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The annual Town of Aurora Civic Appreciation Awards recognize exceptional contributions made by citizens for the community.

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Groups, organizations, service clubs and individuals who make a difference need someone like you to highlight their contributions.

To find out more, pick up a nomination package at the Aurora Town Hall, Aurora Family Leisure Complex or call 905-726-4762 to

have one mailed.

The awards ceremony will be held at the Aurora Town Hall Council Chambers Wednesday June 7, at 7.30 p.m., but nominations must be submitted by Tuesday, April 11.

Honours available include the Bob Harman Memorial Award, Johnson's Cultural Achievement Award, The Civic Appreciation Awards, Outstanding Achievement Awards, Volunteer Service Awards, Youth Volunteer Service Awards, Community Organization Award and The Citizen of The Year Award.



Colour was the name of the game last week as the Aurora Chamber of Commerce held a networking breakfast meeting at the Howard Johnson Hotel and instituted a Hawaiian Day theme. Taking part in the colourful event were Debra Campbell, left, and Susan Beck.

Auroran photo by David Falconer



Let the games begin

Aurora and area students await the starting announcement to begin the 11th annual Aurora Optimists Student Chess Tournament held last week at the Aurora Legion for youngsters, Grade 1 to 12. Winners advance to the Regional finals slated for March 25th.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

Proposed retirement home hits a brick wall

A proposal to build a retirement home in the John West Way - Hollandview Trail area, ran into stiff neighbourhood opposition Wednesday night.

The 1.7 acre parcel of land on the northwest corner, behind the Town Hall, is designated high density residential with a maximum height of seven storeys.

However, Origin Retirement Communities submitted an application to permit an institutional use to allow for a five-storey retirement home with 144 full service rental units.

As the proposal does not meet zoning requirements, an amendment was required to rezone the land from high density residential to institutional.

Wednesday, at the public planning meeting, a staff report said the proposal was compatible with surrounding, existing and proposed land uses and was in keeping with the original community concept.

It was pointed out that a five-storey retirement home would not significantly increase traffic in the area as the majority of residents would rely on public transit.

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Briefly

Speaker's been in the clouds

You may be gasping for breath if you attend the upcoming men's breakfast this Saturday at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

The event, open to men, women and children, will feature Harold Mah as guest speaker.

Last spring he went with a Canadian team to Mt. Everest and he got as high as Camp Two, some 25,000 feet above sea level.

Oxygen is at a premium that high up.

Camp two meant Mah got through the hair raising Khumbu Icefall where many climbers have lost their lives.

The event, at the Victoria Street church, begins at 8.30 a.m. A 15-minute film will precede his talk, followed by questions and answers.

Column name

So far, The Auroran has received more than 50 suggestions for the name of its new seniors' column, but we think there are more ideas out there.

So we'll extend the contest another few days to name the column, which this week, appears on Page 13.

Winning selection will receive a non-alcoholic dinner for two at Jonathan's Restaurant, and the runner-up gets two tickets to the seniors' Friday night dance.

Submit your ideas to The Auroran, 75 Mary Street, Unit 3, L4G 1G3, or drop them off at the new seniors' centre, 5 Municipal Drive, across from the town hall.



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"Martha's Table" offers comfort food and a sense of community at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner of Mosley and Victoria Streets. Available are hot soup, sandwiches, and dessert in the hall. Church-sponsored initiative runs every Thursday.

Aurora Agricultural Society (organizer of the Aurora Fair & Horse Show) meets on the second Tuesday of every second month, at 7 p.m., at the Aurora Community Centre. New members welcome. Next meeting is Tuesday, March 14. For more information, call 905-713-6773 or info@aurorafair.ca, or visit www.aurorafair.ca.

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

On the first Wednesday of every month from 9 a.m. to noon, a satellite constituency office for Vaughan/King/Aurora MPP Greg Sorbara will be open in the councillors' lounge at the Town Hall. Call 1-877-880-6770 for information.

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.

Masons' Rising Sun Lodge meets the first Thursdays 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., lunch at noon. Call 905-727-3032 or 905-727-1080.

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

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

Canadian Federation of University Women welcomes new members throughout the year for monthly meetings with a variety of speakers. Contact Beverley at 905-727-2151.

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

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

Queen's York Rangers Army Cadet Corps, boys and girls, ages 12 to 18. Camping, canoeing, target shooting. Aurora squadron meets every Friday evening. For more information, call 905-726-8600.

MARCH 1

Aurora Chamber of Commerce presents its New Member Trade Show from 6 to 8 p.m. at 52 Victoria Street. Free admission and everyone is welcome.

Aurora Seniors will journey to Stage West Dinner Theatre to see "Forever Plaid". Cost is \$75 for members and \$80 for non-members. Call 905-727-2816 to register.

MARCH 3

World Day of Prayer service at Trinity Anglican Church, Victoria Street, 7.30 p.m.

MARCH 4

Olde Time Square and Round Dance at Aurora Seniors' Centre, 5 Municipal Drive, from 7.30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Tickets now available. For more information, call 905-727-2816.

Aurora Minor Ball Association will hold in per-

son registrations at the Aurora Community Centre, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The AMBA has programs for boys and girls ages five to 19. First time T-Ball players can enroll for the summer for \$50. For more info call registrar Gary Drodge, at 905-727-8461 or visit www.auroraminorball.ca.

York Chamber Ensemble salutes youth in its Third Annual York Region Youth Concert, "Swells of Spring." The concert, conducted by Aurora's Tony Browning, will be held at Trinity Anglican Church, 79 Victoria Street, at 7.30 p.m. Tickets cost \$15 and \$10, and are available at the door.

Aurora Ladies Softball League fund-raising progressive euchre night at 7.30 p.m. at the Aurora Legion. Cost is \$10 per person, includes cash and door prizes as well as a light lunch.

Optimist Hockey League registration for boys and girls born in 2000 and 2001 interested in learning hockey in a non-competitive environment. New Rec Centre from 8 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Cost is \$250 for the season. Further information at 905 726-2998.

Men's Breakfast at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church starts at 8.30 a.m. with breakfast. Speaker is Harold Mah, who went with a Canadian team to Mt. Everest. A 15-minute film will precede his talk, followed by questions and answers.

MARCH 5

Aurora Legion Seniors' Club bid euchre tournament, 1 p.m. Cash prizes. \$5 per person.

MARCH 7

Aurora Chamber of Commerce Luncheon meeting. Speaker is Michael Kergin, special advisor to the Premier of Ontario for United States border issues, and former ambassador of Canada to the United States. King's Riding Golf Club, Bathurst Street at 12.30 p.m. Showcase begins at 11.45 a.m.

Special general committee meeting at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall to receive input from the public regarding possible future uses of the old library and former seniors' buildings on Victoria Street.

MARCH 8

Aurora Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours at McAlpine Ford Lincoln, 15815 Yonge Street, 5.30 to 7.30 p.m.

The Probus Club of Aurora meets at the Royal Canadian Legion, Industrial Parkway North. Guest speaker is Steve Forsey, President, Aurora Chamber of Commerce. 10 a.m.

MARCH 10

General meeting of the Aurora Historical Society at 8 p.m. at Hillary House. Guest speaker is Ivan Harris, curator of the CBC Museum.

MARCH 21

Aurora Chamber of Commerce networking breakfast at Costco Wholesale, 18182 Yonge Street in East Gwillimbury. 7.30 a.m.

MARCH 22

Aurora Horticultural Society presents Gardening Workshops on Seeding, Potting, Forcing Branches and Preserving Flowers at the Royal Canadian Legion, 8 p.m.

MARCH 23

The Aurora Youth Soccer Club presents "Women in Coaching - Engaging Female Coaches" with Women in Coaching consultant Sheila Croxon in the Holland Room of the Town Hall from 7 to 9 p.m. No charge for AYSC members, \$10 for non-members.

The Aurora Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Lunch and Learn seminar in the chamber office with lunch provided for all attendees. The topic is "Open Source Tools for your Business". No charge to Chamber members, a \$10 charge for potential members. Call the Chamber office at 905-727-7262 to register.

York Symphony Orchestra presents "Virtuosic Showpieces", Trinity Anglican Church, 8 p.m. Guest Artist, Joanna Tang, Violin.

MARCH 25

Winners of the local Optimist Student Chess

Tournaments in Aurora, Newmarket, Keswick, Richmond Hill and Markham will compete for the Regional Championship in Grades 1 to 12 at the Aurora Legion starting at 9 a.m.

MARCH 30

Aurora Chamber of Commerce networking breakfast at L.H. Lind Realty, 15105 Yonge Street, beginning at 7.30 a.m.

MARCH 31

Deadline for nominations for the Aurora Chamber of Commerce 2006 Business Achievements Awards. Call the Chamber at 906-727-7262 for details.

APRIL 9

Fifth annual Bob Hartwell Run starting at the Aurora Town Park at 9 a.m.

APRIL 19

Creative Colours Fashions presents Fashion Plates Fashion Show in support of York Region Food Network. Tickets \$50 and are available at

Creative Colours Fashions, Aurora Shopping Centre. Guest appearance by members of the Central York Firefighters, men's fashions provided by Crossing's and Hair by Chimes Hair Group.

APRIL 21-23

Annual Home Show at the Aurora Community Centre.

APRIL 24

Second interim property tax installment is due.

APRIL 26

Aurora Horticultural Society presents a lecture on "Gardening & Spirituality" at the Royal Canadian Legion, 8 p.m.

MAY 16

Contract Bridge competition to be held at the Aurora Seniors' Centre, 5 Municipal Dr. at 1 p.m. For more information go to website www.yr55plusgames.org or visit the Seniors' Centre.



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Street name suggestion causes uproar

A former councillor will ask that his name be removed from a subdivision plan street, following a lengthy discussion over the subject last Tuesday night.

Don Constable, who served one term on Aurora Council in the 90s, found his name proposed on a Hallgrove Estates subdivision plan, and said he didn't know how it got there.

Following the meeting, Mr. Constable told The Auroran he was disappointed and humiliated with the discussion and pointed out he hadn't asked for his name to be on the list, was not aware that it was, and in view of the discussion would ask that it be removed.

