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New Ribfest will likely become annual event

Is there anything better than peeling the meat off a rib with your teeth and washing it down with beer?

The Town of Aurora thinks not, so it is planning the tastiest event of the year, the Town of Aurora Ribfest and Beer Garden.

The three-day event will be held in Machell Park, September 8 to 10.

Ribfests in other municipalities have usually turned into annual events, said organizer Shelley Ware.

"The tastiest weekend of the summer promises to be not only fun but delicious," she said.

Professional rib teams from across North America will on hand to serve up some of the finest barbecue ribs Aurora has ever seen.

There will be teams here from Alabama, Florida and Texas.

Each team will be slowly cooking the ribs using a pit smoked technique, some using cherry-wood, others using applewood.

Each team has its own secret for making the best ribs and will compete with each other for top honours.

The official judging panel is given the hardest and most delicious job of the weekend, determining who the winner will be.

Local dignitaries - tough job being a judge - will sit down and sample each team's ribs to decide who should claim top honours.

Judging will take place Saturday, September 9th at 12:30 p.m.

There will be five teams in total bidding to satisfy your appetite.

In addition to ribs, homemade baked beans, coleslaw, corn on the cob and yams will be available.

So where does the beer fit into all this?

The Rotary Club of Aurora will operate the beer garden all three days. The Glenn Marais Band will entertain Friday, September 8th from 8 to 10 p.m.

For a full entertainment line-up visit www.e-aurora.ca.

And just watch this become another Aurora annual event.



Members of the Canadian Children's Theatre Co., used Aurora's old library facility last week to perform their rendition of Robert Munsch's popular children's books "Murmel, Murmel, Murmel" and "The Dark". Dozens of children took part in the performances. The event was co-sponsored by the Town of Aurora.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

Many devices would deter traffic in NE neighbourhood

In the past when council attempted to correct a traffic safety problem on one street, the problem usually shifted to another street.

Last week, council dealt with an entire neighbourhood, and heard a report about several methods that would be used to slow traffic in the area north and east of Yonge and Wellington.

The report was created to deal with motorists who would rather cut through the area than deal with the traffic mess at Yonge and Wellington.

In October, 2004, traffic calming requests were received from residents on Spruce and Centre Streets, and staff recommended a traffic calming study be carried out.

Council adopted the report and directed staff to issue a Request for Proposal, and funding in the amount of \$30,000 be included in the 2005 budget.

Due to the reconstruction of the St. John's Sideroad and Wellington Street, which would affect traffic patterns in the study area, the study was postponed.

Last February the town retained the services of Dillon Consulting to do the work.

An extensive public consultation process was carried out involving a working group, residents, businesses and emergency services resulting in three draft traffic calming designs, which were used as the basis for the final draft design.

It was circulated to residents prior to holding the final Public Information meeting with no concerns recorded and a second PIC was held to review all comments, make minor modifications and create a final design to be presented to council.

The traffic calming design uses various techniques to deter motorists from using streets such as Centre and Spruce and to get them back onto the collector roads such as Walton Drive and Mark Street or out of the north-east quadrant all together.

Last week, Alvaro Almuina of Dillon Consulting provided a summary of the public consultation process and made recommendations for Mark, Walton, Maple, Spruce, Catherine, Fleury and Centre.

Traffic calming techniques included speed humps, speed cushions, diagonal diverters, curb expansions, chicanes, turns restricted during peak periods, and removal of some all-way stops.

In his recommendations were an all-or-nothing design, as the various traffic calming measures work with each other to provide an overall solution to the quadrant.

Removing any of the traffic calming measures without modifying the overall design would result in the project failing to address all concerns.

He estimated the cost to implement the design in the range of \$100,000, but a staff report based on recent prices estimated the figure to be closer

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Plenty of value in hockey tickets

A number of crowd-pleasing features and attractions have been added to next months' "The Battle of Yonge Street" charity hockey game.

The charity game, which is being presented by Newmarket-Aurora MP Belinda Stronach, will feature the Newmarket Hurricanes' and Aurora Tigers and all proceeds will go to the Cancer Care Program and Regional

Cancer Centre at Southlake Regional Health Centre.

The pre-season game takes place at the Ray Twinney Complex, 100 Eagle Street in Newmarket.

Festivities begin in front of the complex at 6 p.m. with a tailgate barbecue presented by Greg Foster of Aurora M&M Meat Shop.

The Aurora Idol from this year's

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Briefly

Tradition ending

A 45-year Yonge Street landmark will disappear in the next couple of weeks.

Armata Chiropractic Centre, for decades located on the south west corner of Yonge and Wellington, will move its operations to a new location.

Sterling Armata said the Centre will open on the second floor of the plaza at the corner of Wellington and Haida in two weeks.

The Yonge building, owned by Steven Armata, will be sold.

Justin coming

The Auroran has learned Justin Trudeau will be a guest speaker at an Aurora Chamber of Commerce function in February.

Add another

One more name has been added to the list of people who want to serve on Aurora Council.

Alison M. Collins-Mrakas joins newcomers Alan Dean, Stephen Granger, Glyn Jones, Grace Marsh, Aime Martin, Eric McCartney, Bob McRoberts, and Stan Rycombel seeking the eight councillor seats.

The mayor's race, with incumbent Tim Jones, and Councillors Evelyn Buck and Nigel Kean seeking the seat, remains unchanged.

Former trustee for the York Region District School Board, Leslie Pengelly has decided to seek the Aurora-King seat, currently held by board vice-chairman Sue Plamondon.

There has been no word from the incumbent on whether she will seek re-election.

Incumbent Elizabeth Crowe has declared she will seek to hold her seat as trustee with the York Catholic District School Board.



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COMING EVENTS IN AURORA

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

Aurora Seniors present a movie night every Tuesday from 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. Admission is \$1 for members and \$1.50 for guests, which includes the movie, a frozen treat and a drink.

Aurora Farmers' Market every Saturday morning at the Temperance Street parking lot until Thanksgiving. Free space is available for non-profit groups. Contact Nigel Kean at 905-751-0790.

Until September 30, water regulations are in effect in Aurora. Watering is permitted from 6 to 10 a.m. and 6 to 10 p.m. for even numbered addresses on even numbered days and odd numbered addresses on odd numbered days. For further information call 905-727-3123 ext. 4240.

Aurora Zen Meditation Group has resumed sitting every Monday evening at Healing Hands Wellness Centre on Wellington Street East at 7.30 p.m.

Weekly barbecues will be held from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Thursday in the Norma Jean Legge Room of the Aurora Seniors' Centre. Call 905-726-4767 for more information.

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

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 Thursday of each month at The Rising Sun Temple, 57 Mosley Street, Aurora at 7.30 p.m.

Robertson Masonic Lodge meets the third Saturday each month at 57 Mosley Street at 10.30 a.m. Coffee club at 9 a.m., 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 has monthly meetings at Aurora's Trinity Anglican Church with a variety of speakers. There is also a selection of interest groups. Contact Beverley 905-727-2151.

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

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

York Regional Police Male Chorus is looking for mem-

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

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

Community Living Newmarket/Aurora District Annual Barbecue and Corn Roast at Simeon Park at 3.30 p.m. The park is located on Woodbine Avenue just south of Bloomington Road. Call 905- 898-3000 for details.

First of three competitions at the Graystone Restaurant at 8 p.m. with the winner singing at the 19th annual Magna Hoedown September 16th plus thousands of dollars worth of gifts. Other competitions are slated for September 6 and 13.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Aurora Public Library, in partnership with Aurora Cable Internet, presents "Internet Explorer and Outlook Express", the first of a 10-part monthly series of free computer workshops. Magna Room, 7 p.m. Register on-line, at the adult information desk or call 905-727-9493, option 4.

Aurora and Newmarket employees of RBC Financial Group 2nd Annual Golf Tournament of Hope at Carrying Place in King with proceeds to the York Region Abuse Program.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

It's the "Battle of Yonge Street" between the Aurora Tigers and the Newmarket Hurricanes at the Ray Twinney Complex in Newmarket at 7.30 p.m. M & M Meats is sponsoring the tailgate barbecue from 6 to 7 p.m. The event is hosted by Belinda Stronach with proceeds to the proposed Regional Cancer Clinic at Southlake. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students and are now on sale at The Auroran, 75 Mary Street, Unit 3.

