative Drama are on Thursday afternoons. Mime is taught from 3:45 until 4:45 and Creative Drama from 4:30 until 5:30.

Space is available in all classes. An Ontario Arts Council grant has been sought to pay for the cost of the classes but until it is received a charge of \$1 per class is being made.

For more information call Sheila Lamb at 925-5078 or Jim Wilkinson at 921-2178.

## Photo contest winners

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thought were best in the two divisions of colour and black and white.

On April 13, the results were tabulated and the top three winners in each category were presented with prizes of books. There were a total of 137 entries: 89 black and white and 48 in colour. A total of 738 votes were cast by users of the library.

Following is the results: Black and White — First prize, "Children in Withrow Park", by **Thomas Lewis** with 81 votes; Second Prize, "Withrow Park, Spring 1975", by **Frank Scala** with 27 votes; Third prize, "Danforth viewed through car window" by **Kathy Moulinos** with 23 votes.

Colour — First prize, "Danforth Library" by **Lorna Schueler**, 31 votes; Second prize, "Chestnut Vendor on Danforth Avenue" by **Lorna Schueler**, 30 votes; Third prize, "Little boy scoring" by **Emilio Albi**, 29 votes.

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## OPEN ASSIGNMENT

Seven News has had a good response from this column. A number of story ideas outlined in previous columns have been printed, have been written and are on file or are in the works.

But we still have more story ideas than we have people to write them up. If you've got some writing ability and have some free time to research and write, then maybe you might like to take a crack at some of the following OPEN ASSIGNMENTS. Phone the editor, Norman Browne to take on these or any other writing assignments.

**COMMUNITY CONTROL IN WARD 7:** How many business and institutions in the ward are community controlled and/or owned? How many partially controlled by community? Has the impetus for community control come and gone? How much interest is there in the community for it? What are the advantages to community control (other than the rhetoric)? What are the disadvantages? Who cares? How have some community owned/controlled organizations fared? Etc., etc., etc.

**SPORT ACTIVITIES IN THE WARD:** This is an on-going assignment. Coverage is needed on as much of the organized sport activity in the ward as possible. Needed are schedules, statistics, write-ups, etc., etc. Names of groups, leagues, teams and contacts can be provided. A lot can be done on the phone but some leg-work will be required. Ideal for an amateur sport fan who knows the terminology.

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## More than books at this library

by MARY ROSEN

In recent years, libraries have become focal points of culture and learning. Not only that, libraries have changed their faces and most importantly, their hearts.

Jane Ameline, the head librarian at Riverdale Library tells some impressive tales about the changes that have taken place. Libraries serve today as they did many years ago as dispensers of knowledge and learning but the difference

now is the eager willingness to help the needs of people from all walks of life and age groups.

Jane tells the story of how a youngster hung around the library all of one afternoon and just before closing time seemed to summon up enough courage to ask if there were any books on children's rights. Jane, a mother, had insight into this boy's problems and was able to help him.

People seek all sorts of information from how to get accommoda-

tion for the elderly to how to obtain a lawyer. The library has become a People Place. Many of the public sense the change and look to the librarians for help.

Jane Ameline is helped in her endeavours by a capable and understanding staff, which includes Frieda Ling, Dorothy Norman and Mrs. McLellan in the adult section of the library. In the children's section Mee Shan Lau is assisted by Veronica Li.

Anna Wong, a nine-year-old from Withrow School, is almost a daily visitor. She has been visiting the library since she was a preschooler. Anna doesn't always come to read. Somedays she comes to talk, continue with some artistic creation or simply to work on a jigsaw puzzle.

The Riverdale Library was begun by the Riverdale Businessmen's Association way back in 1910 when a group of merchants met and planned a new library for the neighbourhood. Financial help was received from the Carnegie Foundation for the venture.

The Riverdale Library is a one storey building, built on the lines of Greek architecture. It is a round building, supported by Ionic pillars and plenty of light enters the long, wide windows.

The one regret Jane Ameline has for the building is that it contains such a small number of electrical outlets. Vestiges of a bygone era appear in the form of openings for



Photo by Steven Evans

gas lights on some of the pillars.

Inside the adult and children's libraries are displays of talents from various schools and ethnic groups in the community. On display were the jute masks made by the children from Queen Alexandra School and recently members from the Sikh community displayed their efforts in the library. Enthusiastic contributors to the children's department are creative talents from the Montcrest and Withrow Schools. A great deal of energy and zest goes into these artistic creations.

