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Three groups could reside under one roof

The Aurora Food Pantry may have a new home.

Hospice King-Aurora, currently located in Oak Ridges, may also be coming to Aurora.

Big Brothers Big Sisters may also have the opportunity to return to Aurora.

And, they might all live together, thanks to the generosity of Jim Irvine and his family.

If it all works out, the three groups would become tenants under the single roof of the former Aurora Cable TV building on Industrial Parkway South.

Currently, the building is being used by Rogers TV, the purchasers of Aurora Cable TV some time ago.

Rogers is leasing the building, owned by the Irvine family, and has no plans to use it beyond the lease arrangement.

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square feet of office space, enough to satisfy all the clients.

Initial talks began last week, and members of each group were expected to tour the facility earlier this week.

For the Aurora Food Pantry, such a move would be a dream come true.

Board members have been looking for new quarters, to get the pantry out of its current location, in a Yonge Street basement.

Big Brothers Big Sisters, once operating out of the old Aurora Library, moved to Newmarket because of lack of space, but have also outgrown that area, and officials are keen to continue discussions on sharing space with two other groups.

"We want to give something back to the community," Mr. Irvine told The Auroran. "This might be a way to accomplish that."



Fully expecting a federal election to be called, Member of Parliament Lois Brown, foreground, arranged to have Senator Mike Duffy, rear, as special guest at an Aurora fundraiser Thursday night. The election call never happened, but Senator Duffy made an appearance regardless. The event was held at the Wellington Gallery in Aurora.

Auroran photo by Ron Wallace

Detail lacking: Buck

The perceived lack of detail in the minutes of town committee meetings resulted in what some felt was almost an hour of unnecessary discussions at council last week.

Referring to the minutes of the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC) meeting of October 14, Councillor Evelyn Buck asked why two citizens who appeared as delegates were able to get the committee's endorsement to shift the prohibition of parking on the street, with no input from staff, or opportunities for other residents to have their say.

She claimed that it appeared as if one hand (of the town) didn't know what the other was doing.

This was apparently not the case, as Director of Public Works, Ilmar Simanovskis, confirmed that his department was represented on the committee.

Further, his staff had prepared a report on the issue, which he had reviewed.

While he didn't have it in front of him, he said that if he ever has any concerns with staff recommendations, he gets them clarified.

Councillor Stephen Granger, who is a member of the TSAC, said the committee follows an approved process, which includes notifying all residents in the area in advance of any discussions that may affect them, so that they can come forward if they have any questions.

He said this particular matter had come forward twice at TSAC, and had been thoroughly reviewed before the recommendation had been proposed.

Councillor Bob McRoberts moved that the matter be referred to staff to report back at a future General Committee meeting.

While he wasn't questioning the

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School board names new director

The York Region District School Board, with headquarters in Aurora, announced last week that Ken Thurston will be the new Director of



KENTHURSTON

Education, effective January 1, 2010.

Mr. Thurston will replace Bill Hogarth, who is retiring after 16 years' of service.

"Mr. Thurston's leadership, experience and expertise are well known and highly regarded and the Board is very fortunate to have someone of his calibre at the helm," said Diane Giangrande, Chair of the York Region District School Board. "As a passionate educator, he embraces the mission, vision and values of this Board."

Mr. Thurston brings much educational experience to the school board.

He is currently senior advisor to the Ontario Minister of Education on matters pertaining to student achievement, leadership, public education governance and teacher certification.

Prior to his work in the Minister's Office, Mr. Thurston was a Superintendent with the York Region District School Board for eight years.

As a member of the Board's senior team, he served as a Superintendent of Education and as coordinating Superintendent of Education - Staff and Community Relations.

He has also served as president of the Ontario Public Supervisory Officials' Association and as the Director of Policy and Research with the Ontario Education Improvement Commission.

His awards and honours include being named a Fellow of the Ontario Teachers' Federation and the Distinguished Leadership Award given by Ontario directors of education and superintendents.



Brock Weir has joined The Auroran as a reporter. A resident of Aurora since 2004, Brock is a graduate of Carleton University's Bachelor of Journalism program (2007), and has worked with Ottawa's Centretown News, and The New Times in Kigali, Rwanda.

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Photography, by Aurora's Rob Schuetze, will be on display for the month of November at the Skylight Gallery on the third floor of the Aurora Town Hall, during regular business hours. Prints range in size from 12" x 16" to 40" x 60".

York Highlands Chorus is an award-winning a cappella Sweet Adelines chorus, a group of women who gather Tuesday evenings at the Old Firehall, Newmarket, to sing, share in the harmony of friendship and learn the barbershop art form. York Highlands is always looking for new women who share the love of a cappella music. Call Karen at 905-726-2113 or Vikki at information@yorkhighlands.com.

The Optimist Club of Aurora meets the first Wednesday of each month at the Aurora Legion. New members are welcome. Call 905-727-5012 for more information.

Every Thursday, Martha's Table serves home-made soup, sandwiches, and dessert in St. Andrew's Hall at the Presbyterian Church, corner of Mosley and Victoria Street. Cost is minimal, and the volunteer-run program enabled the church to give more than \$5,000 to local charities in 2008 alone. You can enjoy lunch, conversation, and a sense of community between 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. weekly.

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.

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.

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 six and seven-year-olds and the Children Chorus, open to eight to 17-year-olds. To audition, contact general director Sarah Kyle at keepsinging@look.ca.

CHAT'S Community Home Assistance to Seniors is looking for volunteers 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 Wednesday from 6.30 to 8 p.m. the Pioneer Club for boys and girls, age three 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 on Tuesday evenings at 8.15 p.m. at the Aurora Heights Public School and on Friday mornings 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.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

JackKryn France is hosting a "Decorating with Style" fundraiser for Women's Centre of York Region twice today: 10 a.m. for coffee and 5 p.m. with wine and cheese. Fundraiser will feature two designers talking about solving decorating problems. There will be food and raffles with all proceeds going to Women's Centre of York Region. For more information or to register for the event, contact rita@jackkryn.com. JackKryn is located at 89 Wellington Street East.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Trinity Anglican Church on Victoria Street will hold their Merry "Twinkling" Christmas bazaar, from 9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. with luncheon served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All proceeds go to ACW Outreach and Parish Needs. Call 905-727-6101 for further information.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Aurora Chamber of Commerce Pay-It-Forward Networking Breakfast, sponsored by Commerce Ad and Marketing, at St. Andrew's Valley Golf Club, 4 Pinnacle Trail, Aurora from 7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. A hot buffet breakfast will be followed by formal networking. This event is open to members at a cost of \$20.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Annual Santa Claus parade begins at Orchard Heights Blvd. at 6 p.m.

At 2.30 and 7.30 p.m. at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 484 Water St., Newmarket, you can enjoy the sounds of the season by the award-winning York Highlands Chorus. Tickets are \$12 with proceeds to benefit local Food Banks. Contact Karen at 905-726-2113 or click on www.yorkhighlands.com for further information.