SEPTEMBER 8 TO 10

Plan to attend Aurora's first annual Ribfest at Machell Park. A beer garden is included.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Aurora Historical Society Candlelight Tour of Homes to celebrate Aurora's first heritage conservation district as half a dozen fine homes in the Spruce/Maple neighbourhood will be open for viewing plus Willow Farm and Hillary House from 6.30 to 9.30 p.m. Tickets are now on sale at The Auroran, 75 Mary Street, Unit 3. Call 905-727-8991 for details.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

The Aurora Film Circuit opens its new season at the Cineplex Odeon Theatre on Bayview Avenue at 6.45 p.m. with the movie "Live and Become" which was a crowd favourite at the 2005 Toronto International Film Festival. Other films will be shown October 2 and November 13. Tickets are available at R & R Revisited on Mary Street and the Aurora Public Library for \$10 each.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Probus Club of Aurora's guest speaker at this month's meeting is Diana Baggett. Club meets at the Aurora Legion the second Wednesday of every month, beginning at 10 a.m.

Aurora Chamber of Commerce annual barbecue at which the seven playhouses, including that People's Choice Award "The Castle" by Aurora Cable, will be raffled. Tickets are available at the Chamber office and at The Auroran at \$4 each or three for \$10 with proceeds for Habitat for Humanity.

Aurora Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting - Members' Patio Party at the Chamber office, Yonge and Industrial Parkway South. No cost but pre-registration is necessary. 5.30 to 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Registration opens for classes in Scottish dancing at

the Aurora Leisure Complex starting September 28. For more information about the classes call 905-727-1022.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

The 19th annual Magna Hoedown will take place in a huge tent on the grounds of Magna International on Wellington Street East to raise funds for local charities and not-for-profit organizations. Last year the Hoedown raised \$410,000.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

26th Annual Terry Fox Run. Registration, 9 a.m., run begins at 10 a.m. Register at pavilion in Sheppard's Bush. For further information, call Tim Moses at 905-727-3420.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Hike the Aurora arboretum at 7 p.m. guided by a member of the Aurora Community Arboretum hosted by the Environmental Advisory Committee. Return to the Seniors' Centre for refreshments and a short talk. Pre-register at Info Aurora, 905-727-8214.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Aurora Public Library hosts a free "creative writing workshop" led by local author and instructor, Marnie Maguire. Marjorie Andrews Room. Limited seating. Pre-register at the adult information desk or call 905-727-9493, option 4.

Aurora Chamber of Commerce Business After Five takes place at H2O Solutions, Insight Eyeworks and Sherwin-Williams Paints simultaneously, 444 and 446 Hollandview Trail, 5.30 to 7.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

General meeting of the Aurora Historical Society at 8 p.m. at Hillary House. Guest speaker to be advised. Call 905-727-8991 for details.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Theatre Aurora opens its 49th season with the comedy "Educating Rita" at the Factory Theatre. Other productions in the fall/winter line up include "Crazy for You", "Dr. Cook's Garden" and "Blythe Spirit".

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Keep Aurora's waterways clean by participating in the Shoreline Clean-up, organized by the Environmental Advisory Committee. Register through Info Aurora, 905-727-8214.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Aurora Chamber of Commerce Networking Breakfast at Gateway Cafe and Lanes, 210 Edward Street. 7.30 to 8.45 a.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

An evening with Katherine Govier hosted by the Aurora Public Library. She will read from her book "Three Views of Crystal Water", followed by the sale and signing of the book. Magna Room, 7 p.m. Pre-register at the adult information desk or call 905-727-9493, option 4.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

Official Opening of the State Farm Insurance Canadian Headquarters Office Complex on Wellington Street East,

near Highway 404. Entrance off Leslie Street.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

York Regional Police Male Chorus host the 14th annual "In Harmony With The Community" concert at the St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, Newmarket. Concert features police choirs from Halton and Durham Regions and York Regional Police Male Chorus. Guest community choirs will be York Region Children's Chorus and 'Vivace' from Newmarket. Tickets are \$10. Call 905-727-9676 to order.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Aurora/Newmarket SuperWalk for Parkinson's Disease takes place at Fairy Lake in Newmarket. Registration, a Taoist Tai Chi demonstration and speeches begin at 9.30 a.m. at the Water Street entrance and the walk begins at 10.30 a.m. For more information call or e-mail Kim Rouse-Parypa at 905-713-0774 kimrouse@accessv.com.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Celebrate Business Excellence in Aurora hosted by the Aurora Chamber of Commerce.

Aurora's Trinity Anglican Church will feature Rev. Canon Tim Elliott performing "Two by Eight", a selection of inspirational jazz by one of the pioneers of incorporating jazz into sacred space. For ticket information call the church office at 905-727-6101.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

Aurora Seniors travel to the Stratford Festival for the Rogers and Hammerstein musical "South Pacific" with lunch included for \$107 for members and \$112 for non-members. Call 905-726-4767 to register.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

The Aurora History Society present its Annual Murder Mystery Dinner at Hillary House. Call 905-727-8991 for ticket information.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Enjoy "High Society" at the Shaw Festival with lunch at Betty's Restaurant with the Aurora Seniors. Cost is \$96 for members and \$101 for non-members. Call 905-726-4767 to register.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Aurora Chamber of Commerce Business After Five at Chinook Restaurant, 302 Wellington Street East. 5.30 to 7.30 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Municipal Election Day.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

The Anglican Church Women will hold their Christmas Bazaar at Aurora's Trinity Anglican Church from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with a knitting table, sewing table, kitchen cupboard, attic treasures and granny's treasures. For more information call Marilyn Cartmill at 905-737-3337.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Aurora Santa Claus Parade.

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A guardian or parent are required to supervise their child(ren).

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Mike and Beth Egan used last week's council meeting to present the town with a painting of their home - Willow Farm. Mayor Tim Jones received the painting on behalf of the community. Willow Farm is located on the southwest corner of Yonge and St. John's Sideroad, and is one of the homes on this year's Aurora Historical Society's Candlelight Tour of Homes.

Auroran photo by Ron Wallace

New mural would feature Canada's Juno winners

If everything goes as planned, a new mural will soon grace the wall at Yonge and Wellington.

Residents and visitors to Aurora are familiar with the large, colourful mural on the north wall of the Larter Advertising business located at the corner of Yonge and Wellington Streets.

As it is such a high traffic area, in 1993, owner Brian Larter obtained permission for a mural depicting Yonge Street looking south and an inset of the same scene in the early 1990s. The mural was well received by citizens.

Then in 1999 due to the deterioration of the bricks of the 105-year-old building, there was a need for a new mural.

In a presentation to council at that time, Larter said one concept for the new mural was a "talking mural" featuring the head of a man and a woman with a balloon-type opening above their heads, like a comic strip, which would be a reader board as if they were engaged in dialogue.

It would be available to local community groups and

businesses for advertising to cover the cost of the two reader boards estimated to cost \$20,000 each.

Another option was "A Celebration of Canadian Achievements" highlighting some of Canada's greatest and most memorial moments.

Due to the cost of the mural, corporations and local businesses would be asked to donate funds to the project.

Councillors expressed a number of concerns about the proposal and wanted to see a design of it before making a decision. They also objected to advertising on the mural claiming that it would be a billboard rather than a mural.

After further debate, it was agreed to approve the project in principle with no commitment as to funding. They were assured the plaques would be low key.

Approval was given to the final submission and council agreed to donate \$5,000 to the project.

Last week, Larter appeared before council to propose a new mural featuring Canada Juno winners with the theme "Canada

Rocks" and to encourage local businesses to become community partners in the project.

He said the estimated cost of the project was in the \$35,000 range and he hoped for another Aurora contribution.

It was noted that Anne Murray had won a Juno award 24 times, Celine Dion, 20, Bryan Adams, 18, and Alanis Morissette, Shania Twain and The Tragically Hip 12 times each.

Council approved the concept in principle subject to seeing the final proposal, although the majority said their favourite was the first mural about Aurora.

The funding request was referred to the 2007 budget.

Larter needs several approvals from the award winners before he can proceed with the project.

Councillor seeks uniform speed on St. John's Sdrd.

Last week, Aurora Councillor Bill Hogg sought equality in the speed limit on St. John's Sideroad, and his request wound up being sent to the Region of York.

He pointed out the limit was 60 km/hr east of Industrial Parkway and west of Yonge Street but the stretch between Yonge and Industrial was 50 km/hr.

