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Recount ordered

Based on the lack of a test, the Town of Aurora will recount all ballots cast election day.

The recount, which many feel will not change a thing, will take place Thursday, beginning at 9 a.m. in the Council Chambers, according to Town Clerk Bob Panizza.

Council voted 6-3 to conduct the recount, after it was pointed out by unsuccessful mayoralty candidate Homer Farsad, that a tabulation test had not been conducted on the town's newly installed computer system.

Resident Ben Kestey, who, along with Farsad, also asked for the recount, said he had checked with neighbouring municipal clerks about the use and the testing of the electronic voting equipment, including the tabulators.

He claimed Aurora had not tested the tabulators, which he

found disturbing and not the way to hold an election, as it left a sense of mistrust and the unknown.

Panizza told council members there appeared to be some misconceptions as to the testing of the equipment, as a complete check had been carried out through testing, including the tabulators.

He said cards had been run through each of the 20 machines four times and the results identified. He explained that under the Municipal Election Act, council could order a recount but it was to be carried out in the same manner as the count on

election night.

For a manual recount of the ballots, it was necessary for the person requesting the recount to apply to a district court judge who could decide the manner of the recount.

Forsad stressed that the tabulators needed to be tested, as tabulation was the same as counting.

He said the town owed it to the people who voted to assure them that the count was done properly, as mistakes can happen or there could be corruption.

Councillor Evelina MacEachern said there was a need to test the

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Councillors are all wet

Living down rumours that they're already wet, some members of Aurora Council plan to get truly wet next week.

Urged on by Aurora swimmer Nancy Black, councillors were invited to participate in a fundraiser this Sunday to support a British girl who suffered burns to 90 per cent of her body in a house fire before she reached the age of two.

She lost her hands, toes, ears, nose and nearly all her skin, and has had 16 operations in the last three years.

The swimming fund-raiser began when three friends agreed to swim the distance of the English Channel to raise money.

They e-mailed a few friends looking for donations, and suddenly the fund-raiser took off.

Currently swims are being held for the little girl in 70 countries around the world, and Aurora's Master Ducks, moved by the story, decided to get involved.

Black, a coach for the swim team, invited councillors to swim two kilometers (about 80 lengths of the St. Andrew's College swimming pool where the event will take place) either as individuals or as a relay team.

So far, only Councillors Damir Vrancic and Ron Wallace have expressed an interest, although Wallace admitted to his skepticism.

"Me in a bathing suit is not a pretty sight," he warned Black.

The activity will take place Sunday morning, between 8.30 and 10 a.m.

Master Ducks promised to provide oxygen as required.



By Saturday afternoon, Aurora's Sheppard's Bush looked like a Christmas card, but the storm that preceded the lovely day knocked out residential power and traffic lights throughout the community. The dump of snow kept road crews busy throughout Friday night and Saturday morning and police responded to the usual rash of mishaps.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

Briefly

Kettles begin to boil

If you have a few minutes to help your neighbour, Aurora Councillor John West would like to hear from you.

Once again, the veteran councillor is involved with the annual Salvation Army Kettle Drive and he's looking for help.

Interested participants are being asked to donate a couple of hours over the weekends between now and Christmas, and Monday to Wednesday, Dec. 22-24. Kettles will appear beginning this weekend.

You'd guard the kettles, set up at strategic locations throughout Aurora.

If this sounds like a Christmas present you'd like to give, call the Town Office at 905-727-3123, extension 260, and book a few time slots.

Time to get lit

In case you were under the impression (as we were) that there would be no Christmas light competition in Aurora this year, well, it's not true.

Julie Geering, the town's special events co-ordinator, advises the judges will be in your neighbourhood Wednesday, Dec. 10, to find the best decorated home.

Five winners will be selected and they will receive gift certificates from various Aurora businesses.

If you would like your place scrutinized prior to judgment night, or if you wish to nominate a neighbour, call Julie at 905-727-3123, extension 530, and pass along the address.



In spite of the inclement weekend weather, the annual Pine Tree Potters Guild sale at St. Andrew's Golf Club was deemed a success. Here, Cathy Harris, left, and Lisa Frandsen-Burton admire some of the work on sale.

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COMING EVENTS IN AURORA

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Queen's York Rangers Army Cadet Corps camping, canoeing, first aid, orienteering in two to six week camps for males & females 12 to 18. Call 905-726-8600.

Co-Dependents Anonymous, every Tuesday, Aurora United Church, 15186 Yonge Street, Aurora. 7.30 p.m.

Until mid-December members of the Aurora Senior Art Group are exhibiting more than 20 paintings in the lobby of the Newmarket Theatre.

Until April 15th winter on-street parking restrictions in effect to enable snow plowing crews to clear the roadways.

DECEMBER 6

York Strings Chamber Orchestra with Tony Browning conducting will present the opening concert of the winter season at Trinity Anglican Aurora.

Dinner and a movie for all 11 to 14-year-olds at the Aurora Community Centre Auditorium. Cost is \$3. Begins at 7 p.m. and ends around 9 p.m. For more information call 905-727-3123 extension 528.

DECEMBER 7

Christmas at Hillary House from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Admission \$5 for adults and \$3 for accompanied children 12 and under. The house will be decorated by members of the Aurora Garden and Horticultural Society. There will be music and carol-singing in the ballroom, crafts for the children and refreshments. Call 905-727-8991 for further information.

The Aurora Masters Ducks Swim Club will hold a Swim for Terri at St. Andrew's College from 8:30 to 10 a.m. to raise funds for Terri Calvesbert, a young British girl who suffered burns to 90 per cent of her body. Call Nancy Black at 905-726-3825 for further information.

DECEMBER 9

Third workshop for parents of school-aged children "Promoting Positive Body Image", Aurora Public Library, 7 p.m. Lebovic Room. Pre-register 905-727-9493. Presented in conjunction with York Region Health Services.

DECEMBER 11

Aurora Seniors Annual Christmas Luncheon will be held at the Aurora Legion, Industrial Parkway North at noon. Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members, which includes entertainment, dancing, door prizes and holiday fun. Some tickets are available at the Seniors' Centre.

DECEMBER 13

York Highlands Rhythm and Sound Showcase Chorus presents "Holiday Cheer" at Trinity Anglican Church, at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Event will feature the Trinity Barton Handbell Choir. Further information at 905-895-5595.

Enjoy an evening of stories and music with the Hillary House Players at 7:30 p.m. Call 905-727-8991 for ticket information.

DECEMBER 14

Aurora United Church presents "Carols By Candlelight" at the church, at 7.30 p.m. Nursery and toddler care available. Wheelchair accessible.

Santa arrives at the Aurora Seniors' Centre from 2 to 4 p.m. It's an afternoon designed for grandparents and their grandchildren filled with activities, face painting, snacks, music and fun. Cost is \$10 per family of four or \$3 per person. Grandchildren must be accompanied by a grandparent. Call 905-727-2816 for details.

DECEMBER 15

Celebrate the holiday season with the Aurora Seniors for their Annual Christmas Tea. Enjoy sandwiches, pickle tray, cheese tray, apple cider and Christmas goodies, all for \$5. Festivities start at 11:30 a.m. Call 905-727-2816 for details.

DECEMBER 17

Fourth of a 10-part monthly series of free computer workshops "Peer-To-Peer Sharing: Legality and How To" at the Aurora Public Library, 7 p.m., Lebovic Room. Register online, at the Adult Information Desk or 905-727-9493. Presented in conjunction with Aurora Cable Internet.

Enjoy the Christmas lights of Aurora as you tour the town with the Aurora Seniors. It starts at the Community Centre at 7 p.m. with a light snack served on the bus. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. Sign up at the Seniors Centre.

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Aurora girl wins Irish Dancing Canadian title

By **CHRISTINE WOODLEY**

Jackie Dixon loves to dance.