NOVEMBER 28 AND 29

23rd Annual Optimists' Book Sale at the Aurora Library.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

Tree lighting ceremony takes place in the Town Hall courtyard from 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. with the official countdown for the tree lighting starting at 6.45 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

A holiday PA Day workshop from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. will be held for children ages 8-12 who will participate in an assortment of hands-on crafts, heritage cooking and traditional games appropriate for the season at the Whitchurch-Stouffville museum on Woodbine Avenue, just south of the Aurora sideroad. Cost is \$40 per child (members' rate \$32) which includes all materials and

snacks. Pre-registration is required and participants must bring their own nut-free lunch. For further information, call 905-727-8954 or 1-888-290-0337.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

From 1 to 4 p.m., Hillary House will be decorated by members of the Aurora Garden and Horticultural Society. Fires will glow in the fireplace, the smell of mulled cider will fill the air and the sound of familiar carols will be heard. There will be games and crafts for children, home-made refreshments and maybe even a visit from Old St. Nick. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for accompanied children. Hillary House is located at 15372 Yonge Street, Aurora. All proceeds go to the care and restoration of Hillary House National Historic Site. For more information, call the Aurora Historical Society at 905-727-8991.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

The Aurora Seniors Association traditional Christmas dinner will be held at the centre beginning with happy hour at 5 p.m. followed by dinner 6 p.m. The price is \$22 for members and \$27 for non-members.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

At 7.30 p.m. the ballroom of Hillary House will come alive with a performance by local Aurora music group Sommerset. Refreshments will be served. Tickets to this event must be purchased in advance and are \$20 each, with Aurora Historical Society members receiving a discounted ticket price. For tickets and more information call the Aurora Historical Society at 905-727-8991. Space is limited.

A Candlelight Christmas will be held at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum on Woodbine Avenue, south of the Aurora sideroad and you can attend the tour at either 6.30 p.m. or 8 p.m. Due to limited space, advance ticket purchase is required. Adult tickets are \$15 and children are \$10. For further information, call 905-727-8954 or 1-888-290-0337.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

Annual Christmas buffet at the Aurora Legion happens between 11.30 a.m., and 2 p.m. at the hall on Industrial Parkway North. Tickets, at \$15 each, are available at the Legion bar when you make reservations.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

The Dr. G W Williams Students' Council will host the second annual Spring Rummage Sale again next year. Stay tuned for details.

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Dorothy Clark McClure, centre, wife of the late Dick Illingworth, is now a resident at Hollandview Trail Retirement Home on John West Way. An accomplished artist, Dorothy held an art exhibition and sale at the residence Saturday, presented by the Hollandview Trail Retirement Community. Among the hundreds who were in attendance were Suzanne Illingworth, left, and Kelly McClure. Mr. Illingworth, twice the mayor of Aurora, was working as a journalist for The Auroran when he died at the age of 92 in March of this year.

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Poor Ronnie

By RON WALLACE

Smaller catchment areas are needed, this reader claims

Interesting letter to the editor this week from Klaus Wehrenberg. You'll find it headlining Page 6.

It brought back a ton of memories for me. In the place I grew up - North Bay - the only time I ever saw a school bus, was after it had picked up students near Sturgeon Falls, more than 20 miles away.

And, there was only a single bus. Not a parade of them like we see today.

The school trustees who voted to close Wells Street School (I knew they would, because only two of them represent Aurora and Newmarket) have no idea what they've done.

Wells Street School has been closed to students for more than two years now, and any students who would normally have attended there are now bussed to Stone Road, in Aurora's east end where Aurora Grove Public School is located.

Space became available there after another school - Northern Lights - opened.

So, Aurora Grove is officially a "holding school".

There aren't enough students in that area to justify Aurora Grove, so the board moves students there to fill up the holes.

When they built Lester B. Pearson School (thank you, yes, I named it) and made it a French Immersion location, I voted in favour of it, (I was a school trustee at the time) because it was the only way I could get another school in Aurora.

Klaus makes the point that catchment areas should be smaller and there should be more schools.

If that happened, it would cost more money to build new facilities than the board would save by cutting bus routes.

Kids would walk to school, on designed trails, he suggests.

When I lived in North Bay, I could walk to any one of four schools.

Two of them were Catholic, two of them weren't.

On the walls of the non-Catholic schools were warnings about trespassing, and they used the word "prosecuted".

I thought that meant if I was caught, I would be killed, because I didn't know what the word "prosecuted" meant.

But, I always walked to school, along with everyone else in the building, unless they lived out near Sturgeon Falls.

No one even thought about a bus ride.

It all reminds me of my father saying, when I would complain about going to school, "I used to climb a hill every day (both ways) to get to school. I'd bang on the door to let me in on Saturdays..." etc., etc.

After a while, the story got a bit tiring, and I'd roll my eyes and be perfectly bored with hearing the same old story, over and over again...

Now, on the classified pages of this week's Auroran, is an interesting note from the York Region District School Board.

It says, in part, that two meetings have been set up "regarding the creation of a new boundary for Wells Street PS".

Whatever that means.

We'll try to find out and let you know.

The two meetings, for those interested are set for Wednesday, December 2, this year and Tuesday, January 26, next year.

The two-hour meetings will be held at - you guessed it - Aurora Grove Public School on Stone Road.

If you want more information, you should call the planning services department at 905-727-0022, extension 2424.

Let's assume for a moment that Wells Street as a public school is finished, which is a pretty good bet.

Forget the fact it was once Aurora's first high school.

What should happen to it?

I have some ideas, which I'll share with you next week...and yes, it'll cost a few dollars.



In recent years, "The Chateau" house on Yonge Street has found new life as one of four group homes run by Youthdale Treatment Centres. Youthdale provides mental health services and support for troubled children and families. The only Youthdale residence in York Region, "The Chateau" serves as an eight-bed co-ed home that kids use as a base while receiving treatment and attending the local high schools. Built in 1912, the house originally was called "Poplar Villa", but is better known as "The Chateau", the name used when it operated as a tourist home. The widening of Yonge Street in the late 60s didn't do the house any favours, causing the replacement of its stone retaining wall with bare concrete capped by a pipe railing and rendering the house virtually invisible from the street.

Letter to the Editor

MPP explains his role to fight upcoming HST

In response to a letter in The Auroran, November 3, from Aurora's Anthony Kerstens:

Dear Mr. Kerstens,

I am acknowledging receipt of your email regarding the McGuinty government's proposed Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) and mismanagement and abuse of tax dollars.

You asked what I am doing to stop this tax from being implemented and I am pleased to respond.

I was the first Member of the Legislature to warn Dalton McGuinty about the disastrous effects of his proposed "Harmonized Sales Tax".

I called on him on the floor of the legislature during Question Period not to proceed with it weeks before it was announced in his provincial budget in February, 2009.

I repeatedly warned the Premier and the Minister of Finance during debate in the legislature that adding an additional tax onto thousands of products and services, especially those that are not taxed now, will hurt individuals, families, and businesses at a time they can least afford to be hit with more new taxes.

I have issued numerous press releases and written articles to raise awareness of this issue among my constituents and the general public.

I made opposition to the HST a central plank in the recent provincial leadership campaign, and was successful in convincing my fellow candidates to sign a letter that called on the Federal Finance Minister to stop the transfer of \$4.3 bil-

lion of taxpayers' money to the province for the implementation of the HST.

I launched a petition in opposition to the HST, which has been available on my website and through my office for the past number of months.

I have read those petitions into the record from the floor of the legislature on numerous occasions.

But it is apparent that Dalton McGuinty and his Minister of Finance are addicted to tax increases and they are intent on proceeding with the implementation of this new and completely unjustified tax grab.

I and my colleagues in the PC Caucus will continue to take every measure possible to stop it, but the prospect is not good.

With regard to your frustrations over government waste in the midst of these tough economic times, I share your concern and have expressed that indignation on behalf of my constituents on numerous occasions.

