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A bigger Wal-Mart for Aurora

Even bigger than originally planned, Wal-Mart is coming to Aurora.

Aurora Council made that decision unanimously at a public planning meeting held Wednesday night.

It was not a case of whether a Wal-Mart was coming to Aurora as that had previously been decided, but whether it would be a large format store to replace the two box stores previously approved, including a food store.

The original proposal for the shopping centre at Wellington Street East and Highway 404 included a Wal-Mart and a food store plus other smaller retail outlets but this was changed to include a food store inside Wal-Mart.

In 2005, council approved an official plan amendment which designated the 55-acre property as Business Park - Regional Commercial Centre.

The development is to be known as the Aurora Business Park Gateway Centre.

The zoning bylaw as approved by council in 2005 permitted one department store of up to a maximum of 132,604 square feet and one supermarket with a maximum of 114,000 square feet.

The bylaw also allowed a membership club and a building supply outlet.

A revised application was submitted for a large format Wal-Mart which would include an expanded range of foods not currently allowed in the department store bylaw.

The application asks an amendment to the zoning bylaw to permit a 219,504 square foot store which would exceed the current limit by 86,900 square feet, and which would be less than the combined area of the two stores currently permitted on the lands.

A public meeting was held in April last year and staff advised at that time they were unable to finalize a position as the proposed site plan of the large format store had not met the business park urban design policies.

There were objections from the public about the impact of the proposed plan on the downtown core, the size of the proposal with its large parking lot at the gateway to

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Aurora winners of the Ontario Heritage Trust recognition program received awards last week at a regular council meeting. Bottom row, left, Kiloran German, a member of the Ontario Heritage Trust Board of Directors, was on hand for the event. Winners included Dr. Leslie Oliver, Jane Staunton, Gord and Marie Barnes, Ken Smith and former Aurora Museum curator Jacqueline Stuart. *Auroran photo by David Falconer*

Horse Show could move...temporarily

The thought of holding this year's Aurora Horse Show in King Township was too much for Aurora Council last week.

But before a final decision is made staff members will obtain a response from officials of the Trillium Horse Show Association located at Joker's Hill in King Township.

The Aurora Horse Show, currently sponsored by the Aurora Agricultural Society, has been a fixture in Aurora since 1922 when it was held on the Jarvis family farm known as Hazelburn in south Aurora before it moved to the Town Park where it lived until 1970.

During 1970, members of the Agricultural Society helped to lay tiles in Machell Park to serve as the future home for the Aurora Horse Show starting in 1971.

Last year the Society reached a crossroads due to a lack of volunteers and a change in government policy regarding

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Briefly

Mayor recovering

Aurora mayor Phyllis Morris was expected back at the office Monday following surgery last week.

Husband Brian said it was all he could do to stop the mayor from attending last week's public planning meeting to participate in the Wal-Mart discussions.

Long ride

For two busloads of Aurora senior citizens, it was a long ride home Thursday.

The group had spent the day at Fallsview Casino in Niagara Falls and was ready to return home at 4 p.m., when the bad weather arrived.

The first bus pulled in to the Aurora Community Centre more than four hours later. The second was right behind it.

"Spring ahead" early

Watch that daylight saving time doesn't catch you off guard this year.

At 2 a.m. Sunday, March 11, Canada will follow the lead of the United States, and "spring ahead" one hour, about three weeks earlier than last year.

Since Spring doesn't officially happen until March 21, does that change the slogan to "winter ahead"?

We'll enjoy the extra hour of daylight later, too, not having to "fall back" until November 4.

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COMING EVENTS IN AURORA

Aurora Opera Company is seeking 30 children (ages seven to 12) to participate in the main stage musical "Children of Eden" as animals and grandchildren in the children's chorus. No participation fee, and no experience necessary. Auditions in February. Rehearsals Sunday afternoons (excluding March break) to April 20. Contact Aurora Opera Company at keepsinging@look.ca.

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Until April 15, winter parking restrictions are in effect and parking is prohibited on all streets from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. daily.

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The 3rd Aurora Scouting Group has spaces available in Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers. For registration information or to volunteer call 905-726-2393 or 905-841-0556.

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Meet at Martha's Table, now in its second season. Every Thursday from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m., you will find comfort food and a sense of community at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. A lunch of hot soup, sandwiches, and dessert will be provided.

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Voice is a group of aspiring writers ages 12 to 19 interested in developing writing skills, working on a magazine and embarking on creative adventures with similarly minded people. The group meets in the Marjorie Andrews Room of the Aurora Library on the last Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. Call the Library at 905-727-9493 for more information.

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Aurora Seniors present a movie night every Tuesday from 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. Admission is $1 for members and $1.50 for guests.

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Aurora Zen Meditation Group meets weekly every Wednesday evening at Healing Hands Wellness Centre on Wellington Street East at 7.30 p.m.

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Aurora Agricultural Society (organizer of the Aurora Fair & Horse Show) meets the first Monday of every month from 6.30 to 9 p.m. at the Aurora Community Centre. New members welcome. For more information, call 905-713-6773, e-mail at info@aurorafair.ca, or visit www.aurorafair.ca.

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Aurora Rotary Club meets every Monday evening at 6.30 p.m. at Gabriel's on Yonge Street. New members welcome. For further information, call 905-841-1352.

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Independent Order of Odd Fellows Lodge #148 meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. at 15216 Yonge Street (south of Wellington). For more information, call 905-830-9205.

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Masons' Rising Sun Lodge meets the first Thursday of each month at The Rising Sun Temple, 57 Mosley Street, Aurora at 7.30 p.m.

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Robertson Masonic Lodge meets the third Saturday each month at 57 Mosley Street at 10.30 a.m. Coffee club at 9 a.m., lunch at noon. Call 905-727-3032 or 905-727-1080.

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Gamblers Anonymous, every Tuesday night, Trinity Anglican Church, Victoria Street, 7.30 p.m.

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Progressive Euchre every Thursday night. Aurora Legion, 7.30 p.m. Call 905-727-9932.

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Canadian Federation of University Women has monthly meetings at the Aurora Legion with a variety of speakers. Contact Beverley at 905-727-2151.

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Dancing at the Legion, 8 p.m. every Friday night.

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Bid Euchre at the Legion, 1 p.m. every third Sunday.

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York Regional Police Male Chorus is looking for members from Aurora and area who would like to volunteer by joining the choir. Men, 16 years of age and older, are invited to visit any Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. in committee room B, York Region Administrative Centre, 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket. For more information, call volunteer chorus supervisor Lowell McClenny at 905-727-9676.

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Queen's York Rangers free camps for boys and girls, 12 to 18. Aurora Squadron runs Friday evenings at the Aurora Armoury. For further information, call 905-726-8600 any Tuesday evening between 7 and 9 p.m.

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The Aurora Seniors Evergreen Seniors Choir practice under the direction of Tom Rainsford every Wednesday from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the West McKenzie Hall of the Seniors' Centre.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

This is International Women's Day and the Women's Centre of York Region announces a day of celebration, education and inspiration for all Enterprising Women at Cardinal Golf Club. For more information, call Shelley Lundquist at the Women's Centre in Aurora 905-727-5837, extension 107.

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Opening reception from 7 to 10 p.m. of the "Best of Breed" exhibition at the Wellington Gallery featuring artwork of Robert Bateman, Ron Decker, Michael Dumas, Charles Frace, Richard Mravik, Michael Pape and Edward Spera.

FRIDAY, MARCH 9

Mayor's Blood Donor Clinic, Town Hall, 1 Municipal Drive, from 11.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

Annual Irish Stew at the seniors' centre, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. $6 for members; $7 for non-members. Tickets Include traditional Irish stew, dessert, coffee, tea and entertainment by the Irish Dance Studio.

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Aurora seniors visit Casino Rama. Ticket includes "The Great Circus of China" and a voucher for lunch. Fee is $5 per perso.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

St. Patrick's event at the Aurora Legion Club Room, 105 Industrial Parkway North, presented by the White Heather Pipes and Drums. 6 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 19

Aurora Public Library, in partnership with the York Region District School Board and the Community Paction Program for Children, Georgina, presents "Raising Resilient Children", a seminar to help parents build on knowledge, skills and confidence in supporting positive attitudes and behaviours in children. Magna Room, 7 to 9 p.m. Pre-register at the adult information desk or phone 905-727-9493, option 4.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21

Aurora Historical Society meets at Hillary House at 8 p.m. with Curator Cathy Molloy as guest speaker.

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Community Living Newmarket/Aurora District is holding its 5th Annual Community Tribute Dinner honouring Vic Priestly of Aurora for his "Lifetime of Excellence in Community Service" at The Manor, Carrying Place Golf and Country Club, Weston Road, near Kettleby. Reception starts at 6.30 p.m. Tickets are $100 per person or $800 for a table. For information or tickets call: 905-898-3000, extension 258 or e-mail aboden@clnad.com.

SUNDAY, MARCH 25

Trinity Anglican Church presents the return visit of The Tri-City Gospel Chorus. Hear this 85-voice male choir sing in four part harmony. No admission charge; however an offering will be taken up. 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

Aurora Horticultural Society presents a "Rhododendron Woods" at the Royal Canadian Legion, 105 Industrial Parkway North, beginning at 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29

Aurora Public Library presents "Beyond Google", from 6 to 7 p.m. Pre-register at the adult information desk or phone 905-727-9493, option 4. Mouse, keyboarding and basic web navigation experience required.

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Aurora Chamber of Commerce Business After Five event at Rowan Hardwood Floors, 569 Steven Court, Unit 1, Newmarket beginning at 5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30

Deadline for the Aurora Library's Second Annual Poetry Contest for Teenagers to celebrate National Poetry Month based on the theme Murmurs. There are two categories, one for those in Grades 7 to 9 and the other for Grades 10 to 12. For more information call 905-727-9493.

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

Easter Dinner at the Legion, includes an Easter egg hunt, euchre, snooker and dancing. $10 per person. For further information, call 905-727-9932.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

Deadline for nominations for the Town of Aurora Civic Awards and Citizen of the Year. To learn more pick up a nomination package at the Town Hall or Leisure Complex or call 905-726-4762. Civic Awards take place June 6 at 7.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

Aurora Chamber of Commerce Business After Five event at the Aqua Grill, Yonge Street, beginning at 5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 12

Aurora Seniors visit the Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the-Lake to see "Mac and Mabel" by Jerry Herman. Cost is $103 for members and $107 for non-members.

MONDAY, APRIL 16

From 10 to 11 a.m. at the Aurora Library, Eric Walters will do a writer's presentation for students in Grade 7. He has written a number of books for children and young adults.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

Aurora Historical Society meets at Hillary House with a Show and Tell and Pot Luck Dinner at 6 p.m.

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From 10 to 11 a.m. at the Aurora Library, Ange Zhang will do a writer's presentation for students in Grade 6 and will discuss the writing of his book about China.

APRIL 20-21

Aurora United Church Spring Rummage Sale from 1 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 20, and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 21.For further information, call 905-726-1648.

APRIL 20 to 22

Aurora Home Show, Aurora Community Centre.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

Aurora Horticultural Society presents an "Aurora Urban Oasis-Aurora Arboretum" at the Royal Canadian Legion, 105 Industrial Parkway North, beginning at 8 p.m.

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Aurora Community Historica Heritage Fair at St. Andrews College. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. open to students and schools and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. open to the public.

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

Piano favourites in the Hillary House Ballroom with Recording Artist Carol Gibson at 2 p.m. Tickets, which include light refreshments, are $15 and are available in advance by calling 905-727-8991.

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Join authors Alisa Smith and J.B. MacKinnon as they discuss their book "The 100-Mile Diet: A Year of Local Eating" at the Seniors' Centre from 2 to 4 p.m. presented by the Environmental Advisory Committee. No admission charge. Preregister by calling Info Aurora at 905-727-8214. The committee needs 150 registrants to make the event happen.

MAY 9 to 13

Marquee Productions presents the musical "The Secret Garden" at the Newmarket Theatre at 7.30 p.m. with 2 p.m. matinees on May 12 and 13. Call 905-713-1040 for tickets.

SUNDAY, MAY 13

Mother's Day Luncheon in the Hillary House Ballroom at noon and 1.30 p.m. Menu includes soup, fancy sandwiches and sweets. Tickets are $15 per person in advance by calling 905-727-8991.

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

Twelfth Annual Aurora Street Festival on Yonge Street. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

JUNE 23-24

"More Musical Mayhem", a hilarious new musical review at the Factory Theatre with shows at 2 and 7:30 p.m. on June 23 and a 2 p.m. matinee on June 24, with part of the proceeds going to Breast Cancer Research. Musical is directed by Irene Ilic with choreography by Pat Wilson.

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Rezoning application accepted by planners

Timothy Boland and Erin Farrell have submitted a rezoning application to include business and professional offices as an additional independent permitted use on Industrial Parkway North land opposite the Leisure Complex.

The parcel of land covers nearly two acres.