Recently, the 18-year-old Aurora girl won the Canadian Irish Dance Championships for her age group.

Held in Montreal, Jackie's level featured 20 competitors. After two rounds, the remaining girls were ranked from bottom to top. After learning she made the top three, Jackie was ecstatic.

"I've been stuck in 4th or 5th for the past few competitions, so I was just glad to crack the top three. I wasn't even thinking about winning," she says.

But win she did. And her victory automatically qualifies her for the North American Championships next July in Philadelphia.

Other Aurora girls who qualified include Haley Kirk

and Claire Feltrin.

By age 18, many girls have drifted away from Irish dancing as their lives

become filled with college or university.

Jackie, who attends Centennial College, is

happy that so far she's been able to juggle both.

"Many girls who leave dance really miss it. I can't

imagine not doing it - I can't stop moving my feet!" she explains.

And, by teaching dance

several times a week, she's turned a 14-year passion into a great part time job as well.



Jackie Dixon

Chamber contest has good news, bad news

There's good news and bad news if you enter the Chamber of Commerce "Ugliest Room in Aurora" contest.

The good news is: you might win the contest and get a \$2,000 makeover of the ugly room.

The bad news is: if you don't win, everyone attending the annual Aurora Home Show in April will see your ugly room, because its picture will be displayed in the Chamber's booth.

Chamber officials, looking for new and innovative ideas for the 18th annual show, April 23 to 25, believe the risk of showing the room to everyone in town is worth it, since the prize is so lucrative.

"If you win, you'll get a whole new room," Manager Rosalyn Gonsalves said.

Rules for entering are simple, she said.

Take a couple of clear, colour photographs and get them in before March 30. Pay the \$5 entry fee (which you get back in the form of a \$5 voucher which gets you into the show for free). Finally, submit all the pertinent information.

Ten finalists will be

selected and those photos will be displayed at the Home Show.

The public attending the show will then be asked to vote for the ugliest room.

Judges selecting the finalists will be looking for ugliness of overall design and fabric pattern; offensiveness of

colour; and inappropriateness of the combination of fabric, colour and design as it relates to any period in the recent history of furniture.

In other words, "tacky" should rule the day.

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Poor
Richard

Use of election signs should be curtailed

*Election controls are needed,
Before the next election is here,
The number of signs was staggering,
Making the cost of running dear!*
-Poor Richard's Scrapbook

As the Town of Aurora continues to expand, it has become increasingly apparent that there is a need to regulate the municipal electoral process. That should be clear to anyone in town during last month's municipal election.

The proliferation of signs for the November election was the greatest ever, as there didn't seem to be a single street untouched.

This is one good reason to limit the number of signs per candidate and to regulate areas where they can be posted.

The sheer number of signs combined with the damage to them by stormy weather and vandalism created visual pollution.

One solution would be to limit signs to private property only, but this would make it difficult for new candidates to challenge incumbents, as they need a means of obtaining name recognition.

Another solution might be to set aside certain areas of town-owned property, away from intersections, entrances to schools, parks etc. and permit each candidate to post one sign of a maximum size at each location.

This would prevent candidates from plastering signs on every street in town.

Municipalities have no power to prohibit signs due to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, but they can regulate the locations where they can be placed.

The Supreme Court of Canada ruled that a City of Peterborough bylaw prohibiting the posting of all signs on public property was invalid.

The control of election signs would also have another benefit, as it would limit one of the biggest expenses associated with running for office.

Because candidates wouldn't be trying to outdo each other with signs, the number of signs on the street would be reduced and the cost to the candidate less.

For the 1974 election, incumbent Councillor Norm Stewart did not use election signs as part of his campaign, as he said they did nothing to add to the campaign and were unsightly.

He was re-elected without any difficulty.

The rural Town of Mono, near Orangeville, has an election rule that works - no election signs.

It's not a bylaw, just a gentleman's agreement. As all-candidate meetings are well attended, signs were not considered necessary.

There is no evidence election signs encourage citizens to vote since only 33 per cent of electors went to the polls, even though the new electronic voting system was designed to encourage more people to use their franchise.

Election signs may be important, especially for new candidates, but they are expensive, and some developers are only too happy to help pay for them.

Most are quite discreet about their offering, but back in 1986 one local developer wrote to all candidates offering a donation.

Let's face it, when a developer donates money to a candidate's election campaign, it is normally because it may be necessary to have friends on council.

Elections should be fought, not bought.

Current provincial legislation limits corporations from donating more than \$750 to candidates and candidates are required to reveal their financial backers, but only after the election.

Elected representatives claim developers' donations have no bearing on how they vote, but residents are often suspicious, especially when approval is given by council for a development over the objections of neighbouring residents.

The issue of developers' contributions to municipal politicians and good planning should be reviewed by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs in partnership with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

One possibility might be that the election financial statement filed by all candidates be published in the local press, so that citizens could monitor the relationship between development approval and developers' contributions to individual members of council.

A good start in controlling costs would be in controlling the number and size of election signs. Otherwise elections will be limited to candidates who are either wealthy or in the pockets of developers.



Our changing town

Stand at the corner of Mosley and Victoria Streets and look west. What you see today is much different from the view around 1900, although the church building is the same. At that time, though, it was the Methodist Church. Mosley was aligned so that the Methodist (now Aurora United) would be at its head. It was different then before traffic, heavy wires, and hydro poles began to take their toll.

Letters to the Editor

Handouts go to aggressors

To the editor,

The weather couldn't have been better for our recent Santa Claus Parade.

I'd like to thank all of the organizations and companies who took the time to create the lovely floats, music and decorations.

I really enjoyed the parade, yet I'm not sure my children did.

Here's what happened: some well meaning presenters at the beginning of the parade were handing out candy canes. Because they had to keep moving, only a few of the children in our group received one, and the younger ones were perplexed as to why they were not given a treat.

This continued with almost every group handing out something as they walked along, advertising fliers, candies, etc.

I noticed that all of the children began to watch intently for those walking with bags. They sat or stood with their hands outstretched, looking for a handout of some kind. The older, more

vocal children next to us showed our boys, 3 and 6, that if you are loud and demanding, you get more "stuff".

I tried to explain to our group that the parade is about the music, floats and waiting for Santa.

I tried to explain to them that they had enough, and, in fact, had not yet finished their Hallowe'en treats yet.

I tried, in vain, to ask them to try not to be greedy, not call out for more.

My kids were so intent with "getting" that Santa's arrival was quite uneventful indeed.

I'd like to ask the organizers and participants in next year's parade to consider banning the handing out of items during the parade.

Some people may think I'm a bit of a Scrooge, and yes there are larger societal problems to be tackled, but I really feel that our children are over marketed.

It would be nice if next year, Aurora's children were content with the gift of the colour, creativity, lights, music and excitement of the parade itself.

Leslie Walsh
Aurora

Group plans silent auction

To the editor,

On Friday, Dec. 12, the Canadian Hearing Society located in the Weston Produce Plaza at 16655 Yonge St., Unit #3, Newmarket, is holding a silent auction from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The proceeds from the auction will benefit the deaf, deafened and hard of hear-

ing clients who live in York Region.

If you require further information about the auction please call Judy Michel at the office at 905-715-7511 or the TTY number 905-898-6646.

Your support at our event is greatly appreciated.

Brian Jones
Simcoe York
CHS Volunteer

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Mayor's Report

By Tim Jones

It's great to be back...

First and foremost, many thanks for your support in the recent election.

Although disappointed at the election turnout (33 per cent), I respect the messages that were evident to me and will work with the incoming council to address them.

It's great to be able to voice my opinion again through the auspices of the folks at the Auroran.

Conversely, the break was also nice, for as Cathy pointed out in her column 'Cathy's Corner', Nov. 18, deadlines are not cool, and the Auroran needs our columns on weekly deadlines before press time each week!