In fact, it was our Party's filing of Freedom of Information requests on the e-health contracts that was responsible for the exposure of this spending scandal by the Auditor General. What have I, as your MPP, done?

1. I called on the Premier to call a Public Inquiry into the awarding of more than \$1 billion of untendered contracts to Liberal-friendly consultants;

2. I called on the former Health Minister David Caplan to disclose his role in the awarding of those contracts and to resign as minister for his lack of control

over government spending. (He resigned on October 7th);

3. I called on the former Minister of Infrastructure and Energy to support a public inquiry into his role as former Health Minister in the awarding of untendered contracts and to resign as minister for his mis-handling of taxpayers' dollars. (He resigned on November 9th);

4. I'll continue to do my utmost to oppose the McGuinty government's abuse of the electorate's trust and their tax dollars.

Unfortunately, Ontarians gave Dalton McGuinty a majority in the last election, and with that has come a sense of entitlement and arrogance.

My prediction is that we'll get the HST and more irresponsible spending of your tax dollars as long as they are in control.

We'll have to wait until the next provincial election on October 6, 2011, to change that!

Frank Klees, MPP
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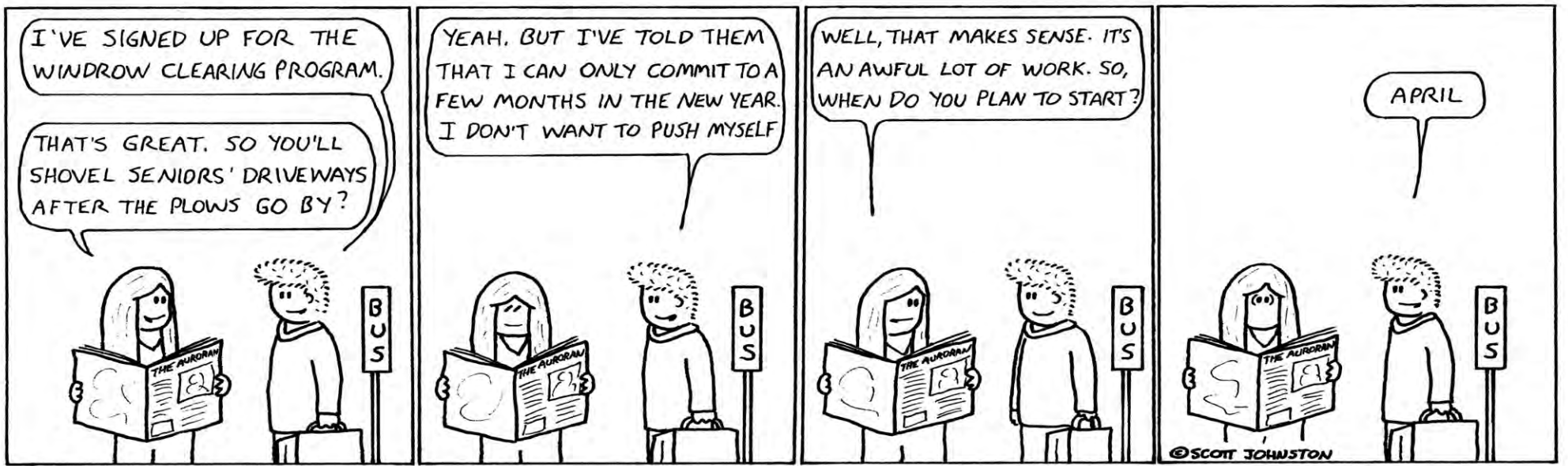
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Front Porch Perspective

By Stephen Somerville

The energy file

The resignation last week of provincial Energy & Infrastructure Minister George Smitherman in order to seek the Toronto mayoralty chains garnered some large headlines.

The news media concentrated its spotlight on the potential electoral contest between Mr. Smitherman and former provincial PC Leader John Tory.

A battle royal it would be!

Most people, other than those who work in the industry, don't really pay attention to the energy file. As long as the lights remain on and any outages are short in duration and don't occur too frequently, people are pretty satisfied and go about their busy daily existence of raising a family, paying the bills and saving for vacations.

But that does not mean there aren't a lot of issues for whomever assumes the mantle of energy minister after the cabinet shuffle, expected next month.

It has been widely reported that Mr. Smitherman's replacement, former energy Minister Gerry Philips, is just warming the seat for a new minister.

Some of the issues include things like the refurbishment plans for existing nuclear, the procurement process for both new nuclear and new gas-fired generation, and the implementation of the Green Energy Act and the Feed-In Tariff to increase the amount of renewable generation in the province. Add into the mix the consultations with the various First Nations communities regarding the above and it all adds up that the new minister should have a large bottle of aspirin on his / her desk.

So what of the above? What are the potential implications for electricity rates in Aurora?

Let's briefly examine a local PowerStream monthly electricity bill.

I am currently charged 5.7 cents a kilowatt hour (kWh) for the first 600 kWh's of energy and charged 6.6 cents a

kWh for the balance over 600 kWh's during any month during the summer period.

The threshold becomes 1,000 kWh per month during the winter.

According to the back portion of my own monthly bill, this "is the cost of the electricity supplied to you during the billing period and this is part of the bill that is subject to competition."

This cost comprised about 58 per cent of my total monthly bill.

You then have delivery charges, which "are the cost of delivering electricity from generating stations across the province to PowerStream then to your home or business.

This includes the costs to build and maintain the transmission and distribution lines, towers and poles and operate provincial and local electricity systems.

This comprised about 32 per cent of my total monthly bill.

There is also a regulatory charge, which is "the costs of administering the wholesale electricity system and maintaining the reliability of the provincial grid." This comprised about five per cent of my total monthly bill.

The last item on the invoice is the Debt Retirement Charge, which is used to pay down the debt of the former Ontario Hydro.

This also accounted for roughly five per cent of my total monthly bill.

So the two real cost drivers on your bill are the actual generation of energy and getting the electrons to your home.

The recession has provided some short-term price relief because demand for electricity is down.

But, as the economy recovers, and industrial and commercial load (hopefully) comes back, then the price of electricity will most likely start to increase, and not just

because of increased demand for electrons.

According to various published reports Ontario will need to refurbish, rebuild or replace 25,000 megawatts of generating capacity over the next 20 years.

That represents more than 80 per cent of Ontario's current capacity of about 30,500 megawatts.

The estimate is that this will require an investment anywhere from 25 to 40 billion dollars, depending on what generation resources we choose to build, and when.

Replacing aging assets that have been fully depreciated over their long term useful life means that we will be paying higher prices for the new facilities.

Think of it this way, replacing that 1996 Ford Minivan with a 2009 Ford Minivan will now cost you quite a bit more.

Sure, the government could decide to further subsidize consumer and industrial rates at a level that is less than the real cost of the generation but that would simply be putting off the inevitable.

Whether it be nuclear, wind, coal, solar, hydro or gas, all these cost more to build today, which means we, as rate payers, will be paying more at some point in the relatively near future.

We also obviously have to learn, as a society, to conserve energy.

Ontario is facing critical decisions regarding the appropriate energy supply mix and also how best to procure new generation. Inextricably intertwined with these decisions is a need for power that is affordable, reliable and environmentally friendly.

Maybe once the new minister is in place, a healthy debate can begin.