Every Saturday afternoon Mee Shan Lau and Veronica Li are mothers with a difference to several dozen children. They put on shadow plays, puppet shows, tell stories, show movies or have invited guests. Magicians appear, trombonists trombone, groups sing, anything to stimulate and whet the intellectual appetites of children.

Mee Shan Lau believes "in creating a lively interest in children so they can become aware of all types of information and forms of creativity." The children certainly take advantage of the opportunities given them. Mee Shan has a sign which reads "Choose the craft you like the best." The children work on their projects and when completed, the children choose the winner.

In the back of the children's section there is a stage and auditorium. From the round window, a garden can be seen with a running brook, bridge and pagodas. No one seems to know who created this pleasant spot but it is thought an old Chinese gardener was responsible. Another story has it that an inmate of the Don Jail worked on this little oasis.

Approximately 32,000 books are on the shelves of the Riverdale Library. Of this number there are 4,500 books in Cantonese. Jane Ameline is optimistic about the future of the library. With the help of the East End Advisory Group, representatives from the community advise the library of the community's needs. The new library board has also been instrumental in procuring more books to please many tastes and readers.

And very soon financial help will be available to renovate the building. The library is not only going to have a face lift, it is going to have more wiring, enabling study areas to be set up and cassettes to be used. The library will be a busy place in the future.

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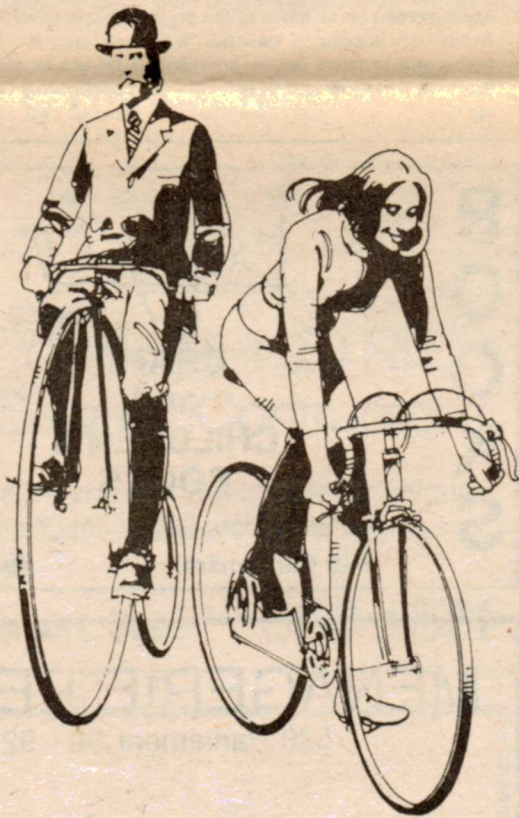
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# More on camps available for kids and seniors

by SHELLY BIRENBAUM

Last issue we had a look at just a few of the summer camps and activities available for children and families. Below is a list of more for children, families and seniors. Summer camps fill up quickly, so if interested — register early.

## UNITED CHURCH CAMPS

The Toronto Conference Camp Committee administers nine of the 30 United Church camps in Ontario. The Committee is presently getting money from a variety of sources to help subsidize children and teens who want to go to camp. Inquiries regarding financial assistance and the camps available should be directed to Grant Kerr, 85 St. Clair Ave. East or phone 925-6241.

## SENIOR ADULT CAMPS

**SAINT LUKE'S RESIDENT CAMP** is located in a lodge 5 miles south of Orangeville at Alton, Ontario. It is accessible to people in wheelchairs. The periods are 11 days and the fee is on a sliding scale up to \$70 per period. Activities include swimming, picnics, country drives, Bible study, etc. However, all activities are optional and one can choose to just sit in the sun. For more information, please contact Miss Addie Brown, Saint Luke's United Church, 924-9619.

**ILLAHEE LODGE** in Cobourg, offers a 2 week holiday to men and women from Metro Toronto, 65 and over, who otherwise cannot afford a vacation. There are 3 camp periods in the spring starting in mid-May, and 3 in the Fall ending in mid-October. People on diabetic or other special diets are welcome. The varied programmes include crafts, card parties, sing-songs, shuffleboard, skits, etc. There is time to read, walk, sit quietly and the opportunity to make new friends. Fees are geared to income. To apply, you can phone the Illahee Lodge Office, 922-3126.