Congratulations to Cathy for humouring us every week with 'Cathy's Corner'.

I really enjoy the opportunity to read something that isn't contentious and that can direct us to reflect and/or bring a smile to our face.

From my point of view, she didn't need to say that she was assuming the responsibility of acting in the absence of my column as she wrote her column.

She has demonstrated her talents in such an entertaining and credible way, I was wondering if I was going to be asked back! Thanks Auroran, for accommodating us both!

I thought I would start out this term by explaining my objective in writing my column.

It is actually quite simple, to try and communicate on issues in Aurora, whether through voicing my point of view which may or may not be shared with others or challenging the viewpoints of others.

I do not set out to upset anyone, simply share my viewpoints or give fact to issues that may be out in the public domain.

Hopefully this will encourage readers to respond with their points of view and who knows, it is okay for me or you to change viewpoints if we learn new information that persuades us to do so.

It's called being flexible and open to the opinions of others.

As indicated, I was shocked with the voter turnout - 33 per cent.

With the success of the Auroran and what I perceived to be a huge increase in local issue awareness, I am confused as to why more people, armed with this knowledge, wouldn't have chosen to participate in our election.

I'd be interested in your thoughts on this. Even though, as Poor Richard observed in his editorial Nov. 18, the voters elected for change on council, they chose three former members with experience and only one brand new candidate.

I am encouraged by the strength that we will have going into this new term, and couldn't agree more with Dick's call for teamwork.

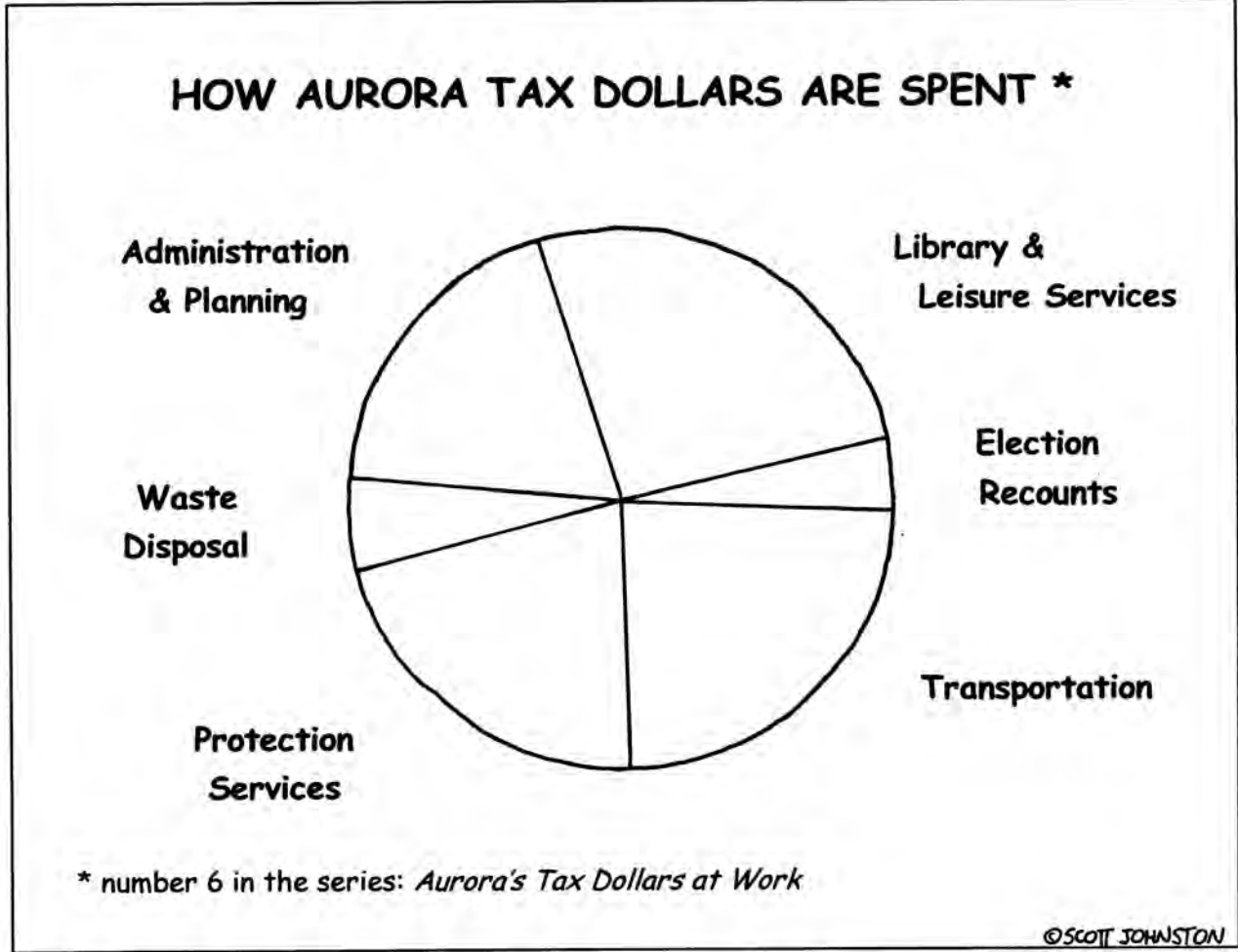
But as I found out last term, all councillors must dedicate themselves to the team they were elected to serve on to get the job done.

We have a duty to trust our colleagues and respect the opinions they bring to the table when done in an honest and positive manner.

We have a responsibility to those who elected us and that is through working together at the council table to express our viewpoints, receive technical information from staff and vote on policy that will guide staff to meeting those objectives.

I begin this new term with enthusiasm and a renewed hope that council collectively will perform these duties to the overall benefit of Aurora.

If you see something in this column that you wish to respond to, I welcome your comments, either through the paper, to the Town Hall by mail - Box 1000, Aurora, Ontario, L4G 6J1 or e-mail at tjones@town.aurora.on.ca



Letters to the Editor

Why must we prove innocence?

To the editor,

Further to my letter re the staggering increase in property value, I have followed up with MPAC, as well as with the Town of Aurora. Thank you for your suggestions.

I was assured by the Town of Aurora (if I'm not mistaken) that any increase of 13 per cent or higher in the new assessment value would not result in a huge tax increase.

I am a little baffled though by the procedure I have to follow.

It seems the onus is on the property owner to go through great pains to prove to MPAC that an error in assessment has occurred.

I think that the idea behind this is that as the red tape is so horrific, homeowners will forget about it and not bother to follow up.

When market value for assessment purposes was introduced a number of years ago, I attended a committee of adjustment hearing.

Present were a number of lawyers representing CN Rail. They were arguing that the CN property assessment

was too high. They won...

Other residents with no legal representation did not fare so well.

Nobody got their assessment lowered.

At that time I came away with the feeling that as a taxpayer you were guilty until you proved yourself innocent.

UC Chordsmen enjoy another sold out show

To the editor,

We, the Upper Canada Chordsmen, wish to thank all those who supported us buying tickets and advertising our show program for our recent Harmony Showcase 2003, a Barbershop and Variety Show at Newmarket Theatre, Saturday, November 8.

This was our 10th anniversary show and we were fortunate in the talent we had shaping our show: Bill C'EST JAZZ, a vocal jazz ensemble from Huron Heights Secondary

cent.

Mr. Dick Illingworth felt the same way at the time.

There was no way you could argue with this tribunal.

Holy shades of déjà vu, according to MPAC, I have to prove to them that they are wrong with the assessment and have to prove that I am

right by not agreeing to their assessment values.

By rights, should it not be the other way around in a country where you are innocent until proven guilty?

Tom van den Elshout
Aurora

School; A.M. Dance Force, an award winning dance group who danced the songs while we sang; and Mirage, an award winning barbershop quartet.

From the audience's reaction, everyone seemed to be having a good time in a sold out house.