The official plan for the area allows such uses as manufacturing, assembly, warehousing, automotive repair, printing establishments and business and professional offices, excluding medical offices, but they are not included in the zoning bylaw.

Town staff members advise they have no objection to the application since, in their opinion, it conforms to the official plan.

A public planning meeting was held last week and there were no members of the public in attendance in support or opposition to the application, however, two letters were received.

EnviroCar Paint and Collision Services is located immediately north of the subject property, and the owners questioned the advisability of locating business and professional offices next to an existing auto body repair facility.

Noise and traffic activity could be irritating to a professional office and its clientele, and concern was expressed about future complaints, the letter noted.

A letter was also received from a resident of Walton Drive, west of the site, who expressed concern about the possible height of the building as a tall building would overlook the backyards on Walton Drive infringing on the residents' privacy.

Following a presentation by town planner Andrew Hayden, Gary Templeton, representing the applicant, said he had nothing to add to the presentation and would answer any questions.

In response to a question about the height of the building, Templeton replied that the building could be built to five storeys in accordance with the bylaw but with the CN tracks in between the properties and a high berm to the rear of the Walton Drive properties, the building may not likely be visible.

In response to a question about potential noise from the auto body shop, staff replied that Ministry of Environmental guidelines note professional and business offices were not considered a sensitive use such as a school or residential area.

Council approved the application in principle subject to resolution of any outstanding issues.

Creative Colours gears up for show

Aurora's Creative Colours' Annual Spring Charity Fashion Show "Fashion Plates" will take place April 18 at DiNardo's, The Mansion.

Proceeds will go to the York Region Food Network, a registered charitable organization working to alleviate hunger and poverty in the community.

This event hosts more than 300 attendees and will feature dinner, plus a model runway presentation of the latest in spring fashions.

With $10,000 in gifts and prizes from a host of corporations, there will also be a special runway appearance by York Region firefighters.

Funds raised for the York Region Food Network will support programs such as back-to-school supplies and winter needs for children, food drives and food bank support and community kitchens.

Last year, York Region food banks fed 46,575 people. Of that number 20,900 were children.

"There is a serious misconception in York Region that we have no poverty, no hunger. But that is simply not true," YRFN Executive Director Elizabeth Brims said. "Unfortunately many children in our local community go to school hungry."

To support the fundraiser, you may purchase tickets by calling York Region Food Network at 905-967-0428, or visit its website at www.yrfn.ca.

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Poor Richard

Irked by three items in procedural bylaw

There are rules and regulations,
As to how a meeting should be run;
They are not always followed,
Causing the press to have some fun!
- Poor Richard's Scrapbook

One of the more important rules by which a council meeting is conducted is the rules of procedure or the procedural bylaw.

The bylaw is designed to control the conduct of council members and to ensure the affairs of the municipality are administered.

The procedural bylaw is not usually controversial but Aurora likes to be different and since January, 2004, it has been a controversial issue and is not settled yet. But there is light at the end of the tunnel.

After several meetings in which the bylaw was dissected section by section general agreement was reached on most sections with a couple still to be clarified prior to the bylaw being adopted.

Prior to adoption, 14 days' notice must be given and it is possible some members of the public may have some comments to make, which may result in more debate.

There are at least three sections I have problems with and they are "Calling Items for Discussion", "Reporting from Closed Meetings" and "Open Forum".

Council holds two council and two general committee meetings per month and as all members sit on the general committee, it is just like a council meeting but a little less formal.

The chairperson rotates among the members of council.

Agenda items are fully discussed at general committee meetings and a vote taken with the committee report coming to the next council meeting for ratification and action as necessary.

When the committee report comes to council several items are normally lifted for further discussion, even though a full discussion took place at committee and a decision taken and the issued is rehashed, but this time in front of the TV cameras.

If it was a case of introducing new information, further discussion would be beneficial, but the proposed bylaw also allows for a commentary, an amendment or to ask questions, which should have been asked at the general committee meeting.

This results in duplication and is a waste of time.

Why not have council meetings all the time and forget about the general committee?

I have no problems with closed meetings of council to discuss certain issues. After all, I co-chaired a joint provincial/municipal committee for about 18 months back in the 1980s, which recommended the issues that could be dealt with in a closed meeting.

My beef is the way in which an issue is reported in open council of what was discussed in the closed session.

Sometimes there is no report.

If a report is made, it is the final decision only without any background information as to why or how the decision was made.

It was in March, 1972, when council of the day adopted an Open Forum policy which was presented by Councillor Jack Williamson after he picked up the idea at a municipal convention.

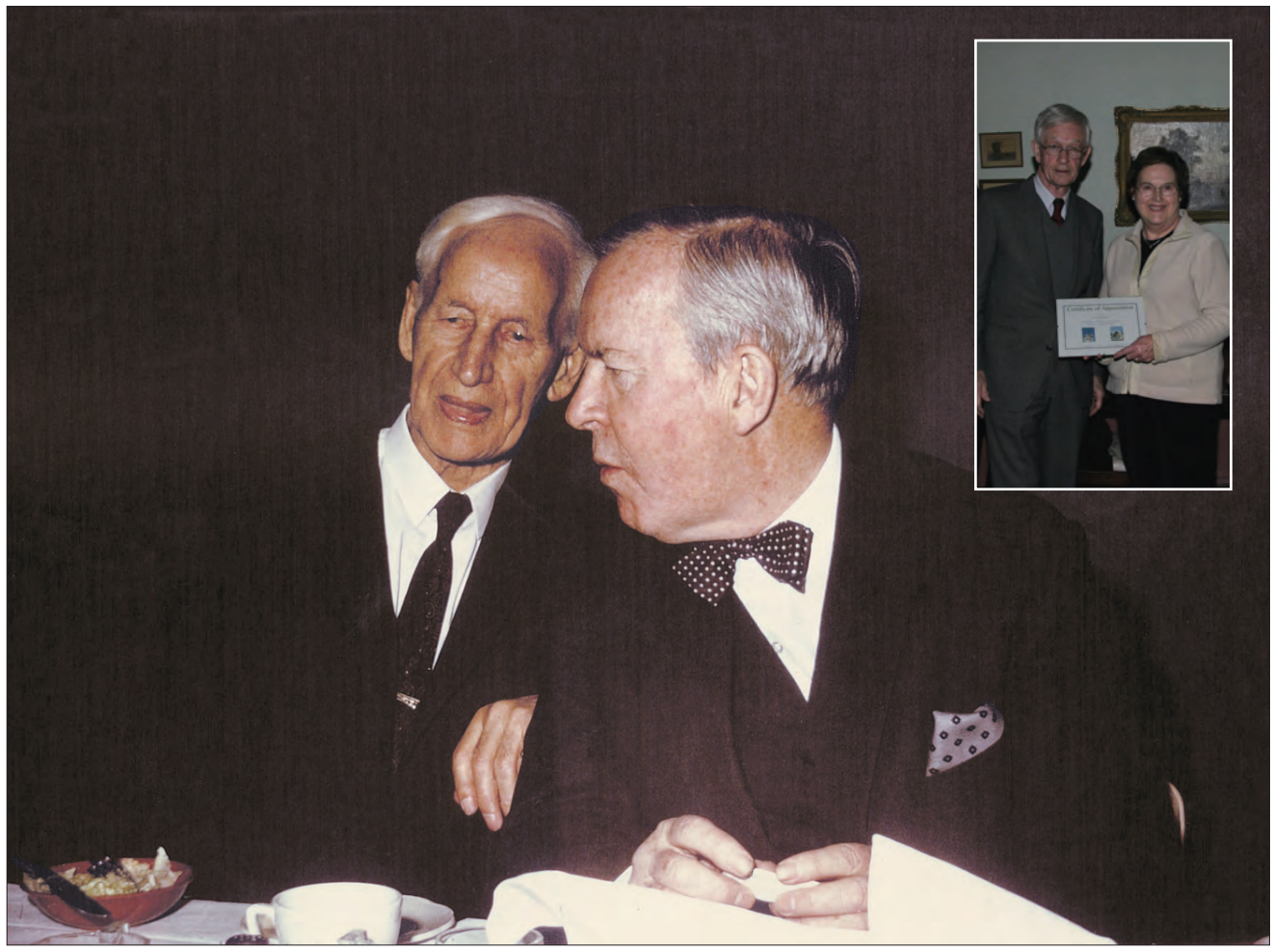
At that time Open Forum enabled a citizen to attend a council meeting to ask questions or make comments, complaints or suggestions for 20 minutes prior to the regularly scheduled council meeting without going through the formality of registering as a delegate.

Open Forum was not considered part of the council meeting and a record wasn't kept or action taken unless a member of council reintroduced the item under "Other Business".

Now Open Forum is considered part of the formal order of business and a record is kept in the minutes similar to citizens requesting delegation status.

As a compromise, retain Open Forum as part of the formal meeting and record the comments, etc. in the minutes but take no action unless a member of council raises the item and requests that it be placed on the agenda.

Open Forum was meant to be informal and it should be kept that way.



ED. NOTE: When Leslie Oliver was honoured by the Aurora Historical Society recently, he presented the above photograph of former Auroran and Canadian Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson talking with Aurora's Ernest Clarke. Making the presentation to Mr. Oliver is society president Helen Roberts, inset. After the presentation was made, Mr. Oliver made the following comments:

"For my part, I have a story to tell, one which few in this room will have any knowledge of. And those who do would be hard pressed to elaborate the story line, spelling out its meaning and significance for this organization, and its way ahead.

I want to talk for a moment about the Society's founding godfather, Ernest H. Clarke.

Ernest Clarke was, indeed, the godfather of this organization, the one who sponsored the newborn and assumed responsibility for its faith. He was a man treated with deference and respect by all who knew him and his good works.

My story centres on the picture you see before you. The image is that of two men, both larger than life individuals, judging from the footprints they left behind.

The well-known profile on the right is that of Lester B. Pearson, an Auroran, who went on to become prime minister of Canada, a member of the United Nations and a Nobel prize winner - based on the sheer power of his ideas about a new humanity, one he thought to be possible for the 20th century.

The gentleman on the left is Ernest H. Clarke, another Auroran, who, while less well known on the national scene, nontheless went on to shape the intellectual and cultural life of this community, including sponsoring and mentoring this Society.

It has been said that, starting in the early 20th century with the invention of photography and its widespread popularized dissemination, that Western Society became a world of "visual images, of signs and of symbols - in short a hieroglyphics civilization".

Photographs would quickly become, in their own right, the quintessential cultural icons of the 20th Century, for they would tell the stories of their life and times of enormous cultural value - often difficult to put into words.

So it is that this photograph tells of life and times of Ernest Clarke, consummate Edwardian gentleman, intellectual community leader, and churchman.

He would first come into my life as a school child in the 1930s and 40s, and later as young man in the 1950s. For it was a momentous period, one that would produce a new kind of mid-20th Century "social order", spawning new ideals, ideologies and ideas, which would reshape their times in many new ways.

Well educated, erudite, and a consummate communicator, he came across to me as a man of immense humanity with understandings of community and of community cultural needs, which I judged to be well in advance of most.

The picture tells of a life-long friendship between two men, both community leaders and intellectual giants of their times, each in his own right. Both lived in Aurora, although Lester only briefly.

Both went to Victoria College, University of Toronto, an elite learning institution of its time. It was an institution that would foster Methodist thought, with its dominant values and the hopes held for a new human maturity, for the 20th century.

Both men, as "soul mates", shared a common set of ideals and ideas, borne of Methodist thought; both were capable of seeing the world in its larger framework, dealing with its big ideas - thinking globally and acting locally.

We all know where Lester's ideals and ideas took him - to national and internal prominence as advocate for a new humanity for his times.

But my story is much more about the good works of Ernest Clarke, as local advocate, activist and ethicist, and as spokesman for a new kind of community wellbeing he thought to be possible in Aurora.

The image before us tells of a few quiet moments together spent by these two elder statesmen. It tells, too, of the significant role played by the organized church in the lives of both men. Lester, as a recognized churchman, had been invited to preach as a layman, in the same pulpit his father used as pastor, many years before.

The occasion portrayed here was a celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Aurora United Church, Sunday, November 3, 1968, some 40 years ago.

It tells, too, of a period in our community life in which the church was seen by many as still the principal launching platform for positive cultural and social community change.

But the picture also tells of many other things. It tells, for example, of a newly emerging technology, color photography, and its early dissemination as a "craft form".

It tells much about the pioneer work of Howard Oliver and his lifelong interest in photography as an artistic form of expression. For this image was painstakingly produced in his own photo color lab, without the aid of sophisticated processing. It was the product of much trial and error, guided by his artistry of practice.

A candid picture, of two kindred souls, taken a couple of years before both men would die, it reveals the immense humanity of both, their sense of deep friendship and intellectual respect.

Their expressions caught here, in an instant, suggest much of what their work had been. It was a moment in community life and in the lives of these two leaders, when history seemed to stand still.

But most important, the picture tells of the work of Ernest Clarke, this Society's founding godfather.