The issue started out as a routine report to name two streets in the Hallgrove Estates subdivision in accordance with the town's street naming policy but turned into a heated debate at the general committee meeting.

In accordance with the

town policy, developers have the option of requesting specific street names for proposed new developments, assuming it passes several criteria.

The proposed names of Major and Constable were selected by the developer after reviewing the approved bank of street names.

Names included in the bank are those of historical persons or families and others within the municipality who had made outstanding, significant and/or exemplary contributions to the town.

The name Major originated from an early landowner from the 1800s and the name Constable came from the former councillor who served from 1991 to 1994.

It was noted that both streets would likely extend south into the town-owned Leslie Street property.

Councillor Nigel Kean asked that the discussion take place in private as it was a touchy issue.

He expressed concern about naming streets after living former councillors when there were Citizens of the Year, veterans and early landowners who could be recognized.

He suggested the developer's request be rejected and other names selected and was supported by Councillor Wendy Gaertner.

Councillor Evelyn Buck disagreed claiming the naming request had been submitted in accordance with the policy and she opposed the Kean motion.

She was supported by Councillor Bill Hogg who pointed out that a policy was in place and the policy was not on the agenda for discussion.

Councillor Ron Wallace noted both streets could be major roadways and the councillor had only served one term whereas former Mayor Dick Illingworth, who served in that capacity on two separate occasions, had a

"dinky, little cul de sac" named after him.

Both Mayor Tim Jones and Councillor Damir Vrancic argued the policy was in place and it should be followed, with Vrancic adding that the policy needed review as the process was flawed.

When it was pointed out that Mr. Constable was in the audience, Councillor Kean said he hadn't wanted the discussion to become personal but his request for a private meeting had been denied.

When the vote was called to accept the names, it was lost on a 4-4 vote with Councillor Phyllis Morris absent.

With assurance from the Director of Planning that there was no urgency, on a 5-3 vote, a subsequent motion for a review of the naming policy was adopted.

It was in March, 1990, when council of the day directed staff to draft a naming policy for town streets to

include names of historic people and those who had made

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EAC launches programs

Got something around your house that's messy.

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Aurora's Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) has come up with a couple of ideas to raise its visibility.

One is a selection of an "eco-hero" and the other is a contest to find Aurora's messiest whatever.

The first Aurora resident selection as an "eco-hero" is Linda Hutchinson.

After making two households one, she and her fiancé found themselves with lots of doubles: toaster, microwaves and other appliances.

Wanting to get rid of the extra stuff, but not considering it garbage, Linda started an Aurora-Newmarket chapter of Freecycle, an international web-based group whose members offer up or request things for free.

She and her fiancé were the only members.

Now the group numbers more than 1,000 and has recently become independent of Freecycle www.freecycle.org as Yahoo group, AuroraNewmarketPassItOn.

The next eco-hero will be one who cares for the environment, practises good ecology or takes a role in persuading others to do so.

Enter your choice to auroraec@hotmail.com.

Meanwhile, the second campaign is being organized in conjunction with Aurora Cable Internet and will feature "Aurora's Messiest...." - a type of reality - make over show that will show before and after segments on selected messiest garages, workshops, closets, basements, laundry rooms, etc.

An Auroran business in

town, the Organizing Goddess, has offered her services to assist with the organization of these messy Aurora homes. Committee members hope Aurora residents will send in pictures and info to the Aurora EAC web site and the selection of the "messiest" type of area will be made,

The series is expected to run monthly throughout the spring and summer.

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Court system seems to favour the criminal

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- Poor Richard's Scrapbook

The jury verdict was in and it was “guilty”. The accused, a man in his 30s, had a lengthy record of violent crimes including car-jacking and assault. His lawyer pleaded for a light sentence and a chance at parole, but he was out of luck, the judge handed him a sentence of 75 years to life.

That didn't happen in Canada where the justice system appears to favour the criminal rather than the victim, rather it happened in a California court.

Such severe sentences are unheard of in Canada even for our most serious crimes.

Public opinion polls over the years indicate that Canadians believe our courts are not handing out tough enough sentences and the public has more confidence in police officers than they do in judges.

It might be the stress judges are under haunted by the grim stories they hear and the responsibility they bear and the respect they don't get.

While judges are responsible for the sentences they dole out, it's not entirely fair that they take the full blame for the wider failings of the Canadian justice and penal systems.

Prison sentences no longer mean what judges say they mean as part of the fault rests with a long standing and absurd legal provision called statutory release, which requires most convicts only serve a fraction of the time they're given.

If a judge awards a 12-year prison term, the offender will be out in eight years, or if sentenced to six years will be free in four years and so on.

Unless a prisoner has been designated a specially dangerous offender, after one-sixth of the sentence, the criminal is eligible for day passes and after serving one-third of the sentence is eligible for parole.

An example of the failure of the justice and parole systems is the case of Robert Bruce Moyes.

He had a long record of violent crimes and parole violations and in August, 2002, was charged with seven counts of murder in 1995-96, during a time he was out on parole from a so-called life sentence.

The sentence began in 1987 but by 1993 he was getting day passes, after serving time at the Club Fed in Ferndale, British Columbia, the prison with a golf course.

This may be an isolated case but it doesn't help the perception of a justice system that's soft on crime, unaccountable and too quick to push the convicted back into society.

Not only that but time served in jail pending the trial is normally considered two-for-one.

Take the recent case of a nine-year-old Richmond Hill girl who was beaten and sexually assaulted by a 47-year-old truck driver.

In Newmarket court, even though Justice Peter Wright called it an unspeakable crime of violence and a plea for a 10-year term came from the Crown Attorney, the judge said he could find no precedent for a sentence longer than seven years and that was the sentence.

But when the two-for-one credit for time spent in jail prior to the trial was put into effect, the seven years was reduced to four.

Assuming good behaviour, the criminal will be out on parole before then, while the poor victim is still suffering from the trauma of the attack.

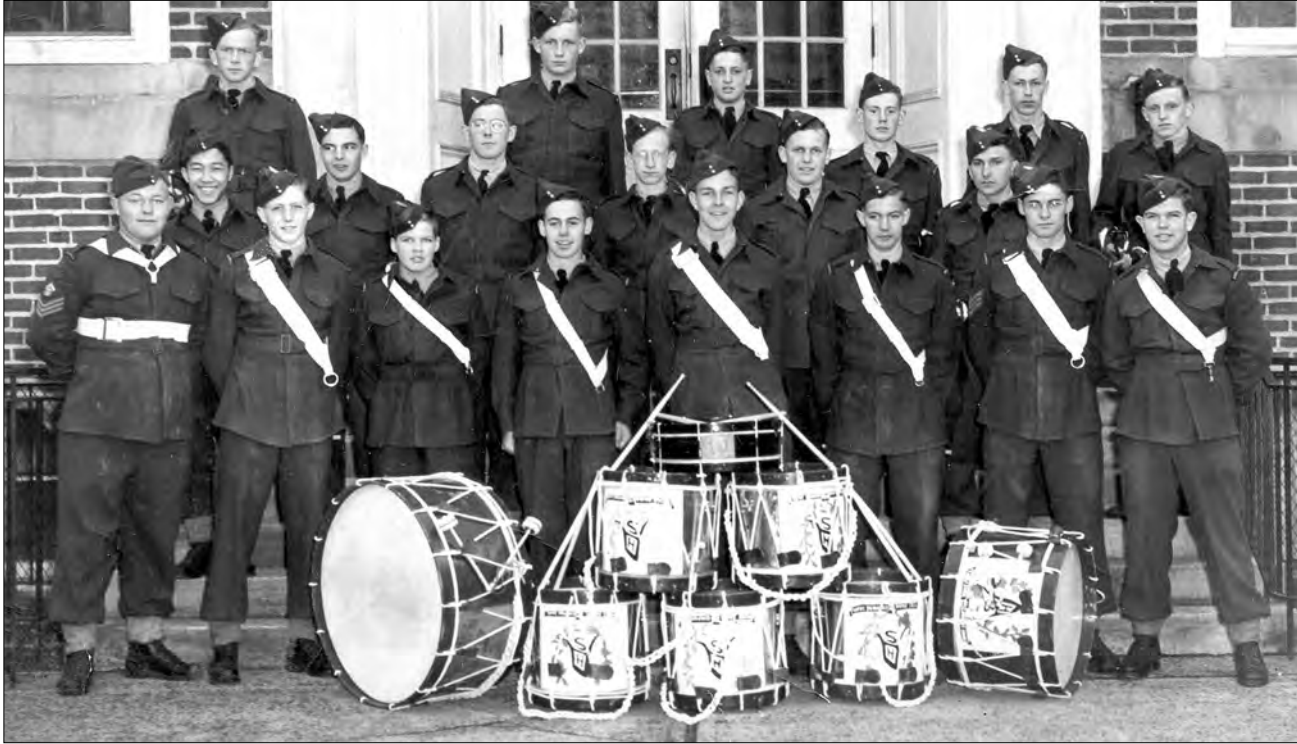
Several attempts have been made in both the Ontario Legislature and the federal House of Commons to introduce a Private Members' Victims' Bill of Rights but to no avail, as support for the proposed legislation wasn't there.

Joe Wamback of Newmarket has spent enormous amounts of time and effort getting names on a petition requesting the government for action in enacting a Victims' Bill of Rights after his son was badly beaten by a gang of youths.

His efforts, to date, have been to no avail.

Police may protest and public opinion polls may resound with discontent but until somebody in charge at Justice and Correctional Services takes notice, nothing will change.

If you do the crime, you must pay the time!



