

COMING EVENTS

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The Probus Club of Aurora meets at 10 a.m. the second Wednesday of each month at the Royal Canadian Legion on Industrial Parkway North. Probus was sponsored by the Aurora Rotary Club in 1995 with an initial membership of 25, now 82, for retired and semi-retired professional and business men and women, former executives and others. The club is non-sectarian and non-political. For information call 905-841-3558 or 905-727-9344.

The York Regional Police Male Chorus is looking for new members. You do not have to be a police officer nor are you required to read music to volunteer. The group rehearses Monday evenings between 7.30 and 9.30 p.m. For further information, contact the chorus supervisor at 905-727-9676 or the coordinator of volunteer services for YRP at 905-830-0303, extension 6717.

The Adult Bereavement Support Group offers a chance to learn how to cope with the loss of a loved one. Fred Bullen has given the use of the Aurora Lions Club and Brent Forrester of Thompson Funeral Home will provide administrative cost so that this service is given free to the community. Contact mariesgriefjourney@yahoo.com to reserve a seat or get further information.

"Voice" is a creative writing collective for teens between the ages of 13 and 18. At the meetings, held at the Aurora Public Library, teens learn various creative writing techniques, give and receive constructive feedback on

their writing and meet other like-minded young writers. Meetings are held the last Thursday of the month, September through May, from 7 to 8 p.m. Registration is not required.

"Louder" is a semi-annual young adult magazine created through the creative effort of teens and produced by the Aurora Public Library's Young Adult Services Department. Submissions of writing, poetry, art, graphic art and photography are accepted. E-mail your submissions to yamagazine@library.aurora.on.ca or drop it off to the Children and Young Adult Information Desk to the attention of Monika Machacek.

Aurora's Air Cadets meet every Tuesday night at Cardinal Carter School from 6.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m., and offer a program for 12 years and older boys and girls.

On Thursdays until June, the Navy League has a Cadet program for children 9 to 12 years from 7 to 9 p.m. Contact Cliff Davies at 905-727-2244 for details.

On Tuesdays, until June, a Sea Cadet program for youths 13 to 18 from 7 to 9 p.m. Leave message at 905-895-3038.

Aurora Opera Company's Children's Chorus is a new treble voice choir dedicated to educating, nurturing and providing opportunities for children to

express their musical abilities. The chorus is open to boys and girls in Grades 1 through 12 and consists of two choirs: Angel Choristers, a training choir for 6 and 7 year-olds and the Children Chorus, open to 8 to 17 year-olds. To audition, contact general director Sarah Kyle at keepsinging@look.ca.

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One of Aurora's Baskin Robbins outlets teamed up with firefighters from the Central York Fire Services last week to raise funds for the restoration of a firefighter memorial in Toronto that was vandalized some years ago. Judging by the line-ups, the event was a huge success. *Auroran photo by David Falconer*

Aurora Council endorses prayer breakfast initiative

Last week, Aurora Council formally recognized and endorsed the Aurora Mayor's Prayer Breakfast Initiative.

As described by Bob Callow, who appeared at council with two other representatives of the committee, the non-partisan group represents 14 churches in the area that are planning to host a Christian Celebration of Prayer for the community leaders serving Aurora and the surrounding municipalities.

Similar events held in Markham, Whitchurch-Stouffville and Richmond Hill have brought together hundreds of citizens to honour, recognize and pray for all community leaders, from elected politicians of all levels of government, to representatives of police and fire

departments, and local schools.

The Aurora initiative will be held Tuesday, October 20, from 7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. at Dinardo's Banquet Hall.

Mr. Callow confirmed the event would be open to everyone who wished to attend, no matter what their religious beliefs.

The breakfast meeting would be fully self-supporting through both ticket sales, and sponsorships.

Although prices haven't been set, it is estimated that tickets will be \$25.

The event is currently planned to include breakfast, a musical performance and an inspirational speaker.

Although Mayor Phyllis Morris confirmed she would continue to be involved, council also appointed Councillor Steven Granger to serve on the organizing committee, which has been meeting for several months.



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Monday, April 27: N/S - Judy Salmon and Lucille Sequeira; Kay Hack and Gloria Smith; Joan Rotenberg and Mary Oglanby. E/W - Frank Lablans and Dennis McFadden; Don Newman and Murray Sinclair; Mary McClennon and Pat Leeson.

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Poor Ronnie

By RON WALLACE

Moving house proves to be an experience

I have not moved house since 1979. That means I have been in the same location for about 30 years. Actually, 29 and change. I am right in the middle of moving, and it, let me tell you, is quite an experience. Of course, most of you know that I remarried in November, and Patricia, my wife, has been with me in a house that was simply too small to hold all our belongings. We have stuff stored everywhere.

So, it was decided, we needed two things: more space with fewer stairs to climb. In other words, a big bungalow. We have been looking for some time for the right place, so much so that our real estate agent, Sean Herbinson, and we are on a first-name basis.

I could imagine the thoughts going through his head every time I would phone and say “gee, Sean, there’s a nice looking place that we would like to see.” I believe we looked at nearly every property for sale in Aurora in the last year or so, and always found something wrong somewhere.

Some time ago, before the economy hit the skids, we saw a nice place in the south end of Aurora, but before we could make an offer, the place was sold. The successful buyers, whoever they are, probably thought much what we were thinking.

Which brings up another point. Everyone I mentioned to that we were looking for a new house asked the same question: “You’re not leaving Aurora, are you?”

Nah, can’t do that. Not with a daughter who is named Aurora. She is eternally grateful she wasn’t born in Walla Walla, Washington, otherwise she might today be known as Walla Walla Wallace.

So, by the time you read this, we should be settled into our new abode, and frantically searching for the location of our super mailbox, since that is one of the benefits we had to give up when we moved.

As I said, I have not moved for some time. As a matter of fact, I have been in one location for 11 years longer than I was in my hometown of North Bay, where I had moved around, with my family, more than half a dozen times.

And, of course, once I left home to find my fortunes in the big city (yes, I’m still looking) I moved around quite a bit, from Cranbrook, B.C., to Sudbury, to Trawna, to Scarborough, to Aurora.

So, it came as a bit of a surprise to me when I realized I had not moved an inch from my last house in nearly three decades. Mostly, it was due to the fact there was too much stuff in the house to be bothered moving it all.

That’s why one of the requirements had to include all the appliances, so we could offer ours in the deal. We wound up moving a freezer, but that was all, and because we have two huge refrigerators in the new place, we don’t really need the freezer.

Everything else - stove, fridge, dishwasher, etc., stayed put. Made things a little easier, but not much.

There was still a pile of furniture to move, from several locations, and, should I survive all this, I’ll report on it next week. And tell you the name of the company that moved us! In a single day!

Letter to the Editor

Tim’s going for the whole ball of wax

To the editor,

Re: Jones would seek nomination, but not without competition- the Auroran. April 21 edition.

In the last federal election, after having the honour of serving the residents of Aurora for 28 years on council, the last 12 years as mayor and

regional councillor, I proudly ran as the Liberal candidate.

I am very appreciative of those who supported me, and continue to be opposed to the Conservative record, especially on the economy.

It’s with this in mind that I want the residents of Newmarket-Aurora to know that I have one

focus only - federal politics.

I am seeking the nomination to be your Liberal candidate for the next federal election, with the goal of proudly representing you in Parliament.

**Tim Jones
Candidate of Record
Newmarket-Aurora
Liberal Party of Canada**

To the editor,

It’s time to speak up, Aurora, about the future of our historic Wells Street Public School.

We all have the chance to make a difference for our Town, our citizens, and our children.

The staff of the York Region District School Board (YRDSB) is recommending the Board of Trustees vote to close our Town’s historic Wells Street School (located at Wells and Mosley Streets across from the Town Park) by 2010 and divide our student population into different schools.

This staff report was presented Thursday, April 30 to the YRDSB elected trustees.

The Board will also review a community report (the ARC), which recommends keeping the school open.

Now it’s a “battle” between the YRDSB staff and our community. And we need to make sure “Aurora”

wins. After all...

- the staff and Board work for and represent us: the taxpaying citizens of Aurora.
- the Board has stated they are not in the business of closing schools - let’s hold them to that!
- with the future growth planned for Aurora, closing a school is very short-sighted.
- our children have the right to go through elementary school with the friends they’ve developed along the way - not be treated like numbers and divided based on the Board’s whim.
- our community needs this school to preserve our Town’s rich history, keep families in the downtown core, host community activities, groups and events and maintain the uniqueness of Aurora.

We have the power to influence the Board. The decision has not been made. Please do your part to Save Wells Street School. How?