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Letters to the Editor

David's "Spirit Walk" taught a lot about Town of Aurora

To the editor,

I had the privilege to join one of David Heard's "Spirit Walks" on Friday

Council needs to alter attitude

To the editor,

Clearing out my late wife's clothes closet, I found a sticker attached to the wall: "Human beings can alter their lives by altering their attitudes" - William James.

October 30 with about 70 others.

We heard stories about mysterious and 'spooky' occurrences in certain

Lives of Aurorans (not to mention their pockets) would alter much for the better with a much altered attitude within Town Council.

Alex Vander Veen
Aurora

homes and buildings in the Yonge/Wellington area of Aurora.

I'm sure I wasn't the only long-time Aurora resident who learned more about the history of Aurora - the devastating downtown fire; the tornado back in the 1800's - as part of 'A Step In Time' "Spirit Walks" through our Aurora historian, David Heard.

On behalf of Kerry's Place Autism Services (KPAS) and the individuals and families we support, thank you, David!

You started out with

plans for one "spirit walk".

Due to the overwhelming response from our community, you added two more walks for a total of three over Thursday and Friday nights.

Thank you for your continued support and advocacy for Kerry's Place Autism Services by choosing to raise funds for our non-profit agency during your "Spirit Walks".

Through the generosity of participants, \$725 was raised that will directly benefit the lives of the families and people with Autism Spectrum Disorder

in York Region - and truly make a difference!

Kerry's Place Autism Services operates in four regions throughout the province of Ontario with our head office in Aurora.

We support individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder both residentially and in the community, with more than 150 individuals supported residentially and more than 4,000 individuals and families supported through a variety of community programs and services.

Donations such as this

enable KPAS to continue to enhance the quality of life for the individuals and families we support, and allow us to continue to expand our services and innovative programs to reach the growing number of people who need them.

Thanks to Ron Wallace and all the community residents who took part in David's walks for your participation and generosity!

Nancy Brouillard
Fundraising manager
Kerry's Place
Autism Services

Letters to the Editor

We need more schools like Wells: reader

To the editor,

RE: Wells Street Public School, Aurora

Thank you to Olde Aurora Ratepayers Association and its active supporters for pursuing the Wells Street Public School re-opening.

When I consider the constant references, in government reports and research papers, to the value of daily exercise for the physical as well as mental well-being of our children, it boggles my mind how we could even seriously consider the closing down of smaller schools.

We should consider how we could phase out larger schools; reduce catchment areas, so that school bussing and parent taxis become a part of the past, and so that walking becomes part of the daily routine of at least the students living in urban areas, in cities, towns and villages, for students right up to university level.

In one planning document after the other we read about the value of walk-to-school programs, about walkable communities, about pedestrianization.

Yet, we keep amalgamating smaller schools, keep building monster schools.

More, rather than less bussing, results in less exercise for our students.

How can our school board trustees, among them a successful Olympian, Bill Crothers, who once made us proud, ever live with the contradictions, the irresponsibility, embodied in their decisions to enlarge catchment areas?

How can they look in the mirror, and claim to have served the public who elected them?

Why aren't the school board trustees advocating the planning for, and the establishment of, walking paths that lead to each school - like spokes to the hub of a wheel?

That planning for walking paths should happen every time a new school is on the drawing board, as part of the required school infrastructure.

More and more, our life style is dominated by internet, television, motorized transport, i-pods, cell phones - all involving next to no physical activity, next to no social interaction, and next to no physical playing.

Yet, we are all aware of how important physical activity is.

And here we have a wonderful opportunity to involve physical activity, as well as social interaction and at least some playing, as part of our children's daily life - during the walk to and from school.

All we have to do is build schools with small enough catchment areas, to allow students to be able to reach their schools by walking there.

Yes, we may have slightly larger overhead costs because smaller schools do not offer the economy of scale advantages of monster schools.

But consider the reduced health care costs, short and long term, and the social and cultural, and the environmental benefits!

Small schools can be instrumental in guaranteeing daily exercise for our students!

So let's retain them, renovate them - and build more of them!

I also believe that once students get used to walking daily, they will build walking into their lives much more readily.

As one direct likely consequence, they might not expect a parent operated taxi ride to every after-school activity, either.

I trust that our Minister of

Education, the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, will indeed be honourable, and decide to use her powers to revisit the York Region District School Board's decision.

Small schools can, and should, be used as catalysts for the health of our young generation.

Let's count on our Minister of Education to do the right thing, to build a better foundation for the health of our students - and more.

Small schools: more exercise; less health problems; lower health costs; less motorized traffic; less pollution...the list can go on.

The list of benefits is long.

But we need the courage of our politicians to make the honourable decisions - to make the right decisions!

Indeed, we need more Wells Street Public Schools - not less - right across the province of Ontario.

Listening to the Olde Aurora Ratepayers Association, and following their advice, would indeed be a good start!

It would be intelligent to do that.

It would be the right thing to do!

Klaus Wehrenberg
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Town of Aurora arena policy fails to protect young skaters

To the editor,

I recently took my children public skating at the Aurora Recreation Centre (ARC).

While watching my children skate I noticed a woman step onto the ice without a helmet.

It was immediately evident that she could not skate and I watched her fall

Poppy chairman says thank you for participation

To the editor,

What a wonderful turnout of Auroran citizens and friends at the Aurora Cenotaph last Wednesday.

I am proud to be involved with those who held the 'Torch of Freedom' high; freedom of speech, dress, religion, education and many others that our comrades fought and are fighting, so dearly, for. May we ever strive to keep this wonderful country of Canada as an example of freedom to the world.

Thank you all for your participation in our Remembrance Ceremony.

Cliff Davies
Poppy Chairman
RCL Br. 385
Aurora

several times.

However, the situation became much worse as her two children followed her onto the ice.

The children were between the ages of 4 and 6 and could not skate and were not wearing helmets. The ice surface was crowded with many young very good skaters and I watched with horror as several near miss collisions almost occurred with the young children.

I was immediately concerned with their safety and I approached the manager of the Town of Aurora operated facility and I let the manager know that there were children without helmets on the ice.

I was completely taken by surprise when she informed me that there was no official arena policy that requires anyone, including children, to wear a helmet on the ice for public skating.

You have to be kidding me!

In the year 2009 with all the attention in the media on head injuries and awareness campaigns that are prevalent everywhere, the Town of Aurora does not think it's necessary to protect children by requiring them to wear helmets while skating at their facilities.

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Letters to the Editor

Why didn't all councillors accompany mayor? reader

To the editor,

When attending the Remembrance Day service on Sunday at the Cenotaph I was touched by the number of people who attended.

As usual, the Aurora Branch of the Legion did an amazing job of the service.

Memo to newspaper: Shut up, reader says

To the editor,

Shut up, shut up, shut up....enough with the slings and arrows.

Most of us who live in Aurora value good representation, not publicity promotion in the press.

Get a grip, people, and work together to ensure our

Everything from the Last Post to the wreath laying.

Everything was great. I was impressed that the mayor asked the councillors present that day to lay the wreath with her on behalf of the Town. Present on Sunday were Councillors John Gallo, Al Wilson, Stephen Granger and Wendy Gaertner.

town prospers.

Buck, please realize times have changed, you are no longer the conscience of Aurora.

Hopefully, the town will turn out and right this ship with their votes!

Carl Barrett
Aurora

As a 31-year member of the Legion, I also went to the November 11th service and again everything went well.