Aurora High School cadet band members are seen in the top photograph, a picture taken around 1947. In it are, front row, left to right, Pete Styrmø, Ralph Rank, Clifford Core, Ron Simmons, ?, Walt Davis, David Johnston and Bill McGhee. Middle row, left to right, John King, Bill Attridge, ?, Jim Foster, ?, ?. Back row, left to right, Walter Bunn, Gordon Lee, Bob Stevens, Bruce Lubbock, Donald Watson and Jim Cook. Below, officers and NCOs of the high school cadet corps pose in front of the stage of what is currently Wells Street Public School. That school started as Aurora's first high school in 1892 in a building that was replaced by the current structure in 1923. It has been a public school since 1952. Meanwhile, the Aurora fire truck that appeared in this spot two weeks ago, lives. It's currently being refurbished by members of the Toronto Fire Department, and perhaps it may appear in a future Aurora parade. The information came from Aurora's Peter Ross, one of the firefighters working on the vehicle's restoration.

Letter to the Editor

Some just can't stand prosperity

To the editor,

I can never understand how politicians who get elected with the noblest causes such as honesty and wisdom with regard to freedom of religion, women's freedom of choice or same sex marriage, get blindsided when it comes to labour relations.

In Ontario we have a Liberal government that is riding high just aching to spread dissention rather than harmony.

It seems to me that Dalton McGuinty, of all people, should know that driving a wedge between one group of highly paid workers like police, firefighters and EMO workers,

and lesser paid school like janitors, garbage and health care workers is taboo.

Why would they offer a bonus of early retirement fully funded to one group and say, sorry, brother, you don't qualify, to others?

It seems to me this is more of a dare than a solution.

For those of us who have studied the early times of union building days of John L. Lewis, Menken and Walter Ruether, driving a wedge generally comes back to hurt us all.

I think at this time when the federal Liberals have some delicate rebuilding chores, all provincial

Liberal governments should be busy keeping our healthy economy alive, steering clear of labour strife and certainly not giving the Harrisites a chance to raid our cupboards.

Is it not the Conservatives who cry "the cupboards are bare"?

Right now, Mr. McGuinty has his hands full with major cities crumbling with sewer and road structures, transportation woes, school fundling and the half billion dollar Toronto budget deficit.

Does he really need a labour strike, too?

Some people just can't stand prosperity.

**Ben Kestein
Aurora**

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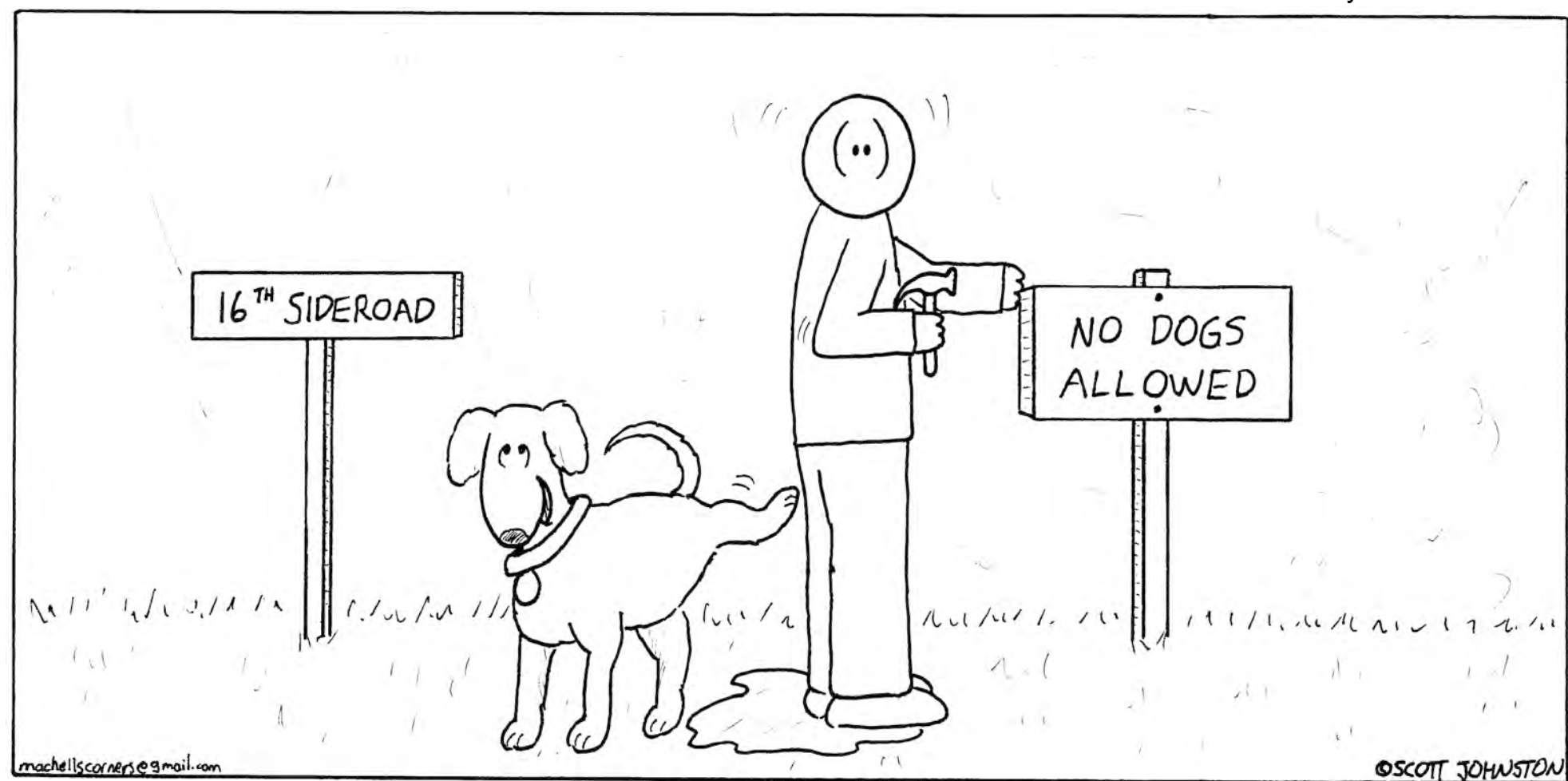
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Mayor's Report

By Tim Jones

Watching the road...

Road Watch is a Region of York community-based initiative that gives residents and visitors an opportunity to report dangerous and aggressive drivers to the York Regional Police.

The first Road Watch Program started in Caledon in 1995 and it has grown throughout the GTA.

The program focuses on the following components: public education and awareness; participation and enforcement, all towards modifying aggressive driving behaviour.

In turn, it is hoped that as a result of this program, there will be fewer accidents and injuries caused by motorized vehicles.

When we speak of aggressive driving we mean speeding, following too close, failure to yield right of way, improper lane changes, improper passing, disobeying traffic signs and signals, etc.

Every month when members of Aurora Council approve the Traffic Safety Advisory reports we address areas in Aurora where speeding and traffic safety are issues being addressed.

Road Watch is a way, if implemented properly, where every citizen can help us to address these issues.

It is hoped that if any resident observes an act of aggressive driving, they report it to the York Regional Police through a Road Watch Citizen report.

These can be obtained from the Town Hall as well as the Library, the Leisure Centre and the Ontario Provincial Police building on Yonge Street at Bloomington.

If you have access to a computer, you can print your own report form off the web site at <http://www.yorkregionsavealife.ca/Save-A-Life.htm>.

These reports can also be faxed to the police at 905-841-0665.

The following is the process applied for Road Watch reports:

The first time a Citizen Report is received about a particular vehicle, a letter is sent to the registered owner of the vehicle describing the incident and location where the vehicle was observed operating in an aggressive or unsafe manner.

The letter highlights the date the incident occurred and the reported violation.

A request is made to the registered owner or any driver of the vehicle to voluntarily co-operate and drive in a responsible manner.

The second time a Citizen Report is received about the same vehicle, a second letter is sent from the police to the registered owner of the vehicle.

A police officer then contacts the registered owner of the vehicle via telephone to advise them of the complaint and potential consequences.

The third time a Citizen Report is received about the same vehicle, a third letter is forwarded to the registered owner of the vehicle, and a police officer will visit the registered owner.

Depending on the circumstances, charges will be

considered and an officer may monitor the vehicle's actions to facilitate enforcement.

Any person who submits a Citizen Report will remain anonymous, unless he or she chooses to pursue a detailed police investigation that may result in charges being laid and require a court appearance.

To protect the rights of all, Citizen Reports must be signed by the author of the report and the information must be complete to safeguard the system against abuse.

If someone chooses to use this process to harrass someone, the police are trained to investigate all sides of the issue to avoid misuse of the system.

Road watch is a valuable way to get the extra help we need to make our streets safer for pedestrians and

drivers alike.

I would like to thank Cliff Davies, Aurora's Road Watch representative on the Regional Road Watch committee for his role in representing our Town on the Regional Road Watch committee and for his help in supplying material for this column.

Further information on Road Watch can be found on the web at <http://www.yorkregionsavealife.ca/Save-A-Life.htm>.

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@e-aurora.ca

Letter to the Editor

Undisciplined dog owners helped create this problem

To the editor,

Re: Mr. Routledge's land.

It is sad that this area is now off limits to dog walkers, as well as people wanting to use the trail for just walking or riding. Mr. Routledge was certainly generous to allow use of his land in this way.

I have been walking there for close to 20 years, with different dogs, and have seen first hand the changes as more people found out about his property. Not all were for the better.

It was great to see more dogs out for the socializing of both pets and owners, but it also led to more problems as not everyone was responsible with their pets.

Last summer I stopped going because of the out of control dogs running around. A lot of people seemed to think that "leash free" meant "let 'em run wild".

In any leash free environment a degree of control is still required by the owner.

I cannot remember how many times I almost ran over someone's dog that had been let out right on the road to run free.

I do not think the road is a leash free area!

As I understand it the Oak Ridges Trail itself is not either, yet many people who wanted only to walk or ride the trail had to put up with dog feces left behind by inconsiderate owners, or dogs racing up and down the trail freely.

Not to mention the disgusting sight of pooh bags left hanging in the trees by lazy owners not willing to take them back out with them.

Did they think the Pooh Fairy would be by to pick up after them?

If not for a very small group of volunteers that area would have been swamped by feces

long ago.

I see the same thing happening now at the town's leash free park on Industrial Parkway.

The other night there had to be about 15 bags left right under the sign asking people to take their dog droppings away with them.