- email your elected King/Aurora YRDSB Trustee Gord Kerr at (gord.kerr@yrdsb.edu.on.ca) and let him know Wells Street P.S. should remain open as a school in its current location
 - attend the meetings discussing the fate of Wells Street - (all are listed on the YRDSB website at www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca)
 - post a Save our school sign up on your home/yard (email me at address below to get one)
 - share your favourite Wells Street memories and sign our on-line petition at (www.thepetitionsite.com/1/Save-Wells-Street-Public-School)
- Together we can show

the YRDSB that Aurora is different from Richmond Hill, Newmarket and other communities in their region.

We are small, we are unique, and we will fight to preserve the history of our Town and provide the best possible education for our kids.

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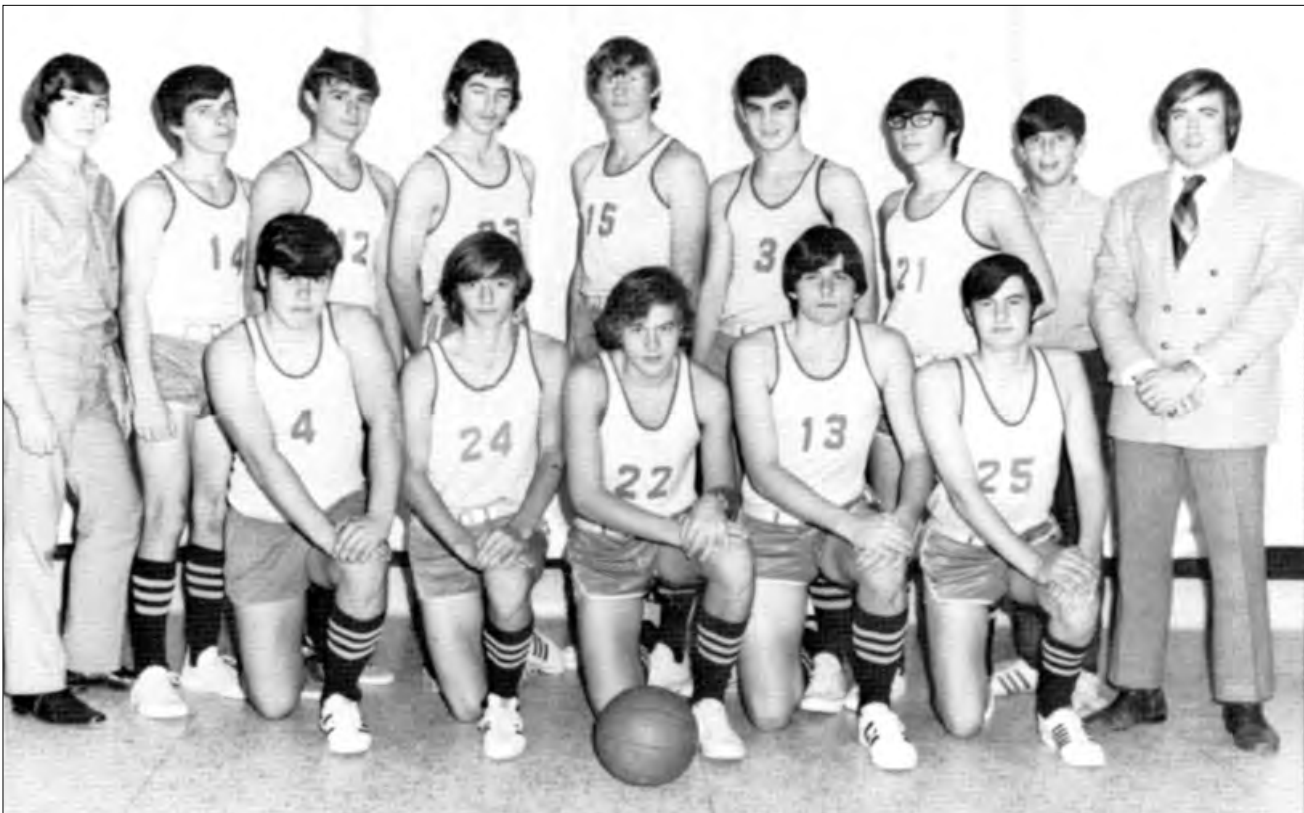
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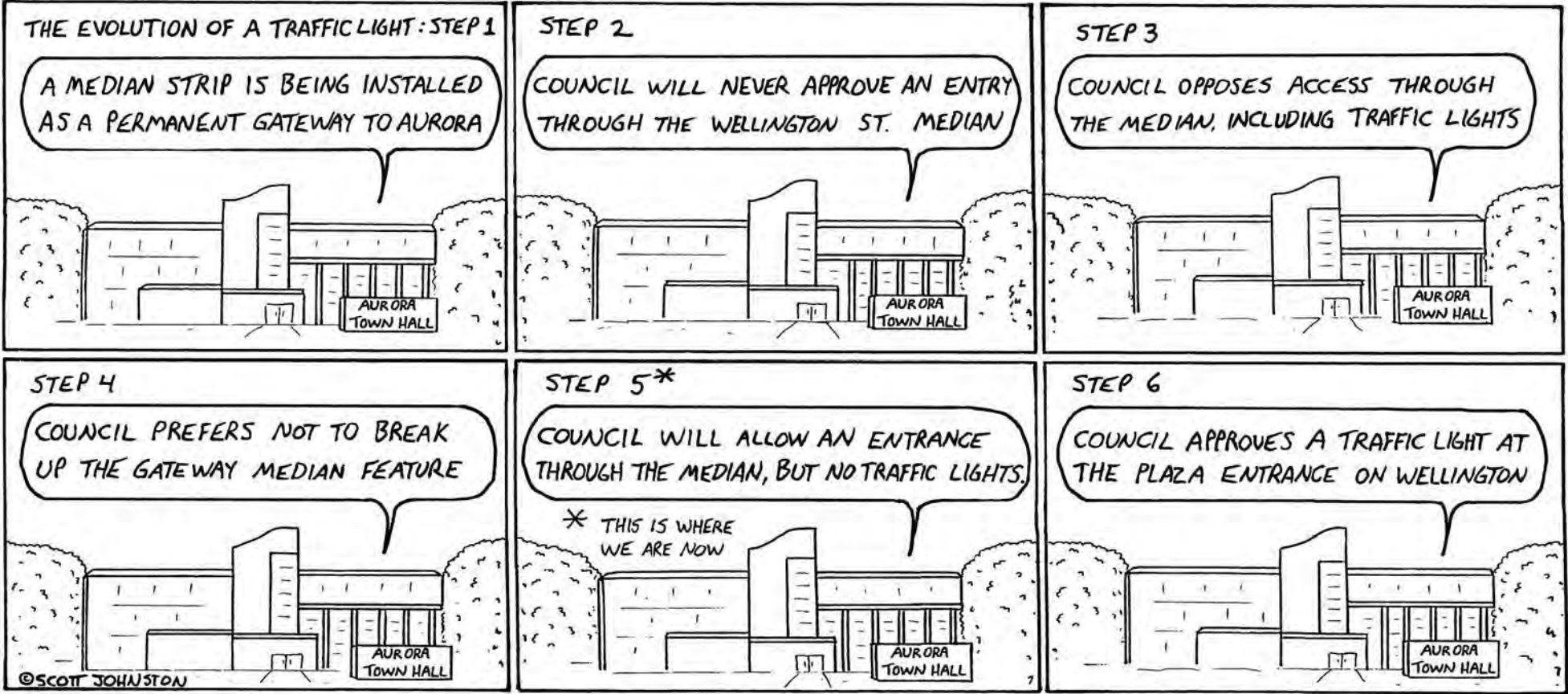
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This is the intermediate basketball team from Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School in 1970. Among the players, because we don’t know them all, are Tom Orton, Marcus Bryant, Andrew Farquharson, Brad Gilbert, Larry Smith, Dave Daglish, Brad Simmons, Doug Waller, Brad Davie, Bob Keys, and Steve McQuire. The coach, seen at right, we know. He’s Rod Leonard.

Letter to the Editor

Time to fight for school: reader says



Front Porch Perspective

By Stephen Somerville

Mayor's Annual Anti-Litter Day

This column is about two un-related conversations.

On a Friday afternoon a couple of weeks back, I interrogated (I mean interviewed) the subjects: my five-year-old son who is in senior kindergarten, my eight-year-old nephew who is in Grade 3 and my 12-year-old nephew who is in Grade 6. They all go to Devins Drive Public School.

I had each of them into my home office for a brief discussion. I positioned the energy efficient 1,000 watt lamp just right - so that it shone brightly on their little foreheads. I then posed the same question to each of the children: what did you learn at school this week?