For beyond the church, the traditionally recognized centre for community social and cultural life, he began to see that other

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Front Porch Perspective

By Stephen Somerville

Wanted a rink...got two

Over the past few weeks I have been waxing poetically and eloquently (well, at least it seems to me) about taxes, budgets and government spending.

But, I do have a secret.

When it comes to staying on a budget, I am not very good at it.

It really is a case of, "Do as I say, not as I do!"

When my wife gives me a grocery list that contains three items and the bill should come in at under ten dollars, I invariably come back with five bags of goods and a receipt for 75 dollars.

When she questions the reasons for my extemporaneous spending, as she usually does, I offer two explanations.

My first response is usually along the line, "You were the one who sent me, so don't complain, you can always go yourself next time".

Quick note to all would-be husbands out there - this one does not seem to go over particularly well at the homestead.

I then, using my rudimentary knowledge of construction and project management, merely state that there were various "change orders" that couldn't be helped.

It also doesn't hurt that I put away the eight different boxes of cereal before my wife can see them.

But all this pales in comparison to my budgetary escapades and fiscal shenanigans surrounding my backyard hockey rink.

Julie told me that I was "on my own" with respect to the rink and that I would be responsible for the continued maintenance and general upkeep of it. She wasn't going to be "caught dead" at midnight flooding the rink.

Thinking about the way she said this brings back those fond memories of my Dad telling me that I could have a puppy, but only if I would be "responsible for it". I never did get that dog. Maybe there was a lesson to be learned there somewhere. But I digress.

Never mind that Aurorans are well served by the Machell Park rink. I wanted a rink for my three-year-old.

I wanted to be like Walter - Wayne Gretzky's dad, that is. I had visions of watching Ryan from the warm comforts of my kitchen while he did endless skating drills.

So, like any other businessman, before proceeding with the project, I drafted a business plan that contained a detailed construction budget. I vowed that I would keep the "change orders" to a minimum.

So, last December, before the weather turned, I began to 'stake out' the outline for my back yard rink.

Problem was that the wood was a year old from a previously aborted attempt at building the boards for the rink. The wood cracked and sometimes split in two. I therefore had to use about three times more wood and nails than I originally budgeted.

Once the stakes were hammered into the ground, I then placed the tarp down. That did not go too badly; it only took about eight hours. Directions on the package said it should take 15 minutes. The directions were obviously wrong.

But the biggest problem is that the backyard is not level; there is a considerable drop off from the back of my house to the fence-line. Therefore, one should ensure that the top portion of the wood stakes protrude at least 15 inches on the low side of the yard so that when the rink is filled with water, one side of the rink will be five inches thick and the other side would be about ten inches or so deep. I was hoping for a level playing surface.

The operative words from the above paragraph being "should ensure".

Much to my consternation - when it did get cold out and I began filling the rink up, two things happened.

One, the water would not stay in parts of the rink because the wood stakes were not high enough, and second, the water poured over the side because some of the wood stakes broke apart because of the pressure and weight of the water.

An abject apology to my neighbours who may have heard some rather rank language emanating from my backyard in mid January as I tried, unsuccessfully, to stop the water from flowing over the sides of the rink. I felt like the little boy in the dyke story.

As a result I now have two ice rinks. I tell Julie the unintended one is for those who wish to practice figure skating.

Finally, after completing a smaller than anticipated rink, I then proceeded to paint blue lines, red lines, circles, and hash marks on the ice. Doesn't look too shabby if I may say so; only took 34 coats of paint to get it done.

For my own protection, I won't reveal here the capital cost or the water bills for my rink; it is a little bit frosty at this time of year to be banished to the backyard shed (and it still has no heating or TSN or the Golf Channel).

But I will tell you that, in comparison to my endeavour, the project manager for the Olympic Stadium in Montreal did a truly magnificent job.

Next week: Ryan and the Rink

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Machell's Corners

by Scott Johnston



Letter to the Editor

Reader enjoys Cathy's column

Open letter to columnist Cathy Vrancic

I finally got my act together and stole a few minutes in my crazy, busy day to drop you a line and thank you for your wonderful column.

My husband and I moved to Aurora about five years ago and I've tried to read your column faithfully.

You always manage to bring a smile to my face.

Your TGIF! (Feb. 27 Auroran) article included a description of lunch at the legion and reminded me so much of my grandmother.

She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary at her local legion for as long as I can remember and it was always a treat to accompany her or my grandfather to the legion.

I got to help the ladies in the kitchen or sit on my grandpa's knee down in the bar while he shared a pint or two with the boys.

Those were happy memories for me with two very special people.

Anyhow, I really enjoy your column and hope you will continue writing for many years to come.

Cynthia Prelle
Aurora



Cathy's Corner

A healing place

Over the next few weeks, our talented cartoonist of Aurora fame, Scott Johnston, has agreed to fill in my space while I go gallivanting off to Virginia Beach - my favourite place on the face of the planet…well, aside from Aurora, of course!

What's the fascination with Virginia Beach, people often ask me. Oh, where do I begin?

One night, I couldn't sleep and I went looking for a book to read.

Actually, it wasn't the first night I couldn't sleep. In the two years prior, there had been a lot of challenges playing out in my life.

To make matters worse, two months before, Nadia had fallen off a horse and broken her shoulder. For weeks on end, the pain prevented her from getting the peaceful respite she needed at night, and as the law of motherhood dictates, neither did I.

So, on that fateful night, the book that appealed to me was on the topic of the purpose and meaning of life. You know, light bedtime reading…

Inside the jacket was a brief description of the Association for Research and Enlightenment (ARE), where the readings of the great American prophet, Edgar Cayce, are housed.

The ARE is in Virginia Beach, and the book even gave an address. It called me.

The next morning, I said to Damir at breakfast: "I'm going to Virginia Beach."

I expected him to ask me why, but the man understands me, so he merely asked "when?"

"The day after tomorrow," I said.

"Why not tomorrow?"

"Um…because I don't know how to get there."

"Oh."

I got lost more times than I could count. I missed the Pennsylvania Turnpike three times and my grand finale was driving past my hotel too many times. Looking back, I marvel at the metaphor.

I stayed at a marginal hotel near the airport in nearby Norfolk. As I have mentioned before, that would be like trying to get a taste of Toronto by staying in…Newmarket.

It never occurred to me that Virginia Beach is a prime tourist location for a reason.

I spent an entire week immersed in the teachings of Edgar Cayce, going daily to the ARE and taking in their library and seminars.

I even looked up Mark Thurston, the author of the book that brought me there and had a wonderful conversation with him about the journey of life…getting lost and all.

On my last day, I booked a spa at ARE's Health Services and afterwards, when I stepped outside, the world looked more vibrant than I'd ever known it.

For the first time, it occurred to me there was an ocean one block away. I started to walk towards the sound of the surf that had only just permeated my awareness.

When I got to the sand, I dropped to my knees in awe. I felt at once deeply humbled by the vastness and magnificence of the Atlantic, and profoundly elated by the greatness of life.

As soon as I returned to my hotel, I called Damir. "Put Nadia on a plane," I told him. "This is a healing place!"

He called back a few minutes later. "Are you sitting down? The fare is over $800!"

"Never mind," I said undaunted, "we can do it on air miles." Thank God for air miles! We flew both girls in for $9 each.

Anticipating their arrival, I had gone looking for a place to stay, but it was August - high season.

I finally found a motel a few blocks away from the beach. The room they showed me when I booked didn't look too bad. But when I arrived with the girls, they sent us to a room on the other side of the motel.

Upon opening the door, we were greeted by a strange scuttling sound.

"Mom," screamed Nadia in horror, "look at the bugs!"

"Those are cockroaches," squeaked Jennifer. Good thing she told me. I thought they were elephants!

"Mom, we can't stay here!" I had to agree.

I went looking for the manager and found her just outside the office.

"I'll tell you what," I said calmly. "If you give me my money back (I had prepaid the week), I won't say the word "cockroach" too loud. Deal?"

She gave me my money back.

Through the ARE, I was able to find a member who was willing to rent us two bedrooms in her beautiful ranch bungalow for the week.

Mary was in her 70's, and affectionately known as "Kitty Gran" for a reason. Hey, cats are cuddlier than cockroaches, okay? And they look a lot smaller, too.

During that week, Nadia regained more mobility in her shoulder thanks to a boogie board powered by the healing rhythm of Mother Earth's ocean than she had in many weeks of physiotherapy at home.

Every night, we walked a mile or more along the beach talking, laughing…and healing.

We walked back along "the strip", taking in the entertainment on each street corner - drummers, singers, marching bands, jugglers, and magicians to name a few.

When we got back to Mary's house, we'd sit on the porch with her and eat fresh berries or ice cream or both.

Our host regaled us with stories of her life, and often pulled out photo albums. The girls started calling her "Kitty Gran".

Mary had filled her swimming pool with sand, turning it into a fish pond, complete with water plants.

It was beautiful - full of exotic blooms and a riot of colour. The girls loved feeding the goldfish (the size of trout!) every day.

I asked Mary about the purple flowers I'd never seen anywhere else before. She told me they are called "water hyacinths".

Her friend had planted them for her a few years before, but they had never bloomed until a few days before we arrived.

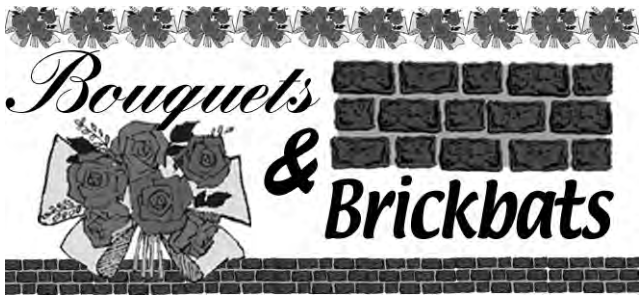
When Mary awoke to the first burst of purple in her pond one morning, she said she knew that her friend had passed away.

When she went back into the house, the phone was ringing, confirming the news.

Most people go to Virginia Beach for the ocean and the entertainment, but these past seven years, I've been going in winter and in summer because…it calls to me.

The fascination for me is…it is a healing place.

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By DICK ILLINGWORTH

BOUQUETS to Bill Hack for his recent letter to The Auroran in support of Aurora Cable's application for installing wind turbines as he says it is the way of the future.

BRICKBATS to Councillor Evelyn Buck for her on-going problem of forgetting to activate her desk microphone when she wants to debate an issue, resulting in no one in the council chambers hearing her. It's bad enough in general committee but council meetings are televised and the TV sound system is tied into the town's system so nobody hears her!

BOUQUETS to the Aurora Film Circuit for not only providing the community with an alternative cinema experience through the screening of independent, critically acclaimed Canadian and international films, but for their donation of $2,500 to the Aurora Public Library.

BRICKBATS to the Highway 407 consortium for being unable to keep track of payments. An Aurora motorist used the highway once, was billed $5.70 which he paid, but is being continually being harassed for payment.

BRICKBATS to the group of Ontario lawyers who want to honour Chief Justice Roy McMurtry by going outside Canada for a sculptor to produce the Pillars of Justice which will be installed in the $1.8 million garden in front of the Superior Court of Justice Building on University Avenue this summer. Canada has several excellent sculptors.

BOUQUETS to The Aurora Tigers Tyke Select Team on capturing the Scarborough Young Leafs Tournament recently as they went four games undefeated to win the championship. Bouquets also to goalie Mark Carpenter on being named Most Valuable Player of the tournament.

BRICKBATS to Prime Minister Stephen Harper for sinking to a new low in his premeditated attack in the House of Commons on Liberal MP Navdeep Bains and his father-in-law, during the debate on the terrorism law. It was uncalled for and an insult to Parliament and all Canadians.

BOUQUETS to federal Labour Minister Jean-Pierre Blackburn for starting the ball rolling to legislate striking CN employees back to work after they tied up the country for 12 days and crippled operations affecting many Canadians. Essential workers shouldn't have the right to strike.

BRICKBATS to General Rick Hillier for his political remarks about the 1990s being a decade of darkness for the Armed Forces. He may be right but as the Chief of the Defence Staff, he should leave the political remarks to the Minister of Defence or maybe they are not speaking to each other.

BOUQUETS to Master Duck Club members Judy Iannucci, Kathy McKnight and Lori Haws for leading the way for the Ducks to finish second in the 11th Annual Nesbitt Burns Invitational Long Course Swim Meet.

BRICKBATS to a justice and penal system which allows a repeat convict who raped and strangled a 21-year-old woman yet slipped by a ruling that requires murderers to spend at least two years in a maximum security prison. He did not serve a day of hard time and committed a murder while on parole on a conditional sentence. Is this how the government gets tough on crime?

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Letters to the Editor

Education minister didn't deal with the issue: reader

To the editor,

I was very much dismayed and disheartened by Minister of Education Kathleen Wynne's response to Oak Ridges MPP Frank Klees.