If people cannot perform that simple task, maybe they should not own a dog?

I hope Sheppard's Bush does not get any worse than it is already; because a lot more people will be going out there now that the 16th Sideroad is cut off.

Anyone laying all the blame for this on the people living out there should really ask themselves if they respected the rights of the residents nearby.

Many a time I went out there and saw cars parked all over the road, sometimes in the driveway of the homeowner in question also.

I cannot say I blame the homeowner for acting as he

did, it got pretty crazy out there some days.

I will miss the friends I made out there. Most of the long time regulars respected Mr. Routledge's property and it is sad to see them denied this area because things got out of hand.


I know a lot of people who stopped going because of the problems I mentioned.


I guess I am luckier than most though, my Jack Russell has a special backpack that she goes in while I ride my bike out there.


I can still lock it up and have a nice walk.


I know soon that this property may also be gone, and I hope the Town Of Aurora will consider a new, larger leash free area somewhere else in town to reflect the growing amount of dogs coming here with their owners.


**Mike Dickie
Aurora**


 **BOUQUETS** to Nancy Nares, a teacher from Wells Street Public School, currently on leave of absence to do volunteer work in Guatemala. She found the country lacking in educational resources, which the school tried to provide but the cost of shipping was prohibitive. Several have responded to her requests for help.


 **BRICKBATS** to Wiarton Willie for predicting an early spring when he didn't see his shadow on Groundhog Day and then letting loose some of the worst winter weather with low temperatures, high winds and lots of snow with freezing rain thrown in for good measure.


 **BOUQUETS** to Lyndsay McKerracher and Julia Livia, two Grade 5 students at Holy Spirit Catholic School, who are selling heart-shaped cookies for a dollar each to help children who are sick in hospital. They sold 636 cookies which were delivered on Valentine's Day. They have issued a challenge to other schools to raise funds for worthy causes.


 **BRICKBATS** to the McGuinty Liberal government for sending a mixed message to the United States with Environment Minister Laurel Broten challenging a U.S. government move to weaken pollution rules for hundreds of coal-fired power plants, while remaining as one of the biggest customers of the dirty, coal-fired electricity.


 **BOUQUETS** and an **AURORA WELCOME** to Anthony Silvestri and his Aurora Collision Centre located on Berczy Street, which opened recently.


 **BRICKBATS** to an Ontario public health system which forced a mother to be taken to a Buffalo hospital to have her twins, when a vacant neo-natal intensive care unit couldn't be found anywhere in Ontario. The only blessing is that the twins will have dual citizenship.


 **BOUQUETS** to Halton Conservative MP Garth Turner for having the intestinal fortitude to stand up to the demands of Stephen Harper and not backing down in what he believes and for fighting for more rights for MPs. Remember Harper campaigned on this. How soon we forget!

 **BRICKBATS** to Justice Peter Wright for his lenient sentence of seven years, of which the offender will only serve four years as a result of the two-for-one time spent in jail prior to the trial after sexually assaulting and beating a nine-year-old girl. He should be put in prison and the keys thrown away!

 **BOUQUETS** to Prime Minister Stephen Harper for making at least one good appointment with naming former Conservative federal Finance Minister Michael Wilson as U.S. Ambassador replacing Frank McKenna who resigned.

 **BRICKBATS** to the same Prime Minister for the unexplained recall of Bhupinder Liddar as Canadian High Commissioner to Kenya, who reported last month after a two-year delay caused by CSIS and whose appointment was supported by the Tories.

More  **BRICKBATS** to the same Prime Minister for his arrogant attitude towards the media, as during the election campaign he used them to his advantage, but once elected he retreated into silence, ducking cameras and presiding over a communications strategy that shows signs of regarding the media as public enemy #1.

 **BOUQUETS** to Director Ken Lloyd, the cast and technical crew of Theatre Aurora for a top-notch production of Gilbert and Sullivan's musical "Pirates of Penzance" at the Factory Theatre. It's an award winner!

Letters to the Editor

Parking restrictions make King hiking trail useless

To the editor,

My husband and I have enjoyed the privilege of using Mr. Routledge's land for more than five years ever since our dog, Darcy, was a pup.

We are also thankful to Mr. Routledge for allowing so many of us the use of his land with its spacious fields and wooded trails.

It was definitely worth the drive across town three or four times a week. Mr. Routledge is a friendly man, smiling and waving to individuals as he rode his giant lawn mower around the fields during the summer.

I for one am going to miss visiting that little piece of heaven.

Like many others, we find it frustrating that only a few could have such a powerful influence with the powers that be, namely King Township Council, to disal-

low people from parking at the entrance of the Oak Ridges Moraine trail on the 16th Sideroad.

It wasn't enough to strong-arm Mr. Routledge to install those No Trespassing signs bordering his property.

I agree with the Beers family that good things must come to an end (unfortunately) but it is a real misfortune to the dog lovers of Aurora and the surrounding area to be banned from the trail with the parking restrictions imposed recently.

There is the option of using the trails at the York Region's forest east of Aurora.

I drove to the Warden Avenue entrance one summer with my mother and my dog.

We ended up getting very lost on the trails and after wandering around for two hours we stumbled across two men engaged in

a highly inappropriate act right in plain sight.

I haven't had the desire to go back since.

I never had to worry about an unfortunate occurrence such as this strolling on Mr. Routledge's land.

My husband feels the residents of King Township should petition to have 16th Sideroad opened up to traffic from Bathurst Street to Dufferin Street. For one thing it would alleviate heavy traffic flow from adjacent streets. With the exception of the families living in the monster homes along 16th Sideroad and along the Oak Ridges Trail, this nature trail is of no value to anyone anymore, with or without dogs, now that there are parking restrictions.

With respect to Mr. Allison receiving that parking ticket, perhaps he should check to make sure

the proper by-law was put into place since King Township did not bother asking for public input on this issue. Apparently, with so many cars parked along 16th Sideroad at certain times of the week, it seems some parked cars were encroaching on a small portion of the property belonging to 1010 16th Sideroad.

The property owner disliked this even though the houses (including his) are located a fair distance from the road and not visible from the road.

I don't see why parked cars would have such an adverse effect on these property owners.

King Township sees the obvious need for a leash-free facility for area residents, therefore, why can't they provide an alternative?

**Ann Clarke
Aurora**

Thank you, Mr. Routledge

To the editor,

I just wanted to voice the sentiments of a number of your readers and many of our Aurora neighbours who are dog lovers.

We would like to thank Mr. Routledge from the bottom of our hearts for the generosity he showed in sharing his beautiful property with our families and our canine friends.

He permitted us to walk the trails and fields of his property, bringing countless joy to hundreds of "puppies", from Great Danes to Schnauzers and from pups whose only desire was to play and

explore, to aging canines who just enjoyed basking in the sunshine, warming weary old bones.

It gave families the opportunity to step back in time and enjoy life with their kids and their canine friends in a way that we don't see very often in today's modern busy world of user fees and a "me first" mentality.

Our Labrador Retriever Shadow "grew up" on Mr. Routledge's property, "visiting" daily from the time he was just six months old.

He learned what was and wasn't allowed, not just from people but from

his peers because of this unique "leash free" environment.

A visit never went by when one of the elder canine statesmen wouldn't stop by to put the ram-bunctious puppy in his place.

The hours spent chasing frisbees, balls and squirrels and rough housing with the other pups meant a healthy and tired dog by day's end, ensuring that there wasn't any evening mischief to be had.

It's a shame that the selfish desires of one individual can ruin such a special place for so many, but

alas that is our brave new world of "me first".

I understand that it was dogs running off leash in the parking area that prompted the actions.

Had it happened anywhere else, the bylaw officer would have been called to ticket the negligent owners and that would have been the end of it.

I just don't understand this type of backlash that affects hundreds of families and their canine family members, to address the concerns of a single property owner, who knew of the situation before purchasing their property.

Not all that different from buying a home under an airport flightpath and then lobbying for flight restrictions.

But no one would do that, would they?

Now that the "no parking" signs have gone up, where are we supposed to park to access the Oak Ridges Trail?

**Rick Rass
Aurora**

To the editor,

For so many years, my husband and I enjoyed our walks on what was then known as the "Green Lane".

I knew Mr. Routledge's wife, Joan, who was a master teacher of mathematics at the York Region Board of Education.

The family still lives in

the area and would be thoroughly disappointed that the owners of 1010 16th Avenue would take advantage of a senior person who just wanted to give people an opportunity to enjoy walks in the woods with their pets.

What possible harm are they doing that would motivate these "newcomers" to deny

people the simple pleasure of enjoying the generosity of Mr. Routledge's gift?

**Jane Bolton
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Letters to the Editor

He's equally outraged by Emerson's switch

To the editor,

After Belinda's traitorous switch from being elected as a Conservative member of Parliament to a self-appointed Liberal less than two years ago I strongly voiced my opposition to her actions.

I therefore readily admit I was one of the Conservative voters referred to in a letter from

"Holly" appearing in the February 14th edition of The Auroran, (although I do take umbrage at the rabid comment).

I and many other Conservative voters were quite justifiably angry that our votes were so flippantly and lightly disregarded for what appears to have been political opportunism.

As to David Emerson, I am equally outraged at his

defection to the Conservative Party.

I know how betrayed and angry the Liberal supporters, workers and voters for Emerson must feel.

I am even more disgusted and angry with Stephen Harper for accepting him into the Conservative Party and rewarding his betrayal with a cabinet post.

I had thought and hoped that by electing a Conservative government Canadians had voted for a more accountable and ethi-

cal parliament, that there was now to be a higher standard.

Given the hypocrisy of Harper's acceptance and appointment to cabinet of Emerson this is sadly not the case.

As far as being labeled by "Holly" as an "angry, hateful messaged person" I thought and still think that what Belinda did was wrong just as what Emerson has now done in copying her is also wrong and goes against the very principle of

democracy.

As for this election, I was disappointed that Belinda was elected and by such a large margin.

I thought we, in the Aurora-Newmarket riding, had an ideal opportunity to send a message to all politicians across Canada that there are consequences and penalties to be paid for deceitful and unethical behaviour.