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May we wish you and yours all the joys of the holiday season and a happy and safe 2004.

We sing that they shall speak.

John Parker
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Cathy's Corner



Tuesday ritual upset by renos

Once upon a time, I had a Tuesday morning ritual.

I would pick up a copy of the Auroran, fresh off the press.

Then, I would pick up a Tim Horton's coffee, fresh off the drive-thru. Then, I would go home to a quiet, empty house and read my favourite paper and drink my favourite coffee. It was peaceful.

I would read from cover to cover, and yup, I would read my column, too. Just to see how many more times Ron managed to insert the word "Aurora" into it. That man is obsessed.

But things have changed now.

Colloquially known as "renovating", this masochistic activity has taken over my life and erased any and all semblance of peacefulness from my end of Aurora.

Forget about the quiet, empty house. Imagine the Aurora Community Centre during the Home Show with all of the exhibitors featuring jackhammers. And giving free demonstrations.

Twelve years ago, some rocket scientist told the previous owners of our house that the floor joists could support not one, but TWO ceramic floors.

So they just laid the new kitchen floor on top of the old one. This is how the jackhammer came to live with us.

My brain and my skull have to stop meeting like this.

I've considered approaching "Survivor" to do a show here in Aurora. My house makes the Australian Outback look like a luxury vacation spot.

It's even booby trapped: wet plaster, wet paint and a wet dog for starters.

And for those who survive these hazards, we have toe stubbers guaranteed to plant your face in some nice fresh wet cement. Don't bother washing it off. Tony (the amazing tile guy) says it chips off easier when it's dry.

Our nonexistent laundry facilities have forced me to test Tony's theory. These days, I chip away until I recover enough mobility to step into shower with my clothes on.

Sometimes, I can't tell if my muscles are stiff or if it's just

my clothes.

We're talking drywall mud, cement mud and, of course, anything the dog walks through.

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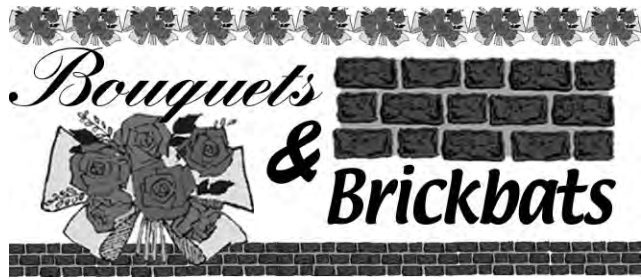
And the backsplash tiles were fused to the wall. They must have used the same glue that holds the space shuttle together.

Needless to say, I'm exhausted. But I no longer go to sleep. I simply pass out.

Now, on Tuesdays, I beg Damir to bring me home a copy of the Auroran, fresh from his office.

Then, I sweet talk Tony (the amazing tile guy) into bringing me a Tim Horton's, fresh from Bradford. I go find my earplugs and cozy up in the basement with my Auroran.

Then, I read from cover to cover, just like in the good old days. And yup, I read my column too. Just to see if I wrote one.



Bouquets & Brickbats
By DICK ILLINGWORTH

BOUQUETS to Councillor George Timpson, all members of the Special Events committee, and all the other helpers who organized the Aurora Santa Claus parade and all the groups who participated in it. It was one of the longest and best and will be hard to beat. **BOUQUETS** also to the staff at Howard Johnson Aurora for supplying free hot chocolate to parade viewers.

BRICKBATS to those at the LCBO for spending hundreds of thousands of dollars for the colourful holiday catalogue on glossy paper promoting their products, while taxpayers have to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars for RIDE vehicles to catch drunk drivers. It doesn't make much sense!

BOUQUETS to Amy Timpson of the Dr. G. W. Williams Secondary School Student Council for setting the record straight on the Halloween Trick or Eat Program by the Meal Exchange. It was obviously a mistake in timing as it was understood students would be around later in the evening.

MORE BOUQUETS to the Student Council for participating in the project. They collected more than 2,000 pounds of food for the Aurora Food Pantry. It's unfortunate more advance publicity wasn't available. Maybe next time?

BRICKBATS to the Aurora Traffic Safety Board for failing to take corrective action regarding traffic safety due to parking on the south side of Kennedy Street East and on both sides of Gurnett Street south of Kennedy. Also what-ever happened to the number of parking spaces required for a medical building?

BOUQUETS to Ilana Weissberger for playing such a prominent role in the successful season for the Dr. G. W. Williams Secondary School senior girls' basketball squad and being selected the school's female athlete of the year.

BRICKBATS to York Regional Police for failing to take action to get monster transport trucks off residential streets like Cousins Drive. Following a complaint to Aurora Council more than a year ago requesting police to monitor the area, nothing happened. The trucks are still there and the police are conspicuous by their absence. What happened to Safe Streets, Nice Neighbourhoods?

BOUQUETS to the Masonic Rising Sun Lodge of Aurora for sponsoring the Max Deane Memorial Golf Tournament and raising \$1,000 for the District Charity for the Cochlear Research and Transplant Program at the Hospital for Sick Children.

BRICKBATS to those in the federal government for giving away \$3 million of hard-earned taxpayers' dollars to subsidize the Montreal Grand Prix, after the federal anti-tobacco legislation caused tobacco companies to withdraw their sponsorship. It may be good for Montreal but what about the rest of the county?

BOUQUETS to the McGuinty Liberal government for planning to make radical changes to the controversial Ontario Municipal Board, in order to make it more responsive in protecting the environment and urban sprawl.

BOUQUETS to Aurora's Jaime Anderson and her brother Robert, who last week held a joint birthday party - Jaime turning nine in December and Robert 10 in October. In lieu of accepting gifts, they chose to donate ALL their gifts to the Women's Centre of York Region in support of the Centre's Toy Drive. More than 50 toys were delivered to the Women's Centre this week, launching that organization's annual appeal.

BOUQUETS to Aurora's Flowers by Terry again. For the past several years Terry has donated 35 corsages and bou-tonnieres for our annual event, Access to Success. Proceeds benefit our charity of choice - About Face (providing support for children with cranio-facial anomalies). This year's event is Tuesday, Dec. 9, at the Sheraton Centre Toronto.

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Letters to the Editor

Hand-counting ballots only sure way-Farsad

To the editor,

No method, the MIT/Cal Tech study conceded, worked more reliably than hand-counting paper ballots.

Dr. Rebecca Mercuri, a research fellow at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, a specialist in voting systems and the Security experts, three from John Hopkins University and a colleague from Rice University, in addition to thousands of other technology gurus, agree with the above statement.

How would you have voted if you had a chance? I know I would have voted against the tabulators and would have voted dead against the touch screen voting units.

How is it that the more we learn about software, the more we turn against it? Simply put, every software has a bug in it; some benign, some harmful. The companies pay someone to constantly audit or repair their systems.

So The Town of Aurora could count 9,000 ballots by hand in about an hour at a cost of about \$600 and possibly have few counting mistakes happening along the way.

Over four elections it would cost us roughly \$3000 (adding growth and inflation) and this would take us up to the 2018 election.

Instead, the Town purchased 22 tabulators at a

cost of \$3,200 each and four touch screen voting units at a cost of about \$5,000 each.

Add the cost of some software, service and applicable taxes, we are over \$100,000. Now divide that by four elections and we pay an extra \$25,000 for each election, providing the old technology holds up.

Every municipality that uses these units does a tremendous amount of testing. In the case of Pickering they tested their 32 tabulators for two days straight even though they had used them in previous elections.

We, on the other hand, did not perform a thorough test of these units and they could have counted properly, or they could not have, and we would never know, if the ballots were sealed for 90 days and then destroyed.

At a council meeting last Tuesday, I voiced my concerns on relying on the results of tabulator units that had not been tested for tabulation function.