He said the 50 km/hr stretch had been requested by Aurora Council due to road conditions prior to reconstruction and the impact on wildlife crossing the road in the McKenzie Marsh area, but now that the road is fixed conditions had changed.

He also noted that it was a regular speed trap for York Regional Police

for westbound motorists in the vicinity of Old Yonge Street and he asked council to support a speed limit change to 60 km/hr.

At a previous council meeting Councillor Evelyn Buck suggested the region block off one lane of St. John's Sideroad every Sunday as they did for the official opening of the roadway to provide parking for citizens to

enjoy the wetlands.

Director of Public Works Wayne Jackson pointed out that the Traffic Safety Advisory Board had received a similar request from Councillor Hogg and the request was referred to York Region as St. John's is a regional road.

He suggested council do the same and council agreed.

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Poor Richard

Were good old days really all that good?

*Remembering the good old days,
Is a saying from the distant past;
To some they were not-so-good
Thank heavens, they didn't last!
- Poor Richard's Scrapbook*

As times and conditions change in this modern, fast-moving world, people are often heard to recall "the Good Old Days" when the world moved at a slower pace and people had time to take walks and smell the roses.

Looking back at the good old days makes you wonder if they were really as good as some people made them out to be.

Granted people moved at a more leisurely pace and there wasn't the traffic gridlock experienced today, and there wasn't the population explosion in suburban areas as new subdivisions sprung up overnight.

Back in the good old days, there were very few good private pension plans and the only government pension plan provided older people with an income of about \$40 per month.

There was no OHIP or other government assisted drug and medical program and no programs to cover the cost of nursing homes.

When an ambulance is urgently needed today, a call to 911 gets one to your door within minutes, but it wasn't always that way in Aurora.

In March, 1965, Ray Twinney, owner and operator of Reliable Ambulance Service along with a taxi business and a gas station in Newmarket, appeared before council to offer a round the clock ambulance service for a \$2,500 annual subsidy.

Mayor Clarence Davis wanted to know where the service was a few days before when a motor vehicle accident occurred on Wellington Street and an ambulance had to come from Woodbridge.

There was no subsidy given.

In February, 1968, York County Council established a committee to meet with officials of York County Hospital to investigate the possibility of providing a hospital-based ambulance service for the county which never happened.

Back in the good old days, there were few, if any, rent subsidized apartments for seniors and the reimbursement to provide care for a resident in a charitable home for the aged was 10 cents per day.

There were other problems such as packaging.

Many of the plastic-sealed foods or drugs were packaged in such a way that it was almost impossible for many older people living alone to unwrap them.

Drug containers were made child-safe but in doing so it made it almost impossible for a senior with a little arthritis in the hands to open them.

In addition, the labeling on some packages and containers, especially on prescriptions, was so small it was impossible to read.

While every effort is made to encourage seniors to remain in their homes as long as possible rather than institutional care, home care services are being cut back.

Back in the good old days, aging seniors were transferred from one institution to another as their condition changed, due to the lack of facilities that provided a continuum of care, which is still a problem.

With LCBO stores now open seven days a week, it's hard to believe that back in the good old days before June, 1927, it was necessary to have a doctor's prescription to obtain a bottle of liquor.

That's when the Liquor Control Act replaced the Ontario Temperance Act.

Then it became necessary to have a passport type booklet that required stamping before liquor could be purchased.

The permits were scrapped in 1961.

Back in the good old days before 1969 you couldn't see the bottles of liquor as they were hidden in the back.

Customers checked the products listed on boards, wrote down the product number on a form, paid the cashier and your bottle appeared from the back.

Men and women couldn't drink together in the early beer parlours as men had their room and ladies had theirs with separate doors and never the twain did meet.

Those were the so-called "good old days" and who would want them back?



Hartman House

Letters to the Editor

The death of Hartman House

To the editor,

Thank you for sending me the very sad news regarding the death of the Hartman House at Hartman's Corners August 16th which I received just before singing our Evensong Service at York Minster.

It has taken me a week to digest this news and I have become increasingly more upset when I consider how close we came to saving this valuable piece of history for Aurora.

Despite Vic Priestly's very generous extension to the deadline for demolition and the creative ideas and work of the people like Frank Klees, Michael Rice and especially you, time ran out and the house is no more.

What went wrong?
Years ago the Town listed this house as "historical-

ly significant".

Michael Seaman, Heritage Consultant for Aurora suggested possible alternatives to help save the house in some form.

We had the enthusiastic support and input of George Duncan, the consultant hired by the town to write a report on the historical importance of the house.

And in the final few days it seems to me that the hard practical questions had been answered; namely, a future use for the house, a suitable location and even the money had been found.

Why then did it not happen?

I think the people of Aurora and Ontario have lost a great link, a symbol to their pioneer past.

As a family member I have lost the birthplace of generations of Hartmans and a tie to my family who

helped to build Upper Canada.

But perhaps something can be salvaged from this tragedy.

It is to be hoped that the Town will follow through with their promise to erect a permanent plaque on the Homestead property giving a brief history of the Hartmans in Aurora.

And perhaps George Duncan, with Vic Priestly's cooperation, could find some significant artifacts from the house that could eventually be displayed in the Aurora Museum accompanied by photographs and a history of the house and family who lived there.

But out of the bad, usually some good comes.

I have gained such respect for citizens, like yourself, who work so hard despite the odds to try to achieve the impossible.

I have also learned a

hard lesson: it is so important to know your own family history because collectively it is the story of our land.

My great regret is that I learned this so late.

Pat Hartman
Great, great, great
granddaughter of
John Hartman (1779-1834)
Niagara-on-the-Lake

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To the editor,

Recently I wrote a letter in your paper raising my disgust over the wholesale flight of some of our leading industries but I did not get into the meat of the matter about some of these firms and their histories.

So, like it or not, Canadians eventually will come to know that this great country, a strident believer in democracy, has a lot of catching up to do to rectify our national debt.

It is truly my belief that none of these companies should be allowed to amalgamate, change hands to foreign powers or change their prospective by the remaking of their company, as in the case of Air Canada without first paying their

back taxes and their deferred taxes going back some five decades.

The interest alone would amount to a king's ransom.

I would stress that the information is mostly 10 years old but is from reliable sources such as the Federal Department of Finance, Tax Expenditures, 1995, International Monetary Fund, Canada-Economic Developments and Policies, 1995.

The same Air Canada, 1994 figures, earned a pre-tax figure of \$157,000,000 and paid \$5,000,000, some 3.2 per cent.

Many major companies got deferral upon deferral or rollovers, thereby usually paying no taxes and, you guessed it, picked up by the little wage earner.

Canadian Natural Resources, 1994 figures, pre-tax figures \$95,000,000, paid no taxes.

Canadian National Railway, 1994 pre-tax figures, \$256,000,000 paid \$12,000,000, some 4.7 per cent.

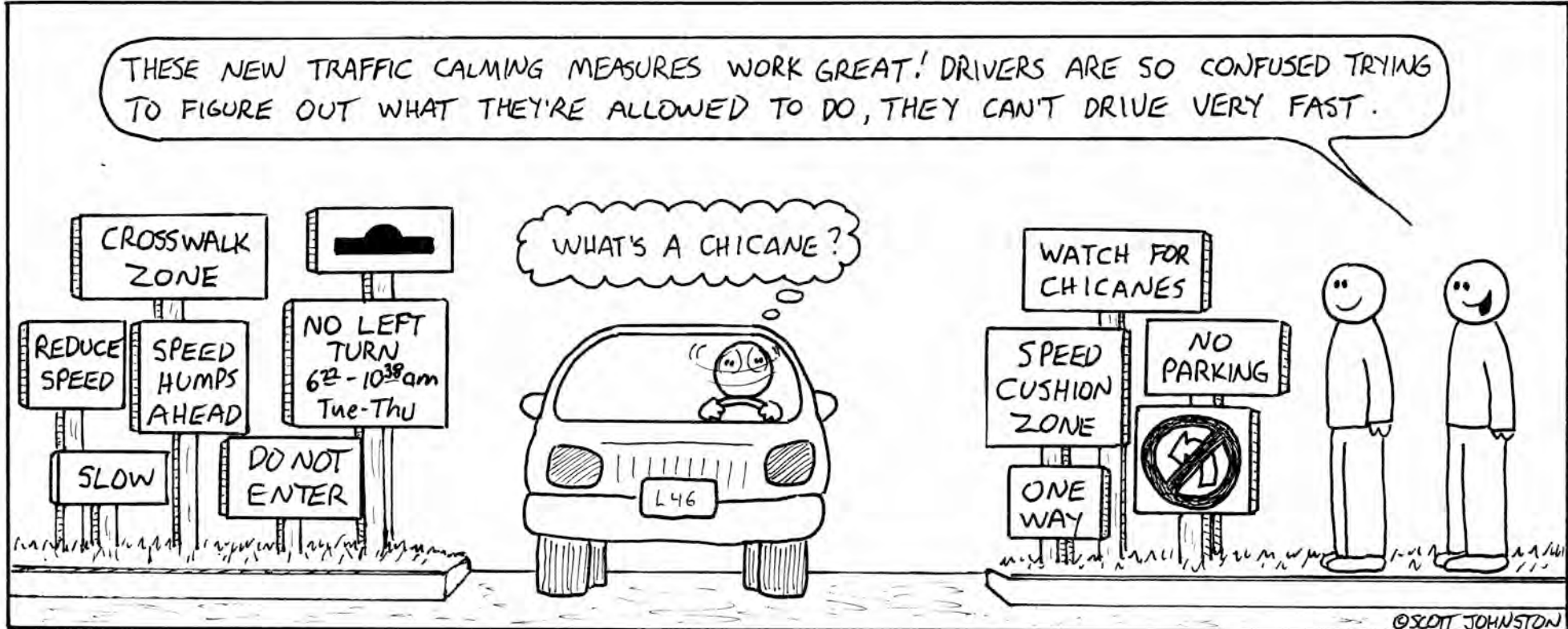
All told they racked up some \$40,000,000 in deferrals and remissions.