My son: "I don't remember, Daddy."
Eight-year-old: "Nuthin, Uncle Steve. I'm hungry."
Twelve-year-old: "Not much."

While these same answers uttered by David Radler in a U.S. District Court during the Conrad Black case may be fine for the legal community, they certainly didn't impress me.

I quickly penned a letter to the provincial minister of education, the final paragraph summing up my position quite well, I believe: "The three children candidly admit that they have learned nothing...In the name of increased globalization and international competitiveness concerns, you need to relieve the administration and the teachers at Devins Drive Public School of their respective posts with utmost dispatch."

I will keep you abreast of further developments on this file.

The other interesting conversation started with my sister-in-law, Cindy, but grew to include her two children as well as my own rug rat.

The partial transcript of the proceedings:

Cindy: "Two weeks from now is the Mayor's 7th Annual Anti-Litter Day. Mike and I have to work those days, can you take the children to participate?"

Stephen: "Pardon?"

Cindy: "Two weeks from now is the Mayor's 7th Annual Anti-Litter Day. Mike and I have to work those days, can you take the children to participate?"

Stephen: "That's what I thought you said. You wouldn't happen to be operating a Grow Op in your house and actually be consuming some of the product would you? Our monsters won't even pick up their own socks to get their allowance let alone cleaning up garbage outside for free. You got to be kidding, right?"

Cindy: "They'll do it."

Then she called for the three boys and nothing happened. She then said that magic word "Lunch", and they miraculously appeared before us.

Cindy: "Guess what we are going to do two Saturdays from now?"

Oldest: "Go to Disney World?"

Cindy: "No!"

Eight-year-old: "Go back to stay at the Great Wolf Lodge in Niagara Falls?"

Cindy: "No!!"

My son: "Go to Chuckie Cheese for lunch?"

Cindy: "No!!! Mike and I are away but the three of you will participate in the Mayors Clean up festivities!"

The collective look on their little faces was, as the credit card commercial goes, "priceless". I should also quickly add the adjectives "bewildered, stunned, heartbroken and saddened" to the

emotional mix.

The conversation continued for the next three or four hours (I left after the first hour of negotiations), but in the end the boys agreed to do it.

Then it came to the big day, and to my surprise, the boys were enthusiastic; the four of us, plus my wife, picked up some garbage at Machell Park.

It is amazing the types of things you will find. Mostly we recovered coffee cups and lids, lots of paper, but also to our chagrin, some broken pieces of glass on the baseball infield.

The Program that the mayor put on is first rate. In addition to the organization of the clean up itself, there was also a Children's Poster Contest and food for all participants.

According to the mayor "we had help from Environmental Advisory Committee volunteers and many others including: Trinity Anglican Church, Riveridge Community, YRP - Heidi and friends cleaned the cenotaph area and the Montessori school children on Industrial Parkway North also participated, as did many others."

After we were done, I was all set to go over to the Town Park and partake of the barbeque put on by the folks at M&M.

"We can't," my wife sheepishly replied. "We need to go to McDonald's for lunch - I promised them."

I now have a bit better understanding of their collective enthusiasm for collecting refuse that Saturday.

I guess the word "altruism" or "volunteerism" has not yet found its way into the boys' vocabulary. Rome wasn't built in a day.

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Inside Aurora

By Scott Johnston

Staying calm

Nothing infuriates drivers more than traffic calming.

Kind of ironic, isn't it?

I'm the first to agree that speeding is a problem in town. Perish the thought that it take 98 seconds to drive to the corner store, when you could have gotten there in 92.

What a waste of time that would be.

There are more than 500 roads in Aurora, and it would probably not be much of an exaggeration to suggest that speeding occurs on every one of them - even the cul-de-sacs.

The good news is there are a number of ways to calm traffic. The bad news is that these aren't always the answer.

That doesn't stop delegations of good-intentioned people from appearing weekly at council meetings requesting yet another set of speed humps, or that most popular of traffic calming devices in Aurora; the stop sign.

It may seem like there are a lot of these around town, but there is actually a formula that is used to determine whether an intersection merits a stop sign.

It's based on the number of cars and pedestrians that cross through the intersection in a certain time period, times the number of complaints received by local residents, divided by the number of months until the next municipal elec-

tion.

Ironically, studies show there are already too many stop signs in Aurora for proper traffic flow, and we should take some out.

We all know that a council member would more readily volunteer to remove a major internal organ without the aid of anaesthetic, than remove a stop sign from some voters' neighbourhood.

But the proliferation of all these traffic calming measures is getting out of control. The obvious example of this is the area northeast of Yonge and Wellington.

Through the recent addition of chicanes, and speed humps, and stop signs, and narrower lanes, and who knows what else, this has basically become a gated community. And it only cost the rest of us \$800,000.

So in order to affordably appease people honestly concerned about speeding and the safety of their kids, I think we need to start employing some new and less expensive weapons in the battle to slow down drivers.

An obvious answer is to look to Mother Nature, and take advantage of the many potholes and other bumps and dips that naturally appear in our roads after a long Canadian winter. These are nature's traffic calmers. By not repairing them,

we would certainly slow people down, and save the town some money.

In fact, there are some roads in town - Wellington west of Yonge, for example - that are just so bumpy right now that it's physically impossible to speed along them without the aid of an off-road vehicle. I don't think the cops who occasionally set up radar traps along there have ever cracked open their ticket books.

If road disrepair somehow doesn't manage to deter speeders, then how about installing some original road signs? Sure, in theory, speeding drivers slow down for "Stop", "Yield", and "School Zone" signs, but there's no guarantee.

However, I expect most people would reduce their speed dramatically if they encountered a sign that said "Skunk Crossing, next 2 kms" or "Swimsuit Optional Beach ahead".

But for now, we may have to rely on people using common sense.

So please slow down. You'll get there. And perhaps keep the rest of us in one piece.

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Letters to the Editor

Reader pleads with School Board to keep Wells open

To the editor,

Re: Staff recommends Wells Street close, The Auroran, April 28.

As a resident in the neighbourhood and a parent that has had four (that's right "4") kids attend Wells Street Public School, I am once again amazed that the community in the OLD PART of Aurora must stand up and fight to save a school.

I have to ask myself, if this was Markham or Kleinberg, would we need to fight to save this school?

After all, The School Board saw fit to spend millions of our dollars to build a sports school in the name of one of our "famous" Olympic athletes and oh yeah, isn't he the past Chair of the York Region Board of Education as in just last year. Holy cow! BC (Bill Crothers) High

has artificial turf fields, state of the art gymnasiums and students from all over York Region. To develop athletes with public monies. That's awesome!

Or what about the financial concessions made in Kleinberg regarding the construction of the school there.

The people of that fine corner of the region pointed out that a school would fit into the community so much better if its façade matched the architectural design of the rest of the area. The board finally agreed. At what cost? No one knows.

Wells Street School is not just a 1970s type building, this is a historical "Jewel".

It's probably one of the oldest active schools in the Board.

A building that has been ignored over the years because the board only fixes something when it is

broken or worn out. (And then looks for government handouts.)

Preventative maintenance or upkeep doesn't happen.

Staff has used the old argument that there will not be enough kids to attend to make it worth keeping open. (Where have I heard this argument before? G.W. Williams?)

Wake up people! The homes in this area are big homes where people buy them to raise a family. There's a park, close to downtown, close to public transit, close to shopping and so on. (I sound like a real estate agent.)

The small homes in the area are being purchased and larger ones are being built to replace them.

Four bedroom homes that end up housing kids.

What I really do not

understand is why the Board of Education has spent all this time on meetings and getting input regarding which plan to possibly take and then drop an anvil on all this by releasing this Staff Report that says, Close It and Bus the Kids to Portables at Aurora Grove. A school that is barely 10 years old and without the kids from Wells Street, would be grossly under populated, too.

I hope the staff who made those projections aren't the same ones dealing with Wells Street now.

No one has a crystal ball. But once again the York Region School Board has dropped the ball.

Either they have wasted everyone's time and the taxpayers' money by going through with the charade of giving the community input and the belief of a positive

outcome or the left hand doesn't know what the right hand is doing.

Regardless this report should have been released long ago, or better yet should never have been done in the first place.

Trustee Gord Kerr, please listen up. The people you represent want the school to

stay open. Do your thing and make your fellow board members understand that this is as important to us as the Sports Development Training Centre in Markham or the circa 1930's rebuild in Kleinberg.

P. Cooke
Aurora

We need another ball diamond

To the editor,

So much for a caring community.