The discussion started with Evelina MacEachern and a motion was advanced by Councillor Damir Vrancic to have the units tested in a verifiable way, to have the corresponding ballots to each assigned tabulator run through.

This motion was approved by Councillors Nigel Kean, Ron Wallace, Dave Griffith and George Timpson to give the electors peace of mind that their votes were

counted properly and assigned to the candidate of their choice.

Mayor Tim Jones is on a recorded vote as voting no to a recount, saying it is a waste of the taxpayers' money. This time, you do the math.

The Municipal Act contains no penalties for hand counting the votes to carry out

the wishes of the majority and saving money at the same time.

For those who need to see the magic of technology I suggest you visit the site www.wheresthepaper.org and cast your paperless vote and see the results.

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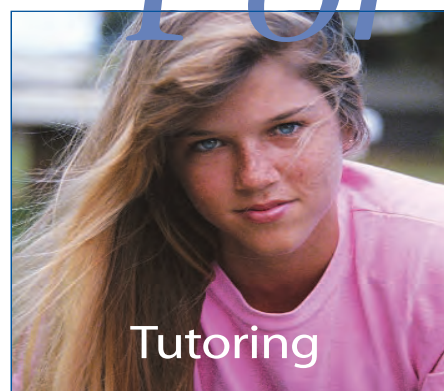
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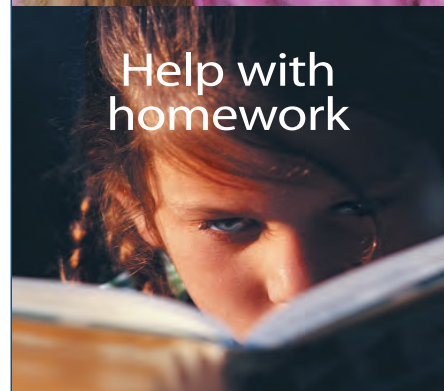
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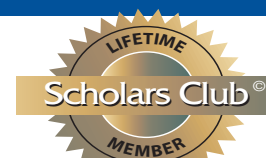


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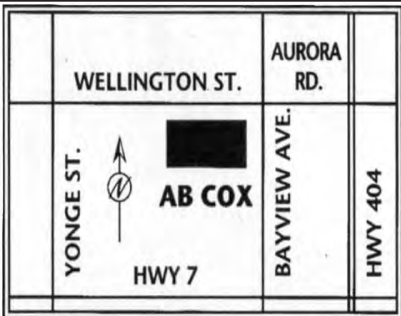
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Tigers beef up squad for playoffs

By TYLER NORWOOD

The Aurora Tigers Junior A hockey team wanted to acquire a backup goalie to Chris Whitley before the playoffs arrived.

Last week, they finally did something about it.

Luke Oshell, the latest addition to the Tigers lineup, flaunted a 2.23 goals against average and a .923 save percentage last season with the North Bay

Skyhawks, along with a 20-6-0 record.

In addition, the Tigers welcomed Greg Carrigan back to the team.

Carrigan served as Assistant Coach last season and helped the Tigers in their quest for the Provincial championship.

It may be pure speculation to suggest the Tigers are reinforcing their armour in preparation for this year's playoff showdown.

But it's a safe bet Aurora doesn't want to find itself in the same position as last season, when Whitley was tossed from the final series against the Wellington Dukes, and Aurora's back-up goalie was placed in a pressure-cooker.

Meanwhile, Aurora, with only one loss so far this season, continued its winning ways Sunday.

Tigers travelled to North York for an afternoon engagement with the Rangers and while the going was tough, they managed to pull themselves out of it and celebrated a 4-1 victory, their fifth in a row.

The first period was scoreless but not without some glorious chances by both teams.

Whitley had to stop seven shots but the Tigers fired twice that number against the beleaguered Rangers goaltender.

Jesse Olden began the second period in sound fashion with a breakaway but the quick glove-hand of the Rangers goaltender stole a sure goal.

Corey LeClair pounced on a miscue by the Rangers defense, 25 seconds later, and scored on a two-on-none.

Olden made up for the missed chance earlier in the period with a highlight-reel goal, through 15 minutes of play. Jeff Gilbert and Sean Scully earned assists on the Tigers' second goal of the game.

Fewer than five minutes into the third period, the Rangers beat Whitley, to bring them within a goal of tying the game - but Francis

Walker had other ideas.

The Quebec native deflated North York with a goal 90 seconds later to give the visitors a 3-1 lead.

Michael Tonelli capped off the game with his 13th goal of the season.

The regularly scheduled game Friday night at the Aurora Community Centre against Huntsville was cancelled due to the leave of absence taken by the northern team more than three weeks ago.

Huntsville, winless in the season, decided to call it quits, regroup, then return to the league next year.

Every opponent between now and the end of the season is awarded a 1-0 victory.

Last Monday night, the Tigers travelled to Thornhill to take on the Islanders for the second time this season.

Walker intended to lead the Tigers, and he made sure everyone watching knew it.

With two power play goals to his credit in the first period, Walker immediately asserted himself. Tonelli added a single to the total.

Thornhill scored soon after Walker's last goal but it would be all they could muster.

The Tigers took full control in the second.

Joel Kitchen got the first goal and LeClair added another three minutes later.

Four minutes after that, Walker completed the hat trick.

Rookie forward, Doug Henderson finished off the Tigers' scoring for the night with six minutes left and


handed Walker his fourth point.

In the third, the 7-1 lead proved insurmountable for Thornhill as the struggling team failed to mount more than 10 shots.

Tigers' next game is at

home Friday night at 8 p.m. as they host the Couchiching Terriers.

On Sunday, the Tigers will travel to Ajax for a 3 p.m. game, before heading out to Vaughan Monday night for a 7:15 p.m. game.



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Celebrations

With the election behind him, Aurora Mayor Tim Jones returned to his "Official Store Opening" duties recently, and in one case, attended an anniversary party. In the photo at left, the mayor joins family members and supporters of Tomomi and Daniel Wang (inset) as they open their new business, Charming Accents, in the plaza at the corner of Wellington Street East and John West Way. Members of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce were also on hand for the event. Meanwhile, below, Mayor Jones shares cake with Mailboxes Etc., owners John Leonard, left, and Brian Smith, as they celebrated Mailboxes' 10th year in its Aurora location in the Hunter's Gate Plaza at Yonge and Dunning.

Auroran photos by Ron Wallace and Bob Ince

Baggett president

Marion Baggett was elected president of the Aurora Probus Club when annual elections were held recently.

She replaces Doug Andrew.

Also on the new executive are Tom Rideout, vice-president; Marilyn Munslow, secretary and Jim Liddy, treasurer.

Bill Dies, Ron Canham and June Worsdale will make up the social committee, while Bob Staley, Daisy Hurst and Doug Andrew will handle the program.

The Aurora Probus Club has been set up for retired and semi-retired professional and business persons, and currently has about 85 members.

The group meets monthly at the Aurora Legion on Industry Street North.

For further information, call the president at 905-727-6562 or Al Davie at 905-727-9143.

VOJ performs

The Voices of Joy Community Choir will once again perform the readings of "A Christmas Carol" in Aurora this season.

The group will appear at Trinity Anglican Church on Victoria Street at 2.30 p.m. this Sunday. They will team up with the Trinity Barton Handbell Choir.

Tickets to the Charles Dickens classic are \$10 plus a donation to the food bank.

For further information, call 905-726-2117.



CORRECTION NOTICE

Please be advised that the Ring In & Win Pontiac ad appearing in this newspaper throughout the second 2 weeks of November should not have listed the engine as 2.8L on the Pontiac Vibe. This is incorrect and should have read 1.8L. The Ontario Pontiac Dealers and their advertising partners apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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House League
League Games

101 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (Green) 7: Jack Caldwell 5G, Bryden Beswick 1G, Ben Tomlin 1G, Charles Sandler 1A. **110 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (Teal) 4:** Brenden Lukezic 2G, Matthew Sanita 1G, Annie Johnson 1G.

