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Runners compete at York to raise hospital funds

By PAULA ZARNETT

Up to 1,000 runners will participate in the first ever York-Finch WonderRun to be held at York this Sunday morning. This fund-raising event has been organized to aid the York-Finch Hospital to modernize its Emergency Services Department and improve its public image. \$50,000 is needed to accomplish this goal, said Nancy Redner, director of development for the York-Finch

Hospital foundation.

Dr. Howard Goldstein, chairman of the WonderRun committee, said, "York was chosen due to its proximity to the hospital and because of its wonderful facilities.'

There will be anywhere from 700-1,000 participants and York University will be blocked off by security to everyone except those attending the race, Redner said.

There will be a 10-kilometre race for those who consider themselves

serious runners, and a five-kilometre race for non-competitive runners, said Redner

Famed athlete Ben Johnson, one of the fastest men alive, has been appointed as honourary chairman. Mel Lastman, Mayor of North York. will be the official starter at the race.

Redner says that the WonderRun has attracted some top runners in Ontario and there is a definite potential for a runner to set a new Ontario record due to the flat nature of

York's course.

At the end of the race, many awards will be presented, and participants raising more than \$500 will receive special awards.

For those who want to beat the rush, pre-registration can be done at the York-Finch hospital. T-shirts will be given to the first 400 preregistrants. For further information, Nancy Redner can be reached at 747-3839.

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Israel Today show goes daily

By BEN RAFAELI

Two former York students have recently started a new and long awaited radio show on Toronto's air-

The Israel Today Radio Show which can be heard Sunday through Thursday 11 p.m.-12 a.m. on CKMW 790 AM is the brainchild of Eli Rubenstein and Avrom Rosenweig and features Israeli music (classic, folk and the latest pop hits from Israel), news, entertainment, sports and interviews. The news items are

picked up throughout the broadcast day by both shortwave radio and teletype. The show also features a community calender which lists the important events taking place in the Jewish Community.

"The Israel Today Radio Show was first aired only once a week," Rubenstein said, "but due to popular demand it began broadcasting on a daily basis."

Rubenstein, a graduate of York who majored in Humanities, said the "show is the only one of its kind in Canada." His duties also include research and writing.

The Hebrew end of the show is directed, produced and hosted on a full-time basis by Shimon Zeraviv, a former broadcaster in Israel. Zeraviz is also the coach of the Toronto Macabi soccer team.

"Right now our main concern is advertising," Rubenstein said, "but the market is there and the response we are getting from the general public is very positive."

Rosensweig, also a former York student and now taking journalism at Ryerson, is the producer and director of the English segment and full-time host of the show.



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