Although the sound system would not co-operate, Cliff Davies worked his magic and led the residents in singing O Canada and God Save The Queen, both without the music.

I saw Councillors Evelyn Buck, Bob McRoberts and Alison Collins Markas in the crowd on the 11th and thought that the Mayor would have given them the same privilege as she did Councilors Gallo, Wilson, Granger and Gaertner on Sunday.

But no, she didn't.

I wonder why she would not treat all of the councillors the same way, especially Bob McRoberts, the Deputy Mayor or any of the others who do not always agree with her.

After thinking something good about the mayor on

Sunday, I was totally floored by her actions.

Regardless, I will say that Branch 385, Aurora Legion and their members should hold their heads up high for the great job they did on Sunday and November 11th as they do every day.

For anyone who would like to be part of this great Legion, you should drop into the branch and be made welcome by the many members.

It is a wonderful group of men and women, trying to keep the memory alive of all the veterans who give us our freedom today.

Please drop in and join Branch 385.

With your membership at Branch 385 you will be made welcome at Legions across Canada.

Thanks to all Veterans and Armed Forces

Nigel Kean
Aurora

Reader likes sound of the train whistle

To the editor,

Approximately 25 or 30 years ago now, I worked at a company near Yorkdale in Toronto.

One of the plant workers had both his parents killed by a train accident in Aurora, they thought at the time it was because they didn't hear the train whistle.

Personally, I love the sound of the train whistle.

Letters put him to sleep

To the editor,

Re: "Public has a right to know what's going on at council". Letter to the editor by Evelyn Buck. The Auroran, November 10, 2009.

Re: "Former supporter seeks answers from mayor". Letter to the editor by Richard Johnson. The Auroran, November 10, 2009.

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Councillor seeks committee details

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accuracy of the minutes or the decisions made, no one around the table had the minutes on hand, as no one had been expecting the issue to be discussed.

He therefore just wanted more information than was in front of them, seeing as there was a lot of discussion around the issue, and some obvious disagreement between a resident who had spoken earlier in the evening during Open Forum, and the two delegates noted in the minutes.

His motion passed.
No sooner was this issue wrapped up for the evening than Councillor Buck raised what turned out to be a similar question about a decision based on a misunderstanding

ing of the minutes from the same TSAC report.

Referring to a November 3 meeting, she noted that a resident had requested signage on Hunter's Glen Road to warn of sharp curves near Steeplechase Avenue, as a number of vehicles were traveling too fast, and going off the road into the ditch.

The committee had recommended that staff monitor the situation and report back. In her mind, there was no need for monitoring or studying, as the resident had clearly identified a problem and brought it to the attention of staff.

She felt that the town should just install the signs. At this point, the council meeting took an odd turn.

Councillor Granger called

a point of order, and started speaking about the wording used in the report.

Councillor Alison Collins-Mrakas interjected, noting Councillor Granger's comments were not a point of order.

Expressing disbelief when the mayor allowed Councillor Granger to proceed, tempers flared to the point where Mayor Phyllis Morris declared a recess.

Seven minutes later, the meeting resumed.

The mayor summarized what decision points had been made before the break. She reiterated that the motion had been moved and seconded to refer the matter to staff and bring options back to TSAC, and also for staff to look at all of Hunter's Glen Road to ensure there were no other similar issues.

She further clarified Councillor Granger's point of order which was that he felt discussions were going outside of the scope of the item on the floor.

At this point, Councillor John Gallo, who is also a member of TSAC, explained that the minutes are a summary of discussions and not a transcript of everything that was said, so he understood why there may be some confusion.

He confirmed there are already signs in the area,

and that staff was asked to take a look at the situation and report back on such things as whether there were enough signs, or whether they are the right size, or in the correct location.

Hearing this explanation, Councillor Buck said she now understood, but had concerns that since the minutes were a public record, people reading them without the larger context, would similarly misinterpret them as she had.

She said the full explanation provided by Councillor Gallo is what should be in the minutes.

Despite being asked several times by the mayor if she wanted the minutes changed, Councillor Buck did not, even though she felt they were not accurate.

Expressing frustration with a second TSAC issue being discussed at unnecessary length due to a misinterpretation of the minutes, Councillor Al Wilson said councillors have ample opportunity to clarify their questions around any such concerns in advance of council meetings.

"It was unfortunate that this had to be dragged out to be so confusing," he said.

With these words still hanging in the air, Council passed the motion unanimously.



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Tigers win two of three contests

The Aurora Tigers Junior A hockey team, with a new head coach firmly entrenched in the ranks, picked up two wins of a possible three last week, including a 7-1 upset over the Trenton Golden Hawks at the Aurora Community Centre Sunday afternoon,

That followed a 7-4 win over Villanova Friday night in front of nearly 150 fans.

They lost to Couchiching 6-2 in the northern community Thursday night.

It wasn't that long ago the Tigers travelled to Trenton and got bombed 6-2.

Tigers exacted revenge Sunday pounding Trenton 7-1.

Tigers and Hawks played a rough and tumble first period as the Hawks started right on the first shift levelling Captain David Morley in the neutral zone to set a tone.

The Tigers responded well, throwing several tough checks of their own to establish their own tone for the game.

It took more than eight minutes into the second before Daniel Lisi teamed up with Derek Gregorak and Alexi Pianosi to open the flood gates for the Tigers.

Two minutes later, Pianosi continued his scoring streak as he beat the Hawks goaltender high on the short side.

The Hawks then scored their only goal of the game just under three minutes later.

Morley's backhander off a Michael Sardella shot rebound restored the Tigers two-goal cushion.

With the Tigers pressing in the Hawks zone, new Tiger Anthon Ranieri got hit into the boards from behind to provide the Tigers a five-

minute powerplay with just under a minute left in the second.

They failed to score. With the Tigers starting the third with over four minutes still on the powerplay, the locals went to work. Mark Ramkema's point shot went in and then Sardella bounced one off the Hawks' goalie from the corner to put the game out of reach.

But Sardella wasn't done as he proceeded to convert opportunities from Morley and Lucas VanNatter to score a natural hat trick and have a four-point night.

Friday night, the Tigers welcomed the much-improved Villanova Knights to the ACC.

Alexi Pianosi scored a natural hat trick as the Tigers won 7-4.

Villanova wasted no time getting on the board as they scored just 11 seconds into their first power play opportunity to take the lead with just over six minutes gone in the game.

However, on their next powerplay, David Morley and Lucas VanNatter combined to give VanNatter another shorthanded goal on the season just past the halfway mark of the period.

With a powerplay of their own four minutes later, Pianosi was allowed to walk in from the point and score to give the Tigers a 2-1 lead going into the first intermission.

On a powerplay with just over seven minutes gone in the second, David Morley found Pianosi to make it a two-goal cushion.

But Villanova kept it tight, scoring another powerplay goal of their own just past the halfway mark of the period, and going to the intermission with the Tigers ahead by one.

The Knights tied the game in the first minute of

the third period to make it interesting, but George Lovatsis teed up Pianosi for his hat trick, putting the Tigers ahead for good.

VanNatter gave Morley an open look from the slot that he buried just past the

midway mark of the third; Villanova came back four minutes later to stay close.

A minute later Morley found Matt Chiarantano coming off the point for the Tigers sixth goal.

Mark Ramkema's blast

from the point went right through the Knights' goalie's glove to seal the final.

The Tigers next face the Buffalo Jr. Sabres at the ACC this Friday at 7.30 p.m.