It should have been a to the point response, acknowledging and addressing the shortcomings of our public education system.

Instead of addressing the real concerns that exist for children who struggle in our education system, as well as for the parents who cannot afford current fees, let alone additional tutoring fees, Ms Wynne sadly chose a personal attack on Mr. Klees to deflect the real issues at hand.

Education is a fundamental right of our youth, and it is our responsibility to work together to provide and ensure that our children are equipped for a future filled with potential.

Instead, cutbacks in funding to our education system have resulted in large class sizes, increased school fees, transportation barriers, as well as various other issues; leaving our greatest resources, our children, floundering for a future.

Adding fees for tutoring, that should be provided and addressed within the school system, only further exacerbates the situation for many residents and taxpayers who simply cannot afford to access the help their children may need. Poverty issues for residents of Ontario are very real, with one in 10 families here in York Region living at or below the poverty line.

Implications are that fewer students will have the tools and opportunities they need as they move forward in life.

This is yet another blatant example of a lack of understanding and inaction of this government on poverty issues and quite simply, the basic quality of life that residents of this province should expect.

Is it the goal of our provincial Liberal government to minimize the realities of these real gaps in service through castigation and deflection?

Given the current status of public education in Ontario, let's face it, many parents, could they afford it, might choose private schools over what the public education system currently has to offer.

At any rate, we need a strong voice on educational issues here in Ontario.

Put the partisan politics aside, and let's work together to build a strong and viable future for our children.

Shelley Lundquist
Newmarket

We need to be more aggressive downtown, this reader believes

To the editor,

In a few months Aurora will be hosting a "Street Festival" where a sizeable crowd is expected to enjoy and adore the downtown portion of Aurora.

On July 1st, the Town will be celebrating Canada Day with a parade where our citizens will be out in droves to view the event.

When the curiosity seekers assemble on Yonge Street what will they really be seeing?

From the corner of Yonge and Wellington going south, for two blocks, there are three vacant buildings and a large vacant lot which symbolize what we are really displaying to the families of Aurora and our guests.

Of course, the corporations who own these properties have no incentive to improve their investments because their holding costs for these assets are tax deductible.

In the meantime the taxpayers of Aurora have no choice but to sit back and observe what's happening to their downtown.

Obviously, our local council and York Region understand the importance of maintaining the historical and aesthetic values of this section of Yonge Street but are unwilling to lead in an aggressive manner as other communities like Unionville, Niagara On the Lake and Port Perry have done.

If you visit these areas you can compare what has transformed there and what is occurring here in our town.

Are the individuals who we voted into office really concerned about the atmosphere of our downtown or do their interests rest with the large corporations?

The owners of these abandoned locations might plan differently if the Region adopted a policy of "EXPROPRIATION" six months after properties are vacated.

This incentive might encourage the property owners to upgrade their holdings or negotiate with the Region.

Please preserve the integrity and heritage of our downtown.

Wayne Hemington
Aurora

Snow fills in street potholes

To the editor,

You know you're an Auroran when you keep hoping for snow, so that it fills in the potholes along Aurora Heights Drive.

Surely this is the worst road in the Greater Toronto Area.

And now it looks like it has developed a couple of sinkholes-in-the-making. What an embarrassment.

Frank Fries
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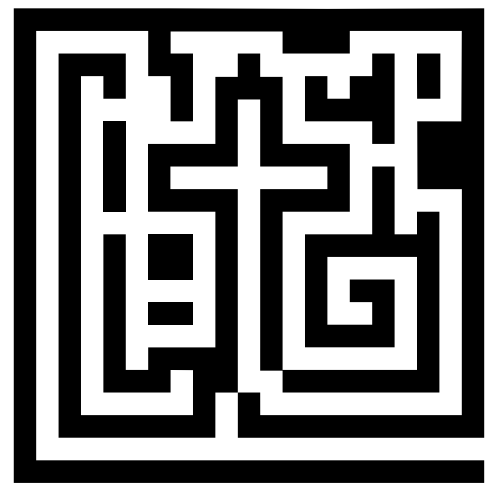


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Letters to the Editor

Impossible to legislate respect, reader claims

To the editor,

Re: Aurora council shouts back, forth during 'ethics' meeting

The Mayor of Aurora stated, "I'm bringing decorum back to the council chamber".

In whose eyes?

As far as I'm concerned, the mayor has started this term of council off on pretty rocky footing, given the antics of members of council, including her disciples. The reality is that last term's so called 'dysfunctional' council was a product of her doing.

Remember Phyllis Morris is not new to this game.

She spent the entire term trying to undermine the ability of the then mayor to lead a group committed to working together for the good of the community. Then, she put together a slate of puppets who would follow her down the road with this council. Brilliant scheme.

It almost worked except not all her candidates made the cut.

Thank goodness we have some free spirited, independent thinkers on council to represent a different viewpoint from the mayor.

You see, that's what she's struggling with, people who won't toe her line.

If the mayor recalls, it was her who led the charge to develop the current Code of Ethics. Now, she wants to see if it needs more teeth.

Go ahead and draft whatever procedure you want but remember it is actions that speak louder than words and you can't legislate respect or common sense. Neither seems to be present during her watch.

The mayor is finding out now that it's much easier to make the bricks and throw them than it is to be held responsible for her actions.

How many months left in this four-year term?

Jim Day
Aurora

The birth of the punch card machine

To the editor,

The invention of the punch card machine.

About 1880, one Dr. Herman Holleroth, an employee of the American Business Machine Company, was hosting a group of members from the USA Census Bureau on a large pleasure boat on the Potomac River in the District of Columbia,

He was attempting to nab a contract for the upcoming U.S. census.

One lady in the crowd asked the good doctor if there was not a better way to record the proper data from the household occupant.

Dr. Holleroth agreed to look into the problem and, voila, the punch card machine was born, allowing the interviewer with a hand-held gizmo to punch out the data on an elongated card.

The Census Bureau had three competitors vying for its business so it was decided to hold a mini-census in St. Louis.

All three participated and the punch card system finished an equal number of interviews in a third of the time, so the American Business Machine Company won.

This is a small explanation for your younger readers.

Well after the end of World War II, many companies were using the same system in billing customers, complete with the warning “please do not staple or bend card”.

That system has now, of course, been replaced by the computer.

Archie Milne
Aurora

Dick should declare conflict, he says

To the editor,

I am a long time resident of Ridge Road and like Dick Illingworth, I, too, am tired of the Aurora Cable Internet issue, but for different reasons.

First, I am tired of all the mis-information that gets printed in The Auroran and presented as fact.

The residents are not protesting the OMB decision, they just want ACI to live up to it.

As well, the high tower may predate the four houses on Ridge Hill which is at the end of Ridge Road, but certainly not the houses on Ridge Road, most of which were built BEFORE 1982.

Secondly, I am concerned when I see staff sidestep requests by the council for information, such as a simple definition of what is "storage".

Staff is either trying to be obstructive, or are just plain incompetent.

And lastly, at the beginning of each meeting councillors are required to declare any conflicts of interest.

I would like the same to be true of those writing for this paper.

Employment by ACI is a conflict when writing about this matter.

Those so employed, like Dick, should at least have the courage to declare up front.

S. Lee
Aurora

Council hasn’t learned, reader maintains

To the editor,

Re: newly elected town council fiasco

I thought this new council would have learned their lesson from the last one.

But when one councillor states that she does not need someone to tell her about ethics, she is truly the perfect candidate to attend an ethics workshop.

I can't even believe that our town does not have a Code of Ethics.

If really not then it is high time they have someone write it for them and the sooner the better.

I have served as a volunteer on several boards in organizations much less controversial than a town council and every one of them had a Code of Ethics and enforced that code by possibly expelling a member who did not comply.

Frankly, I am ashamed we in Aurora have a council who bickers worse than a class of unruly children ever would!

And you people get paid for what you do?

My, my!!

Brigitta Gamm
Aurora

G. W. Williams is part of program, too

To the editor,

It was great to see the article in the paper for the Junior League Tiaras and Ties project to help high school students in need dress for their prom.

Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School, with the support of the students council, principal and staff and the entire student body, successfully launched this initiative in November and gathered gently used prom dresses, suits, shoes and accessories to fill one large box to help students in need.

It is great that Aurora High School and Pickering College students are helping with this great program.

We were very excitied to have our students and parents support a real cause here in our community.

Good luck and we hope you receive many donations.

Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School is still accepting all gently used formal wear.

Items can be dropped off at the office and be given to Stephanie or Jessica Beakbane.

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Brickbat aimed in wrong place

To the editor,

Greetings.

Just wanted to comment on one of Mr. Illingworth's brickbats from a few weeks ago.

He gave a brickbat to those who make left hand turns onto Yonge Street from Cousins or Royal.

I live on Cousins and when I need to turn left onto Yonge, I wait right in the middle of Cousins.

Then there is stilll room to my right for a car to turn right onto Yonge and still room on my left for cars turning from Yonge onto Cousins.

So the real brickbat should go to those who don't think of others and block the street while they wait to turn left onto Yonge.

This whole idea applies to turning left onto many streets, especially from the sidestreets, like Wells, onto Wellington. There's plenty of room to pull into the middle so cars can still make right turns while you wait to turn left.

It's called consideration.

Gwen deWilde
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Letters to the Editor

Time for another look at this intersection

To the editor,

How many motorists are confused by the multi-way stop signs at Murray Drive and the rear entrance to the Aurora Shopping Centre?

While Aurora is plagued with multi-way stop intersections, this one is unique because instead of four lanes of traffic in all directions, there are six.

Murray Drive, both eastbound and westbound, has two left-turn lanes, one to the shopping centre and one to Mosaics Avenue.

How many times have you watched motorists sit there not knowing whose turn it was?

How many times have you watched two or three cars move at once?

There have been letters prior to this one in The Auroran about this intersection, but no one seems to be paying much attention to it.

Aurora staff, who insisted on retaining the road to the south end of the expanded No Frills supermarket, couldn't be convinced it was unnecessary, even though it was closed for several months while the construction continued.

Motorists got used to it not being there.

Had it not been rebuilt, only people using the rear of the plaza would need to use that entrance, and the all-way stop would not be necessary.

And four-way stops should only be used if the intersection is almost busy enough to warrant traffic lights.

The only intersection in town that comes close to meeting those warrants for traffic lights right now is Murray and Kennedy.

Meanwhile, the main entrance to the Aurora Shopping Centre on the north and Winners/Canadian Tire on the south, is the one that needs some help.

The south entrance off Murray, with its right-in, right-out, restriction, should be dismantled and rebuilt as a full-fledged intersection, complete with traffic lights.

The argument against that, of course, is the light would be too close to Yonge and Murray, thereby causing a possible gridlock.

But there are lights along Davis Drive in Newmarket that are a lot closer to each other than these would be.

And since traffic lights are all computer-driven it should be simple to synchronize them to keep traffic moving.

There should be some noise coming from the owners of the plazas in question, since an easier flow of traffic might keep some people in the neighbourhood, rather than forcing them north or south of Aurora to spend their money.

Ross Walters
Aurora

Few pensioners are paying dues

To the editor,

This is an information letter to British pensioners living in Canada.

As you well know, our pensions have been frozen from the day you received your first payment.

Well, now the Canadian Alliance of British Pensioners is taking our case to the International Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg.

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There are about 150,000 British pensioners in Canada, yet just over 8,000 pay their yearly dues, which is a mere $20.

This case is going to cost plenty, but the top lawyers say its very winnable, so please pay your dues.

You will receive four justice magazines and if we win in Strasbourg our pensions will be indexed and we will get the same increases as mainlanders.

Send your dues and any correspondence you may have to Canadian Alliance of British Pensioners, 202-605 Royal York Road, Toronto, M8Y 4G5.

N. Pemberton
Aurora

Belinda's words are little late: reader

To the editor,

I found it very interesting to read the ad by Belinda Stronach giving us the wording of her "speech" in the House of Commons regarding the new passport rules.

If I am not mistaken wasn't it the lack of action of our previous Liberal Government, of which she so proudly became a member, that caused the Americans to be concerned about our border security?

And was it not this concern that made them impose the passport rules?

Why did she not "Stand up for Canadians" then, when she had a chance of influencing government policy.

Ms Stronach just gave me another reason why I can not trust her as my member of parliament.

Jim Day
Aurora

Aurora lost an opportunity, reader says

To the editor,

At the public planning meeting on Feb. 28, Aurora Council lost an opportunity to revitalize Aurora's downtown core.

After the developer for Wal-Mart, Smart Centres, agreed to make a donation for this purpose, one of the speakers suggested a sum of $500,000.

However, the developer could not be pinned down once they observed the eagerness of the council to pass the development.

Michael Evans
Aurora

We're lucky to have Southlake Centre in the neighbourhood

To the editor,

Recently, I had the bad luck to require triple bypass heart surgery, but I also had the good luck to have the procedure performed at Southlake Regional Health Centre and its fine cardiac unit - a first class and very professional facility.

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Many thanks to the entire cardiac team.