Having said that, however, Belinda has been elected under her true Liberal

colours.

I congratulate her and fully accept and respect the wishes of the majority of the people in our riding.

Hopefully one thing that will come of all this is legislation: perhaps the Stronach-Emerson Bill that would prevent any future elected representative from "crossing the floor" without the consent of their constituents.

Graham Wride
Aurora

Patron loved "Pirates" musical

To the editor,

A lie, an honest to goodness mistake, a birthday.

Life's twists and turns can apparently hinge themselves upon such factors, so say Messrs. Gilbert and Sullivan in their comic opera, The Pirates of Penzance.

Throw in a cast of cowardly cops, aged nannies, a very British Major General, pirates with a conscience, beautiful maids, a Mabel, a Frederic and a Pirate King, and you have a dynamic musical production.

And I haven't even mentioned the excellent musical accompaniment. Theatre Aurora just seems to go from strength to strength.

Loved the cardboard boat that materialized on the set carrying hoards of pirates (or were they carrying the boat?) in the opening scene; it was a wonderful throwback to the television pre-cartoon era, the only thing that could have topped it for me would have been cardboard waves and maybe a cardboard seagull or two.

There were some very strong voices in this musical, not the least of which was Mabel, daughter of the Major General whose upper vocal range knew no boundaries.

The combination of her voice and acting was dynamite. She seemed to exude a coquettish/come hither look which was a lesson to all!

And Ruth. Ruth who lost her youth. Former nanny to

Frederic.

How my heart ached for her as she begged the handsome Frederic to marry her in her dueling duet with him.

I myself wanted to petition him on Ruth's behalf, because I felt her course was fair and just, and what else was she going to do, set adrift off the coast of Cornwall?

So what if she wasn't the stuff of beautiful legends, not to mention the fact that by my figuring she had to be some 20 or so years older than him.

Did the words faithful and integrity - maybe not integrity - hold no meaning for him?

Apparently, there is honour amongst pirates after all.

The word 'orphan' and a penchant to only attack ships/crews stronger than themselves render the crew to be softies at heart.

The aforementioned lie that is uttered by the Major General seems to have thrown him into a terrible dilemma with his conscience, and it was obviously not as easy for him as if, say, he'd been a politician.

Anyways, all hell breaks loose when that lie is discovered.

However, enough said, this is a terrific musical, well worth the effort of leaving the comfort of a warm house and combating the frigid February temperatures to gain a little laughter and fun and head out towards Theatre Aurora.

Barbara Anderson
Aurora

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Letters to the Editor

Council should praise, not berate, volunteers

To the editor,

Recently council was given an update regarding the fundraising activities planned for the new Recreation Centre at Wellington and Leslie.

The goal given to this coalition of user groups was \$2,000,000! This huge challenge represents about 10 per cent of the total cost of the project.

The displeasure and disappointment registered by council regarding their fundraising plans was

remarkable if not embarrassing.

They were shocked by the details; surprised by the suggested lack of effort; distressed at the results to date.

Councillor Hogg said he was "disgusted" and suggested we not put a drop of water in the pool.

Councillor Buck said, "I thought this would happen, and you haven't disappointed me!"

In some convoluted way, it is implied that the pool was built for the swim club,

so they should pay for it.

The reality is that the swim club will utilize the pool less than 10 per cent of the available time.

It was built for us all to use, whether for scheduled programs or general use. The same could be said for the ice rinks, whether it's the Seniors' Skate hours or youth skating schools.

Again, the dysfunctional nature of this council comes to the forefront.

Rather than berate volunteer groups in the community, our politicians

should applaud these groups for their wellness contribution as well as any financial efforts they make.

To their credit, only Mayor Jones and Deputy Mayor Morris offered to help in any way they could.

Ironically it was Councillor Hogg who in May of 2005 asked for a staff report regarding council's efforts to generate a plan of action for the naming rights of the facility.

Council specifically excluded the naming rights from any fundraising efforts as they reserved that component for themselves.

For over a year I have been encouraging council to take some action and investigate available options for naming rights.

They have been unable or unwilling to agree to hold a meeting, generate a plan, advise any efforts or announce any progress.

On March 4th, there is a 'Sneak Preview' of our new Recreation Complex.

This fundraising event is supported by some great local businesses from our community.

I applaud these groups for their contribution to our community as well as any financial support they can generate for the Town.

I encourage everyone to participate, to come out to

support our local organizations.

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Jasper enjoyed romping on Routledge's property

To the editor,

It wasn't until today that I understand why we don't go to our usual off-leash dog area.

This is because I heard the family say it was off limits to everyone. Almost every day we would go to the end of the 16th Sideroad where we would enjoy the beautiful surroundings as well as get our exercise for the day.

I was always so happy when my mom would open the car door and say some-

thing sweet to me. I knew that was when we were going to go to our happy place.

Often we would see the "regulars" and many times we would meet new walkers. Every time we walked we were always so thankful to Mr. Routledge for allowing us to come onto his property and roam freely.

You would hear his name mentioned frequently and how great it was to be able to enjoy the outdoors in such a simple way.

Running through the meadows, zigzagging in and out of the trees in the forest, and the lovely pond was always my personal favourite!

Now, we still go off leash, but not as often.

You see, my name is Jasper and I am a yellow lab.

My mom doesn't feel comfortable walking alone in other conservation areas. Mr. Routledge's property always felt safe for my mom whether we were alone or not.

I don't see my regular friends anymore and I know my mom misses seeing her regular friends as well.

It is too bad the people who live at 1010 16th Sideroad can't understand how happy we were to run free and play.

I miss going there and I guess I wanted to tell everyone how I appreciated having this area at the bottom of 16th Sideroad to go to.

Thank you very much, Mr. Routledge, for letting me play there. You made me one very happy puppy!

Jasper

ED. NOTE: Jasper's Aurora family consists of Mark, Bonnie and Spencer Schwartz.



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16th Sideroad a public road

To the editor,

What a shame that much pleasure is being denied to all those people who have enjoyed Mr. Routledge's generosity in the access to his land over many years, as well as to the people who wish to use the trail to Dufferin Street.

The 16th Sideroad is a public road, not only for

King Township residents.

A few years ago, the township extended the road a bit and enlarged the area available for parking.

Where is the harm in these parked cars on public land?

They do not interfere with the access to private roads to residences.

Karin Lumsden
Aurora

Community responds to postage request

To the editor,

The "Got any extra postage?" article which you ran in The Auroran, Feb. 14, drew several responses from the community with various ideas on how to get the two boxes of educational resources to Guatemala.

Thank you to all those who called.

We are very grateful to

two Aurora businesses - Tilemaster and the UPS Store - who have agreed to share the cost in sending these boxes by courier.

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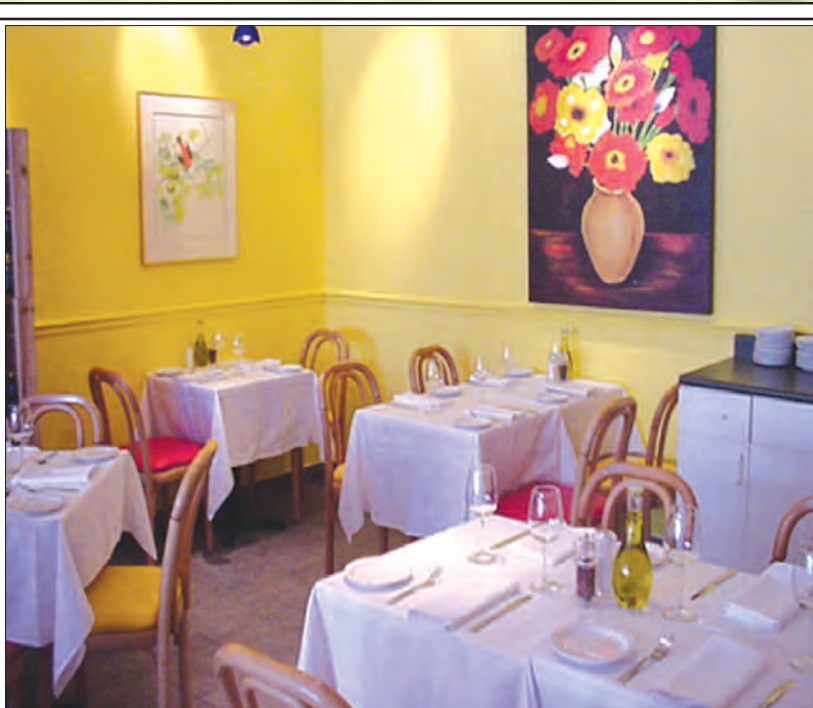
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Lawn Bowling Club seeks Aurora's help

The Aurora Lawn Bowling Club is the oldest sport club in Aurora.

Lawn Bowling was played by Aurora residents in the late 1890s and early 1900s and around 1900 a lawn bowling club was formed in Aurora and played on a large green to the east of the Anglican church.

In 1930, an application to use McMahon Park was made on behalf of the Lawn Bowling Club and a green was constructed in that location, near Maple and Fleury Streets.

A log building was moved from Pepperlaw and re-assembled in the park in 1934 for the use of the lawn bowlers.

The walls inside the small clubhouse were decorated with regional tournament banners along with a history of the club.

In 1973 the town, with financial assistance from the Aurora Lions Club, constructed a new clubhouse for the lawn bowlers and members of the Aurora Community

Tennis Club, who had courts in the park.

The original log clubhouse was moved to Sheppard's Bush in 1974 where it remains.

In May, 1992, as an aid in letting citizens know that Aurora had a Lawn Bowling Club, the members held a three-day Open House and arranged with council to proclaim the period "Lawn Bowling Week in Aurora" and invited the mayor and members of council to bowl.

After quietly catering to residents for more than a century, the Club has fallen on hard times, accordind to President Alan Dean, who appeared before the town's general committee last week.

He said the Club has always been self-sufficient and members maintained their own greens, surrounding gardens and clubhouse, while the town contributed with fertilization, weed control and coring in the fall.

During the past few years the greens have

deteriorated due to limited rainfall, water restrictions and a temperamental irrigation system. In addition, the Club lost one of its greens experts who moved out of the district.