Tigers sign assistant to top coaching job

Barry Quinn, Vice President of the Aurora Tigers Hockey Club announced last week that Paul Hampton has accepted the position as Head Coach of the team, effective immediately.

Although hired originally as an Assistant Coach, Paul has demonstrated the hockey knowledge and communication skills required to coach successfully at this level.

Any delays in making this announcement are the result of Mr. Hampton requiring some time to realign his other considerable professional responsibilities to afford him the required time necessary to accept his new role.

Along with his obvious skills, Mr. Hampton brings

with him extensive experience in the Ontario Hockey League and East Coast Hockey league.

"The Club is highly confident that Paul will provide the leadership that our team needs to compete successfully in a very exciting and competitive league," Quinn said.

Hampton has been filling in as coach of the team, since the resignation of Joe Quinn, several weeks ago.

In his new position, Hampton was behind the bench Thursday night when Aurora lost to Couchiching 6-2 Friday night, then the Tigers upset Villanova 7-4 at the community centre and dumped Trenton 7-1 Sunday afternoon also at the community centre.

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
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
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Rep games

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Aurora Novice AA Tigers 5 - Ben Liotta 2G 1A, Malcolm Johnston 2G, Wesley Reid 1G, Cooper Judson 1A, Anthony DiPietro 1A, Trevor Dungey 1A. **Barrie Colts 1.**

TNT 4. Aurora Novice AA Tigers 1 - Malcolm Johnston 1G.

Barrie Colts 3. Aurora Novice A Tigers 2 - Adam Wloka 1G, Matthew McConnell 1G, Sam Ashton 1A.

Aurora Novice A Tigers 3 - Jack Campbell 2G, Sam Ashton 2A, Jeremy Gonsalves 1G, Andrew Park 1A. **Stouffville Clippers 3.**

East Gwillimbury Eagles 3. Aurora Novice AE Tigers 1 - Justin Harbaruk 1G, Connor Thomas 1A, Luke Catania 1A.

Bradford 3. Aurora Minor Atom A Tigers 2 - Lucas Surace 1G, Carson Venieri 1G, Bradley Shennan 1A, Andrew Cundari 1A, Braeden Joynt 1A, Ryan Jamieson 1A.

Richmond Hill Stars 4. Aurora Minor Atom



A Tigers 1 - Anthony Capraro 1G, Julien Aben 1A.

Orillia Terriers 5. Aurora Minor Atom A Tigers 0.

Markham Waxers 1. Aurora Minor Atom AE Tigers 1 - Carter Wilmsmeyer 1G, Scott Rumble 1A.

Richmond Hill Stars 5. Aurora Minor Atom AE Tigers 2 - Jaedon Jackson 1G 1A, Luke O'Keefe 1G, Fraser Ciocca 1A.

Markham 3. Aurora Atom A Tigers 3 - Thomas Kostoff 1G, Kyle Rice 1G 1A, Jordan Torres 1G, Josh Schmitt 2A, Alex Wyndham-West 1A.

Aurora Minor Peewee AA Tigers 3 - Alec Magnante 3G, James Wyndham West 1A, Austin Kiraly 1A, Adam Leader, shutout. **Newmarket 0.**

London 4. Aurora Minor Peewee AE Tigers 0.

Milton Winterhawks 2. Aurora Minor Peewee AE Tigers 1 - Connor Downs 1G, Tyler Williams 1A.

Brampton 1. Aurora Peewee AA Tigers 1 - Nathan Romanchych 1G, Matthew Leroy 1A.

Aurora Peewee AA Tigers 6 - Andrew Klinowski 2G 1A, Nathan Romanchych 1G, Matthew Leroy 1G 1A, Adam Newell 1G 2A, Hudson Yeomans 1G, Eddie Duffy 1A, Peter Andreakos 1A, Braeden Kublick 1A, Jake Appleby 1A. **Pickering 3.**

Aurora Peewee AA Tigers 2 - Jake Appleby 1G, Hudson Yeomans 1G, Adam Newell 2A, Eddie Duffy 2A. **Willowdale 1.**

Kingston 5. Aurora Peewee AA Tigers 4 - Andrew Klinowski 1G 1A, Chris Klinowski 2G, Hudson Yeomans 1G, Nathan Romanchych 1A, Jake Appleby 1A, Ross Benn 1A, Will Thompson 1A.

Aurora Minor Bantam A Tigers 6 - Graham Robinson 3G 1A, Liam Beresford 2G 1A, Nathan Nealon 1G 1A, Austin Persaud 1A, Justin Pirie 1A, Jake McKee 1A, Jerryd Jensen 1A. **Bradford 5.**

Stouffville Clippers 5. Aurora Minor Bantam A Tigers 2 - Graham Robinson 1G, Tait Snedden 1G, Jake McKee 1A, Justin Pirie 1A, Zac Cowl 1A, Jerryd Jensen 1A.

Aurora Minor Bantam A Tigers 5 - Jack Caldwell 2G 1A, Liam Beresford 2G 1A, Connor Cowl 1G, Jake McKee 1A, Robert Stokes 1A, Paul Neophytou 1A, Marc Casullo, shutout. **Orillia Terriers 0.**

Aurora Bantam A Tigers 5 - Hayden Trask 2G, Ryan Baskin 1G, Matthew Pryse 1A, Quincy Ing 2A, Vincent Ruscica 2A, Andrew McDonald 1G1A, Eric Damecour 1G 1A. **Orillia Terriers 2.**

Aurora Minor Midget AA Tigers 4 - AJ Killens 3G, Dylan Hussey 2A, Andrew Papousek 2A, Matt Roy 1A, Chris Youtoff 1A, Christopher Bull 1G, Justin Manweiler, shutout. **Markham Waxers 0.**

Aurora Minor Midget AA Tigers 3 - Matt Roy 1G 2A, Dylan Hussey 1G 1A, Evan Collict 1G, Adam Balaban 1A. **TNT 2.**

Aurora Minor Midget AA Tigers 1 - Ty Brochu 1G, Chris Youtoff 1A, Justin Mason, shutout. **Markham 0.**

Vaughan Panthers 4. Aurora Minor Midget A Tigers 0.

Leaside 1. Aurora Minor Midget A Tigers 0.

Aurora Minor Midget A Tigers 0 - Justin Mason, shutout. **Fort Erie 0.**

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Alex Campbell's last mission - conclusion

Former Aurora high school teacher, Alex Campbell, continues the story of his Lancaster bomber being shot down behind enemy lines during WW II.

As we join the narrative, his plane had been shot up by a German fighter plane over France, and was going down in flames.

"I'd already given an order to the crew to prepare to abandon the aircraft. I asked them to acknowledge on the intercom, and they all did except Jonesy, the mid-upper gunner.

"He couldn't because some of the shells from the fighter attack pretty well blew off the mid-upper turret, and cut off the oxygen and microphone lines to his facemask.

"I told them all to jump. "The bomb aimer was the first one out. He unlocked the lower escape hatch, which is about two feet wide and about two and a half feet long. He put the hatch up in the front turret out of the way, and he went out.

"Then the second pilot, Bob, he still had his wits, and even badly wounded was able to get out of his seat, and went down the opening in front of him to the escape hatch.

"Then a few seconds later he turned around and attempted to come back up. He had caught his rip-cord on some-

thing and his parachute had opened in the aircraft.