108 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (Maroon) 8: Connor Cowl 5G, Connor Graham 1G 1A, Joshua Wilson 1G 1A, Kyle Strachan 1G. **104 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (Royal) 7:** Robin Creighton 4G, Quentin Campbell 1G, Ryan McGolrick 1G, Alec Ground 1G, Paul Neophytou 2A.

102 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (Black) 5: Spencer Green 3G 1A, Parker Baile 1G, Dakota Stone 1G, Matthew Reynolds 1A. **105 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (White) 1:** Jamie Wilson 1G, Ian Dunlop 1A.

107 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (Grey) 6: Konner McMillan 3G, Adrian Ramirez 1G, Timothy Pare 1G, Evan Jackson 1G, John MacDonald 4A, Landon Kirby 1A. **103 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (Red) 5:** Tyler Kozak 2G, Erik Balkovec 2G, Matthew Iwai 1G, Ryan Manson 1A.

109 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (Orange) 3: Branden Fennell 1G, Austin Lane 1G, Liam Beresford 1G, Kevin Willert 1A. **106 TIM HORTON'S - TIMBITS (Gold) 2:** Graham Robinson 1G, Sean Foxwell 1G, Brett Thiessen 1A.

306 PHARMASAVE 3: Royce Kirby 1G, Jordan Caruso 1G, Kevin Lukezic 1G, Shannon Cross 1A, Kyle Coughlin 1A, Matthew Maceachern 1A. **305 JUNIOR TIGERS 5:** Graham Joiner 2G, Wade Macfarlane 1G 1A, Andrew Gibbs 1A, Evan Foxwell 1G, Josh Hubble 1G, Madison Schaefer 1A.

303 SUPREME COLLISION CENTRE 3: Jack Angela 2G, Brendan Kirasack 1G, Braedon MacKenzie 2A, Daniel Moriarity, shutout. **301 TILE-MASTER 0.**

302 WWW.MASTERMINDTOYS.COM 5: Kasey Piper 3G, Joseph Romano 1G 1A, Ward Benn 1G 1A, Josh Ashfield 1A, Ryan Peace 1A, Mike Mildon 1A. **304 McALPINE FORD LINCOLN 2:** Brendan Beresford 1G 1A, Jack Straw 1A, Shane Arcangeli 1A.

303 SUPREME COLLISION CENTRE 7: Eric Feltrin 1G, Brendan Kirasack 2G, Jeremy Warner 1A, Ryan Dal Cin 2G, Bradeon Mackenzie 1A Vincent Duggan 2G Andrew Buchanan 1A. **306 PHARMASAVE 4:** Kevin Lukezic 2G, Nick Reinhold 1G, Royce Kirby 1G, Adam Pitt 1A, Stephen Cantarutti 1A.

305 JUNIOR TIGERS 5: Madison Schaefer 2G 1A, Wade Macfarlane 1G 1A, Andrew Gibbs 1G, Cody Rundle-Sanderson 1G, Graham Joiner 1A, Francesco Vallecorsa 1A. 302 **WWW.MASTER-MIND.COM 1:** Zachary Cook 1G, Alex Cackirovski 1A.

301 TILEMASTER 5: Brian Tree 1G 1A, Jean Paul Hudon 2G 1A, Gregory Morihoutis 1G, Zack Pyle 1A, Nic Theodorpoulos 1G, Eamon Reilly 1A. **304 McALPINE FORD LINCOLN 1:** Matthew Hart 1G, Brendan Berefords 1A.

410 THE BACKYARD POOL & SPA CO. 7: Ethan Morice 1G, Dylan Jolivet 2G, Wesley Seminara 1G, Ryan Laird 2G 1A, Kevin McCrudden 1G 1A, Clayton Arnold 1A, Rosario Arcuri 1A, Jaret Meron 1A. **407 REC CYCLE N' SPORTS 4:** Austin Archer 1G, Alex Dunn 1G 1A, Cameron Annear 2G, Stefan Pagura 2A, Brent Lockhart 1A.

408 AB COX PONTIAC BUICK GMC 7: Ryan Hastie 2G, Adam Clarke 1G, Daniel Howie 3G 1A, Curtis Stobo 1G 2A, Mark Tanel 3A, Liam McGoldrick 2A. **401 MARY'S FLOWER SHOP 7:** Logan Weber 1G 1A, Brandon Thompson 2G 2A, Tyler LaMantia 2G, Jordan Gerace 2G 1A, Zachery Andrews 2A, Lucas Cristillo 1A.

404 A.D.C. ALUMINUM 3: Egan Fennell 1G, John Zorzit 1G 1A, Peter Collins 1G, Anthony De Cesare 1A, Eric Abel 1A, Jamie Bleakley 1A. **405 McALPINE FORD LINCOLN 2:** Ryan Kennedy 1G, Jarrett Lennie 1G, Adrian Tobin 2A, Matthew Mahon 2A.

403 SHOPPERS DRUG MART - AURORA 4: Brett Richardson 2G, Liam Martin 1G 1A, Ben McConnell 1G, Jay McConnell 2A, Philip Mueller 1A. **409 OPTIMIST CLUB OF AURORA 4:** Gregory Lacroix 1G, Christian Davies 2G, Michael Takahashi 1G, Sean Takahashi 1A, Slava Lobko 1A, Spencer Brook 1A.

406 LANGDON'S COACH LINES 6: Kyle Rojas 3G, Alex Payne 1G, Paul Andrews 1G, Dakota Malloy 1G, Braden Pettigrew 1A, Connor Dinwood 2A. **402 JUNIOR TIGERS 4:** Troy Gouveia 4G, Patrick Dowling 2A, Aaron Nusbaum 1A.

401 MARY'S FLOWER SHOP 7: Jordan Gerace 3G 2A, Tyler La Mantia 1G 1A, Brandon Thompson 1G 1A, Matthew Brutto 1G, Eric Macpherson 1G, Zachary Andrews 1A. **409 OPTIMIST CLUB OF AURORA 3:** Sean Takahashi 1G 1A, Greg Lacroix

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1G 1A, Colin East 1G 1A, Slava Lobko 1A. **408 AB COX PONTIAC BUICK GMC 8:** Daniel Howie 5G, Mark Tanel 1G 2A, Scott Tonello 2G, Liam McGoldrick 1A, Adam Clarke 1A. **402 JUNIOR TIGERS 1:** Troy Gouveia 1G.

405 McALPINE FORD LINCOLN 5: Ryan Kennedy 2G,Robert Anderson 1G 2A, Brandon Lalonde 1G 1A, Adrian Tobin 1G, Jarett Lennie 1A. **410 THE BACKYARD POOL & SPA CO. 1:** Dylan Jolivet 1G, Stephen Newby 1A.

406 LANGDON'S COACH LINES 5: Alex Payne 1G 1A, Ryan Berube 1G, Michael Reilly 1G, Kyle Rojas 1G 1A, Chad Porteous 1G, Paul Andrews 1A. **403 SHOPPERS DRUG MART - AURORA 5:** Rhys Gander 3G, Joseph Lombardi 1G, Brett Richardson 1G, Robert DeNault 1A, Liam Martin 1A, Jay McConnell 1A, Marco Campoli 1A.

404 A.D.C. ALUMINUM 3: Curtis Rose 1G, Peter Collins 1G, Daniel Fusco 1G 1A, Eric Abel 2A. **407 REC CYCLE N' SPORTS 3:** Cameron Annear 1G, Brent Lockhart 1G 1A, James Phillips 1G 1A, Zackary Andrews 1A, Charlie Still 1A.