All this time, Mr. Harper was as the head of the citizens' coalition on unfair taxes, claiming corporations where harshly dealt with.

So he has come a long way since then, but maybe many Canadians have been misinformed.

Hopefully the next election will sterilize matters.

Ben Kestein
Aurora



Inside Aurora

By SCOTT JOHNSTON

Now that they're talking about re-painting it, I can make a confession; I'm not happy with the Canadian Achievements mural on the Larter wall.

Don't get me wrong. I'm as patriotic as the next guy. I get misty when the Canadarm is prominently displayed in shots from the space shuttle.

I'm suitably indignant that the Diefenbaker government cancelled the Avro Arrow program.

And I'll talk your arm off about the development of the paint roller.

But recently as I've looked at the mural at Yonge and Wellington, and marvelled at all the great Canadian achievements, I see there are some obvious gaps.

Where's the Aurora content?

Surely there are some great Aurora-based Canadian achievements that merit noting on the wall?

I'm not talking about donuts, which are represented on the mural. Although it's obvious that the invention of the Timbit ranks as one of the all-time great "eureka" moments in Canadian science.

And with the ratio of donut shops to citizens in town rapidly approaching one-to-one, you could make a case for donuts being typically Auroran.

But fast-food outlets aside, what about those other great historical Aurora structures such as the old Post Office, Hillary House, and the BMO lollipop clock?

Okay, maybe they're not as universally recognized as the CN Tower or the Parliament buildings, but they're certainly unique in

their own right.

And you may not have noticed, but apart from Lester Pearson, Aurorans are thinly represented on the mural.

Belinda Stronach was up there for a short time during the last federal election, her campaign sign plastered over the portrait of poor Emily Stowe, Canada's first female doctor.

But I don't think that counts.

Instead we have Pierre Trudeau and Queen Elizabeth repatriating the constitution.

Sure, that was important, but neither of them were Auroran. Or if they were, I don't remember ever seeing them at the Street Festival.

If we're talking achievements in government, how about the development of the Aurora Council code of ethics?

I can see a great action scene of one councillor poised to whack another with a copy of it.

Ooo - I'm getting all misty again.

On the manufacturing front there's the Hudson's Bay blanket and Bombardier snowmobile.

But how about a few products that are a little more local?

For example, at one time everyone in Canada was wearing Sisman shoes. And where were they made? Yup - right here in Aurora.

And then there are the animals selected for the mural.

Moose and polar bears and loons are all very Canadian, but you don't often see those in town. What about some famous

Aurora animals?

Where are Harry Lumsden's trumpeter swans?

Here's a local resident who's helped bring this species back from the brink of extinction, and what waterfowl do we have up instead? Canada Geese.

There's gratitude.

And for a town whose main industry was once poultry, and that was at one time known as the Chicken Capital of Canada, surely the mural painters could have tucked in a few roosters, or hens. Or even some eggs.

Maybe it's the bird flu paranoia.

One positive aspect of the mural is that it has been educational.

Okay, so maybe it was the Canadian Pacific Railway that was completed in 1885, and not the Canadian National.

But apart from that - oh, and that non-native kingfisher - it's pretty accurate.

Now don't get the impression that I'm anxious to whitewash over this wall and all our history. Far from it.

It's a beautiful mural, and a unique part of Aurora. It just needs a bit of local tweaking.

A chicken here...a shoe there...

And with some touching up, that snowmobile would make a great Fleury plow.

Feel free to e-mail Scott at:
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Cathy's Corner



I want a smart car

I'm thinking I should trade up and get a smart car.

Right now, I have an idiot-proof car. It's not the same thing at all...

A smart car would come with tamper-resistant door locks.

When you lock it, it would be secure.

When you unlock it, you would be able to get in.

My idiot-proof car thinks I'm too stupid to know when to lock the doors...so it keeps doing it for me.

The second I pull out of the driveway all the door locks go down in unison.

It's like the automotive equivalent of "Panic Room".

I mean really - twice now, it has locked my mother IN!

Do you have any idea how painful it is to stand helplessly by while you watch your mother try to claw her way out of your idiot-proof vehicle?

My car can go from "Idiot 1.0" to "Screaming Idiot 2.0" without even leaving the garage.

As soon as I unlock one door, it locks all the others.

When I close the only unlocked door...it locks.

We are about to upgrade, folks!

Assuming my key doesn't happen to be inside my purse - yup, the purse sitting on the front seat, the one secured behind my tamper-resistant locks, I sigh a big sigh of relief.

And just before I faint, I push the unlock button.

That's usually when the alarm starts screaming.

Of course, that pre-empts the luxury of fainting.

The "fight or flight" reflex kicks in and I instinctively

begin stabbing frantically at the little buttons on my sophisticated car key.

Nothing can make me feel more like an idiot than standing in a parking lot, aiming my key at my vehicle like it's a good, old-fashioned Star Trek phaser...while my car throws a technologically advanced automotive temper tantrum!

In Aurora, for Heaven's sake - where people know me! How do you set this thing to kill?

It is definitely NOT a SMART car. Nope!

If it was a smart car, it would have room for two coffee cups and it wouldn't slosh either one all over the windshield, and the gearshift - and me! My chintzy stupid car has room for exactly one and a half coffee cups, and as soon as I pop open the little drinking hole, my car immediately attempts to jettison my tank of morning fuel! It's not fair!

My car sucks with two straws - one for Premium, and one for Arabica!

Since I am unable to locate a coffee shop anywhere in Canada or the United States that is willing to sell me a half-cup of coffee that is sliced vertically down the middle and comes with a spill-proof drinking hole, whenever I buy more than one cup of coffee...I am the second cup holder.

Oh, how it sucks!

Oh sure, my high performance idiot-proof car can handle every speed hump in Aurora at any speed without leaving its undercarriage behind - or so my kids tell me!

But dammit, I don't dare test the theory because I am ALWAYS transporting coffee! It's my life!

If my car was smart, it would know that. It isn't, so it doesn't.

In fact, if cars could be, my car would be blonder than me.

My father agrees, of course he does! He has the same stupid car!

A few days ago, he called me from the parking lot of a golf course - in Aurora, thank God! He'd have been doomed if he was in Markham...or Florida.

"Can you help me out?" he asked.

Yup, his car locked him out, what else?

When my son heard what happened, he laughed.

"I guess Dedo didn't watch the video either, huh?" he chuckled.

"Video?" I asked.

"Yes, video! You know - the one that came with the car?"

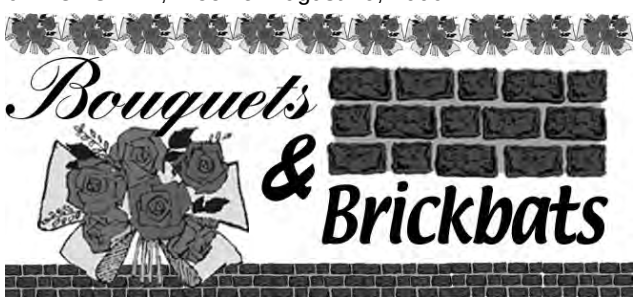
Oh...right.