It appears our town council and mayor are turning their backs on a grass-roots success story and missing an opportunity that has already been financed through developer fees; that being the lack of council support for a senior sized baseball diamond.

Editor should edit letters: reader

To the editor,

I enjoy reading The Auroran but think the free-ranging rants the editor permits to be published need some editorial intervention.

Two letters published recently in The Auroran referred to councillors here and in another jurisdiction as, respectively, "idiots" and "otherwise unemployable".

Perhaps we could try and keep the discourse a little more civil.

A little judicious editing would help and would create space for other community news instead of self-obsessed verbal tantrums.

Rick Doust
Aurora

Family impressed by anti-litter day

To the editor,

Re: Anti-Litter Day

What a fabulous experience this event was for our family!

As we walked along Tamarac Trail, we had people in cars honking, joggers saying thank you,

home owners offering my husband beer, and girls offering our daughter popsicles and water. A great family outing for a great cause.

Helping to keep Aurora clean.

The St.Germain Family
Aurora

being inactive and indoors, which is becoming a negative trend in our society.

Without another senior diamond in town, the decision not to support this diamond not only affects the 100 plus players and their families who currently play in the older age brackets, but it sends a clear, negative signal to the baseball families in Aurora that if they want a quality program, again, they must look to leaving the Aurora system and playing in a community with more interest in healthy youth than Aurora.

Kids in all age brackets make decisions to stay or join a program based on what they can look forward to as they move through the system.

Today, they see the older teams having little or no practice times, and people

like Aurora Minor Baseball President Dave Giroux working 40 plus hours a week as a volunteer trying to patch together a program while the current council fiddles and watches the program burn.

While I realize that to support this diamond construction would take vision and courage, to not realize the error of their decision to not approve the construction of this already funded facility, the current council will witness the unraveling of the Aurora baseball program.

We will lose all the positive momentum built up over the past 10 years and fewer than 10 years from now it will be a shame to witness the demise of this success story in a so-called "caring community".

Robert Seguin
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Letters to the Editor

Apartment building construction is reason most wildlife gone, he says

To the editor,

As the representative of the Aurora Environmental Advisory Committee on the Trails Committee, I have followed with interest the concerns expressed in several letters to the editor regarding the adverse effects the Nokiidaa Trail link through McKenzie Marsh will have on the marsh's wildlife.

I would agree completely with these concerns if this section of the trail had been located to the east of the McKenzie House (even if this land was publicly owned) along the northernmost section of the main marsh, as this is the only undisturbed section of the marsh which still provides habitat for several unusual migrating and breeding species of birds.

The proposed route to the east of Hadley Grange

was selected because it will be located in the section of the marsh that has already lost its unusual wildlife species resulting from the senior citizens apartment building being constructed too close to its western boundary.

When I carried out a bird survey in 1975, before the construction of this building, I found in this area of the marsh nests of Virginia Rail, Wood Duck and Screech Owl but the only nesting wetland birds I have seen since the building was completed are Canada Goose, Mallard Duck and Red Winged Blackbird which along with other wildlife now found in this portion of the marsh are all tolerant of human disturbance.

So any people walking along a boardwalk through the area will have little adverse effect on what

remains of the original wildlife population.

While this section of the marsh has lost most of its wetland bird species it still has the most varied vegetation within the marsh complex.

This is the reason why a boardwalk is proposed rather than a stone dust path along the edge as boardwalks are acknowledged to be the most practical and environmentally sensitive way of protecting aquatic vegetation while allowing access through wetlands.

These have been used extensively in many national and provincial parks.

A very good example can be found in the nationally important wetland at Point Pelee Park and can also be found in several small, botanically rich marshlands owned and managed by the Federation of Ontario Naturalists.

These are the reasons why the members of the Trail Committee support and recommend this route.

The only other route that could be considered is along the sidewalk of St John's Sideroad then north on along Yonge Street but this route goes completely against the principles of Bob Hartwell, Tom Taylor and Ernie Crossland whose original idea was to establish a long distance off road traffic-free trail between Aurora and Lake Simcoe which has now almost reached completion.

A route along Yonge Street would be a very short sighted decision from the point of view of the citizens who already use the completed sections of the trail and would be undoubtedly questioned as a very poor decision by future citizens.

David Tomlinson
Aurora

Parking argument missed mark: reader

To the editor,

Re: Fewer parking spots not the answer, letter to the editor, The Auroran, April 27.

Angela Daust's criticism of my argument from the previous week, that town development bylaws need to stipulate maximum parking allowances instead of minimum ones, amounts to little more than conjecture based on her own limited experience.

To answer her question that she finished her letter off with; our family has two cars in our driveway, though we did manage for several years with only one.

Both the question and the answer however, are misleading and irrelevant.

Both Ms. Daust and myself who have need for multiple cars in our household would not strongly consider a home which does not accommodate these needs.

To do so would be foolish on our parts.

The development under consideration, however, is on a major transit line, and there would most definitely be people and families who's circumstances do allow for fewer vehicles.

These are the people who would consider such a residence and these are the people that the town needs to target to move into the old core if we are to have any hope of intensifying our town and improving transit.

If there is a developer who thinks he can target this market and in so doing help with our intensification goals, then our town council should be doing everything they can to help, starting with granting any parking variances they ask for, and continuing with the reversal of these harmful parking requirement bylaws.

Darryl Moore
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Letters to the Editor

Parade chair seeks info on town moniker

To the editor,

Re: Aurora - Canada's Birthday Town - Yes or No?

Soon it will be July 1st - the day Canadians stop to celebrate this great nation.

Back in our Centennial Year 1967 Aurora became known as Canada's Birthday Town (back when

July 1st was still officially known as Dominion Day, Aurora had its own little Canada Day Parade).

As your Canada Day Parade Subcommittee (CDPSC) Chairperson I need more information on the origins and authenticity of that moniker.

Therefore I'm sending this letter to the editor to ask the following questions:

1) Do you remember the history and/or details around Aurora being named Canada's Birthday Town? If so, could you please advise?

2) Would you support a proclamation by the Town stating that Aurora is Canada's Birthday Town?

Canada's Birthday Town - I have a copy of a flag with a swirling windmill pattern

on it saying Canada's Birthday Town.

I've heard that signs used to be up around the Town claiming Aurora as Canada's Birthday Town.

This is a very honorable title to maintain.

It could help preserve and grow our community sense of Canadian national pride!

I'd appreciate more information on the origins and background of this title.

Arts, Culture & Heritage is the theme of the Canada Day Parade for Aurora. Our heritage should be preserved and if indeed, this is Canada's Birthday Town then you may wish to preserve that, too!

Preserving past prac-

tices: Many citizens have recounted things done here in the past to celebrate Canada. CDPSC has brought some of those things in the 2008 Canada Day Parade revival and this year we hope to bring the following back to you:

* Sidewalk Chalking: Sidewalk Chalk drawings done by the kids on Yonge Street in front of the library in morning just before the parade. Rosemary Park and Janis Suderman are reviving this event for the children of Aurora to display their love of Canada! Please bring your kids out around 8.30 a.m. - help appreciated!

* Windows for Canada - where the businesses/resi-

dents along the parade route decorate their windows in honour of this great nation and in preparation for the parade! To revive this practice, we need a few volunteers please.

There are now only two months left before Parade morning! The Canada Day Parade Subcommittee needs you!

If you can help us recreate the Great Canadian Parade here in Aurora join us.

Please contact me directly at sher@stkittsmusic.ca or call 905-841-6893.

Sher St. Kitts
Canada Day
Parade Subcommittee

To the editor,

Well, as I assumed, several people responded to my letter in disagreement.

The point I was making, which they all seemed to miss, was that adults should have the right to make decisions regarding their own well being.

Some of the respondents used terms like "is this person kidding?" and "his argument is horribly, horribly flawed", both predictable responses if you didn't understand the argument!

Also, examples were given of people they knew who had been injured or killed while not wearing seatbelts.

I feel for anyone who has lost a friend or relative in an accident whether it could have been avoided or not.

People engage in dangerous behaviour daily, such as skydiving, downhill skiing, snowboarding, mountain-climbing, white-water rafting, boxing, smoking, and the list goes on.

Easy decision for council

To the editor,

Re: Nokiidaa Trail - NIMBY

The town council has an easy decision to make on this issue, and, the decision should not be influenced by vocal citizens who live near the proposed route through the McKenzie Marsh. The environmental impact on the marsh should be investigated.

If there are no serious environmental issues and if the proposed trail is consistent with the Town of Aurora's long term plan, it should proceed.

Seldom are all citizens going to agree with any major or even minor decision taken by the council.

However, the council was elected to have the moral courage to make decisions that are in the best long term interest of the majority of the residents of Aurora living here today and those who will be living here over the next 50 years.