"That's a 24-foot parachute - quite a lot of silk packed in there, and it bounces and springs out when the tension is released. The cockpit and passageway was filled with silk and cord, blowing in the wind that was whistling through the broken wind-screen.

"Bob was probably trying to get past us to get out of the way, so we could get out. But the flight engineer, Jock, managed to turn him around, and got him back down to the hole, and bundled him up and shoved him out.

"Jock went out next, of course. I remember he gave a little Winston Churchill "V for victory" before he jumped.

"Earl the navigator had been badly wounded. He had taken two shells in the leg, but he still managed to make it up to the front and went out there.

"Meanwhile, the wireless operator and the mid-upper gunner had gone out the side door on the starboard side.

"And all this time the plane was diving, and gaining speed, and on fire. We weren't very high - we started out at only about 7,500 feet. Not much air under you for a rapid descent like this.

"When it came to my turn to get out, Sam the rear gun-

ner was still firing from his turret.

"I hollered at him to get the hell out of there.

"Fortunately, he went out the starboard side. I'm sure he must have realized that had he gone out the port side the flames from the two damaged engines would have just engulfed him immediately - burning gasoline and flames. That would be an awful thing.

"After Sam got out, I removed my helmet and intercom and let go of the control column right away. The Lanc lurched on down faster now, and I flew up in the air and landed in the passageway. Like driving along a country road, and you come up and over a real steep hill, and you leave your seat.

"Then I stepped back out in the companionway, to the top of the stairs to the bomb aimer's compartment. The plane's nose was pointing down now, and the floor was more or less behind me, so I made one leap to go down hill in a hurry. As I pushed off, I got jabbed in the stomach, and just hung there.

"There's a telescoping pipe that pulls out in front of the flight engineer to rest his feet on. It was sticking out about six inches or a foot, and it jabbed me in the ribs, and that's what I was hanging on.

"Then a big explosion came - I expect it could have been the port wing collapsing. It flung me against the starboard side of the fuselage, and unhooked me. Down I dropped into the bomb aimer's compartment, and onto my stomach with my head about two feet away from the open escape hatch.

"But with all the violent movements the hatch had shifted out of the front of the turret where it had been stowed. It had been sucked by the pull of the air, and become wedged corner ways in the opening.

"All I could get out was my head - just barely out into the slipstream. My shoulders and the rest of my body were inside the aircraft in this triangular shaped opening.

"I thought that would be the end. It'll be a big bang, or a silence, or a horrendous headache - just for a split second.

"Then I got mad and started thrashing and kicking and hollering. Well, I must have

moved that wedged door just enough, because I finally wiggled out.

"I felt this rush of wind over my body - we were going about 300 miles per hour - and both my flying boots were whisked off with the slipstream.

"This huge fiery orange and black shape - our crippled Lancaster - went whipping on past me. I wasn't gonna count even to one-two-three now before I pulled my parachute cord, because I knew now I must be awfully close to the ground.

"I slapped my chest where my rip-cord should be ... and there was no D-ring there.

"No harness. "Nothing. "No parachute on at all. "And I thought "well this is dumb", or maybe a bit amusing - to get out of all that and then end up without a parachute.

"Just about that time something attracted my attention above me - I was going down head-first. It was a chrome buckle on my parachute harness, and it flashed above me. And sure enough there was my harness stretched out behind and above me, and the parachute pack wobbling and spiraling behind that again.

"I went to reach up, bending my knees, and felt a tug at my ankles. It was the thigh straps, which had slipped down to my ankles and were still there.

"I hadn't realized it, but in my panic to squeeze and wriggle out of the escape hatch, my parachute harness had slipped right off my shoulders, and down my body and off my legs and caught around my ankles - which remember, no longer had any boots.

"So I reached up and pulled the harness towards me hand over hand til I could reach the D-ring. Then I dug my fingers into the harness, and gave the D-ring a tremendous pull.

"All of a sudden that chute just went WHACK. A big crack, and it opened - a beautiful canopy of white.

"You land in a 24-foot military chute at the same rate as if you were to jump from a 10-foot wall onto the ground. That's traveling.

"I was hanging upside-down by my ankles, and saw something out of the corner of my eye and thought, "cripes - that looks like the roof of a house".

"So I quickly grabbed for my ankles, and just got my head bent forward, and WHACK! I hit the ground with the back of my head and shoulders at the same time, and crumpled up.

"A perfect landing, really, all things considered. If I hadn't realized the roof was there and prepared myself, I would have been just driven straight into the ground.

"As I lay on my back I realized I was safe.

"Or was I? "I was in unfamiliar territory, miles behind enemy lines, with no boots or supplies of any sort, surrounded by German

patrols, with the threat of being discovered at any moment.

"The next month would be one near escape after another. "But that's another story."

Postscript: Bob Giffin died shortly after bailing out. Earl Garland, who had been badly wounded, was taken prisoner, and spent the rest of the war in a POW camp.

Alex Campbell and the rest of his crew spent four harrowing weeks avoiding capture by the Germans before being rescued by the advancing Allies.

Mr. Campbell was back in Ontario in mid-October 1944, and married his fiancé two weeks later.



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In Flanders Fields

**In Flanders field, the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.**

**We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.**

**Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.**

During the second Battle of Ypres, a Canadian artillery officer, Lt. Alexis Helmer, was killed May 2, 1915, by an exploding shell.

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Wednesday, December 2, 2009

Public Information Meeting #2:
Tuesday, January 26, 2010

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Region releases blueprint following Aurora meeting

The Regional Municipality of York released a Long-Term Tourism Destination Development Strategy, a 10-year blueprint for tourism development in York Region following a meeting in Aurora last week.

The document was distributed to tourism industry stakeholders at the Region's Annual Tourism Conference held at the Tuscany Event Centre on Edward Street.

"This strategy is important as it provides us with a framework to assess opportunities to develop and invest in York Region's tourism infrastructure," said York Region Chairman and CEO Bill Fisch. "We are committed to ensure that tourism plays a vital role in sustaining York Region's

growth and prosperity." In York Region, overnight and same-day visitors spent \$335 million in 2007, contributing 0.4 per cent to the gross domestic product (GDP) and 0.7 per cent to employment.

York Region is on the doorstep of Canada's most important destination - the City of Toronto - which receives 20 per cent of all domestic and international visitors to Canada and 10 per cent of spending.

"Smart investments, enhanced infrastructure and improvements to the quantity and quality of tourism products and experiences will help expand our tourism attractors," said Town of East Gwillimbury Mayor Jamie Young, who is chairman of York Region's Planning and Economic Development Committee. "This strategy will guide the Region as we develop a sustainable and prosperous tourism industry over the next 10 years."

York Region's goal is to increase tourism's contribution to the Region's GDP to one per cent by 2019 and to two per cent by 2029.

That would represent tourist spending of \$1.1 billion.

According to a provincial economic impact model, spending of that magnitude would generate more than 6,000 new jobs directly related to tourism.

To obtain a copy of the Long Term Tourism Destination Development Strategy, visit www.york.ca and the Planning and Development Services webpages or contact Cathy Downard-Parmer at 905-830-4444, Ext.1552.

Aurora Seniors Bridge

Monday, November 2 - N/S: Mary Oglanby and Joan Rotenberg; Margaret Little and Betty Saley; Eva Guttman and Isobel Garrett. E/W: Carolyn Liddy and Christine Woolley; Priscilla Hull and Inger Kamel; Murray Sinclair and Don Newman.