Frank Fries
Aurora

Garden takes heritage award

To the editor,

Re: Heritage Garden Award

We are twice blessed.

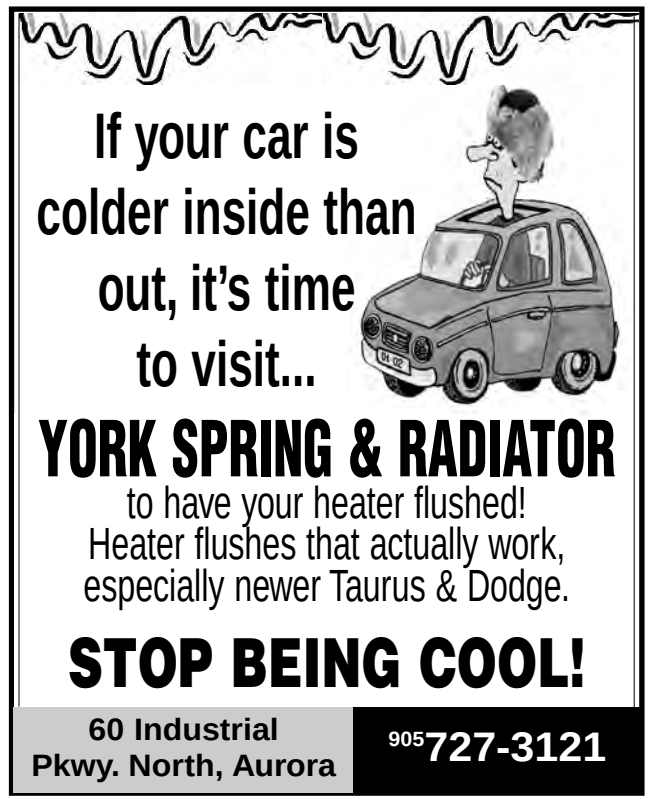
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Marie and
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Aurora











It was a breakfast meeting for "Women of Influence" in the community, organized by Aurora resident and Oak Ridges MPP Frank Klees. Held at Jonathan's Restaurant last Thursday, inclement weather kept the crowds down, but eight women did show up, They are, left to right, Jane Twinney, Jennifer Martin, Marion Tripp, Janesse McPhillips, Carolyne Trussler, Brenda Snape, Shelley Lundquist and Ellen Campbell, from the Canadian Centre for Abuse Awareness. *Auroran photo by Rob Schuetze*

Four artists will appear

Aurora's Wellington Gallery will showcase the talents of North America's best nature and wildlife artists starting this week.

And four of them will be here for the opening reception.

Gallery-goers can expect to meeting Ron Decker, Michael Pape, Michael Duman and Edward Spera at Thursday's reception which begins at 7 p.m.

Their work will be on display, along with the works of Robert Bateman, Charles Fracé and Richard Mravik, at the Best of Breed exhibit which runs from Thursday, March 8 to April 22.

"Each of these artists has tremendous talent," said Emil Simon, Wellington Gallery owner. "Some names are easily recognized by the public while others are building their reputation. All have received numerous awards for their art and it's fascinating to see how each artist captures the animal's true character in his own unique way."

"We are thrilled to feature original artwork created by these prestigious artists," added Karen Warner, Gallery Manager. "Viewing original art gives people the opportunity to appreciate the depth of an artist's creative abilities. Limited edition prints which are mass-produced by machinery simply cannot offer that intimacy."

Art featured in the exhibit will be available for purchase.

Wellington Gallery promotes original collection-quality art created by established artists.

The gallery is located at 32 Wellington Street West, one block west of Yonge and Wellington.

Aurora Resthaven is ready with petition for MPP Sorbara

It's about time to provide the funding in the upcoming provincial budget to begin providing all-long term care residents with access to the same standards of privacy and dignity.

This is the message residents, families and others at Aurora Resthaven will be asking Vaughan-King-Aurora MPP Greg Sorbara to deliver on their behalf to government over the next three weeks.

Resthaven is circulating a petition to be delivered to Sorbara asking that it be presented when the Legislature resumes sitting March 19.

The petition asks government to fund 30 more minutes of care for each resident and address food and other funding pressures in all long-term care homes by increasing operating funding.

It also asks government to begin eliminating three and four-bed wards by introducing a capital renewal and retrofit program for older homes starting with committing $9.5 million this year to renew the first 2,500 of the 35,000 beds.

"Our staff now have less than 10 minutes to get a resident up, dressed, to the bathroom and to the dining room for breakfast," said Edith Schultz, Resthaven Administrator. "We need more funding for more staff so that we are not rushing just to provide the essentials and residents don't have to wait to get the daily care and support they need."

Residents, family members, homes, staff and others made pleas for the government to address care levels and the double standard in long term care accommodations during the recent public hearings on the new Long Term Care Homes Act (Bill 140).

"Government kept indicating that these were budget, and not legislation, issues," said Karen Sullivan, Executive Director of the Ontario Long Term Care Association, which represents Resthaven. "Residents, families and others are now looking to the upcoming budget for government to respond to their pleas."

Ms Sullivan noted that the increased operating funding would raise average care levels in Ontario's long term care homes to three hours per resident per day, based on actual hours worked, and bring Ontario in line with other jurisdictions.

A capital renewal and retrofit program for older homes will ensure privacy and dignity for all residents and provide the required plan for the future of older homes in the wake of limited term licensing provisions of Bill 140.

Aurora Resthaven provides care and services to 240 residents, 176 who currently live in a "C" class facility and has been providing access to long term care services in Aurora for more than 30 years

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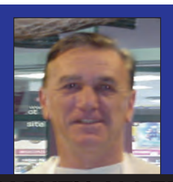
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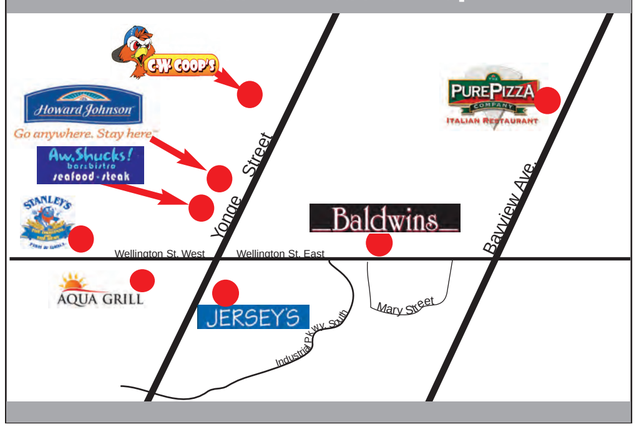
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Aurora finally eliminates pesky Newmarket team

With only 11 seconds left in the second period, a goal by Paul Zanette, his second of the game, set up the Aurora Tigers to - finally - eliminate the Newmarket Hurricanes from Ontario Provincial Junior A hockey playoffs Sunday.

The goal tied the game at 3-3, and following a scoreless third period, sent the contest into the fourth overtime of the six-game series.

Mark Thorburn finally put the stubborn Newmarket squad out of their misery two minutes into the first overtime period.

The victory stopped the two teams from meeting in a final winner-take-all game Monday night in Aurora.

But Newmarket, who the Tigers had easily handled all season long, simply wouldn't quit.

Led by the outstanding goaltending of Brian Mahoney-Wilson, Newmarket was badly outshot in most games, but still managed two victories and four overtimes.

"Give them credit for a great series, what Coach (Brian) Perrin did with his troops was nothing short of excellent," said Tiger Coach Jerome Dupont.

Tigers now begin preparations to meet the Stouffville Spirit with the first game likely to take place Friday in Aurora.

More than 1,000 people were in the Ray Twinney Arena Sunday to see if Newmarket could upset the tough Tigers, and in the second period, that's the way it looked.

Newmarket was ahead 3-1 before Aurora started its comeback.

In earlier games last week, Aurora and Newmarket traded 3-2 wins Thursday and Friday, after Aurora had taken a 2-1 lead in the series Tuesday night with a 4-3 overtime victory.

Thursday night Rick Schrank scored at late in the second overtime period to propel the Canes to a 3-2 win in Newmarket.

Despite the nasty weather conditions, (two other OPJHL playoff games were postponed) a good-sized crowd at the Twinney Complex saw this series go to overtime for a third consecutive game.

As it has been throughout the series, the TIgers badly outshot the Hurricanes, but once again ran into a stone wall in the Newmarket net.

Tigers outshot the Hurricanes 58-25.

After four games in the series, despite having been outshot by an unbelieveable 202-92, the Hurricanes had outscored the TIgers 13-12.

After six games, Aurora had outshot Newmarket 276-139.

Tuesday game

Aurora 4
Newmarket 3

First period

A: Michalsky (Martin, Goulet) 7.51
N: Madden (Locke, Henderson) 19.43

Second period

N: Cousineau (Hosmer, Henderson) 2.21
N: Fox (Ramolla, Martinez) 16.04
A: Eastman (Connolly, Watts) 18.08

Third period

A: Zanette (Piccone, Eastman) 10.35

First overtime

A Martin (Michalsky, Dahlinger) 7.23

Thursday game

Newmarket 3
Aurora 2

First period

A: Favot (Henderson, Goulet) 13.56

Second period

A: Michalsky (Martin, Dahlinger) 5.21
N: Martinez (Ramolla) 16.38
N: McCullough (Henderson, Pullin) 18.13

Third period

No scoring

First overtime

No scoring

Second overtime

N: Schrank (Locke) 19.45

Friday game

Aurora 3
Newmarket 2

First period

A: Piccone (Dahlinger) 9.39
N: Fox (Martinez, Ramolla) 11.14
N: Fox (Ramolla) 16.41

Second period

A: Dahlinger (Michalsky, Eastman) 4.14

Third period

A: Thorburn (Ward) 5.49

Sunday game

Aurora 4
Newmarket 3

First period

A: Zanette (Favot, Henderson) 4.37
N: Hosmer (Martinez, Cousineau) 17.42

Second period

N: Martinez (Hosmer, Burkholder) 2.21
N: Ramolla (Martinez, Hoffman) 14.54
A: Martin (Michalsky, Goulet) 16.37
A: Zanette (Henderson) 19.49

Third period

No scoring

First overtime

A: Thorburn (Goulet, Connolly) 2.06

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Sewing group is very active

By BRIAN WARBURTON

The sewing club which is composed of about 10 regular members and others, who participate occasionally, meets at 9:30 a.m. Fridays.

The principal interest is quilting which appears to attract and please everybody to some degree, but it is fair to say that everybody seems to have other multiple sewing interests also.

The lively and cheerful members of the sewing group, led by the indefatigable Joan Levert seem to be able to turn their hands and imaginations to a variety of tasks.

These ladies sew with admirable precision and care, and they are all deeply interested in their sewing work and with everything that is going on in the group. They share not only their sewing interests, but also interest in each other which is often the cause and occasion for hilarity.

Joan informs me she is not a professional sewer, but she and her group impress me deeply with the sewing expertise they display and with the attention they pay to acquiring the most economical supplies for whatever is being produced.

The group is composed of everyday retired ladies, from a variety of backgrounds, who spend part of each Friday making items for the home or as gifts for relatives or friends as well as items for the centre.

They enjoy making napkins, placemats, draperies and other such items for their homes and personal pleasure, while taking care not to become overloaded with work.

They do not sell the work they produce, which would be against the rules of the Association.

Anybody who requires sewing is welcome to join the group and to learn how to sew.

Joan informs me she would be willing to assist anyone who would like to learn hand embroidery, cross-stitch or counted cross-stitch.

This would be an expansion of the present sewing program, which no other craft group is doing in the centre at this time.

Fundraising activities for the Association are permitted and last November, the group held a Christmas Bazaar for which work was produced and sold by the sewing club ladies.

The stage for the recent Winter Cabaret Show had backdrop curtains created by Joan Wilkinson, Loretta Paul, Delia Bernardi and Joan Levert.

Usually little notice would be taken of stage curtains, but when the ladies who produced the curtains are known to everybody, their effort is appreciated.

If you would like to drop in on this group to see work in process or to join the group, please attend any Friday.

Klees announces plan for autistic kids

By DICK ILLINGWORTH

Oak Ridges MPP Frank Klees, the PC Education Critic recently joined with PC Opposition Leader John Tory in announcing a plan to help children with autism.

Klees, an Aurora resident, said currently parents of more than 1,200 children under the age of six with autism were feeling abandoned as the children languished on a growing waiting list for vital treatments.

The PC Party Autism Policy which would cost an additional $75 million annually would be implemented after the October election, he said.

The plan includes several elements such as clearing the waiting list for children, under six, with autism and streamlining support for children with autism by increasing direct funding options.

The plan also includes partnering with educators, school boards and child support workers to ensure that upon reaching school age, children with autism have the support they need.

Klees has been actively advocating on behalf of autistic children and their parents as Education Critic and played a key role in developing the plan.