A. Smith
Aurora

Should we now ban all these activities?

After all, the death and injuries caused from all of these things cost the taxpayers, not to mention the grief-stricken family and friends, all concerns expressed in some of the rebuttals.

As for B. Taylor who responded by saying "there are way more people on the road who don't wear their seatbelts than there are murderers, rapists and gangsters..."

I'd like to see the statistics to support that state-

ment, some would say that information is 'horribly, horribly flawed!'

Either way, the response is pointless as I'm sure most citizens would rather see the police investigating criminal activity in their communities than searching our roadways looking for people to ticket who haven't buckled up.

Anyway, be safe my fellow Aurorans, be it behind the wheel of a car or zipping down a ski slope...etc.

M. Chisholm
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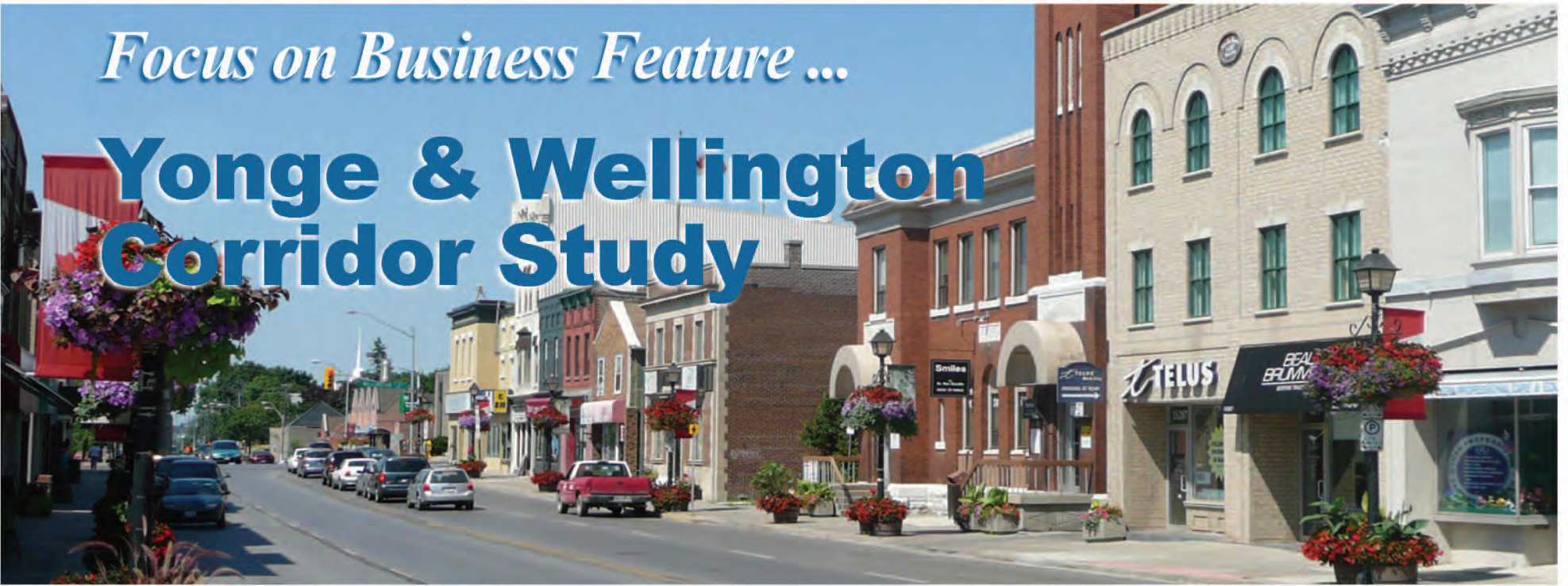
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Yonge & Wellington Corridor Study



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The Town has initiated an important study that will shape the character of Aurora. The Yonge and Wellington Corridor Study will set a new forward-looking vision for these two streets and the surrounding areas. The intent is to stimulate economic development, encourage intensification, continue to enhance the role of our downtown area as a focal point for retail, service and special events and to create vibrant and beautiful main streets that are great places to work, live, shop and invest.

The Planning Partnership has been retained to work with Town staff, Council and the community to prepare the study. The Planning Partnership will work in association with their strategic advisors from Poulos & Chung (transportation engineers) and ERA Architects (heritage architects).

The work program for the study is organized in four phases that will be completed through a process that engages the entire community. The study is expected to take one year to complete.

We need your input. **The first of two workshops will be held on May 13, 2009, at the Aurora Library in the Magna Room at 3:00 pm for business owners and at 7:00 pm for residents.** Please note that business owners who are unable to make the 3:00 pm session are welcome to attend the 7:00 pm session. The purpose of these sessions is to discuss the planning context for the Corridor Study, the key opportunities for change and the fundamental design principles that should guide the design exercise. The team will begin the workshop with a brief presentation that will be followed by small table group discussions on topics posed by the team.

More information is available on the Town's website at www.e-aurora.ca.

We look forward to seeing you on May 13th, to share in your vision of Aurora's main streets and the surrounding areas.



Proposed Study Area

For more information, please contact **Jim Kyle** in the Planning and Development Services Department
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Sellers finishes walk of Oak Ridges Trail

Last week, Oak Ridges Trail Association's (ORTA) Executive Director, Harold

Sellers, completed his nine-day, 213.5 kilometre End to End walk of the trail.

Along with about 12 hikers joining at various points during the day, Sellers hiked the final section of the Oak Ridges Trail from Garden Hill, north of Port Hope to finish at Gore's Landing.

Last week, he was in Aurora.

The final day's route was highlighted by the completion of the third of the three Ganaraska Forest sections, and a visit to the Bewdley waterfront and the Rice Lake Conservation Area.

Hikers then moved on to sections known for an abundance of wildflowers and an apple orchard.

History is also alive in this final section; Catharine Parr Trail lived near Gore's Landing between 1846 and 1857 and the Oak Ridges Trail passes close to one of her homes.

Sellers is retiring from his position and moving to British Columbia in August.

A celebratory dinner at Pitcher's Place on Lander Road ended the day.

Sellers took on the End to End as a farewell to ORTA.

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Ridges Trail Association, Box 28544, Aurora, L4G 6S6.

The Oak Ridges Trail Association is a volunteer, community-based organization that builds, maintains and leads a year-round guided hiking program on the Oak Ridges Trail, a 300-kilometre public hiking route across the Oak Ridges Moraine from Palgrave in the west to Rice Lake in the east.

ORTA's goal is to secure an optimum corridor of natural surface trails across the length and breadth of the Oak Ridges Moraine.

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It extends about 160 kilometres from the Niagara Escarpment in the west to the Trent River in the east.

The Moraine forms the

watershed divide between Lake Ontario and Lake Simcoe and is the headwaters to more than 30 rivers.

High school girls fourth in track meet

Aurora High School's Midget Girls ranked fourth overall out of 93 schools at a recent Cardinal Carter Track Meet that saw more than 2,300 students taking part.

The meet was held at York University last week.

With her personal best jump of 10.61 metres, Lyndsay Batten placed first in the midget girls triple jump.

She also finished in fifth place in the midget girls 100 metre dash with a time of 13.73 seconds.

Sarah Reynolds was second in the midget girls 400 metre run with a time of 1.03:57.

In the four person midget girls relay, Galina Vujovic, Ellie MacDonald, Reynolds and Batten were second with a time of 54.35 seconds.

The race was 100 metres long.

Aurora High also scored points from Sergiy Grabovsky, who was third in the midget boys triple jump with a leap of 11.90 metres and sixth in the midget boys long jump, achieving a leap of 5.24 metres.

Kaitlyn Oliver placed first in the junior girls 3000 metre run finishing the course in 10.33:79.

Robert Denault was first in the junior boys 1500 metre run with a time of 4.08:80.

Katie Pettes was fifth in the open girls 1500 metre Steeplechase run with a time of 6.00.

Alex Denault was first in the senior boys 1500 metre run with a time of 4:13 and second in the senior boys 3000 metre run with a time of 9.14:93.

Darcy Eveleigh finished fifth in the senior boys 400 metre run with a time of 53.21.

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Aurora Skating Club results

Following are the Aurora Skating Club results from a recent Scarborough Skate.

Pre-Preliminary B Gr. 2 - Eliana Neophytou, 6th.

Preliminary A Gr. 5 - Stephanie Morawietz, 2nd; Emma Smith, 6th.

Preliminary B Gr. 3 - Sabrina Brochu, 6th.

Preliminary B Gr. 4 - Mackenzie Maunder, 4th.