Monday, November 9 - N/S: Mary Oglanby and Bernie O'Brien; Eva Guttman and Kay Hack; Carol Gordon and Marg Cyr. E/W: Audrey Robertson and Ev Dickie; Sandra Davey and Sylvia Thompson; Bonnie Scheel and Pat Varney.



Some of the participants in the Salvation Army Kettle Drive include, left to right, Central York firefighters Ryan Linklater, Darryl Bryan, Rusty Robinson and John Healy who collect the donations from the kettle, Councillor Bob McRoberts who is co-ordinating the Town's role, lawyer Chris Sorley, a regular volunteer who grabs attention in a musical way, Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School students Marla Szwec and Zoe Campbell-de Mercado, and Les Kerr from Williams.

Neighbourhood Network mobilizes for Kettle Drive

Neighbourhood Network is mobilizing its network of more than 1,500 community volunteers to assist the Salvation Army in Aurora with its annual Kettle Drive this year.

The Kettle Drive provides a major source of funding for the Salvation Army and has been a holiday tradition in Canada since the beginning of the 1900's.

"Neighbourhood Network will take on the task of

scheduling volunteers for the Kettle locations generously provided by businesses in Aurora," said Steve Hinder, Neighbourhood Network's Manager.

Kettle locations in Aurora include Wal-Mart, Canadian Tire, Home Depot, Metro Food Store, Real Canadian Superstore, the Brewer's Retail and the LCBO outlets located on Yonge Street and Bayview Avenue.

The Kettle Drive starts

Saturday, November 28th and runs until Thursday, December 24th.

Neighbourhood Network Ambassador Tim Jones is encouraging all Aurora residents to consider offering a few hours of their time to help with the Kettle Drive - especially students.

"It's a great way for students to go with a friend and have some fun, help others and earn community hours," said Jones.

Residents who wish to volunteer to help the Salvation Army with their major fundraiser are encouraged to call Neighbourhood Network at 905-726-3737.

A "Magna for Community" initiative, Neighbourhood Network is a non-profit organization that matches volunteers from Aurora and Newmarket with local charities and community groups.



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Christmas dinner planned at centre

By BRIAN WARBURTON

The Aurora Seniors Association (ASA), traditional Christmas dinner at the centre will be held December 11th.

The time for the Happy Hour is 5 p.m. with the dinner starting at 6 p.m.

The price is \$22 for members and \$27 for non-members.

Entertainment will begin at 6.30 p.m. and no details of who will be performing on our new staging arrangements are available yet, but I imagine that the members of the choir and of the Silver Stars will be more than equal to the occasion, performing before their many friends.

The Silver Stars, under the direction of Judy Buchanan, will perform a "Holiday Celebration" Wednesday, December 16th, at 7.30 p.m. at the centre.

This will be a performance of a variety of entertainments presented by the entertainment group, who are growing in popularity with each performance.

The entertainers often have more than one routine or act they can employ to achieve personal variety and it suits the entertainers to try new acts.

The Silver Stars performed successfully at Hollandview Trail Senior Residences recently, and are expected to broaden the horizon of locations where they perform.

Many of the Silver Stars are members of the ASA Evergreen Choir also, which suggests that getting up in front of a crowd and singing or offering other entertainment has an alluring aspect to it appealing to these performers.

Even with the existing talent, room exists with the choir for a pianist and more singers and for the Silver Stars group, more entertainers will be welcome to parade their stuff, and offer their fun making talents to a wide assortment of enthusiastic audiences.

If you can sing or tell jokes or perform skits or any routine that will entertain an audience and would like to get involved with the Silver Stars in any capacity, call Judy Buchanan at 905-841-2385.

Congratulations to Sylvia Neal who performed at the Royal York October 19th at the Chartwell Seniors All-Star Competition.

Sylvia is a member of the ASA Evergreen Choir and has an exceptionally good voice for singing.

On this occasion, Sylvia was among 10 finalists from across Canada performing in the Chartwell Seniors Housing REIT Senior Star National finals.

Thursday, November 19th, from 2 to 3 p.m., "Coach" Hewlett who is a Nutrition Consultant, will discuss a concept designed to improve health and

improve the prospects of longevity, at any age.

Everybody is invited to attend, and listen to the presentation with an open mind.

In this day of so much plenty, so often we dwell on what we want instead of what we have, and neglect opportunities to enjoy this good life.

To address the issue of neglected opportunities, the ASA hosted an Open House event Friday, and it was as successful as hoped and informs us that seniors will attend the centre when encouraged.

A remark reported to me recently by one of the ASA front counter staff, indicated that even to this day, a few non-members fail to understand that the ASA is a community centre composed mainly of enthusiastic seniors who are active socially and who engage in leisure pursuits of every description.

The ASA members are into creating, living and maintaining senior life of high quality, for personal satisfaction and for those with whom they socialize.

To help draw new members to the ASA, we need to get the word out to every senior in every corner of Aurora.

The centre is replete with an enormous diversity of programs and activities designed carefully to keep members immersed in activities which provide satisfaction.

When new members join, they should visit the centre often enough to develop a good comprehension through experience and understanding of how the senior environment can elevate lives to higher levels.

That is difficult to achieve in one or two visits, but after more visits, imperceptibly a feeling of belonging becomes apparent, and then a true feeling of belonging is achieved.

First impressions can be wonderful, but it is the lasting impressions established by sufficiency of attendance that forges the undisputable feeling of being linked to many others, generating the intangible qualities of camaraderie and belonging to a group.

To deal with lunchtime hunger, the ASA kitchen staff of volunteers offers the Budget Bistro program to refuel empty senior stomachs every Wednesday, from noon until 1 p.m.

November 25th, the menu will consist of chicken noodle soup, devilled egg on croissant, followed by dessert, coffee or tea.

Time well spent is quality time and good food in the company of good people is always quality time. When good food is available with good friends to share it; good times grow naturally from the union of these two vital ingredients.

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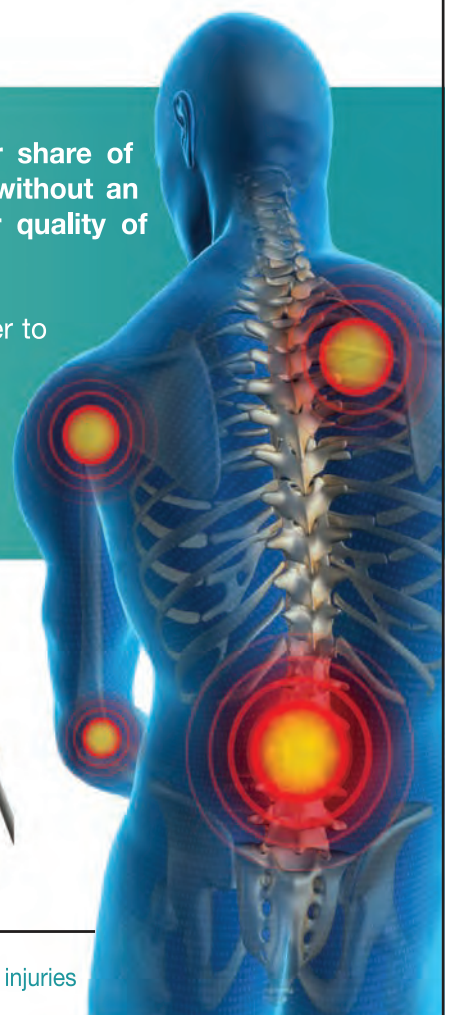
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