Dean said the Club was at a crossroads as without additional support from Leisure Services, it may be necessary to ask the Newmarket Club to accept the 53 Aurora members.

He said the reason he was appearing before the general committee was to make council members aware of the Club's situation.

He pointed out how important the Club was to today's seniors who enjoy a more active lifestyle and enjoy a social opportunity and he asked that council provide assistance so members could continue to enjoy their time in the sun and on the green.

the committee agreed to refer the request to staff to discuss with club members subjects including a user pay policy.

Tigers trail half the game but end up beating Blues

Heading into round two of their Junior A Hockey league playoffs, the Aurora Tigers were a little slow off the mark Friday night.

Hosting the Collingwood Blues, Tigers trailed 2-0 by the time the game was half over, but managed to turn things around and escape with a 5-2 win to take the lead in the best of seven series.

Second game was played in Collingwood Tuesday night, but results were not available at press time.

It was Matt Caranci who started the comeback for the hometowners.

He gobbled up a nice breakaway feed from Brandon Roshko and went in to score the team's first goal and from that moment on the tide began to turn in the Tigers' favour.

By game's end Aurora had scored four more times and ended beating the Blues.

The third period saw the Tigers outshoot their opponents 18-4 margin, and that resulted in four goals

and the victory.

Also scoring for the Tigers were Josh McNair and Josh Diamond with a goal and assist each, Matt McGill with the game winner and Mike Martinelli on a big shot from the face-off

dot.

Adding two assists was Austin Corredato.

Game Three of the series is slated for the Aurora Community Centre Wednesday, March 1st at 7.30 p.m.

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MONDAY NIGHT HOCKEY
Standings as at Monday, Feb. 20

TEAM	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Masterclean Contracting	16	6	0	103	68	32
Highland Chev Cadillac	15	6	1	119	87	31
Priestly Demolition	13	7	2	97	60	28
Tom & Jerry's	11	8	3	92	81	25
J.J. Barron Realty	9	8	5	85	84	23
Law Insurance Brokers	7	10	5	77	101	19
FPL Aggregates	4	15	3	70	109	11
Rec Cycle N' Sports	3	18	1	58	111	7

Results, Feb. 20

Masterclean	3	Barron Realty	3
Tom & Jerry's	2	Rec Sports	2
Highlands Chev	6	Priestly Demolition	4
FPL Aggregates	4	Law Insurance	1

PLAYER STANDINGS
As at Feb. 20

NAME	TEAM	G	A	TOTAL
John Archibald	Highland	36	23	59
Steve Robertson	Highland	20	32	52
Mark Sedore	Priestly	23	26	49
Tom Hussey	Masterclean	21	18	39
Jason Muise	Priestly	17	22	39
Steve Kavanah	Barron's	13	26	39
Ken Rumble	Highland	14	23	37
Steve McDonald	Tom & Jerry's	17	18	35
John Yaremko	Law Insurance	12	23	35
Bruce Chappell	Highlands	9	24	33
Ralph Berry	Masterclean	16	16	32
Pat O'Mahony	Barron's	13	14	27
Gerry Briand	Masterclean	10	16	26
Ed Jackson	Barron's	10	16	26
Scott Thomas	Tom & Jerry's	11	14	25
Dean Iwai	Tom & Jerry's	10	15	25
Darryl Iwai	Highlands	9	16	25
Frank Balkovec	Law Insurance	4	21	25
Darren Yaremko	Law Insurance	9	15	24
Phil Goodenough	Barron's	9	14	23
Pat Davies	Priestly	7	16	23
Charlie Steenhorst	FPL	7	16	23
Brad MacMillan	Tom & Jerry's	11	11	22
Cam Mitchell	FPL	11	11	22
Darryl Thompson	Tom & Jerry's	9	12	21
Phil Podstatski	Priestly	13	7	20
Jon Anderson	Rec Sports	12	8	20
John Leeder	Highland	11	9	20
Vince Greco	Rec Cycle	9	11	20
Doug Adair	Rec Cycle	8	12	20
Glen Bince	Law Insurance	8	12	20
Mike Nisbet	Priestly	7	13	20
Les Nip	Barron's	6	14	20



Peter Pan

The cast of the "Peter Pan" presentation took time out from their rehearsals for a photo opportunity recently. Mainly Aurora children, they are Mason Choffe, Jason DalBello, Daniela Figliomeni, Jordan Kehler, Madison Kehler, Spencer Maxwell, Adriana Mazzone, Francesca Pang, Franco Pang, Adriana Rustico and John Willoughby. Members of Aurora's Canadian Children's Theatre Co., they'll perform at Newmarket Theatre Thursday, March 9, through Saturday, March 11. They have also arranged a March Break matinee Friday, March 10 at 1 p.m. For ticket information, call the theatre box office at 905-953-5122.

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However, many residents with properties to the north objected to the proposal.

Their concerns included height and massing of the building, blocked sunlight, increased noise, traffic and illumination, minimal landscaping, and loss of property values.

Origin Retirement Communities held an Open House and Public Information Session in early February to discuss the proposed development with the neighbours and company officials said they are committed to trying to satisfy concerns expressed.

Changes include stepping down wings of the buildings closest to the residents to four storeys, reviewing potential lowering of the height of the roof structure and enhancing landscaping along the north property line.

Speaking for the developer, Bruce Hall, a planner, told the audience that Origin was founded for senior independent and full service retirement living with assisted living facilities.

He noted the proposed use would have less impact on the neighbourhood than a seven-storey apartment building for which it was zoned.

John Gallo, represent-

ing the Bayview Wellington Ratepayers Association asked council to give very serious consideration and careful planning to the proposal.

He said if the project is approved, council should consult with citizens as to the height, mass, colour and material, lighting, buffering, snow removal and delivery times.

Several other citizens also expressed concerns including the impact of the building in a residential neighbourhood, medical waste and emergency vehicles.

They objected to the loss of privacy, potential impact on property values, and the need for earlier consultation with residents.

While there was agreement there was a need for retirement homes, they should be constructed

somewhere else.

It was also recommended council change zoning to permit town houses and reject the proposal.

After more than an hour of public presentations, Councillor Evelyn Buck, noted the zoning had been in place since 1994, and that residents who bought homes should have checked on potential uses of the vacant land.

She said a seven-storey apartment building would create more problems than the proposed use, and the town depended on the sale of real estate for revenue, and she favoured the proposal as the best possible use for the property.

Councillor Damir Vrancic said council had a responsibility to the homeowners and noted no one had supported the proposal.

Mayor Tim Jones said



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House League Tyke

107 Tim Horton's Bruins 12 - Christian Arcuri 2A, Charles Bennett 2A, Alex Carter 4A, Evan Cherubini 1G, Mathew Ciano 1A, Andrew Daniell 1A, Alistair Johnston 2A, Connor Mulvenna 1A, Nicholas Sansalone 1G, Cole Thiessen 10G.

106 Tim Horton's Red Wings Tyke HL 3

103 Tim Horton's Blackhawks 9 - Andrew Badali 5G 2A, Jacob Fenchak 1A, Taylor Kauffeldt 1A, Colin McGoldrick 1G 1A, Jeffrey McKay 1G 1A, Eric Shennan 2G, Brett Diamond 1A, Jacob Hatton 1A.

102 Tim Horton's Rangers Tyke HL 3

108 Tim Horton's Blues Tyke HL 11 - Matthew Tyndall 2G, Colin Kostin 4G 1A, Graham Sandford 1G 1A, Cameron Zinner 4G 2A.

105 Tim Horton's Flyers 1

104 Tim Horton's Sharks Tyke HL 2 - Adam Caicco 1A, Brendin Ramsay 2G.

101 Tim Horton's Leafs 1

Novice

204 North York Heating & Plumbing 1 - James Power 1G, Matthew MacGrath 1A. Shutout: John Partland.

206 Emilio's Pizza Novice HL 0

202 Mastermind Toys.Com Novice HL 9 - David Kangas 1A, Eric Cumiskey 3G 1A, Gregory Rutherford 1A, Hunter Jones 1A, Jonathan Jin 1G, Joshua Lye 1G, Liam Joiner 3G 1A, Ryan Owroules 1G 2A, Chris Broughton 2A.

201 McAlpine Ford Lincoln 1 - Matthew Hall 1A, Christopher Ottman 1A, Torre Litke 1G.

Minor Atom

301 ADC Aluminum 3 - Matteo Campea 1A, Zachary Cowl 2G, Rio Speller-Drews 1G 1A, Oliver Jones 1A, Billy Haddock 1A, Joseph Veneziano 1A, Michael Tanel 1A.

305 All Pro Source For Sports Minor Atom HL 2 - Morgan Walker 1G, Michael Slack 1G 1A.

306 Aurora Home Hardware Building Centre Minor Atom HL 1 - Thomas Finlay 1A, Michael Liscio 1G.

304 Chouinard Bros. Roofing & Windows 1

303 Dr. Steiner's Drillers 3 - Maxwell Brown 2G, Matthew Reynolds 1A, Nicholas Steiner 1G.

308 Delph & Jenkins Surveyors Minor Atom HL 2 - Callum Forrest 1G, James Johnston 1G.

302 Laurion Law Office 9 - Mac Cawfield 2G, Alexander Harrison 1A, Matt Sanita 2G 3A, Cameron Staples 1A, Matthew Pelkola 2G 1A, Tyler Futterer 2G 1A, Chris Sanita 1G 3A.

307 Optimist Club of Aurora Minor Atom HL 3

Atom

403 Dr. Steiner's Drillers Atom HL 6 - Stephen Wilkins 3A, Ethan Cullen 1A, Christopher Cherubini 1G, Tyler Grossi 1G, Matthew Iamonaco 1G 1A, Cody Mulhern 1G 1A, Paul Louis Steiner 1A, Christopher Tsianos 2G.

401 Nacora Insurance Brokers 1

406 Continental Custom Ingredients Atom HL 4 - Ben Bryant 2G, Sasha Dajia 2G, Justin Stevens 1A, Matthew Reeves 2A, Trevor Stephens 2A, Andrew Hall 1A.