The one that's been sitting on top of the VCR for the past THREE years! That would be the VCR that has gone from "state-of-the-art" to "obsolete" without ever being connected...yup, I know the one...

Okay, so I have a smart son.

Now all I need is a smart car!

Cathy Vrancic welcomes e-mail at:
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By DICK ILLINGWORTH

BOUQUETS to Aysia Crawford and Richard Abrich from Aurora High School; Caroline Roszell and Marc Bonomo from Cardinal Carter Catholic High School; Julien Roberge and Jessica Petrucci from Ecole Secondaire Catholique Renaissance and Arthur Wong and Johnny Lin from St. Andrew's College on being the first recipients of the Belinda Stronach "Give Back" award of \$500 bursary each for their volunteer contributions.

BRICKBATS to those in charge of the little plaza north of the hotel for the lack of a warning sign at the end of the curb protruding into the parking lot at the south entrance as it almost impossible for motorists to see when turning into the parking lot. Put up a pole or something.

BOUQUETS to the Benjamin Moore Community Foundation for its donation of \$1,500 for labour and \$750 for materials so that parts of the exterior trim at Hillary House can be repainted.

BOUQUETS to the organizers and golfers who participated in the First Annual Aurora Historical Society Golf Tournament, which raised \$14,000 for the Heritage Centre. Other contributions included \$300 from the Highview Public School Council and \$150 from Merlin's Hollow.

BRICKBATS to a justice system that publicly funds a lawyer to pursue a fourth trial on charges that Kelly Ellard beat Victoria teenager Reena Virk to death. Ellard was found guilty of second-degree murder by the B.C. Supreme Court and ordered to serve seven years before being eligible for parole and the appeal for a fourth trial was on the basis the sentence was excessive. That's justice, B.C. style!

BOUQUETS to Aurora's 18-year-old Elliott Grabish who didn't wait to find a summer job but took advantage of Ontario's Summer Company program with a grant of \$3,000 to start Paintball Headgear and Accessories. The grant allowed him to purchase materials for the specially fitted paintball headgear, which he makes himself.

BRICKBATS to those in Ottawa for adopting legislation known as the Jean Chretien Pledge to Africa Act in 2004 which promised to help flood poor African nations with cheap drugs to fight AIDS. To date not one pill has been sent. Is this the reason Stephen Harper refused to attend the World AIDS conference in Toronto?

BOUQUETS to the Town of Newmarket for their informative 2005/2006 Community Report which informs citizens about the town's significant accomplishments over the last 18 months. The 24-page innovative document presents the accomplishments in three categories, environment, community and innovation, and excellence. Well done!

BRICKBATS to Liberal leadership candidate Michael Ignatieff for saying he wasn't losing any sleep over civilian casualties in Lebanon. He later admitted he goofed when he said it, but the damage was done and this is the man who wants to be Prime Minister of Canada?

BOUQUETS to Premier Dalton McGuinty for petitioning the federal government to reduce the tax of fuel oil to heat homes this winter and the price of gasoline. Why don't you lead the way, Mr. McGuinty, by reducing the tax on gasoline as the federal government might be shamed into following?

BRICKBATS to those in York Region Transit for lack of proper scheduling. On a recent date during a late lunch on Jersey's patio on Yonge Street, three Viva buses and two YRT buses travelled south in less than five minutes and all were almost empty. What a waste of gasoline!

BRICKBATS to York Regional Police for their lack of a visible presence in Aurora plus lack of control over speeding on Yonge Street. Whatever happened to the Safe Streets, Nice Neighbourhoods project?

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Letters to the Editor

Government wrong on Camaro support, this reader claims

To the editor,

The recent announcement by the Liberal Party of Ontario to provide funding for the Oshawa G.M. automobile plant to build the Camaro car model is taking a step in the wrong direction.

In an attempt to save jobs at the auto plant, which is looking more like a ghost town, the government is offering financial support to G.M., with tax breaks and public money to build a car from a past era.

It seems the government is trying to go in reverse and turn the clock back by reviving the good old days when the Baby Boomers' hormones ran high and when the music from the

Beach Boys ruled the day.

Gas was inexpensive and it was macho and cool to burn rubber on the highway, in a V-8, 400 horsepower Camaro.

Terms such as energy conservation and public transportation were not popular in this era.

Nor was there the political will to pass laws to protect the environment from pollution and there were no global policies to curb fossil fuel consumption.

Now, in 2006, when we need tax money to develop better public transportation methods, such as Go Buses and Trains, the government funds a losing proposition.

Jobs are indeed important for the employees in the car

Soil could be contaminated, reader believes

An open letter to Tim Jones, Aurora Mayor

I was told the Municipal Act states that all correspondence with a municipality has to be acknowledged and the writer informed of the outcome of the letter.

I have sent seven letters to the Town of Aurora, one even by Express Post (November 17, 2004) and have received only one response after attending Open Forum at council in Aurora and asking what was happening with this letter.

While you can silence the messenger in Open Forum, that does not change

the message.

The Town of Aurora is abetting illegal activities at 14958 Yonge Street.

I will call an assistant of the Minister of the Environment at Queen's Park to inform him of the removal of soil from 14958 Yonge Street on a Saturday and Sunday in an unmarked truck.

This took place in the summer of 2003 after an official visit to the site in February that year.

There is a possibility of contamination being moved to another site.

John Nimmo
Keswick

No bomb here...

To the editor,

On my morning walk, I came across a bottle with what looked like a wick-sealed in through a hole in the side.

It was on the road. Thinking it may be a some sort of fire-bomb, I reported it to the police.

Within minutes, an officer arrived, blocked off the area, and another car arrived, to completely seal off the intersection.

Shortly after, an officer came to my door and

informed me that what we had here was a "bong".

"Oh my God," I exclaimed, "what's a bong". "Well," he explained, "it's something one uses to smoke dope."

Boy, did I feel silly. Especially when the bomb squad arrived. My neighbour dubbed them the "bong squad".

Bill Hack
Aurora

ED. NOTE: Better safe than sorry.

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industry, but why not look to the future and fund the development of hybrid cars and other types of fuel efficient cars?

Should we just forget the Ministry of Education's courses which are taught in all of the levels of education?

Topics such as sulphur emissions, global warming and the destruction of the ozone layer are very serious issues today. Society needs to put the brakes on our outrageous energy consumption rates

which are dwindling fossil fuel resources.

We need to change our attitude towards our energy use and develop more environmentally friendly lifestyles.

In an attempt to stimulate the auto industry, the government has taken a wrong turn with this announcement for the resurrection of a gas guzzler: the Camaro.

Jim Jackson
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Letters to the Editor



Tomato expert Gordon Barnes of Aurora offers a few words on one of the 16 varieties of tomatoes to Lindsay Haddock, in his backyard last week during his third annual Tomato Tasting event. He raised more than \$700 for the Aurora Arboretum.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

Tomato event raised \$760

To the editor:

Re: 3rd Annual Tomato Tasting

Sweet, flavourful cherry tomatoes - Sun Gold, Hessel's Cherry, Black Cherry and Mexican Midget - took the top places in the Tomato Tasting, Sunday, August 20th in our garden. We thank our volunteers, our Yonge Street tick-

et agents - Mary's Flower Shop and Injoy - and all the folks who got tickets.

This created a donation of \$760 to the Aurora Community Arboretum.

For those who missed it, the 2007 event is scheduled for August 26. Enjoy the rest of the tomato season.

**Marie & Gordon Barnes
Aurora**

Can't play a note...

To the editor,

It would be remiss to lead Aurorans to believe that I am a former member of the 7th Toronto Regimental Band as reported in your paper.

In truth, my musical abilities extend to changing the dial on the radio.

I am honoured, however, to be associated with the regiment as their former commanding officer.

Due to my lack of musical experience, I'm sure the band members prefer it that way!

Thanks to The Auroran for the coverage and to all who "feted" me on my birthday.

The 400 Squadron Pipes and Drums and the 7th Toronto Regimental Band presented the audience with a top-notch musical evening in appreciation of our Canadian forces.

It was great to see so many attend this special performance at the Town Park.

**Lt. Col. Bryan Sherman
Aurora**

The Market open as usual this weekend

To the editor,

I wanted to thank all of the aurora residents and other visitors who are supporting the Aurora Farmers' Market this year.