605 FRESH WATER INDUSTRIES BOTTLED WATER 7: Jay Finch 2G 1A, Christian Hastings 1G 1A, Eric Beveridge 1G 1A, Evan Williams 1G 1A, Jonathan Comeau 1G, Ryan Laird 1G, Michael McGee 1A. **607 PERMANENT PRESS PRINTING 3:** Blair Nimmo 2G 1A, Ryan Hart 1G 1A, Robert Revington 1A.

602 OMAR'S SHOES 5: Madison Weber 2G 2A, Hunter Warden 1G 1A, Michael Hartman 1G, Tom Gibson 1G, Simon Esposito 1A, Daniel Bianchi 1A, Ken Hornre 1A. **604 COLL AUDIO & ACCURATE ELECTRICAL 4:** Brendan Stenzel 2G, Jacob MacDonald 1G, Jason Durst 1G, Peter Martin 1A, Aaron MacDonald 1A, Kyle Partanen 1A, Trevor Spence 1A.

608 SPITFIRES 4: Connor Sands 2G, Neil Hastie 1G 1A, Jamie Russell 1G, Nizam Rehman 2A, CJ Melicherlik 2A, Eric Bailey 1A. **606 SKATERS FIRST 2:** Andrew Wilkins 2G, Ian hayzeldon 1A.

601 D-MAC FURNITURE 6: Adrian Clark 2G 1A, Connor Dellar 2G, Zach Roitner 1G 1A, Jordan Brown 1G, David Yates 1A, John Rizzo 1A, Mark Jenkins 1A, Jay Lamont 1A, Jonathan Magill 1A. **607 PERMANENT PRESS PRINTING 1:** Michael Grande 1G, Jonathan Anastasi 1A.

602 OMAR'S SHOES 6: Michael Hartman 3G, Madison Weber 2G 1A, Dylan Calvert 1G, Hunter Warden 1A, James Suddes 1A. **608 SPITFIRES 4:** Eric Bailey 2G, Kevin Nandlall 1G, Connor Sands 1G, Jamie Russell 1A, Dane Gregoris 1A.

605 FRESH WATER INDUSTRIES BOTTLED WATER 4: Ryan Laird 2G, Derek Isodoro 1G 2A, Michael McGee 1G, Christian Hasting 2A. **608 SPIT-FIRES 1:** CJ Melichercik 1G, Jamie Russell 1A, Kevin Nandlall 1A.

602 OMAR'S SHOES 7: Madison Weber 4G 1A, Tom Gibson 1G 1A, Matthew Simmington 1G, Cody Benson 1G. **603 CHOUINARD BROS. ROOFING 3:** Jason Nadeau 1G, Brendan Forest 1G, Michael Hay 1G, Braun Hause 2A.

606 SKATERS FIRST 2: Andrew Wilkins 1G, Michael Shoesmith 1G, Jacob Peart 1A, Daniel Sacchetti 1A, John Merritt 1A. **607 PERMANENT PRESS PRINTING 1:** Ryan Hart 1G.

906 OPTIMIST CLUB OF AURORA 7: Ian McCrone 2G, Spencer Phillips 4G, John Turner 1G, Chris Nolan 1A, Jim Harrison 1A, Sean Devlin 1A, Andrew Leo 1A, Tanner Kinnarinen 1A. **902 ASTECH SOLUTIONS 2:** Dan Bailey 1G, Michael Durst 1G 1A, Matt Pacque 1A.

906 OPTIMIST CLUB OF AURORA 9: Julian Jasniewski 1G, Ian McCrone 2G 1A, Sean Devlin 1G 1A, John Turner 1G, Kyle Kaminski 1G 2A, Corey McPherson 1G 1A, Jim Harrison 1G 2A, David Johnson 1G, Tanner Kinnarinen 1A, Andrew Leo 1A. **903 TWIST MARKETING 6:** Brock Sweeting 1G, Mark Short 1G 1A, Andrew Macdermid 1G, Nathan Vanderwielen 1G, Ian Clark 1G, Bradley Finch 1G 1A, Agostino Bova 2A, Alex Kane 1A, Nicolas Mikaili 1A, Ben Revington 1A.

Select
Exhibition Games

Tyke 9 Uxbridge Bruins 0
Liam Coll 2G, Jack Caldwell 2G, Shannon Murray 1G, Connor Graham 1G, Brenden Lukezic 1G, Konnor McMillan 1G, Spencer Green 1G, John MacDonald/Brian Langdon, shutout.

Rep
League Games

Novice 6 Unionville 3
Colton Lee 1G 1A, Eric Bulloch 2G, Zachary Kercz 1G, Hayden Trask 1G, Zachary Ferry 1G 1A, Liam Devlin 1A.

Whitby 3 Novice 1
Zachary Kercz 1G, Heather Tillsley 1A.

Rep Team
Tournament Games

Ajax 7 Minor Peewee AA 3
Kevin Zacharuk 1G 1A, Justin Brown 1G, Jesse Cappell 1G, Joshua Herrington 1A, Louis Lamanna 1A, Max Lerner 1A, Kyle Murphy 1A, Jordan Tripp 1A.

Minor Peewee AA 6 Mississauga 0
Max Lerner 3G 1A, Dillon Cappell 1G 1A, Spencer Arkell 1G, James Mildon 1G, Jordan Tripp 3A, Kevin Zacharuk 3A, Louis Lamanna 1A, Joshua Herrington 1A, Peter Abels, shutout.

Minor Peewee AA 13 London 2
Dillon Cappell 4G 1A, Max Lerner 3G 3A, Louis Lamanna 2G 3A, Justin Brown 1G 2A, Jordan Tripp 1G 1A, Spencer Arkell 1G, James Mildon 1G, Nathan Brown 2A.

Minor Peewee AA 3 Toronto Royals 1
Justin Brown 1G, Louis Lamanna 1G, Kevin Zacharuk 1G, Spencer Arkell 1A, Dillon Cappell 1A, Luke MacLeod 1A.

Minor Peewee AA 4 Rochester 0
Kevin Zacharuk 2G 2A, Andrew Whitley 1G 2A, Luke McLeod 1G, Spencer Arkell 1A, Justin Brown 1A.

Minor Peewee A 3 Caledon 1
Taylor Nuttall 1G, Corey Jeffery 1G, Derrick Hamner 1G, Dylan Cross 1A, Paul Keilty 2A, Stephen Di Nallo 1A, Sean Ellison 1A.

Peewee AE 8 Belleville 2
David Iwai 2G, Adam Bloom 1G 1A, Ethan Shore 1G 1A, Andrew Mangialardi 1G, Ryan Crockett 1G 1A, Chris Burns 1G, Greg Buchner 1G 2A, Curtis Hough 1A, Brandon Giniotis 1A, Cory Blom 1A.

Peewee AE 10 Bradford 2
David Iwai 1G, Adam Bloom 1G, Ethan Shore 3G 2A, Andrew Mangialardi 1A, Greg Buchner 1G 2A, Brandon Giniotis 2G, Cory Blom 1A 3A, Matthew Scrimes 1A, Trevor McCartney 1A.

Peewee AE 3 Innisfil 1
David Iwai 1G 1A, Chris Burns 1G, Matthew Scrimes 1G, Ryan Crockett 1A, Ethan Shore 2A, Brandon Giniotis 1A.

Rep Team
League Games

Nobleking 4 Minor Atom A 1
Andrew Papousek 1G, Nick Heintzman 1A, Graham Loney 1A.

Orillia 5 Minor Atom A 3
Taylor Butler 1G 1A, Jesse Bentolila 1G 1A, Trevor Best 1G, DAniel Delbello 1A, Matthew Roy 1A, Ethan Benson 1A, Dylan Woyslaw 1A.

Minor Atom A 1 Markham 1
Nick Heintzman 1G, Brian Puskar 1A, Daniel Delbello 1A.

Minor Atom A 3 Bradford Bulldogs 3
Jesse Bentolila 1G, Brian Puskar 1G, Reid Sisson 1G, Andrew Papousek 1G, Trevor Best 2A, Taylor Butler 2A, Nick Heintzman 1A,Tanner Thiessen 1A.