405 Rotary Club of Aurora 2 - Michael McCreesh 1G 1A, Mackenzie McIntosh 1A, George Plukov 1G.

404 Optimist Club of Aurora 4 - Jesse Campoli 1A, Steven Grandin 1A, Kevin Casey 3G 1A, Sammy Fanone 1A, Luc Wise 1A, Dustin Partanen 1G, Massimo Longhin 1A.

402 McAlpine Ford Lincoln Atom HL 3 -

Paul Ashbourne 1A, Zachary Ferry 2G, Quinn Harris 1A, Braden Gerace 1A, Casey Severini 1G, Austin Boudreau 1A.

Minor Bantam

704 Aurora Montessori School Minor Bantam HL 3 - Nick Orsatti 1G, Matthew DeSousa 1G, Adam Stubbs 1G 1A. Shutout: Kyle Scott.

706 Formtech 0

705 Aurora Canadian Tire 5

704 Aurora Montessori School Minor Bantam HL 2

705 Aurora Canadian Tire Minor Bantam HL 2

703 Dial Tone Communications 2 - Matt Raponi 2G, Munn Colin 2A.

701 I.O.O.F. Aurora Lodge 148 F.L.T. Minor Bantam HL 4 - Michael Gray 2A, Daniel Crowther 1G, Scott Parry 1A, Dylan Teacher 2A, Daniel Sampieri 1A, Marcel Lamanna 1G 1A, Chris Blumreisinger 1G, Colin Bennett 1G.

702 Highland Chevrolet Cadillac 1

Midget

1008 ASA Alloys Midget HL 5 - Daniel Abram 1A, Jon Alessich 1A, Iznaur Atiev 1G 2A, Jason Brennan 1G 1A, Sean Brennan 1G, Kevin Michie 1A, James Seymore 2G 3A.

1009 Ice Pix Midget HL 1

1008 ASA Alloys Midget HL 5 - Daniel Abram 3G, Robert Danis 1A, James Seymore 2A, John Stinson 1G, Michael Panetta 1G.

1006 AB Cox Pontiac Buick GMC 3

Select

Barrie Blue 5

Aurora Tigers Tyke Select 4 - Andrew Badali 1A, Shaun Broad 1A, Ryan Coveart 1G, Michael Da Costa 1A, Taylor Kauffeldt 1A, Colin Kostin 1G, Cole Chapman 1A, Cole Thiessen 1G 1A, Robert Thomas 1G.

Pickering 7

Aurora Tigers Tyke Select 2 - Andrew Badali 1G 1A, Brendin Ramsay 1G.

Aurora Tigers Tyke Select 2 - Michael Da Costa 1G, Matthew Liscio 1G, Patrick Servideo 1A, Cole Chapman 1A. Shutout: Matthew Tanel.

Unionville 0

Rep Games

Georgina 5

Aurora Tigers Novice AA 2 - Nicholas Baxter 1G, Matthew Caicco 1G, Graeme McDonald 1A.

Aurora Tigers Novice AA 2 - Jake Appleby 1A, Hayden Hassard 1A, Graeme McDonald 1G, Tara Morning 1A, Jesse Wiemer 1G 1A.

Georgina 2

Aurora Tigers Novice A 3 Markham 1

Barrie 3

Aurora Tigers Novice A 1

Aurora Tigers Novice AE 2 - Erick Bortolotti 1A, Jeff Stobo 1G, Joesph Battiston 1G, Adam Newell 1A.

Markham - 2

Aurora Tigers Novice AE 2 - Kyle Bryden 1A, Jeff Stobo 1G, Joesph Battiston 1G, Adam Newell 1A.

Markham - 2

Aurora Tigers Novice AE 4 - William Stroud 1A, Jeff Stobo 1G 3A, Joesph Battiston 1G 1A, Garret Wood 2G, Austin Waite 1A.

Markham - 2

Aurora Tigers Minor Atom AA 3 - Liam Coll 1A, Konner McMillan 1A, Branden Fennell 2G, John MacDonald 1G 1A, Jack Caldwell 1A.

Richmond Hill 2

Aurora Tigers Minor Atom AA 4 - Sean

Foxwell 2A, Liam Coll 1G, Konner McMillan 2A, Kyle Locke 1A, Branden Fennell 1G, John MacDonald 1G 1A, Austin Lane 1G, Matthew Iwai 1A.

Richmond Hill 4

Aurora Tigers Minor Atom A 3 - Erik Balkovec 1G 1A, Paul Neophytou 2A, Connor Cowl 1G, Ian Dunlop 1A, Brett Thiessen 1G 1A.

TNT Tornadoes 1

Aurora Tigers Minor Atom A 4 - Paul Neophytou 1G 2A, Evan Jackson 1G, Robert Stokes 1A, Lucas Pozzebon 2G 1A, Brett Thiessen 1A. Shutout: Brian Langdon.

TNT Tornadoes 0

Bradford 5

Aurora Tigers Minor Atom A 2 - Paul Neophytou 2A, Jake McKee 1A, Lucas Pozzebon 1A, Brett Thiessen 2G.

Aurora Tigers Minor Atom AE 4 - Ben Ashton 2G, Josh Bell 2A, Tyler George 1A, Shannon Murray 1G, Kyle Strachan 1A, Jordyn Thomson 1A, Nathan Nealon 1G.

Stouffville 0

Aurora Tigers Minor Atom AE 5 - Josh Bell 3A, Liam Beresford 2G, Alex Perez 1A, Graham Robinson 2A, Harrison Smith 2G, Jordyn Thomson 1G, Nathan Nealon 1A.

East Gwillimbury 0

Markham 3

Aurora Tigers Atom AA 2

Markham 3

Aurora Tigers Atom AA 1

Aurora Tigers Atom A 0 - Shutout: Taylor Coveart.

Bradford 0

Barrie 4

Aurora Tigers Atom A 2 - Evan Romano 1A, Hayden Trask 1G, Peter Sandwell 2A, Kiefer McIntosh 1G 1A.

Aurora Tigers Atom A 2 - Hayden Trask 1A, Daniel Fiori 1A, Peter Sandwell 1A, Stefan Lazzar 1G, Kiefer McIntosh 1G.

East Gwillimbury 2

Aurora Tigers Atom AE 1 - Sammy Steenhorst 1A, Eric Bulloch 1G. Shutout: Andrew Stobbe.

Reline Auto Redmen 0

Aurora Tigers Minor Peewee AA 2 - Matthew Roy 1A, Reid Sisson 1A, Tanner Thiessen 1G, Cooper Riswick 1G, Andrew Papousek 1A, Taylor Butler 1A.

Richmond Hill 1

Aurora Tigers Minor Peewee AA 3 - Matthew Roy 1A, Tanner Thiessen 1G 1A, Andrew Papousek 1G, Mitchell Harris 2A, Ethan Benson 1A, Brian Puskar 1G, Nick Heintzman 1A.

Richmond Hill 0

Richmond Hill 4

Aurora Tigers Minor Peewee AA 0

Aurora Tigers Minor Peewee A 5 - Ryan St. Germain 1A, Sean Nishimura 1A, Matthew Skoulikas 1A, Kyle Spicer 1A, Christopher Bull 1G, A.J. Killens 1G 1A, Daniel Whitley 2G 1A, Daniel Delbello 1G 1A.

Innisfil 5

Duff's Tires 6

Aurora Tigers Minor Peewee AE 5 - Mackenzie Wooder 1A, Jesse Bentolila 1A, Anthony Selski 1G 1A, Evan Collict 2G, Dylan Woyslaw 1A, Brett Wilson 1A, Ty Brochu 2G.

Re-stored Sports Redmen 4

Aurora Tigers Peewee AA 3 - Eleeza Cox 3A, Josh Beaton 2A, Tristan Miller 1G 1A, Matthew Miller 1G, James Harkin 1G.

Barrie 3

Aurora Tigers Peewee AE 2 - Brett Allen 1G, Daniel Howie 1G, Adam Reid 1A, Nicholas Silverio 1A, Brendan Strachan 1A.

Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam AA 5 - Jeffrey Sanderson 1A, Oliver Boettcher 2A, Justin Brown 1A, Dylan Cross 2G 1A, Derrick

Hamner 1G, J.J. Lam 1A, Sean Ellison 1A, Louis Lamanna 1G, Taylor Nuttall 1G, Peter Axiotis 2A.

Markham 1

Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam AA 5 - Jeffrey Sanderson 1G, Anthony Marsillo 3A, Nathan Brown 1A, Oliver Boettcher 1G 1A, Dylan Cross 2G 1A, Shawn Clark 1G.

Markham 2

Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam A 6 - Sean Agostino 1A, Tyler Tisdale 2A, Shawn MacEachern 1A, Aaron Beally 1G 2A, Jakub Sykora 1A, Matthew Semeredy 1G, Max Lerner 1G 1A, Michael McGolrick 1G 1A, Dillon Cappell 2G 1A, Jesse Cappell 1A. Shutout: Ernesto Spagnuolo.

TNT Tornadoes 0

Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam A 6 - Tyler Tisdale 1G 2A, Ryan Jones 1G, Aaron Beally 1G 1A, Max Lerner 1A, Michael McGolrick 1G, Dillon Cappell 2G 1A.

Bradford 3

Redmen 7

Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam AE 6

Redmen 4

Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam AE 1

Aurora Tigers Bantam AA 3

Universal Studios Canada Inc. Redmen 2 - Brock Levick 1G, Jamie Robinson 1A, Steve Simone 1A, Brad Crouse 1G.

Universal Studios Canada Inc. Redmen 5 - Matt Hall 1G, Daniel Iacono 1A, Tyler Jotoff 1A, George Letterio 2G 1A, Brock Levick 1G, Zack Luinenburg 1G 2A, Andrew Nyman 1A, Brett Sadler 1A.

Aurora Tigers Bantam AA 1

Aurora Tigers Bantam A 6 - David Bar 1A, Ryan Finlay 1G 1A, Carter Hassard 1G, David Iwai 1A, Matthew Joynt 1A, Andrew McDonald 1G, Michael Morson 1A, Ben Mulholland 2G 3A, Matthew Scrimess1A, Conor McQueston 1G 3A.