The turnout, in most cases, has been great and all of the vendors thank you.

That said I would also remind everyone that the market will continue to operate until Thanksgiving weekend including this Labour Day weekend. The vendors include Cooper's Goat and Vegetable Farm, Van Hart Organic Produce, Hurst Bakery, Howards Farm, Nature's Rainbow, Gabriel's Cafe, Paul Ellis' Healthy Coffee, plus other various produce and crafts.

The market also encourages non-profit groups to show for free.

I also urge those of you who come to please try and remember to bring food for the Aurora Food Pantry and the Food Bank at the Women's Centre of York Region.

All types of food are needed but also the Women's Centre can use toiletries such as toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, soap and other items in the same category.

Aurora residents have been great when it comes to helping those in need but the need seems to become greater each week.

Please bring whatever you can and I will deliver the collection to both the Pantry and the Women's Centre.

If you have anything that you cannot get to the market please call me and I will pick it up at your home or business.

I would also like to thank Ron Van Hart and Lisa Cooper for the great donations of fresh produce to the Pantry this week.

If you know of any crafts people who would like to show please have them call me at 905-751-0790.

Thanks again.

**Nigel Kean
Aurora**

Reader likes his columns

To the editor,

I was pleased to find out that Scott Johnston, as well as being a great cartoonist, also writes a good column.

I would like to see more of them.

Thanks, Scott.

**Barb McGowan
Aurora**



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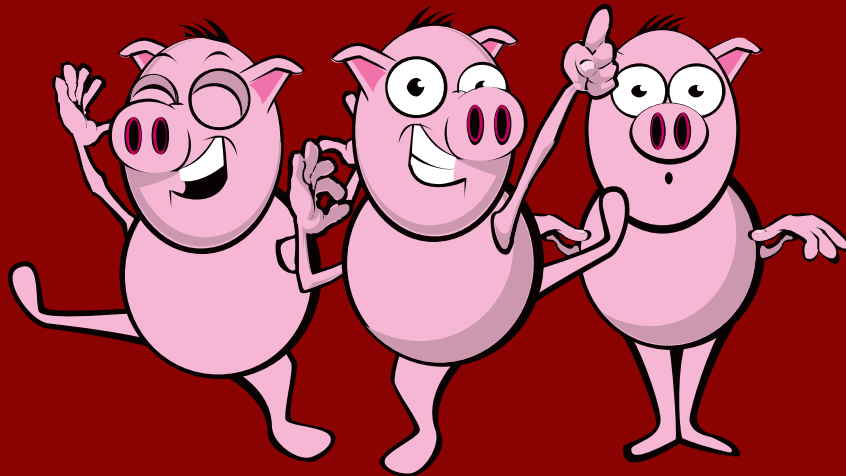
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Ducks show well at triathlon

The Aurora Ducks Triathlon Team placed fourth in the Team Participation category at the 2006 Triathlon Club Championship held recently at Couchiching Park in Orillia.

The triathlon included a 750-metre swim, 33 kilometre bike ride and a seven km run.

The Ducks pocketed \$200 for their showing the first time they have attended this event. Of 28 triathletes on the Tri Team roster, 18 came out to race, earning the team a 64 per cent participation rate.

The team also came close to winning the performance award, which is based on the top four performances of team members.

Going to the winners' podium were: Paolina Allan, first of

the Pro Women; Sue Warren first out of 39 women aged 40-44; Sandy Schliep, second out of 46 women aged 35-39; and Kathy McKnight, third out of 39 women aged 40-44.

The goal of the Annual Club Championship is to encourage the growth and development of the multi-

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Aurora's Jordan Meron, while relaxing in Sperlonga, Italy, found this reminder of home in the quaint little Italian village. She was enjoying some rest and relaxation after competing at the World Baton Twirling Championships in Rome. Jordan capped a successful season by placing seventh in the World in Junior 2-Baton, and 10th in Junior Solo. She trains in Aurora, with the Spectrum North Baton Club.

Raising funds water sliding

Imagine, if you will, going down a water slide 635 times.

Aurora's Connor O'Grady doesn't have to imagine...he did it.

As part of a fundraiser for the Southlake Regional Health Centre known as "Slide-For-Southlake", Aurora life-guards started at 5.30 one morning and used the slide for 12 full hours, finishing at 5.30 p.m.

To put it in perspective, O'Grady's feat was equal to climbing the steps of the CN Tower 11 times.

When all was said and done, more than \$1,000 was raised by the life-guards.

O'Grady alone raised \$265.

The event was held at Aurora's new swimming pool on Wellington Street East.



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Tickets selling well for hockey exhibition

From page 1

Aurora Horse Show will sing the national anthem, while Brian Larter, President of Aurora's Larter Advertising, will help pump up the crowd with a number of keyboard hockey game favourites.

Brian once played the organ at Maple Leaf Gardens for the Toronto Maple Leafs' home games.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for seniors, children and students and are selling fast.

Ticket stubs are good for \$10 and \$6 off food at sponsor restaurants: Casey's, East Side Mario's, Sneakers and Tom & Jerry's.

Aurora resident Steve Hinder, Belinda Stronach's constituency office manager, points out that the tickets represent a great value.

"You'll not only be able to help out a worthy cause in our community, but you'll get to enjoy a high-quality hockey game and then use your ticket to get a discount at a number of local restaurants," he said.

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HOUSE LEAGUE RESULTS

U8B T/TH - JULY 29 - Yellow - Brazil - Aurora Home Hardware Building Centre 5 (C. Thiessen 2, J. Wyndham - West 2, N. Hatzitolios 1) vs Red - England - Aurora Shopping Centre 1 (M. Menna 1); Forest - Mexico - Kavanagh Roofing 4 (A. Caicco 1, R. D'Antimo 1, T. Kuchar 1, J. Smith 1) vs Kelly - Italy - Flagship Software Ltd 4 (A. Johnston 4); Champagne - Germany - Allstars Courier Service 3 (S. Broad 2, E. Faber 1) vs Navy - USA - Core Micro Technology Inc 0; Royal - France - Port Royal Mills 5 (B. Ramsey 2, C. Pearce 1, D. Raymond 2) vs Orange - Netherlands - Pizza Pizza 0.

AUGUST 10 - Forest - Mexico - Kavanagh Roofing 4 (T. Kuchar 2, R. Walsh 1, J. Grelet 1) vs Royal - France - Port Royal Mills 3; Kelly - Italy - Flagship Software Ltd 1 (C. D'Arrigo 1) vs Red - England - Aurora Shopping Centre 5 (Z. Phillips 3, C. Morrison 1, C. Braund 1); Yellow - Brazil - Aurora Home Hardware Building Centre 5 (C. Thiessen 3, J. Wyndham-West 1, L. Verre 1) vs Champagne - Germany - Allstars Courier Service 2 (N. Trewern 1, E. Cherubini 1); AUGUST 17 - Navy - USA - Core Micro Technology 4 (A. Sesto 3, J. Stroz 1) vs Forest - Mexico - Kavanagh Roofing 2 (J. Grelet 1, J. Smith 1); Royal - France - Port Royal Mills 3 (E. Durate 1, N. Campbell 1, D. Raymond 1) vs Red - England - Aurora Shopping Centre 6 (M. Tyndall 1, C. Morrison 5); Yellow - Brazil - Aurora Home Hardware Building Centre 4 (E. Clarke 2, J. 3 (C. Thiessen 1, J. Wyndham - West 1, N. Sansalone 1) vs Kelly - Italy - Flagship Software Ltd 0.

U8G T/TH - AUGUST 8 - Kelly - Italy - Pizza Pizza 5 (A. Fermo 1, K. Carney 2, C. Peck 1, B. Nunn 1) vs Yellow - Brazil - Aurora Home Hardware Building Centre 3 (J. Snedden 2, S. Steele 1); Royal - France - Freight Brokers International 4 (S. Elisio 1, J. Petsinis 1, N. Schachter 2) vs Red - England - Homemade To Go 2 (A. Kearney 1, S. Bellerby 1); Navy - USA - Iliadis 2 (C. Piccoli 1, C. Gibson 1) vs Sky - Portugal - WOWIT 1 (T. Roy 1).