Preliminary A Gr. 6 - Nicole McCausland, 3rd.

Preliminary B Men - Matthew Warner, 1st.

Pre-Prelim Starskate Gr. 2 - Jennifer Scott, 5th.

Pre-Prelim Starskate Gr. 4 - Jasmine Biasi, 5th.

Pre-Prelim Starskate Gr. 5 - Julia Steiner, 1st.



Two artists were honoured last week as the Society of York Region Artists (SOYRA) held its annual art show in Aurora. Photographer Rob Schuetze, top photo, scored well with his unique photograph of the Aurora Town Hall, while Zelimir Stanojev recreated a painting of Yonge Street that he took from an old postcard. The Town of Aurora purchased the painting for its collection.

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Prelim Starskate Gr. 2 - Nicole Marino, 4th; Taylor Piotrowski, 6th.

Jr. Bronze A Gr. 1 - Shauna O'Connor, 4th.

Jr. Bronze Starskate - Katherine Morawietz, 2nd; Marilena Perri, 4th; Savannah Hendy, 7th.

Sr. Bronze Gr. 4 - Hailey Riggs, 2nd.

Introductory Interpretive - Amber Ciolfe, 7th.

Bronze Interpretive Gr. 2 - Emma Laverty, 3rd; Jackianne Abbey, 5th.

Gold Triathlon Skills, Gold Triathlon Intrpr., Gold Triathlon Free Skate and Gold Triathlon Overall - Maya Goldman, three firsts and a third.



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The recent Aurora mayor’s anti-litter day brought out hundreds of people who picked up litter throughout the town. Cristina Valenta, fourth from left, was no exception. She did her part by sending out 150 flyers to residents on River Ridge Blvd. Some of them are seen in the photo. They collected garbage in their area southeast of River Ridge and Bayview . More than 65 teams were involved in the day-long event that culminated with a barbecue in the Town Park.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

Aurora Lions Club plans “Meatball Madness” eve

The Aurora Lions Club are planning a “Meatball Madness” evening in June at their club headquarters on Mosley Street.

The event, which will feature Italian pasta, will take place Sunday, June 14, a week after the annual Chamber of Commerce Street Festival.

In addition to the pasta, there will also be refreshments and musical entertainment.

Doors open at 5.30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6 p.m.

Tickets are selling for \$20 each, and are available by calling 289-470-5102.

Proceeds from the event will go to support Operation TUSKA, a Canadian charitable organization dedicated to providing help to children in Kenya whose parents have succumbed to AIDS.

Meanwhile, the Aurora Rotary Club, planning its annual golf tournament, will hold the event at Westview Golf Club Tuesday, July 14.

Because the club does not have the room for dining, arrangements have been made to hold the dinner at the Graystone Tavern in Aurora, following the tournament.

Only 17 foursomes will be sold for the tourney, and only a few remain, according to Rotary President Ron Wallace.

Little time remains, he said, to take advantage of

the \$135 per golfer fee that is “the deal of a lifetime”.

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In office dates are as follows:

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9-May-09	Sat	ARCW	4:30 PM	6:00 PM	Tyke Select	2002
14-May-09	Thu	ARCW	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	Tyke Select	2002

9-May-09	Sat	ARCW	3:00 PM	4:30 PM	Novice AE	2001
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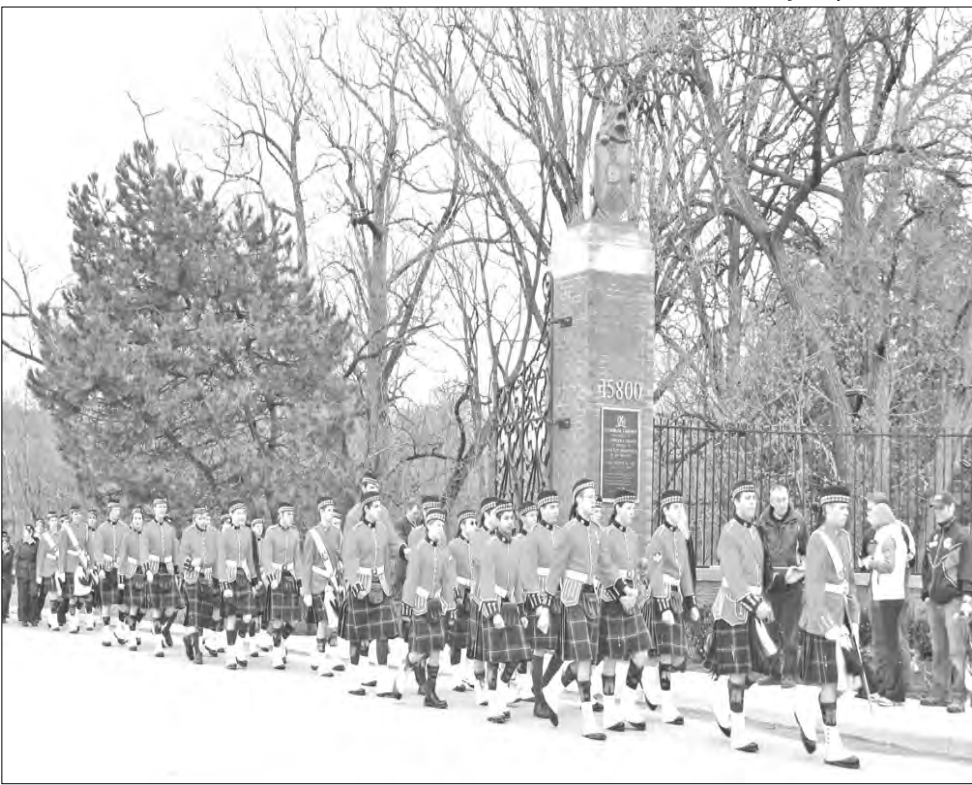
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Continuing with a tradition that dates back to Feb. 7, 1966, cadets from St. Andrew's College marched into downtown Aurora recently to renew the agreement between the Queen's York Rangers and the Town of Aurora. The resolution confirms and grants to all members of the Queen's York Rangers the freedom of the town "and the rights as long as Aurora means the dawn, to enter and march in the Town of Aurora at all times with colours flying, drums beating and bayonets fixed". The marchers were led by the school's pipes and drum band.

Auroran photos by David Falconer



Duke of Edinburgh's awards

Two Aurorans receive honour this Saturday

Seventy-eight young Ontarians, including two from Aurora, will receive an honour from Lieutenant Governor David Onley this Saturday.

Jesse Proulx and Augusta White, both of Aurora, will be among the group receiving the Silver Award of Achievement as part of the Duke of Edinburgh's award at a ceremony at Queen's Park beginning at 10.30 a.m.

The award is an individual achievement program, which includes the levels of bronze,

silver and gold, tailor-made to help young people develop a sense of responsibility to themselves and their community.

The program is open to all young people between the ages of 14 and 25.

Jesse entered the program two years ago, and has completed his silver award as an independent participant.

In community service, he visited seniors for companionship, assisted in a community garden for gardeners unable to perform maintenance, and

assisted a local theatre company.

Jesse has also completed a 25-kilometre hiking trip through Algonquin Provincial Park.

He plans to achieve his gold award and pursue a degree in engineering.

Augusta, meanwhile, has completed her bronze and silver awards as an independent participant.

She has volunteered at a fundraiser for a regional cancer unit, a Breast Cancer Association and helped chil-

dren with Down's Syndrome.

Her future plans include studying commerce at university and eventually becoming the chief executive officer of a multinational corporation.

Downtown corridor subject of workshops

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The first session will take place Wednesday, May 13, in the Magna Room at the library.

Input from business owners will be sought at 3 p.m., while members of the public are welcome at 7 p.m. Registration is not required.

At this session, the planning context of the study will be discussed, as well as opportunities for change, and the principles that should guide the design exercise.

There will be a brief presentation, followed by small table group discussions.

Town staff members advised councillors last week that hundreds of letters had gone out to local businesses and residents in the downtown area advising them of the study and requesting their input.

Mayor Phyllis Morris said she hoped the town

would hear from as many residents as possible.

The corridor study is

organized into four phases that will be completed over the next year.

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“Annie Warbucks” opens this month

Ever wondered what happened to Annie after Miss Hannigan left?

A large cast of Aurorans has been working for months on a delightful musical comedy for all ages.

“Annie Warbucks” is a production new to York Region.

The show is filled with swing and ragtime music, humour, singing and dancing.

It is a musical that is suitable for all ages.

It runs at the Newmarket Theatre from May 21 to 24.

All the ingredients that made “Annie” so successful are here once again, with an old-fashioned romance, a gaggle of cute girls and

President Roosevelt returning to take part in the shenanigans.