In the Legislature in 2005, he questioned the Education Minister as to how he could justify continuing to make multi-million dollar spending announcements and continue to ignore the needs of autistic children.

He pointed out that not only was the Minister refusing to honour the Premier's written guarantee to provide funding for autistic children over six, but the government was dragging the parents through courts by appealing a Superior Court decision ordering the government to provide those services.

In 2006 he repeated his attack on the government by asking Premier Dalton McGuinty to live up to his pre-election promise to the parents of autistic children that if elected Premier he would support extending autism treatment beyond the age of six.

The Premier failed to answer the question but referred to the progress the government had made in increasing the number of services available for children with autism.

In announcing the plan, Klees said parents of children with autism were tired of unfilled promises and wanted the kind of leadership that would provide them with the supports and programs their children need today.

He said he was proud to stand with his leader in letting parents know the party had listened to their concerns.

"We're determined to take steps to ensure they receive the help they require and deserve," Klees said.

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Friday, Feb. 23: N-S - Shirley Hulbig, Paul Graves; Mary Oglanby, Paul Stanbury; Rani Mahmood, Libby McWilliams.

E-W - Don Jackson, Lena Jackson; Gordon Saul, Mel Taylor, Peter Blakemore, Bob Hull.

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Rec Cycle N' Sports	10	10	1	71	74	21
Priestly Demolition	10	10	1	83	77	21
Baldwin's	6	13	2	72	83	14
Masterclean	6	14	1	68	91	13
FPL Aggregates	5	15	1	56	104	11

Results to Feb. 26

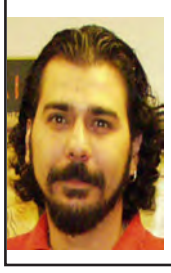
Highlands Chev	8	Tom & Jerry's	3
Priestly Demolition	5	Baldwin's	0
Masterclean	7	Law Insurance	3
FPL Aggregates	5	Rec Sports	2

Player standings as of Feb. 26

NAME	TEAM	G	A	Pts.
John Archibauld	Highland's	23	16	39
Steve McDonald	Law Insurance	14	17	31
Mark Sedore	Priestly	23	8	31
Steve Kavanah	Baldwin's	13	18	31
John Anderson	Rec Sports	17	12	29
Craig McConnell	Law Insurance	18	9	27
Ed Kilroy	Rec Sports	13	12	25
Bruce Chappell	Highland's	8	17	25
Jason Muise	Priestly	11	11	22
Kevin Brown	Rec Sports	8	13	21
John Yaremko	Law Insurance	12	9	21
Brad McMillan	Tom & Jerry's	9	12	21
Scott Crabb	Highland's	9	12	21
Tom Hussey	Masterclean	9	11	20
Ken Rumble	Highland's	6	13	19
Darryl Thompson	Tom & Jerry's	14	5	19
Vince Greco	Tom & Jerry's	8	10	18
Darren Yaremko	Law Insurance	5	13	18
Pat O'Mahony	FPL	8	10	18
Steve Robertson	Highland's	7	11	18
Pat Davies	Priestly	11	6	17
Dave McQueston	FPL	10	7	17
Gerald Briand	Baldwin's	8	9	17
Ed Jackson	Baldwin's	5	12	17
Chris Neal	Highland's	11	6	17
Kevin O'Keefe	Baldwin's	10	7	17
Doug Adair	Rec Sports	7	10	17
Mike Slimkowich	Masterclean	5	12	17
Frank Balkovec	Law Insurance	3	14	17
Charlie Steenhorst	Rec Sports	3	13	16
Hugh Alcorn	Masterclean	2	14	16
Colin Leech	Priestly	4	12	16
Jerome Flanigan	Priestly	5	11	16
Mark Lemmon	Law Insurance	5	10	15
Mike Nisbet	Priestly	9	6	15
Dave Holden	Tom & Jerry's	8	7	15
Alain Boudreau	Masterclean	8	7	15
Bob Ince	FPL	5	10	15
Ron Van Noort	Masterclean	9	5	14
John Leeder	FPL	9	5	14
Brian Horton	Baldwin's	2	12	14
Joel Reeves	Tom & Jerry's	3	11	14
Paul Gibson	Law Insurance	5	9	14
Jerry Mackrell	Tom & Jerry's	6	8	14
Dave Caverley	FPL	5	9	14
Brad Wilson	Highland's	5	8	13
Andrew Dalton	Rec Sports	5	8	13
Dean Iwai	Tom & Jerry's	4	9	13
Phil Podstatsky	Priestly	6	6	12
RonThieson	Tom & Jerry's	2	10	12
Scott Thomas	Tom & Jerry's	1	11	12
Scott Sheppard	Rec Sports	1	10	11
Bill Collins	Masterclean	2	9	11
Mike Kensit	Masterclean	6	5	11
Peter Briand	Baldwin's	6	5	11
Mike Caicco	Priestly	2	8	10
Les Nip	Highland's	2	8	10
Jody Matthews	Highland's	5	5	10
Mike Casey	Priestly	4	5	9
Mike O'Connor	Priestly	5	3	8
Angelo Nasato	Masterclean	1	7	8
John Spicer	Rec Sports	1	7	8
Dan Smit	Rec Sports	3	5	8
Doug McGrath	Baldwin's	3	5	8
Vincent Rochon	Tom & Jerry's	6	1	7
Shane Dyart	Priestly	1	6	7
Jack Radecki	FPL	4	3	7
Gord Lee	Law Insurance	2	5	7
Scott Pogue	Masterclean	6	1	7
John Sibner	Law Insurance	3	4	7
John Morning	Baldwin's	4	3	7
Mike Dinner	Priestly	1	6	7
Larry Presto	FPL	2	5	7
Steve Rezwick	Rec Sports	2	5	7
Hank Van Bakel	Masterclean	3	4	7
Doug Hackett	FPL	1	6	7
Kevin Mulholland	FPL	1	5	6
Cliff Sifton	Highland's	2	4	6
Kerry Heintzman	FPL	1	5	6
Mark Cherutti	Rec Sports	0	6	6
Steve Bromley	Masterclean	3	3	6
Mark English	Masterclean	0	6	6
Brian McCartney	Law Insurance	4	2	6
Hal Horton	Baldwin's	3	3	6

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House League

Tyke

104 Tim Hortons Flyers Tyke House League 3 - Mathew MacDougall 1A, Thomas Wilson 2G 1A, Sean Anderton 1A, Patrick Cruickshank 2A, Carmelo Sortino 1G, Anthony Issaris 1A. **101 Tim Hortons Red Wings 2** - Aydin Metel 1A, Nathan Sherrard 1G, Charles Peters 1G.

106 Tim Hortons Penguins Tyke House League 7 - Jack Camplin 3G, Aidan Burbank 1G, Andrew Sergejewich 1G 1A, Dan Atasiei 1A, Dylan Cowell 1G, Mark Carpenter 1G. **102 Tim Hortons Bruins 1.**

110 Tim Hortons Thrashers Tyke House League 5 - David Tonelli 1A, Johnathan Martin 1G 1A, Gordon Scott 1G, Jeremy Rusnell 1A, John Powell 1A, Brennan Young 2G, Andrew Warner 1G 1A, Jacob LeBlanc 1A. **103 Tim Hortons Senators 4.**

108 Tim Hortons Sharks Tyke House League 8 - Ryan Lewis 1G 1A, Matthew Minchella 1G 1A, Jayson Perkins 1A, Austin Hendy 3G 1A, Kyle Wulle 1G, Jordan Torres 1G 2A, Alexander Simardone 1A, Sam Speranini 1G 2A, Brianna Nocon-Willatts 1A. **107 Tim Hortons Lightning 2** - William Morin 1A, Jeffrey Crowe 1G, Casandra Srouji 1A, Brady Sarazin 1G, Mark Rossi 1A, Darcy Sarazin 1A.

109 Tim Hortons Wild 13 - Thomas Young 1G 2A, James Samson 1G 6A, Ben Langlois 1G, Joel Woodcock 1G 2A, Stewart Gable 1A, Cameron Railton 4G, Jackson Clements 2A, Cameron Dyer 3G 2A, Matthew Nitsopoulos 1G, Colin McGoldrick 1G. No opposition report.

Novice

201 Diamond Groundskeeping Services 6 - Michael Montesanti 1G, Vincent Nguyen 1A, Jordi Severini 1A, Adam Caicco 2G 1A, Blake Holtby 1A, Brett Diamond 1G 1A, Ryan Simmons 1A, Lucas Ruscica 1A, Justin Nisbet 1A, Conor Braund 1G 1A, Riley Callaghan 1A, Ryan D'Antimo 1A, Collin Dyer 1G 1A. **205 Mastermind Toys Novice House League 4** - Max Bruckner 1A, Connor Tripp 1G 1A, Tyler Williams 2G, Anthony Loduca 1A, Matthew Colucci 1A, Lucas Ackerman 1G, Connor Reilly 1A, Will Ashton 1A.

203 McAlpine Ford Novice House League 11 - Matthew Ciancio 1G, Tristan Kuchar 4G 1A, Alistar Johnston 3G 3A, Spencer White 1G 1A, Christian Arcuri 1A, Keegan Matthew 2G 1A. **202 North York Heating & Plumbing 3** - Tyler Mckay 2G, James McDonald 1A, James Eydt 1A, Mitchell Haak 1G, Alex Sesto 1A, Jordon Elliott 1A.

Minor Atom

305 Aurora Canadian Tire Minor Atom House League 7 - Micheal Dilosa 1A, Lockhart McMann 1G 1A, Peter McKerracher 1A, Michael Walsh 2G 1A, Rory Hamilton 1G, Brendan Ruuskanen 2A, Terrel Cook 1A, Andy Butler 3A, Evan Nichols 2G 1A, Jonathan Mohabeer 1A, Jonathan Jin 1G 1A. **301 Optimist Club of Aurora Inc. 2** - Cameron Screech 1A, Matthew Hall 2G, Johnny Sherwood 2A.

303 Tilemaster Minor Atom House League 6. 302 Rec Cycle N' Sports 3 - Nolan Smith 1A, Michael Fisher 1G, Bryn Burbank 1G, Liam Joiner 1G 1A, Ryan Batten 1A, Matthew MacGrath 1A.

Atom

401 Shoppers Drug Mart Aurora 4. 403 Delph & Jenkins Surveyors Atom House League 4 - Joseph Veneziano 1A, Nathan Sinclair 1A, Matthew Walker 1G, Max Brown 2G, Michael Taieb 1G, Joel Gouveia 1A, Scott Dunlop 1A.

402 Orr & Forster Insurance Brokers 4 - Keith Jarvis 2A, Graham Killby 2A, Joey Stel 1A, Morgan Walker 4G, Alexander McDonald 1A, Mitchell Carter 1A, Sajjad Akbar 2A. **408 Greenpoint Laser Products Atom House League 3.**

405 Laurion Law Office 3 - Spencer Robb 1G 1A, Mac Cawfield 1A, Alexander Harrison 1G, Michael Liscio 1G. **406 AB Cox Pontiac Buick GMC Atom House League 1** - James Powell 1G, Terrence Lepore 1A, Callum Forrest 1A.

Minor Peewee

506 Dr. Steiner's Drillers Minor Peewee House League 5 - Kieran Cullen 1A, Michael Perryman 1G, Dustin Partanen 1A, Paul Louis Steiner 2A, Sasha Dajia 1G, Matthew Iamonaco 1G, Kentner Arkell 1A, Franco Porano 1A, Nic Venosa 1G, Luke Pizzurro 1G 1A. **501 Millennium Devils 0.**

505 Nacora Insurance Brokers Ltd. Minor Peewee House League 4. 502 ACI 2 - Matthew Roach 1G, Liam Batulis 1A, Andreas Mikkelsen 1G, Massimo Longhin 4A.

Peewee

601 Aurora Home Hardware Building Centre 4 - Brian Tree 2A, Arun Partridge 4G, Brandon Farr 1A. **606 The Backyard Pool & Spa Company Peewee House League 3.**

603 Restored Sports 2. 604 Fresh Water Industries Peewee House League 2 - Kelley Hudson 1G, Kyle Coughlin 1A, Christopher Karagiannis 1A, Michael Mildon 1A, Matthew Hart 1G.

Minor Bantam

703 A.D.C. Aluminum Minor Bantam House League 2 702 ACI 0.

706 Cosentino Produce Minor Bantam House League 2 - Cameron Annear 1G, Colin Sandquist 1A, Alexander Payne 1G. **705 CAA South Central Ontario 0.**

Bantam

801 Supreme Collision Centre 5 - Scott Parry 1G, Andrew Osmond 1A, Adam Stubbs 1A, Alex Heintzman 3A, Marco Santella 3G, Chris McGill 1G. **804 Manhattan Trophies Bantam House League 1.**

806 Wood Brothers Drywall Bantam House League 1. 801 Supreme Collision Centre 0.

803 I.O.O.F. Aurora Lodge #148 2. 805 Barb Blaser - Re/Max Bantam House League 2.

Minor Midget

902 4 - Kelsey Darcy 1A, David Yates 1G 1A, Steven Foss 1G, Scott Quagliarini 1G, Andrew Wilkins 1G 1A. **906 Omar's Shoes Minor Midget House League 3.**

903 Minor Midget House League 4. 902 1 - Evan Campbell 1A, Andrew Wilkins 1G.

Rep Games

TNT Novice AE Novice AE 4. Aurora Tigers Novice AE 2 - Mathew Tyndall 1A, Morgan Frost 1G 1A, Zachary Fletcher 1A, Joshua Brecht 1A, Zoe Webster 1G.