**SUMMER CENTRES FOR SENIORS** The purpose of the Summer Centres For Seniors is to provide a summer holiday on Ward's Island for people 60 and over, who are not involved in other programs or having a holiday away from the city. Priority is given to people older than 60, who live alone and feel isolated. A number of handicapped people and needy people under 60 will be accepted. Summer Centres offer song and music, an exercise program, crafts, walks, games, etc. There are three, eight-week programs. Seniors attend one day each week (the same day) for eight weeks. The only cost is the cost of TTC and the Ferry Rides. The Summer Centres for Seniors do their best to provide special transportation (by bus or car) for those who are not able to use public transportation to reach the ferry docks. For further information, call 924-3979.

**COUNTRY HOLIDAY (UNITED CHURCH)** Located at Cedar Glen, this camp is for people over sixty. Crafts, outings, sing-songs and fellowship form part of the programming. The fee is \$90 for one week and \$175 for two weeks. There are three, two-week periods. For further information contact Mr. Grant Kerr, 925-6241.

## DAY CAMPS

**C.O.P.Y. (City Orientation Program With the YWCA) CAMP** is operated in High Park. It is open to all Toronto children five to 13 years of age. The camp is designed to provide a camper with a taste of both the country and the city. Activities include out-trips, sports, swimming, arts and crafts, etc. Copy Camp runs from 8:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Campers must provide their own transportation to and from High Park. There are four periods of approximately two

weeks each. Fees are \$20 - \$30 per child, based on ability to pay. A limited number of camperships are available. For further information, contact the YWCA Camping Department, 3179 Dundas St. West, 763-2147.

**GYPSY GLEN DAY CAMP** is operated in Sherwood Park (Mt. Pleasant Road and Blythwood Avenue). There are four two-week periods, from July 6th to August 27th. Activities include swimming, drama, nature study, out-trips, games, etc. Most of the activities are planned by the campers and their counsellor. The fee is \$50 per child. Transportation to and from Sherwood Park is not included. There is a reduced fee of \$25 when more than two children in a family are registered in camp. A limited number of camperships are available. To apply, contact the YWCA at 763-2147.

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**METRO DOWNTOWN BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUB DAY CAMP** is for boys and girls, six to 12 and runs in July and August from 10:00 to 4:00. The periods are two weeks and the fee is \$3 per week. The campers spend part of the period at Petticoat Greek Conservation Area doing swimming, crafts, camp craft, nature lore, etc. They also go to places of interest in Toronto, and the seniors go camping for a few days. This year the camp will run on an Indian theme. To apply, come down to the club (540 Dundas St. East) or call Lynda Gilbert at 367-0648.

**SALVATION ARMY DAY CAMP** is for boys and girls, seven to 13, from anywhere in the city. The camp starts the first week in July and runs Monday to Friday, 10:00 to 4:00. The programs include swimming, crafts, Bible stories and trips once a week. The camp is free except for the cost of trips. To apply, come down to 470 Dundas Street East (in the basement) or call 864-9364.

**RED CROSS SUMMER URBAN YOUTH PROJECT** is for youth six to 12 years old and operates out of St. Anne's School, 70 Boulton Avenue. It starts the beginning of July and runs until August 17th. The campers can attend for the whole summer if they wish. Activities include arts and crafts, sports, drama, science work and outings around the city. The camp runs from 9:00 to 3:30 and is free of charge. To apply, call Lynda Colgan at 923-6692. There is also a two week C.I.T. (Counsellor-in-Training) program offered. Call 923-6692 for applications.

**DAY CAMP 76 (WOODGREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE)** will bus the five to 12 year old campers up to the Milne and Claremont Conservation Areas at 8:00 a.m. and return them at 6:00 p.m. There will be arts and crafts, games, sports, etc. The cost is \$15 per week and campers can sign up for as many periods as they wish. The camp runs from June 28 to August 30th. To apply, contact Karen Wood, at 461-1168.

**DAY CAMP** at Dixon Hall (58 Sumach St.) runs from July 5th to September 3rd. It will operate Monday to Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for children 12 and under, and from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for children three to five years old. The day camp will include activities such as: arts and crafts, sports, swimming, dances, out-trips, cooking, penny carnivals, etc. There is no overall cost, except for bus fare to and from camp. Registration will be limited and be-

gins on Monday June 21st at Dixon Hall. For further information call Fred at 863-0499.