Minor Atom AE 4 Newmarket 2
Josh Klinowski 2G 1A, David Venneri 1G 1A, Daniel Laflamme 1G, Marshall McGaffey 1A.

Vaughan 5 Minor Atom AE 2
Thomas Hagias 1G, Jake Langford 1G 1A, Adam Balaban 1G, Matt Noseworthy 1A.

Minor Atom AE 4 East Gwillimbury 1
Daniel Laflamme 1G, Dylan Hussey 1G 1A, Anthony Selski 1G, Adam Balaban 1G, Josh Klinowski 1A, Matt Noseworthy 2A, David Venneri 1A.

Pickering 9 Minor Atom AE 3
Josh Klinowski, 1G 1A, Adam Balaban 1G, Daniel Laflamme 1G, Thomas Hagias 1A.

Minor Atom AE 4 East Gwillimbury 0
Anthony Selski 1G, David Venneri 2G 1A, Josh Klinowski 1G, Marshall McGaffey 1A, Kelley Hudson/Stefan Richardson, shutout.

Atom AA 3 Barrie 2
Steadman Dinning 2G, Dylan Kovacs 1G, Chris Piron 1A, Jamie Hawkins 1A.

Uxbridge 3 Atom AA 1
Dylan Kovacs 1G, Jamie Hawkins 1A.

Atom AA 2 Oshawa 2
Taran McGowan 1G, Matthew Mears 1G, Stephen DeMarco 1A, Eleeza Cox 1A, Kyle McCreedy 1A.

Markham 4 Atom AA 1
Dylan Kovacs 1G, Taran McGowan 1A.

Atom A 3 Barrie 1
Tristan Miller 1G 1A, Michael Bar 1G, Spencer George 1G, Kamran Karamchi 2A.

Atom A 3 East Gwillimbury 1
Spencer George 2G, Tristan Miller 1G 1A,



Jonathan Poulakos 1A.

Atom A 5 Innisfil 1
Tyler Jensen 3G, Tristan Miller 1G, Kamran Karamchi 1G, 1A, Matthew Miller 2A, Spencer George 1A, Jonathan Poulakos 1A, Jack Steffan 1A.

Minor Peewee A 2 Richmond Hill 0
J.J. Lam 1G, Jeffery Sanderson 1G, Derrick Hamner 1A, Paul Keilty 1A, Dylan Cross 1A, Taylor Nuttall 1A, Wesley O'Beirne, shutout.

Minor Peewee A 4 NobleKing 2
Taylor Nuttall 2G, Derrick Hamner 1G, Dylan Cross 1G 1A, Corey Jeffery 1A, Sean Ellison 1A, Aaron Beally 1A.

Minor Peewee AE 5 Pickering 0
Tyler Tisdale 3G, Shawn Clark 1G, Matthew Pellegrini 1G, Oliver Boettcher 2A, Andrew McKay 1A, Chris Tillsley 1A, Sean Agostino 1A, Patrick Lee 1A, Ryan Ceresino, shutout.

Minor Peewee AE 8 Ajax 0
Oliver Boettcher 2G 1A, Conor Sheridan 1G, Tyler Tisdale 2G 1A, Michael Delplavignano 1G 2A, Matthew Pellegrini 1G 2A, Andrew McKay 1G 1A, Matthew Semeredy 1A, Miles Curtis 1A, Darcy Eveleigh 1A, Sean Agostino 1A, Myles Fisher, shutout.

Peewee AA 1 Georgina 1
Marcus Tocchet 1G, Zachary Giusti 1A.

Peewee AA 3 Ajax 0
Sean Fennell 1G, Adrian DiRosa 1G, Jimmy Lyonns 1 G. Ryan Carlisle, shutout.

Peewee A 4 TNT 4
Matthew Joynt 1G 1A, Brett Dutchyshen 2G, Quenton Hunt 1G, Tyler Rundle 1A, David Bar 1A, Michael Morson 1A, Darrell Evans 1A.

Peewee A 5 Innisfil 1
Andrew McDonald 3G, Ryan Finlay 1G, Matthew Joynt 1G, Quenton Hunt 1A, Brandon Galante 1A, Emilio Nafarrate 2A, Luca Ghegin 1A, Michael Morson 1A.

Nobleking 4 Peewee A 1
Andrew McDonald 1G, Tyler Rundle 1A, Michael Morson 1A.

Peewee A 4 Newmarket 4
Ben Mulholland 1G, Carter Hassard 1G 1A, Andrew McDonald 1G 1A, Quenton Hunt 1G 1A, Tyler Rundle 1A, Ryan Finlay 1A. Michael Morson 2A.

Peewee AE 3 TNT 1
Brandon Giniotis 2G, Matthew Scrimes 1G, Curtis Hough 2A, Mathew Hillar 1A, Ethan Shore 1A, David Iwai 1A, Chris Burns 1A.

Oshawa 4 Minor Bantam AA 1
Karl Pelan 1G, Kevin Kryshka 1A, Ian Middleton 1A.

Minor Bantam AA 5 Markham 2
Karl Pelan 3G 1A, Eric Sarracini 1G 2A, Jordan Koen 1G, Jeremy Ellison 1A, Cody Offen 2A.

Minor Bantam AA 6 Ajax 6
Karl Pelan 2G 1A, Kevin Kryshka 2G, Cody Offen 1G, Ross Pizzurro 1G, Jordan Koen 2A, Travis Hooper 2A, Eric Sarracini 2A, Jeremy Cohen 1A, Jake Hurlbut 1A, Ian Middleton 1A.

Bantam AA 2 Barrie 1
Anthony Simone 1G 1A, Matt Boyd 1G 1A, Aaron Mansbridge 1A.

Bantam AA 5 Whitby 2
Colin McCullough 1G 2A, Jake MacDougall 1G 1A, Matt Boyd 1G 1A, Anthony Simone 1G 1A, Tyler Virgoe 1G, Jonathan Adams 2A, Adam Lebar 1A, Aaron Mansbridge 1A.

Whitby 9 Minor Midget AA 5
Patrick Bowie 1G 1A, Cal Simmonds 3G, Vincent Davenport 1G, Michael White 1A.

Minor Midget AA 1 Pickering 1
Mike Parkhill 1G, Taylor Campbell 1A, Andrew Welch 1A.

Barrie 8 Minor Midget AA 1
Michael White 1G, Tom Keane 1A, Cal Simmonds 1A.

Minor Midget A 3 Barrie 0
Mike Parkhill 1G 1A, Brandon Polsinello 1G, Scott Daly 1G, Graeme Fleming 1A, Corey Berube 1A, Brent Gallagher 1A.

Oshawa II 5 Minor Midget AE 1
Dan Abram 1G, Keon Karamchi 1A.

Midget A 3 Orillia Terriers 2
Mark Smith 1G 1A, Keith Mitchell 1G, Michael Jack 1G, Matt Cleverdon 1A, Peter Nykyforchyn 1A, Marc Oppedisano 1A.

Midget A 7 Newmarket Redmen 2
Michael Jack 2G 1A, Matt Cleverdon 1G 2A, Mark Smith 1G 2A, Craig Waites 1G 1A, Chris Statchuk 1G 1A, Adam Chale 2A, Mark Johnson 2A, Ryan Kines 1G, Marc Oppedisano 1A, Matt Cundari 1A.



No matter what the weatherman threw at it - snow, wind, power failures - the annual Aurora Optimist Book Sale held at the Aurora Library on the weekend was a success. The 17th annual sale featured nearly 20,000 books and the club was looking to raise about \$20,000. To date, the Optimists have donated \$65,000 to the Aurora Public Library's children's book section. Half the proceeds goes toward maintaining and updating the library's children's section while the other half goes toward various youth activities in Aurora.

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