Aurora Tigers Novice AE 2 - Morgan Frost 2G. **TNT Novice AE Novice AE 1.**

TNT Minor Atom AE Minor Atom AE 2. Aurora Tigers Minor Atom AE 1 - Sandy Hudson 1G.

Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam A 1 - Jamie Hawkins 1A, Brendan Strachan 1G. **Newmarket Redmen Minor Bantam A 1.**

Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam A 2 - Daniel Howie 1G, Brendan Strachan 1G 1A. **Newmarket Redmen Minor Bantam A 2.**

Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam A 1 - James Harkin 1A, Denis Casey 1G, Jamie Hawkins 1A. **Newmarket Redmen Minor Bantam A 0.**

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Aurora Tigers Bantam AA 3. Newmarket Redmen Bantam AA 3.

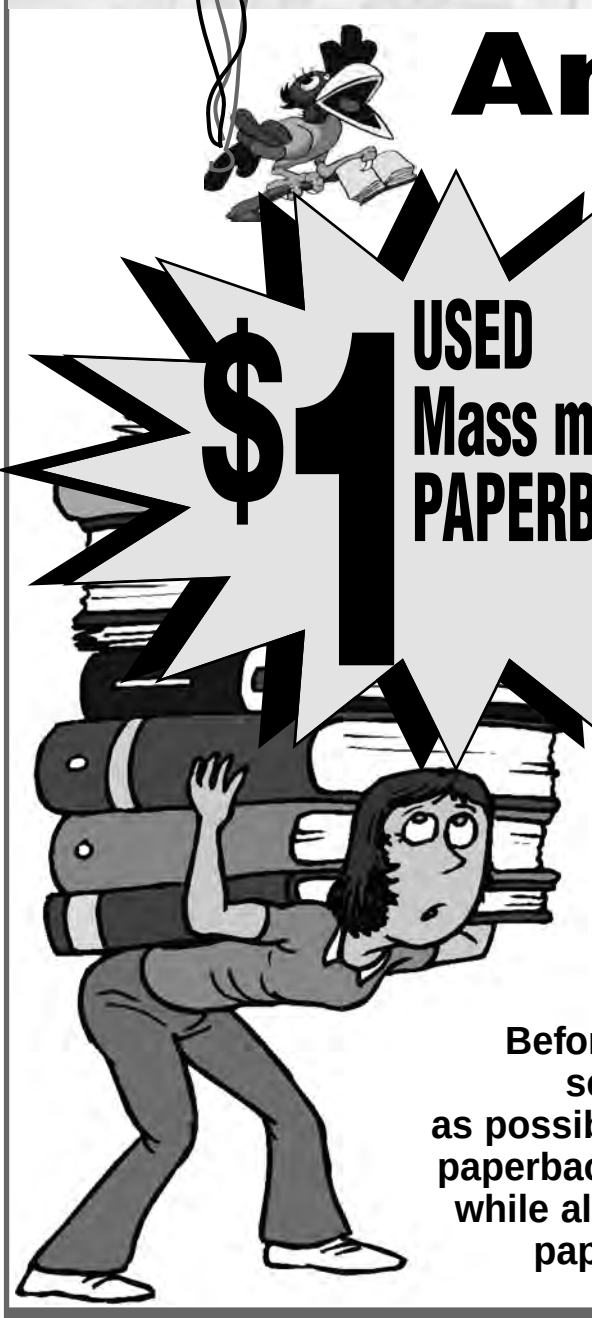
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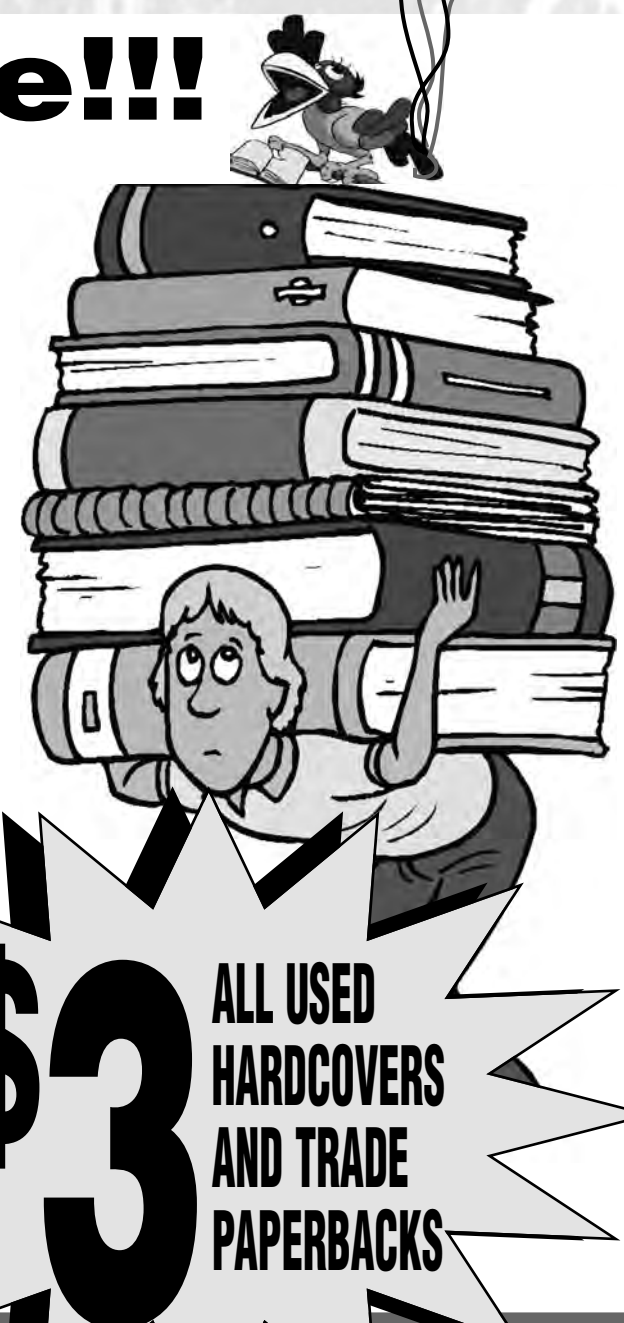
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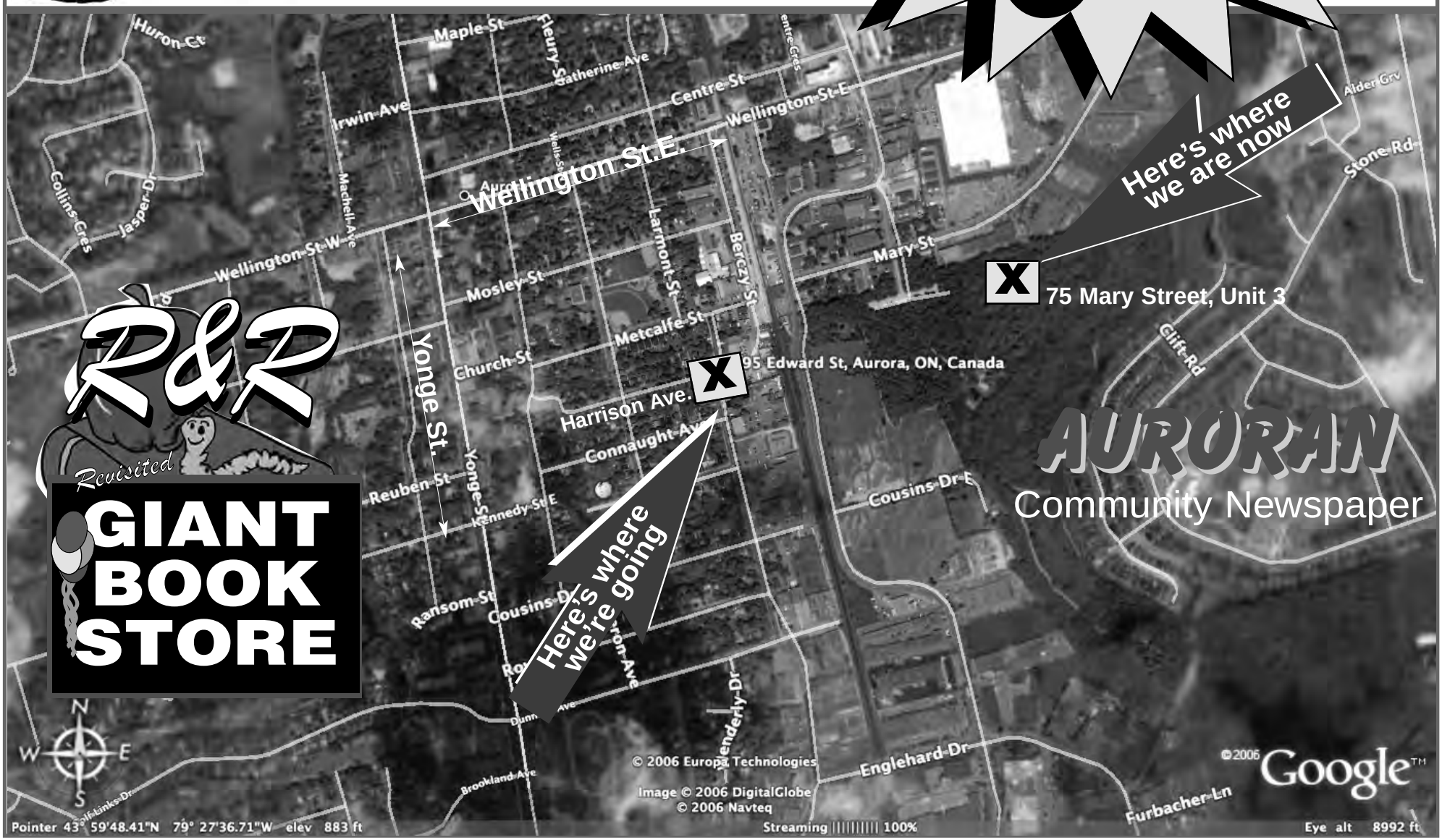


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Park may not be available for horse show

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the use of bingo proceeds which the Society had used to help finance the show.

At the annual meeting it was decided to take a year off to regroup and arrangements were made with the Trillium Horse Show Association to operate the Horse Show for 2007 in Machell Park with only one June weekend instead of two weekends which had been the custom over the years when a Fair had been included.

At the same time the Aurora Youth Soccer Club submitted a request to the town for the exclusive use of Machell Park for 2007 due to the loss of the use of playing fields at St. Andrew's College.

It was pointed out that if Machell Park was not available for the week of the Horse Show, the club stood to lose the use of the park for the season due to damage from the Horse Show resulting in the cancellation of scheduled games as there were no available alternative locations.

It was suggested Horse Show organizers re-schedule the event for the weekend of August 24.

At the same time a letter was received from the Joker's Hill Horse Shows representing the Trillium Horse Show Association requesting the use of the park for the period June 1 to 3 with access by noon May 31 for set-up.

In a report to the general committee, staff members recommended the Youth Soccer Club be granted use of the park during the period requested for the Horse Show and that consideration be given for the permitted use of the park in 2008 by the Aurora Horse Show.

Staff reported they had discussed the issue with the Trillium Horse Show operators and Soccer Club officials and had not been able to reach a compromise or an alternative arrangement.

Ken Denouden representing the Trillium Association pointed out that Aurora had been part of the Trillium circuit for several years and the association had stepped in to assist the Aurora Agricultural Society to get back on its feet.

Knowing about the possible conflict of use, contact had been made with Magna for the use of their grounds in June, but this would also mean the loss of soccer playing fields.

When asked about a possible change in dates, he replied that as the association held events in several locations the schedule of events was approved in advance.

Questions were also asked about damage to the field following the Horse Show and Parks Supervisor Jim Tree replied that it all depended on the weather.

A representative of the Youth Soccer Club told committee members that with more than 3,000 young players and the loss of the St. Andrew's College playing fields the club had no place to put the players.

As staff had no knowledge of the possibility of moving the Horse Show to the Magna grounds and its potential impact on the field situation and the lack of comment from the Agricultural Society, committee members did not have enough information resulting in a request for a further staff report.

At last week's meeting, Director of Leisure Services Al Downey said he had been advised if the Magna property was not available for the Horse Show, it would be held at Joker's Hill in King, but Machell Park was the preferred location.