## RESIDENT CAMPS

**ALGONQUIN EXPERIENCE** (Operated for the Ontario Government by the YMCA) is a Resident Camp in Algonquin Park, for girls and boys 12 to 16. The program is specifically designed around Man and the Algonquin Environment. Activities include boating, canoeing, water sports, special days, tripping, etc. There are four, two-week periods starting July 13th. The cost of each period, including transportation, is \$10. Registration forms are available from the YMCA, 36 College Street (920-6010). Only those with a sincere interest in nature and who would normally not be able to afford such an experience may apply.

For other residential camps operated by the YMCA, call the Central "Y" at 920-6010.

**CAMP MAPLE LEAF** is located on "Camp Maple Leaf Island" in Pigeon Lake near Peterborough. It is open to boys and girls, eight to 11 years old and campers are selected on the basis of need. The camp is entirely free. The periods are two weeks long: July 17 to 31 for boys and July 31 to August 14 for girls. The camp is run by a group of ex-war veterans and programs include boating, summer, nature lore, crafts, etc. To apply, contact Mr. Denniston at 491-2211.

**CAMP MARYGROVE** located in Penetang, is for girls aged nine to 14. Applicants are accepted on a basis of need. There is no fee. The periods are 10 days long, beginning June 28 and ending August 18. Programming includes crafts, cycling, cook-outs, hikes and overnights. To apply, contact a Catholic church in your area, or call the Central Counsel Office, at 461-1436.

**CAMP BOULDERWOOD** is located in Baysville, and is for boys and girls, seven to 15. The periods are July 10 to July 20th and July 20th to July 30th. Fees are on a sliding scale, the minimum payment for any camp period being \$30. Activities include swimming, canoeing, camp craft, arts and crafts, drama, etc. There will be an open house at Dixon Hall (58 Sumach Street) Wednesday May 5th at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the camp.

**TEENS WILDERNESS CAMP** is a specialized out-tripping program which involves canoeing and camping in Algonquin Park for youth 12 to 16. It includes one and a half days of preparation in Camp Boulderwood and a five day canoe trip in Algonquin Park. Fees are subject to subsidies. To be accepted for a trip, you must first attend and pass a short course in swimming and canoeing. Dixon Hall will arrange for tests some time in June for those interested. For more information, attend the open house at Dixon Hall on Wed. May 5th at 7:00 p.m. or call Fred at 863-0499.

**FARM VACATION** is a recreational program on a farm, for boys and girls, four to 14. The farm is located in Flesherton, 90 miles north of Toronto. The program runs all summer and consists basically of Monday to Friday on the farm and the weekend at home. The campers work on the farm, go riding, swimming, etc. Fees are \$50 per week for the first child and \$45 per week for the second child. Transportation to the farm is extra. To register, call Mrs. Tilbrook at 653-6544.

A new program in the city called **Snake Island** is run by Kamp Kuriou. It consists of an overnight of 2 and a half days for youth eight to 14. The fee is \$5 plus ferry costs. There is canoeing, cycling, swimming, sports, etc. The program runs all summer. For further information about Snake Island or any of Kamp Kuriou's programs, call 622-5571.

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# Seals win Regent hockey championship

by JOE SCOTT

In a close, hard-fought battle, the Seals beat out Atlanta to take the Regent Park Hockey League championship with a point score of seven to one. They won three games and tied one.

Before advancing to the play-off finals, Seals first knocked out the Kings two games to one, while Atlanta went into the playoffs by defeating Rangers 2-0 in games.

In the playoffs, Tom Moulson was the story just as he was all season. The brilliant young net-minder racked up three consecutive shut-outs before the stubborn

young Atlanta team finally scored.

Leading scorer in the playoffs was Tom Dunphy (Seals) with 4 goals and 5 assists for 9 points. Three other Seal players also topped the stats: Greg Kelly (7 points), Jim Ryckman (5 points) and Bob McCulloch (5 points).

Four players for the Atlanta team were also tops in the scoring stats: Len Quinney and Bob Christie with 4 points each and Tom McCarthy and Brian Arbour with 3 each. Gerrard DeFrance of the Seals was bad boy in the playoffs with 17 minutes in the penalty box. He was closely followed by Jim Chong (Atlanta) with 15 and Greg Kelly with 12.

Tom Moulson (Seal) was the best goalie in the playoffs with an average of .86. He was followed closely by John Chippman (1.67), Len Whalen (2.17) and

Steve MacKenzie (4.50)

The winning team (Seals) were worst on penalties with 132 minutes. Atlanta and Kings had 51 minutes each, while Rangers had 18.