AUGUST 15 - Yellow - Brazil - Aurora Home Hardware Building Centre 6 (K. Robb 1, S. Steele 3, K. Caporusso 1, M. Brown 1) vs Red - England - Homemade To Go 2 (S. Bellerby 1, D. Bulloch 1); Sky- Portugal - WOWIT 5 (N. El-Dassouki 2, J. Colwell 1, K. Belgue 1, M. Badali 1) vs Kelly - Italy - Pizza Pizza 1 (A. Fermo 1); Navy - USA - Iliadis 4 (B. Gibbons 1, C. Whelan 1, C. Heintzman 2) vs Royal - France - Freight Brokers International 2 (A. Roy 1, D. Bertrand 1).

U8/9G M - JULY 31 - Yellow - Brazil - Jaguar Gymnastics Club 4 (E. Clarke 2, J. Woodward 1, K. Wood 1) vs Navy - USA - Unipac 0; Kelly- Italy- Aurora Landscape Contractors 1 (B. Hodgson 1) vs Orange - Netherlands - EMBA 5 (B. Gatzos 1, S. Moody 3, L. Corrick 1); Red - England - Aurora Shopping Centre 5 (J. Rahim, M. Douvinos, E. Mendez, F. Stewart, A. Galluzzo, V. Galluzzo) vs Forest - Mexico - Brushcut Property Maintenance 2 (T. Landry 1, N. Zaroski 1); Sky- Portugal - CMAC Designs 1 vs Royal - France - Grant Internet & Engineering Inc. 0.

U8/9B W - AUGUST 16 - Forest - Mexcio - Brushcut Property Maintenance 7 (C. Baggio 3, C. Baggio 2, A. Manjunath 2) vs Champagne - Germany 0; Royal - France - Bell World 0 vs Kelly - Italy - Minuteman Press 2 (A. Bernier 1, I. Reid 1); Orange - Netherlands 1 vs Yellow - Brazil 6.

U9B M/W - AUGUST 9 - Forest - Mexico - Roberts Awnings & Signs 3 (B. White 2, A. Sayedzadeh 1) vs Orange - Netherlands - Pizza Pizza 3 (J. Laird 1, S. Gulessarien 1, M. Niece 1); Kelly - Italy - 5 (N. Dolewski 1, N. O'Hearn 1, M. Perri 2, C. Screech 1) vs Navy - USA - Rick LeGrow Agent 1 (M. Brecht 1); AUGUST 16 - Forest - Mexico - Roberts Awnings & Signs 8 (J. Power 6, J. Sherwood 2) vs Yellow - Brazil 3 (J. Ventrell 1, P. Hubbard 2); Champagne - Germany- Aurora Viking Shrine Club 1 (E. Fregonas 1) vs Kelly - Italy - Midrange 7 (N. Dolewski 1, S. Sebastia 1, M. Perri 2, E. Duffy 1, D. Pierson 1, C. Screech 1); Navy - USA - Rick LeGrow Agent 0 vs Royal - France - Summers & Smith 0; Red - England - Priestly Demolition Inc. 6 (M. Fisher 3, M. Caicco 2, J. Mohabeer 1) vs Orange - Netherlands -

Pizza Pizza 1 (J. Laird 1).

U10B - JULY 20 - Kelly - Italy - CIBC 4 (M. Kategros 2, V. Chadarov 1, K. Siery 1) vs Sky - Portugal - Supreme Collision 5 (P. Brozdnychenko 1, O. Jones 1, R. O'Brien 3); Orange - Netherlands 2 (S. McKay 1, N. Delzotto 1) vs Royal - France - Rai Grant Insurance Brokers 2 (K. Strachan 1, A. Ramirez 1); Yellow - Brazil 2 (R. McGoldrick 1, C. Child 1) vs Red - England - Appliance Canada 2 (M. Smith 2); Navy - USA - Barb Blaser Remax 4 (A. DeRoos 1, N. Pellarin 1, L. Blaser 2) vs Silver - Argentina - Perfect Moves 3 (A. Dolewski 1, D. Gerber 1, C. Faber 1).

JULY 27 - Navy - USA - Barb Blaser Remax 2 (K. Nice 1, A. Nogueira 1) vs Orange - Netherlands 2 (S. Green 1, N. Hossack 1); Red - England - Appliance Canada 3 (A. Cicchino 2, M. Schouten 1) vs Kelly - Italy - CIBC 2 (M. Secklov 1, K. Siery 1); Sky - Portugal - Supreme Collision 3 (J. Powell 1, R. O'Brien 2) vs Royal - France - Rai Grant Insurance Brokers 5 (B. Scully 1, T. Rotilio 1, J. Rankel 1, M. Brown 2); Silver - Argentina - Perfect Moves 9 (J. Caldwell 1, S. Pasani 1, K. McMillan 4, M. Sakala 1, L. Coll 2) vs Yellow - Brazil 3 (C. Child 1, A. McDonald 2); AUGUST 10 - Royal - France- Rai Grant Insurance Brokers 4 (K. Strachan 1, T. Rotilio 1, M. Brown 1) vs Red - England - Appliance Canada 3 (M. Smith 1, G. Oulahen 1, S. Taylor 1).

U10B STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
England	7	1	4	25
USA	7	3	2	23
Argentina	7	4	1	22
Italy	5	5	2	17
Netherlands	5	4	2	17
France	4	7	1	13
Portugal	4	7	0	12
Brazil	1	9	2	5

U10G - JULY 17 - Forest - Mexico - Aurora Cable Internet 1 (Roberts 1) vs Kelly - Italy - 0.

JULY 24 - Royal - France - Dr. Mark Weeden 1 (Gragtmans 1) vs Forest - Mexico - Aurora Cable 0.

AUGUST 15 - Forest - Mexico - Aurora Cable Internet 5 (Morning 2, Pleasas 3) vs Red - England - Sleep Comfort Superstore 1 (Kavanagh 1).

AUGUST 21 - Forest - Mexico - Aurora Cable Internet 3 (K. Laframboise 1, D. Pletsas 1, E. Whyte 1) vs Champagne - Germany - Forever Yonge Hair Studio 0.

U10G STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Brazil	6	2	3	21
England	6	2	3	21
Mexico	6	4	1	19
Italy	6	4	1	19
Portugal	6	5	0	18
USA	6	5	0	18
Argentina	5	5	1	16
France	3	4	4	13
germany	2	8	1	7
Netherlands	2	9	0	6

U11B STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
France	7	1	3	24
Brazil	6	3	2	20
USA	5	2	4	19
Italy	5	2	4	19
England	2	8	1	7
Germany	1	10	0	3

U11G STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Mexico	9	1	1	28
USA	9	2	0	27
England	7	2	2	23
Germany	5	4	2	17
Netherlands	5	5	1	16
France	3	6	2	11
Brazil	1	9	0	3
Italy	0	10	0	0

U12B - AUGUST 16 - Navy - USA - Laurion Law Office 3 (D. Dilena 1, G. Bauset 1, M. Schaefer 1) vs Yellow - Brazil - Envirocar

Paint & Collision 1 (A. Giummarra 1); Champagne - Germany 2 (J. Klinowski 1, M. Tenuta 1) vs Royal - France - Lukezic Inc. 0; Red - England 5 (J. Hudon, R. Rival, B. Rossetto, C. Rodin) vs Kelly - Italy 0.

U12B STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
USA	6	3	1	19
France	6	3	1	19
England	5	5	0	15
Italy	4	4	2	14
Germany	4	4	2	14
Brazil	2	2	0	6

U12G - AUGUST 14 - Yellow - Brazil - Hartwell Thayer Financial 6 (H. Werda 4, K. Nice 1, K. Wochenmarket 1) vs Champagne - Germany - Auto - Camping Ltd 1 (S. Duncan 1); Kelly - Italy 1 (J. Costa 1) vs Red - England- CGI 2 (M. Dias 1, L. Gaston 1).

AUGUST 21 -Yellow- Brazil - Hartwell Thayer Financial Services Group 3 (S. Cohen 1, H. Werda 1, M. Ouwroules 1) vs Kelly - Italy 1 (N. Kovacs 1); Orange - Netherlands 5 (N. Grande 1, T. DePiero 1, S. Kanen 1, G. Mcllraith 2) vs Champagne - Germany - Auto Camping Ltd. 0; Royal - France - Wait's Bathroom Plus 1 (A. Rustico 1) vs Red - England - CGI 0; Forest - Mexico 1 (E. Wood) vs USA - Navy - Dr. Weaver's Drillers 2 (N. Weaver 2).