Richmond Hill 3

Aurora Tigers Bantam A 3 - David Bar 1A, Ryan Finlay 1G, David Iwai 1G 1A, Andrew McDonald 1G, Matthew Scrimess 2A, Conor McQueston 1A, Adam Bloom 1A.

Stouffville 2

Redmen 3

Aurora Tigers Bantam AE 1 - Brandon Giniotis 1G.

Aurora Tigers Bantam AE 3 - Chris Burns 1G, Darrel Evans 1G, Michael Grande 1A, Curtis Hough 1G, Andrew Mangialardi 1A, Trevor McCartney 2A.

Redmen 1

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Aurora Tigers Minor Midget AA 3

Aurora Tigers Minor Midget AA 4 **Evergreen Lawn Sprinklers Inc. Redmen 3**

Aurora Tigers Minor Midget A 10 - Robert Lee 2G, Travis Hooper 3A, Patrick McMurray 1G, Jake Hurlbut 1A, Jeremy Cohen 3G 1A, Greg Gianopoulos 2G, Darcy (Bucky) Pelosse 2A, Joshua (Josh) Meron 2A, Ross Pizzurro 1G 1A, Brendan Hamner 1G 1A.

Markham 4

Markham 4 A

Aurora Tigers Midget AA 3

Aurora Tigers Midget AA 2 Markham 1

Aurora Tigers Juvenile AA 5 - Matthew Cleverdon 2G 2A, Michael Jack 2G 2A, Morgan Mcgee 1G, Sak Pietila 1A.

Georgina 3

Aurora Tigers Juvenile AA 10 - Chris Amato 3A, Matthew Cleverdon 1A, Nicholas Elliot 2G 1A, Michael Jack 1G 1A, Morgan Mcgee 1G 2A, Keith Mitchell 2G 2A, Jordan Ofield 1A, Derek Smith 2A, Kirk Steffan 1A, Derek Cepuran 1G, Bobby Haralampopoulos 2G, Mackenzie Kemp 1G 2A.

Georgina 1



leene and Bob Chapman were crowned king and queen of their floor as Aurora Resthaven held its Valentine's Day tea recently. Each floor in the Mill Street building selected a king and queen.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

Aurora part of sharing information

The Chief Administrative Officers of the six northern municipalities have held a number of meetings as a follow-up to discussions with the mayors at a meeting last June to discuss areas of mutual interest,

operational and administrative services, regional issues and provincial issues.

The six municipalities have common interests and have a number of existing co-operative ventures.

The most recent example is the internal auditor service shared among Aurora, East Gwillimbury, Georgina and Newmarket.

The CAO's have found a benefit in fostering a co-operative working relationship for a number on administrative reasons including information sharing, innovation and identification of opportunities and areas of common interest.

Aurora recently approved a recommendation that the CAO be authorized to meet on a

regular basis with the CAOs of the other participating municipalities which also include King and Whitchurch-Stouffville to continue to review areas of mutual interest.

Other areas to be reviewed include emergency services, economic development, human resources, environmental, library services and shared facilities.

Aurora also approved a \$5,000 budget as its contribution for 2006 to be covered in the CAO's budget.

Seniors' Column

Norm Weller, one-time town employee, one-time school board trustee, one-time Aurora Councillor, has for many years in many places, organized and participated in Square Dancing events, very often, more than one event weekly.

Now he chairs the Square Dance committee of the Aurora Seniors' Association (ASA) with the first ASA square dance scheduled for this Saturday, March 4th, at the new seniors' centre.

When Bill Hands, who will be there, by the way, a leading professional caller, combines his rhythmical calls to music and the love of square dancing seniors, senior hearts quicken, blood stirs, feet find new life and become fleet and quick, and men and women with bright eyes and smiling faces, move with a graceful rhythm as one.

This square dancing event will make beer, wine and pizza available, and because at every square dancing event, some are new to the dancing style, lessons will be available for the rookies.

The real business of dance is to bring people together to have a good time, to look after a partner, or to look for a partner.

A man does it for his loved one, a woman does it for her beloved, and the best couples do it for each other, selflessly.

I believe this is the first square dance that the seniors have organized and it will be the first in a long succession if the interest shown so far is an indication of the future.

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As well as the Orange computer, the Centre offered the Texas Instrument home computer line and the low priced Timex/Sinclair at \$69.95.

As well as providing a classroom centre in the store, the Centre hoped to make arrangements to conduct instruction by contract in other locations.

Anyone remember the Orange computer and/or the Computer Learning Centre?

MAKING THE CITIZENS PAY

It's hard to believe today, but back in December, 1972, Aurora Council, on a 4-3 vote, decided to recover about \$200 in legal costs from Kennedy Street residents who unsuccessfully appealed a decision to reconstruct their street.

After the Ontario Municipal Board approved the reconstruction project, about 30 residents appealed the OMB decision to the courts on a point of law, which was dismissed with costs.

The decision to recover the money was made in spite of strong arguments by Councillor Norm Stewart that citizens have a right to appeal council decisions and seeking payment would discourage residents from appealing council's decisions.

Others argued that all taxpayers should not be required to pay for the actions of a few in supporting the decision to recover the costs.

IT WAS A TRADITION

For several years, Vic Paraninfo, Aurora's little shoemaker, had a skate sharpening day in February with proceeds going to the Arthritis Society.

Due to health reasons, he had to give up his special day but the good citizens of Aurora remembered.

In March, 1990, citizens dropped off \$725 at his Yonge Street shop. The money went to the Society.

AN IMPRESSIVE SIGHT

It was February 16, 1996, when about 75 hardy souls braved the cold to walk Yonge Street in Aurora in honour of its 200th Birthday.

As historian John McIntyre pointed out, the walk was significant because it was on February 16, 1796, the day the street was finished to Holland Landing.

Carrying lanterns and candles, it was an impressive sight as the group strolled from the Aurora Museum north on Yonge Street to Aurora Heights Drive and returned with stopovers at Hillary House, the historical plaque at the Lion's parkette at Catherine Avenue and other spots along the way.

On return to the Museum the group enjoyed coffee and hot cider after the walk in the sub-zero temperature.

They wished the street could talk and tell its story from Indian trails, to logs, to mud, horse and buggy, radial cars and automobiles.

Yonge Street had seen it all.

The Candlelight Parade was just one of many events planned during the year to celebrate 200 Years Yonge.

One event was the Longest Street Sale on the Longest Street in the World, which was so successful it became an annual celebration, now in its 11th year, and now known as the Longest Street Festival on the Longest Street in the World.

APPROVAL AFTER THE FACT

Just recently, Councillor Ron Wallace was upset about Aurora's new theatre coming to council to ask for permission to install four posters on the front of the theatre to advertise current and coming movies, after the signs had already been installed.

It was similar in many ways to a time back in February, 1972, when Aurora Mayor Dick Illingworth blew his top at regional council after staff requested authority to place an ad in the local press calling for auto insurance tenders after the ad had appeared in the papers.

Like Councillor Wallace, he wanted to know why it was necessary to have an elected council if the decisions were made and action taken before the item came to council, making council members nothing but rubber stamps.

The big difference was that in the Aurora case it was the sign company who went ahead, believing permission had been obtained, whereas at the region, it was the staff who placed the ad without council authority.

Illingworth suggested the request should be rejected to make fools of the staff, but it was in vain as regional council adopted the resolution that the Treasurer be authorized to call for automobile insurance tenders, after the fact.

CRACKING SECRET POP DEALS


Like Fox Mulder of TV's "X Files", Aurora teenager Nicholas Dodds believed the truth was out there, it just took a while to uncover.

In November, 2003, after a two-year quest, the 15-year-old student was a little closer to finding out how much the school board received for the Pepsi contract.

The Ontario Privacy Commissioner ordered the York board to reveal details of its contract with Pepsi, which provided 30 per cent of sales to schools.



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Trinity Anglican hosts World Day of Prayer

Aurora's Trinity Anglican Church will be the host this year for the annual World Day of Prayer Service.

The event gets underway at the Victoria Street church, Friday, March 3, beginning at 7.30 p.m.

Also included in the service will be representation from Aurora United, Christ Lutheran, First Baptist, Our Lady of Grace and St. Andrew's Presbyterian churches.

This year's service, written by the women of South Africa, reflects on the theme "Signs of the Times".

Aurora church-goers will join Christians in more than 170 countries around the world and 2,000 communities across Canada who will gather to pray and act in

solidarity with the people of South Africa.

The World Day of Prayer started in Canada and the United States in 1920, and

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A Special General Committee meeting will be held on **Tuesday March 7, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.** at the **Town Hall**. The purpose of the meeting is to receive input from the public regarding the possible **future uses of the Old Town Library and the former Seniors' Building** both located on Victoria St. north of Church St.

In addition to any feedback from the public, Members of Council will also be considering a number of options related to these buildings including but not limited to the following:

1. Initiate a new review of the expressions of interest utilizing a new decision matrix.
2. Accept the recommendations of the Leisure Services Advisory Committee with appropriate amendments.
3. Declare the land and buildings surplus and sell them on the open market.
4. Undertake a review of the Expressions of Interest utilizing the current decision matrix approved by General Committee.
5. Demolish some or all of the buildings on the property to increase parking for the New Library and Church Street School after assessing the need for parking in the area.
6. Find a primary tenant and lease the buildings to the primary tenant for \$1.00 per year on the basis that the primary tenant would be responsible for all capital repairs including the \$377,000 of renovations determined to be required to bring the buildings up to appropriate standards.
7. Use some or all of the facilities for Town purposes.

The meeting will be conducted in an open forum format; therefore speakers will be permitted to address Committee without the need to request delegation status prior to the meeting. A copy of a report on this subject is available at the Town Hall or on the Town's Web Site in the What's New Section. Any other inquiries regarding the Library Square buildings can be directed to Mr. Al Downey Director of Leisure Services 905-727-1375 or through e-mail www.e-aurora.ca.



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