Child Welfare Commissioner, Mrs. Doyle, exerts her bureaucratic pressure on Daddy Warbucks to

find a mother for Annie.

In this heartfelt show, the race to the altar is filled with a rousing new score as the plot twists and turns and leads the viewer on a merry and mysterious chase before Daddy

Warbucks finally finds a mother for Annie.

For tickets or further information, link to the Newmarket Theatre at www.newmarkettheatre.ca or call 905-953-5122.



Daddy Warbucks is Joe Likuski and Annie is played by Rhiannon Kyle in the musical presented at the Newmarket Theatre later this month. Several Aurorans are in the cast, many in the gaggle of orphans (inset). Pictures by Cailleigh Kyle.

FREE DRAW WINNER



Rob Schuetze, auroraonline.com, left, and Cynthia Proctor of The Auroran, right, present Kim Boland of Kibo.ca, a natural body care company (centre), with winning prize from theauroan.com free draw at the Aurora Home Show. The prize was a Canon digital camera.

Photo by James Fraser



Getting to Know York Regional Police Police Week May 9-May 16, 2009



Have you ever been curious about what the inside of the police helicopter looked like or wondered about what goes on inside a police station? The week of May 9 to May 16 will be the time to get up close and personal with many police services and police personnel.

Canine Unit, CSI and more

Police week kicks off on Saturday May 9. There is an open house at the Community Safety Village located at 3291 Stouffville Rd. Admission is free for the numerous events. Donations to the York Region Food Bank Network will be accepted.

At the Community Safety Village you can:

- Climb inside the Air 2 helicopter and Marine Unit boats.
- See displays from the Emergency Response and Traffic Units
- Meet the police dogs
- Learn about the real CSI and more.

Children's Activities

Children will be able to ride in miniature cars through the Safety Village and take part in a bicycle safety workshop, as well as many more activities. Children and seniors eat free at the barbecue.

Tour Police Headquarters

During Police Week each of the five York Regional Police District Headquarters will be open to the public for tours every week night from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. This presents a wonderful opportunity to see how a police station operates and to meet police personnel. A list of the district headquarters and their locations can be found at www.yrp.ca.

Police and Youth

The Community Safety Village will host groups from Girl Guides of Canada throughout the week as they complete their Law Awareness Badge. Students from Devins Drive Public School in Aurora will attend a special tour of District 1 Headquarters as part of their V.I.P. (Values, Influence, Peers) program. The V.I.P. program is sponsored by the York Regional Police and takes place in elementary schools for grade six students.

For Seniors

On May 11 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. seniors will be treated to a performance by the York Regional Police Male Chorus at the Newmarket Seniors Meeting Place located at 474 Davis Drive in Newmarket. There will also be special tours for seniors at all District Headquarters scheduled each day from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Seniors are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to interact with police officers and discuss safety issues or other concerns.

There will also be numerous displays geared toward seniors on display at the Community Safety Village.

Recruiting

During police week or any time, you are welcome to visit the York Regional Police recruiting office located at the corner of Yonge and Mulock in Newmarket. You do not need an appointment. You are encouraged to just walk in and ask questions. Staff Sergeant Shelley Rogers stresses that if you are interested in a career in policing, York Regional Police is interested in speaking with you. Individuals looking for a second career or individuals new to Canada are also encouraged to discuss their interest with the recruiting office.

The York Regional Police want you to get to know them better. Police Week is intended to strengthen the bonds between the police and the communities they serve. Come out, learn more and enjoy yourself at the various activities offered this week!

Many thanks to Staff Sergeant Shelley Rogers of the York Regional Police Community Services Bureau for her assistance in providing information for this article.

For more information about Police Week activities go to www.yrp.ca or call 905-927-1919 ext 21 or email 5475@yrp.ca

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Senior Scape

Take a walk through park

By BRIAN WARBURTON

The transition from a working life to a life of retirement is an exhilarating event on the one hand, and a sobering matter on the other.

Retirement on the one hand appears to herald a life of continuous vacation, but often reveals quickly, too many hours lacking sufficient involvement with anyone of interest or any meaningful purpose in life, which can be deeply disturbing.

The truth is, retirement brings freedom from work, and this truth is stubborn, and while stubborn may be difficult to deal with, if we accept the rationality and practicality of retirement, we can also accept, sadly perhaps, the senior years as a stage in life like any other, and with its own set of pleasures and possibly the adventure of different directions and pursuits in life.

If work is also a hobby, retirement begins seamlessly, although the hobby aspect will predominate. And for the majority who do not find that work is a hobby, pleasant ways to pass the retired hours, days and years should be in place.

The Aurora Seniors Association (ASA) can help.

The ASA is the community beacon in Aurora, always ready to welcome everybody 55 years of age or older, to join with similar generations and to spend pleasant hours in congenial company.

The more quality time the members spend in this recreation centre for seniors, the more successfully everybody builds a retired life of quality.

The returning sun has brightened and warmed enough to hasten the green grass of springtime; and the trees are also unfolding their leaves in hues of green and other assorted colours; the daffodils and tulips are adding colour together with wild flowers, wherever planting or chance provides opportunity, all confirming emphatically that spring has indeed arrived.

Members of the ASA, thankful winter is once more merely a memory, are established comfortably in their community building, on the margin of the Aurora Town Hall parking lot and the Holland River Valley which forms a park through which streams meander and ponds and small lakes form, and nature thrives.

The seniors who tend to be wrapped up in their varied activities are nevertheless aware that when they look south from the rear windows of the centre, the dominant vista is one of meadows planted with trees and bush, some by man and some by the natural forces of nature.

The park is alive with birds going about nest building and raising of hatchlings, ensuring the next feathered generation of birds will enhance this part of Aurora with their choral presence.

The park is a wonderful asset to Aurora and to the seniors who will soon be walking unhurriedly, beside these fertile meadows sprouting with lush green growth, and along tree lined trails and footpaths, as soon as the spring rains have dried sufficiently to leave the pathways fit to navigate on foot.

The ASA walking club will be walking these trails once the condition is safe and dry enough. The walking club meets at the ASA parking lot every Wednesday at 9.30 a.m., when the walking trail for the day is announced.

The walk is usually about one hour long, which is long enough and everybody is encouraged to join in.

Pre-registration is not required, just arrive on time and become an instant member of the walking club.

Aurora Community Arboretum members have invested heavily in volunteer hours and help from municipal funding has resulted in the development of an Arboretum in the park.

The Arboretum is worth the attention and support of seniors and of all residents who find interest in this project to assist nature and, which beautifies the park, Aurora and our lives.

The Arboretum is luxuriant, lush green parkland of meadows and trees, young and old.

This is a wonderfully fertile patch of nature, which is assisted by man, and which delivers a snapshot of nature thriving in our midst, and as time progresses and the trees mature, the scene should be one of natural magnificence.

To the residents of Aurora and to all who care to visit this emerald green man assisted patch of nature, growing in the heart of bustling Aurora, it will appear to be nature's refuge amidst the hustle and bustle of the town.



Responsible for helping make this year's edition of Camp Enterprise a success were, left to right, Aurora Rotarians Jack Laurion and Eric Smith, and Aurora students John Cardella, Christin Park, Ameer Ashraf, Luca Ghegin, Carlson Lee, Jessica Beakbane, Mike Tersigni, Ryan Abushinov, George Marshall. At right is another Aurora Rotarian Amir Oveissian.

Nine Aurora students attend Rotary camp

Nine Aurora high school students recently attended Camp Enterprise courtesy of the Rotary Club of Aurora.

Three students from each of Aurora High School, Cardinal Carter and Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School participated in Camp Enterprise at YMCA Cedar Glen, near Bolton.

A total of 55 Grade 11 and 12 students from 28 high schools were sponsored by 14 local Rotary Clubs.

Jack Laurion from the Aurora Club was Co-chair of Camp Enterprise this year.

Camp Enterprise is a three and a half day business camp for high school students that Rotary has been running since 1976.

The objective of Camp Enterprise is to expose students to the subject of business and private enterprise.

Students learn from a broad range of professionals and entrepreneurs about business careers and how to start a new business.

Camp Enterprise also emphasizes the importance for the individual to serve and contribute to the community.