## SEALS GET 18 TROPHIES

The Seals team walked off with 18 of the 25 trophies presented last night (April 30) at the Annual Regent Park Hockey League banquet held at the Town and Country Balmoral Room. All the trophies were donated by Molson Breweries.

Following is a list of the awards: Regular Season Play — First place, Seals; Scoring champion, Greg Kelly; Most goals, Tom Dunphy, Ray Ryan; Top Goaltender, Tom Moulson; Most underrated player, Paul Baylis; League most valuable player, Tom Moulson; Team most valuable players, Tom Moulson (Seals), Steve MacKenzie (Rangers), Mike Wasily (Kings), Rick Ashley (Wings) and Jim Chong (Atlanta).

Most penalized team, Atlanta (263 min.); Most shut-outs, Tom Moulson; Rookie of the year, Tom Dunphy; Top Defenceman, Mal Bryson; and Most gentlemanly player, Gerrard DeFrance.

Playoff awards — Champions, Seals; Scoring leader, Tom Dunphy; Most Goals, (tie) Tom Dunphy and Jim Ryckman; Most valuable player, Tom Moulson; Most improved player, Peter Ritchie; Coach of the year, Neil Hawthorne (Seals) and Player of the year, Tom Moulson.

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## DRAMA in the WARD

### Take This Rose folds

by CHRISTA VAN DAELE

Diane Strickland, artistic director of the Cabbagetown Theatre Company (formerly Theatre Omnis) is a very disappointed lady. She recently produced the folk musical *Take This Rose*. It opened in Don Vale Community Centre on April 3 and closely exactly one week later. The anticipated run had been at least two weeks.

"Nobody even came to check it out," Strickland remarked, reflecting on the question of lack of community support for the play. Speculating on the reasons for the play's poor reception in the community, she cited various problems associated with the production. Financial problems, lighting difficulties and acoustic problems in the sanctuary space of the Don Vale Community Centre, were named as only a few of the specific headaches that plagued the production.

She expressed concern that the Don Vale Board members did not take a serious interest in the idea of a theatre company with a warm and friendly home base. "We (the Cabbagetown Theatre Company) don't want to be seen as just a way of solving their financial problems," Strickland added. She referred to the rental cost of 200.00 a week which was charged for the theatre's space. She stated that she is personally in debt for the losses incurred during that time, and explained that government grants for her company are not yet available.

"Take This Rose" was supposed to bring out those people who could help us get the grants. It was intended as a transition between our children's play and our big planned work, *The Education of Oversoul 7*. But the play closed before the people from Ontario Arts Council and the appraisers for the Canada Council could see it."

Stressing the real desire on the part of the company to involve members of the community in upcoming productions, Strickland mentioned that volunteer fundraisers, typists, and the miscellaneous skills and interests of Ward 7 residents would be welcomed by the group in the summer months.

"Teenagers in the community who are interested in the theatre could give us a hand." The practical involvement of local Cabbagetown residents, she said, might promote a better understanding between members of the community and the theatre group. She stressed that the company's first play, *The Red Balloon*, was a great success with residents and that it could happen again.

Individuals interested in working with Diane Strickland over the summer months can reach her at 117 Winchester Street, tel. 961-6618.

## Library salutes seniors

Throughout May, Parliament Street Library at the corner of Gerrard and Parliament and the Parli-

ament Library Outreach Programme will be saluting Senior Citizens. This will take the form of a special display in the Adult Library throughout the month and special programmes.

The display will consist of old and new photographs of the Ward 7 area including pictures of people (primarily Seniors of today), buildings, general landscaping, transportation, etc., memorabilia, films, books, and information of particular interest to Seniors and also people interested in old Toronto. The display is viewable during regular library hours Monday to Saturday.

There will be special events taking place on the four Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the Boys and Girls Library.

May 5 — Talk and slide presentation on historic Cabbagetown by George Rust-D'Eye presentation of film, *Regent Park*, by Robert Bradley, director of OHC Community Relations.

May 12 — *Dreamland*, a film on the history of Canadian film from 1895-1939 including many excerpts. Plus popular old short subjects.

May 19 — Presentation on slide and dummy of "A hundred years of women's fashions from 1860-1960" by Alan Suddon. Demonstration of the craft of spinning by Betts Malcolm from Black Creek Pioneer Village.

May 26 — The Go-Go Band, the Senior Citizens Band from Regent Park, playing instruments and dancing to the calls of John Lewis and country music.

Everyone is welcome to attend all the events and see the display. Everything is free. For more information, call 964-8595.