Councillor Evelyn Buck made a strong argument for retaining the Horse Show in Machell Park as it had been the volunteers from the Agricultural Society who had helped town staff tile in the park as home for the Aurora Horse Show and they had a right to use it.

Some councillors recommended the Horse Show be held in an alternate location this year then return to the park in 2008 and the soccer club use the park in 2007.

Others argued that if the Horse Show was from Aurora, where it was a tradition, it could be lost forever and they could not support it going to King.

Although a motion was on the floor to approve the staff report for the Soccer Club to use the park in 2007, Councillor Evelina MacEachern moved referral to seek more information.

The motion passed 5-4.



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Aurora midgets capture Canadian Cup tourney

The Aurora Tigers Midget A team, pictured at right, competed in the Canadian Cup Tournament in Montreal recently and ended up undefeated in five games to win the tournament.

It was the Junior Phantoms, state champions from New Jersey, that fell twice to the Aurora crew, giving the locals the title.

They met in the first game of the series, which Aurora won 4-2, then wound up facing each other in the final.

Aurora handed the state champions a 5-2 win to capture the trophy.

In the first game, Aurora got goals from Spencer McCartney, Ian Weston, Jake Hurlbut, who was named Most Valuable Player of the tournament, and Robert Stenzel to send them on their way to an undfeated weekend.

Jamie Tuck contributed two assists in the victory, while single helpers went to MacCartney, Ross Pizzurro and Christian DiVincenzo.

In the second game, Stenzel and Hurlbut found their pace firing three goals each as Aurora dumped the Toronto Knights 8-1.

Weston added the other two markers.

Stenzel and Hurlbut both had five-point efforts as each contributed two assists to the one-sided hockey game.

Tuck came up with three assists while DiVincenzo added two and singles came from Greg Gianopoulos and Robert Lee.

Game three saw another one-sided victory, as Aurora defeated the Humber Valley sharks 5-1.

Gianopoulos scored twice, with singles coming from Hurlbut, Lee and Stenzel.

In the fourth game, Mitchell Greene recorded the shutout as Aurora ran roughshod over the Don Mills Flyers 7-0.

Stenzel led the scoring spree with a pair of markers, while singles went to DiVincenzo, McCartney, Weston, Hurlbut, and Tuck.

In the final encounter, Stenzel was the hero with a pair of goals, and singles came from DiVincenzo, Hurlbut, and McCartney.

Tuck represented Aurora in the shooting contest and came in second and in the relay race, Stenzel and Tuck also came in second.

In the skills competition, Aurora goalies, Michael Doherty and Greene, stopped five of six shots.

The coaching staff of this team includes Steve Greene, Gord Pelosse, Gord Gray, Jason Hurlbut.

Managers are Jim and Jane Doherty.



Aurora Tigers Midget A champs

Bigger Wal-Mart gets approval

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the municipality and a request from a Loblaw representative who advised that a nearby superstore was planning an expansion that they be given equal treatment.

At the public planning meeting, town planner Glen Letman provided a detailed presentation of the revised application, which now conforms to the official plan.

The internal parking lot in front of the enlarged Wal-Mart proposed a total of 1,086 parking spaces broken up into several parking pods by trees, shrubbery and pedestrian pathways.

Town departments indicated no objections to the revised plan subject to site plan approval.

It was also reported that the major components of the revised site plan had been evaluated by staff and the town's peer review consultants and on the basis of the zoning are satisfied that the modifications now incorporated will generally meet the town's urban design guidelines.

Representing the applicant, Prakash David introduced several consultants who were in attendance to answer questions.

He said Smart Centres operates 175 shopping centres across Canada and gave a brief history of the proposal since 1997 when the property was acquired.

He noted the gateway development, the high quality entrance, the courtyard, pedestrian walkways and added that the $85 million development will produce $3 million in development charges, $2 million in taxes and provide 870 jobs.

Twelve letters were received from residents opposed to the larger format store and the need to bring a Wal-Mart to Aurora.

A letter was received from the Aurora Chamber of Commerce in support of the proposal based on the fact a previous council had approved the Wal-Mart and the revised application was a consolidation of the food store with Wal-Mart.

Approximately 20 citizens appeared before council, and while some supported the two store proposal, there was general opposition based on several factors including increased traffic, impact on the downtown and the need for financial assistance and demands on energy.

Staff members and the applicant's consultants answered questions and after two hours of presentations and citizen participation the public session was closed and for the next hour members of council asked several questions for clarification and information.

In general the questions dealt with traffic congestion, parking, urban design, marketing studies, number of trees to be planted and some assurance that the municipality would get the development that was shown in the architect's renderings shown during the presentation.

Staff noted that the town had received $80,000 from the applicant for the gateway feature and a commitment to provide a total of $130,000 to assist the downtown core with $50,000 at the time of the building permit, another $50,000 when the store opened and $30,000 on the anniversary of the store opening.

It was finally moved by Councillor Evelyn Buck that the revised application be approved in principle and the enacting zoning bylaw be adopted by council after the approval of the site plan, which was supported by members of council unanimously, some reluctantly.

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In May, 1934, during a debate on lotteries in the House of Commons, King, then leader of the opposition, strongly opposed gambling.

In June, 1938, R.B. Bennett, as leader of the opposition, said lotteries were detrimental to the nation and the individual.

In 1969 Justice Minister John Turner overhauled the Criminal Code, including the legalization of lotteries.

Now Canadians, including Aurorans, line up by the thousands, lured by government approved advertisements to buy a variety of lottery tickets, and spend millions of dollars a week on a chance to get rich.

Oliver's speech to Society

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organizations were much needed, in order to help communities to better understand the new driving forces of cultural and social change, serving to greatly complicate life in those early post WWII years.

Ernest Clarke would re-emerge in my life as one of those "larger-than-life" individuals. Looking back, and in the language of our times, he appeared to me as the quintessential "Post Industrial" man - in a period well before the term would enter popular parlance.

What intrigued me about this elder statesman and grandfather figure was the way he seemed to talk about history and historic knowledge, as critical ingredients in coming to informed judgments about the nature for our times. It would be some 25 years later, while working with Ruben Nelson, one of Canada's noted futurists, that I would once more be reminded of Ernest Clarke's insights, coming to understand them for the first time.

Paradoxically, both men saw history in a non-traditional "futures context". Both perceived history, not at all as a traditional people do, as "a golden age, a place where one can learn the timeless truths to live by", valuing there the artifacts and myths that history leaves behind, with all their beauty, charm and intrigue.

Ruben Nelson would express in scholarly terms, what Ernest Clarke knew and acted upon more than a quarter of a century earlier in the founding and nurturing our Society. Both men saw that, for a late 20th century Western people, the "golden age" was not at all in the past, there to be worshipped, but always in the future. Thus, as Nelson would show, the goal of history, as well as the challenge of community historic societies is to help point the way to what he would refer to as "a new sustainable, dynamic prosperity, only possible for mature communities" that know themselves.

Thus, in his role as mentor and keeper of the faith, Ernest Clarke, would caution us today to push well beyond on all the trappings and potential pitfalls of museums and historic buildings, remembering that, for many, it is not so much the artifact of history that is important, with all its charms and intrigues, but the stories it tells of a people and who they are. Treasured and admired, as they may be, he would suggest that the key questions for our information age are "what life-giving insights do our artifacts of the past hold for us today? Just what do they teach about how we can move to a new maturity of human understanding, as individuals and as community together?"

I sense, then, that Ernest Clarke would challenge us to move with diligence to increase the relevance and drawing power of our public programming - and thus our participation rate in municipal life.

He would encourage us to better meet the intellectual needs of a new generation of Aurorans, most with little sustaining interest in what is seen as the "trivia" that history leaves behind - notwithstanding its many charms, and the pleasant warm feelings of nostalgia that may be aroused. He would ask, too, that we continually review our sense of purpose and vision, as an organization, ensuring a snug fit with the changing conditions and needs of contemporary times.

He would pose big questions for us to struggle with as a Society - thinking globally and acting locally. He would ask us "just what is the social and cultural significance of our prized historic artifacts"; "what do they suggest of the social order of their times"; "what is their informing nature, i.e., what are they able to tell us of relevance to the pressing issues of the 21st century"; and thus "what might they teach us as we search for that "new sustainable, dynamic prosperity" which we are urged to seek as a people?

I would like, then, to present this picture of Ernest Clarke and Lester Pearson to the Society, as a marker and reminder of the life and works of our founding godfather, and of the rich heritage of thought he left behind on which this Society now builds.

Thanks for asking me back, as well as your patience in listening to my 40-year retrospective.

Leslie Oliver
Founding President
Aurora and District Historical Society

THE VIVIAN CHALLENGE

In March, 2000, the Queen's York Rangers Army Cadets participated in the 10th Annual Vivian Challenge in the Vivian Forest as a training exercise.

Vivian Forest is out by Highway 48, north of the Aurora Sideroad.

One of the tests was to locate a simulated nuclear device and remove it without touching it and while keeping it level and taking it slowly to a newly constructed helicopter landing site for pickup.

Another was a test of their first aid training.

A parachutist was suspended upside down in a tree with apparent broken ribs. He had to be released from his parachute cords, removed from the tree, placed on a stretcher and evacuated.

The Vivian Challenge allows cadets to practice skills they had been learning throughout the year and provided Gold Star Cadets with the opportunity to prepare for their National Star certification exams at Camp Borden.

MORE BROKEN PROMISES

In September, 2003, Liberal Leader Dalton McGuinty said that if elected he had no plans to shrink Toronto city council or to give the mayor more power.

He was responding to a petition from residents unhappy with the workings of Toronto Council and their lack of action in forcing the homeless off the streets.

With regard to the homeless, McGuinty promised to build 20,000 affordable housing units and 6,000 special supportive units across Ontario to help those without homes.

For those too mentally ill or drug dependent to seek shelter, he insisted there were laws in place to allow authorities to deal with such cases.

With regard to Toronto council, he said he would consider setting up a citizens' jury to look at issues surrounding municipal government in Toronto and was open to changing Toronto's municipal government as long as the people asked for it.

Not much has changed after more than three years in office, except that the Mayor of Toronto has been given more power and the homeless are still there.

AURORA'S PEARLY KING

Sidney "Sid" Bursstoff moved to Aurora from Toronto in September, 2000, to escape the perils of city living.

To the best of knowledge, he was the only official Pearly in Canada with a degree in "buttonology" as his jacket has 8,500 buttons from top to tail and weighs 81 pounds.

He worked Sundays and holidays at Canada's Wonderland where he entertained children and adults alike in the major theme park with his ukulele, Union Jack umbrella and bag of magic tricks.

Even before moving to Aurora he knew about the municipality because when he was vice-president of the Royal Canadian Air Force Association he used to hire Aurora's Mac Butler and the Fulharmonics to entertain association members.

In addition to his weekly stints at Wonderland, he made regular stops at the Aurora Legion and to local schools every November to talk to the students about Remembrance Day.

Where is our Pearly King today?

WHERE IS SMART COMMUTE?

A year ago January, a presentation was made to Aurora Council about the region's Smart Commute Initiative designed to reduce greenhouse gases and other emissions, reduce traffic on the roads and enhance accessibility and mobility options.

Smart Commute included car pooling, site assessment and surveys, shuttle programs, incentives, promotions, commuter challenge and other events.

The Smart Commute initiative was implemented by a Transportation Management Association (TMA) to provide service delivery and product feedback.

Newmarket was anxious to implement a TMA and invited Aurora to participate to make the TMA viable.

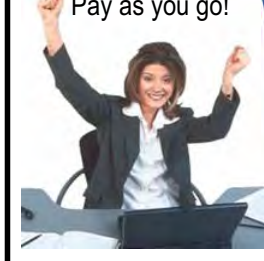
The presentation was referred to staff for a report.

Last May, the Economic Development Advisory Committee recommended participation in the TMA and the implementation of an employee trip reduction program similar to Newmarket.

The committee asked town staff to report on financial details and to recommend an Aurora initiative for Town employees.

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Butler, Kenney A. (WWII Veteran)

Peacefully at Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket on Thursday, February 22, 2007. Kenney, of Aurora, beloved husband of Lillian (nee Holman). Loving father of Bruce and his wife Cathy of Aurora, Patti and her husband John of Aurora. Dear Grampy of Matthew, Jennifer, Marc and Scott. Funeral services were held at the Thompson Funeral Home, 530 Industrial Parkway, South, Aurora on Monday February 26, 2007. Donations to the Salvation Army or War Amps would be appreciated by the family. A special thank you to the nurses and staff of Southlake Regional Health Centre.

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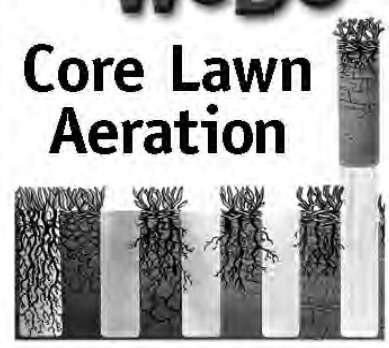
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