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Judith Maclean Ochalski



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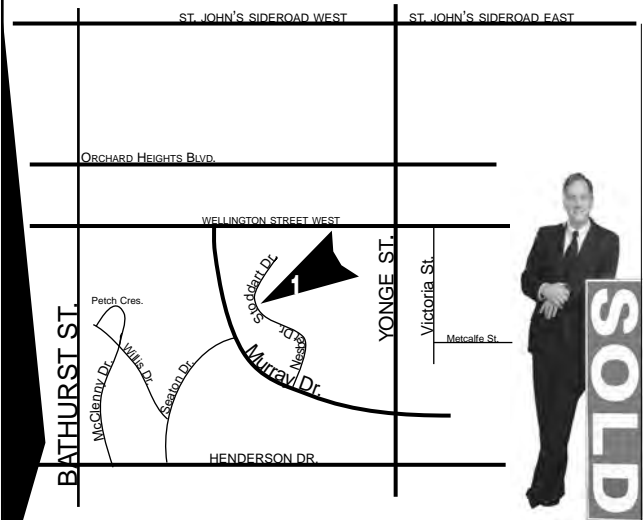
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to assist with the activities in its Adult Day Program. The positions call for a commitment of a few hours a week at its Aurora location. Various times are available. Call Christine at 905-713-3494.

Every Tuesday from 9.30 to 11 a.m. it's Story and Playtime at Aurora Cornerstone Church, 390 Industrial Parkway South for tots (age 0-4 years) and their caregivers for coffee or tea. Call 905-841-8883 for further details.

Every Wednesday from 6.30 to 8 p.m. the Pioneer Club for boys and girls, age 3 to Grade 4 and the Junior High Club for boys and girls, Grades 5 to 8, will be held at the Aurora Cornerstone Church, 390 Industrial Parkway South. For more information call 905-841-8884.

A drop-in centre will operate every Wednesday at the Community Bible Church on Bathurst Street just south of Henderson from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information e-mail Judy Hoffmann jhoffmann@sympatico.ca.

Scottish Country Dancing every Friday morning at St. Andrews' Presbyterian Church beginning at 10.30 a.m. No partners are needed and beginners are welcome.

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

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.

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

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

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

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

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

The Aurora Seniors Evergreen Choir practice in the West-McKenzie Hall of the Seniors' Centre, every Wednesday from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. under the direction of Enid Maize.

Meet at Martha's Table, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, every Thursday from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. Hot soup, sandwiches, and dessert will be provided. Any funds raised go to local charities.

MAY 7-8-9

Theatre Williams at Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School presents "Once Upon a Mattress", a musical comedy about the "real" story of the Princess and the Pea. Performances May 7 and 8 at 7 p.m. and May 9 at 1 p.m. at the school. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door.

MAY 7 TO 9

Pine Tree Potters' Guild Spring Pottery Sale at St. Andrew's Valley Golf Club, 368 St. John's Sideroad East. All proceeds from the charity table go to CHATS (Community Home Assistance to Seniors). For further information, call 905-727-1278 or click on www.pine-treepotters.ca.

SATURDAY, MAY 9

"Words and Music" is a concert to benefit the Aurora Writers Group. It will be held at Trinity Anglican Church in Aurora beginning at 7.30 p.m. Live music will include selections from Broadway shows, 60's folk music, and light classics. Readings from Aurora Storyalis will be interspersed with the music.

The Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society holds a plant sale at the Aurora Public Library, 15145 Yonge Street, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Aurora Lawn Bowling Club, Club House and Grounds cleanup at 10 a.m. at McMahan Park, Maple and Fleury Streets.

International Migratory Bird Day. Bird Walk takes place today at 8.30 a.m. Meet at the Gazebo between the Leisure Complex and the Soccer Bubble. For further information, click on www.auroraarboretum.ca/birdw09.html.

SUNDAY, MAY 10

The Aurora Historical Society hosts a luncheon in the Ballroom of Hillary House in honour of Mother's Day. Guests can enjoy a three-course meal in historic Hillary House. Two seating times are available: Noon and 1.30 p.m. Tickets are \$18 per person or \$16 for Aurora Historical Society members and must be purchased in advance. For tickets and more information call 905-727-8991 or e-mail ahs@aurorahs.com.

MONDAY, MAY 11

Aurora Film Circuit presents "The Necessities of Life" (Ce qu'il faut pour vivre). Canada's contender for the 2009 Foreign Language Oscar - this Canadian film about

a tubercular Inuit man confined to a Quebec sanatorium is rich in lump-in-the-throat moments, as he experiences both profound culture shock and uplifting human connections. Tickets are \$10 and are available at the Aurora Public Library and R&R Revisited. All screenings take place at the Cineplex Aurora, with door prize at 6.45.

Trinity Anglican Church presents A Networking Breakfast, open to all who wish to connect and learn more about career transitions and development. Guest speaker is Philip Daniels, a career coach. He served as Board Chair of Newmarket Hydro Holdings Inc. and currently is a Director for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario. RSVP, 905-727-6101.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

Aurora Lawn Bowling Club Spring Meeting 6.30 pm. at the McMahan Park, Maple and Fleury Streets. A pot luck supper will be served.

Women's Centre of York Region presents The Art of Change 7 to 10 p.m. at the Wellington Gallery located at 32 Wellington Street, Aurora. Proceeds go to programs and services for low income women and women who have experienced abuse. Tickets are \$100 with a \$50 charitable receipt provided. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact events@wcyr.ca or 905-853-9270, ext. 101.

THURSDAY, MAY 14

Wesley United Church Annual Roast Beef Dinner has two seatings at 5 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. Adults are \$15; children 6-12 yrs \$8; under 6 yrs free, but they must have a ticket. The church is located at the corner of Woodbine and Aurora Road. For tickets call Sherry at 905-853-4915.

Aurora Chamber of Commerce annual Networking Breakfast & New Member Trade Show at the Royal Canadian Legion, 105 Industrial Parkway North.

Amnesty International meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Trinity Anglican Church, 79 Victoria Street. For further information, call 905-713-6713.

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Massive flower sale, including annuals and perennials, plus a bake sale will be held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 32 Mosley Street, Aurora, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Aurora Lawn Bowling Club open house and beginning of the lawn bowling season at 2 p.m. Bowling Club is located at McMahan Park, Maple and Fleury Streets. Everyone is welcome to attend.

FRIDAY, MAY 22

Board of Directors invites you to Hospice King-Aurora's 26th Annual General Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Centre, 14485 Jane Street, King City (4 kilometres north of the King Sideroad).

SATURDAY, MAY 23

The Aurora Historical Society is looking for volunteers to participate in a garden clean up at Hillary House on Yonge Street from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring your own rake. For more information, call 905-727-8991 or click on www.aurorahistoricalsociety.ca.

Enjoy "From Savouries to Sweets," an afternoon tea in aid of the girls of Afghanistan, where their literacy rate is 18 per cent. Event starts at 2:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall, at Mosley and Victoria. Proceeds go to a literacy initiative by Presbyterian World Service & Development. Tickets are \$15 each or two for \$25, and will be sold until Wednesday, May 20, only. Call 905-713-3203.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

School teacher at Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School Bob McRoberts is retiring. A party will be held today at the Howard Johnson Hotel on Yonge Street. For details contact Lynn Gardner at 905-727-3131 ext. 157 or Joe Pagniello at joseph.pagniello@yrdsb.edu.on.ca. If you plan on attending, you must RSVP by May 15. Appetizers and cocktails begin at 5 p.m. with presentations at 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

Aurora Chamber of Commerce presents the 14th annual Longest Street Sale on the Longest Street beginning at 11 a.m. and continuing until 5 p.m. Call the chamber at 905-727-7262 for further information.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

Longest lacrosse game in history, starts today at 5 a.m. and continues until 6 p.m. Saturday, June 13 at the Aurora Community Centre, Rink #1. The game is being played to raise awareness and support for the Canadian Centre for Abuse Awareness (www.abusehurts.com) and the Spirit of the Stick campaign (www.spiritofthestick.com). In addition to the longest lacrosse game in history, a silent auction and a Family Fun day (Saturday) will be in full swing. Mayors and councillors from Aurora and Newmarket will play with lacrosse players from 5 to 6 p.m. Friday. For more information go to www.laxdove.ca or www.aml.ca.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

Board of Education trustee public meeting begins at Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School at 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 6

Revised staff report on the future of Wells Street School goes to the Board of Education in the Boardroom, Wellington Street West at 8 p.m. Public delegations must be booked in advance by calling Mrs. Lori Barnes at lori.barnes@yrdsb.edu.on.ca or 905-727-0022, ext. 2263,

TUESDAY, JULY 14

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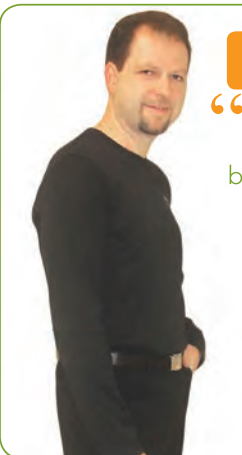


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