AUGUST 21 - Yellow - Brazil - Hartwell Thayer Financial Services Group 3 (S. Cohen 1, H. Werda 1, M. Ouwroules 1) vs Kelly - Italy 1 (N. Kovacs 1); Orange - Netherlands 5 (N. Grande 1, T. DePiero 1, S. Kanen 1, G. Mcllraith 2) vs Champagne - Germany - Auto - Camping Ltd. 0; Royal - France - Wait's Bathroom Plus 1 (A. Rustico 1) vs Red - England - CGI 0; Forest - Mexico 1 (E. Wood 1) vs Navy - USA - Dr. Weaver's Drillers 2 (N. Weaver 2).

U12G STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Brazil	9	0	2	29
England	7	3	1	22
France	4	4	3	15
USA	4	5	2	14
Italy	4	5	2	14
Netherlands	4	6	1	13
Germany	3	6	2	11
Mexico	2	8	1	7

U13/14B - AUGUST 15 - Red - England 6 (A. Marsillo, V. Grabovsky, K. Woods, T. Coll, J. Forrester, S. Dinning, T. Sikurs) vs Orange - Netherlands - Pizza Pizza 1 (C. Weese 1) ; Forest - Mexico - Casey Transportation Co. Ltd 6 (N. Watts, G. Marshall, J. Gonzalez, L. Battiston, B. Rival) vs Yellow - Brazil - Aurora Home Hardware Building Centre 1 (C. Boyce 1) ; Navy - USA - R & J Concepts Inc. 5 vs Roya l- France - Dr. Orschel's Drillers 5 ; WSSC 1 (M. Eeuwes 1) vs Kelly - Italy 6 (T. Brewer, J. Killens, K. Karamchi 1, C. Freitas 1).

U13/14B STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Italy	11	1	0	33
Mexico	9	3	0	27
England	9	3	0	27
France	4	6	1	13
USA	3	7	2	11
WSSC	3	6	2	11
Brazil	3	8	0	9
Netherlands	1	9	1	4

U13G - AUGUST 14 - Kelly - Italy - Twist Marketing 4 (A. Fillipi 1, R. Kane 1, B. Cackirovski 1, A. James 1) vs Yellow - Brazil - Aurora Home Hardware Building Centre 3; Champagne - Germany - Immersive Media 4 (L. Crowley 2, D. Cantarutti 2) vs Navy - USA - Bank of Montreal 4 (J. Nerling 1, M. Hulbert 3); Red - England - Excellon Resources 3 (J. Arnew 3) vs Royal - France - M & L Fotographics 1 (A. Doucher 1).

U13G STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Italy	11	0	0	33
USA	7	3	1	22
Brazil	6	5	0	18
England	4	5	2	14
Germany	1	7	3	6
France	0	9	2	2

U14/15G - JULY 31 - Sky - Portugal 2 (P. Sidea 1, C. Romano 1) vs Navy - USA - Strategic Technology Consulting Inc. 3 (A. Kerr 1, K. Panetta 1, J. Cammisuli 1); Yellow - Brazil - Izzi Popat Royal LePage 0 vs Forest - Mexico - R & J Concepts Inc. 5 (K. Kinzinger 2, K. Campo 1, S. Sendel 1, S. MacFarlane 1); Kelly - Italy - Hunter Lavigne Communications Inc. 5 (M. Hilliard 1, S. Saccone 1, T. Kizovski 1, K. Uetz 1, S. Burt 1) vs Champagne - Germany 3 (T. Allison 2, E. MacMillan 1); Orange - Netherlands - Pizza Pizza 0 vs Silver - Argentina 0.

AUGUST 9 - Orange - Netherlands - Pizza Pizza 0 vs Champagne - Germany 4 (S. Kastanis 2, O. Chappell 1, T. Allison 1); Forest - Mexico - R & J Concept Inc 2 vs USA - Navy - Strategic Technology Consulting Inc. 2; Sky - Portugal 2 (P. Sidea 1, T. Orser 1) vs Red - England - SSL Group Chartered Accountants 1 (E. Boccia 1); Royal - France - Power Excellence Ltd. 0 vs Silver - Argentina 5 (K. Perry, S. Deacon, J. Zamick, P. Robertson, S. Letourneau).

AUGUST 16 Royal - France - Power Excellence Ltd 6 (C. Barbalinardo 1, K. Henderson 1, T. Hookey 3, M. Staniewski 1) vs Kelly - Italy - Hunter lavigne Communications Inc. 1 (T. Kizovski 1); Yellow - Brazil Izzi Popat Royal LePage 7 (K. MacDonald 3, J. Williams 2, M. Goldman 1, D. Emery 1) vs Orange - Netherlands - Pizza Pizza 2 (C. Parsons 1, R. Mester 1); Navy - USA - Strategic Technology Consulting Inc. 2 (J. Cammisuli 1, K. Panetta 1) vs Red - England - SSL Group Chartered Accountants 0; Forest - Mexico - R & J Concepts Inc. 0 vs Silver - Argentina 0; Sky - Portugal 3 vs Champagne - Germany 2.

U14/15 GIRLS STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
USA	7	1	1	22
Brazil	7	3	0	21
Portugal	6	3	0	18
Mexico	4	2	3	15
Italy	5	4	0	15
England	4	4	2	14
Germany	3	5	1	10
France	3	6	1	10
Argentina	2	5	3	9
Netherlands	0	8	1	1

U15/17B -AUGUST 9 - Red - England - Excellon Resources 5 (D. Drezio 1, C. Blom 3, A. Driegler 1) vs Royal - France - Omars Shoes 2 (C. Durant 1, C. Divincenzo 1).

U15/U17B STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
Brazil	11	1	0	33
Italy	7	4	1	22
France	5	5	1	16
Germany	4	7	1	13
England	3	8	1	10
Argentina	2	7	2	8
USA	0	0	0	0

U16/U19G T/TH STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	Pts
France	10	0	1	31
Germany	8	3	0	24
Argentina	4	3	4	16
Brazil	4	5	2	14
Portugal	4	6	1	13
Italy	2	6	3	9
USA	2	6	3	9
England	2	7	2	8

COMPETITIVE STINGERS RESULTS -

U11B - AUGUST 14 in Aurora between Stingers Black against Woodbridge East - Aurora won 5 to 0. Goals were made by N. Bertrand, Q. McGowan, E. Slimkowich and 2 by J. Wilcock.

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RUMOURS AND RAMBLINGS

Mayor came home with \$24 million cheque

In April, 1973, former Aurora Mayor Dick Illingworth was executive assistant to John White, Treasurer of Ontario.

On a very busy Friday he didn't have time to go through the Minister's mail, so he dumped it into a brief case and brought it home.

On Saturday morning, he opened the brief case to sort the mail into Action Required, Information and Reading Material. One of the letters was from federal Finance Minister John Turner and it contained a cheque for \$24,378,000.

About a week later the Minister told the story to the Public Accounts Committee and pointed out that sending the cheque through regular mail was an indication of how most federal-provincial programs were run.

The story about the Minister's aide taking home the cheque hit the national press.

Illingworth, who was known as the Banker to the Treasurer of Ontario as the Minister seldom carried much money, said later he told him he was sorry he didn't have the federal cheque as he ran a little short and he would have loved to see the expression on the Westbury Hotel desk clerk's face when he was asked to cash the cheque.

AURORA IN 1969

- With the building of the new Aurora High School, town council asked the school board to include an enclosed swimming pool that the students could use during the day and the community in the evenings and on weekends.

With the board's approval the town hired and paid for an architect to design a separate building to be attached to the south end of the school, the plans were prepared but it was much too expensive and there were no lottery funds or provincial programs to help.

- Expensive insurance premiums for the Slater Sawmill in Vondorf resulted in the construction of an enclosed year-round pool at the facility which was used extensively by Aurora residents for swimming.

- The Ontario Water Resources Commission reported that Aurora's sewage treatment plant was operating at capacity and needed improvements. Not much has changed over the years except now it's the Ministry of the Environment and the Big Pipe.

- Omar Khamissa, a new member of the Aurora Optimist Club, won \$5,500 in the Toronto and District Optimist Club Cadillac Draw.

- The Library Board asked for an extra \$6,000 to keep the library open 40 hours a week.

- The population of Aurora at the end of 1968 was reported as 10,662 compared with Newmarket at 9,544 and King Township at 14,267.

- Wallace McCutcheon, the Senator from Gormley, died suddenly at age 62.

- Believe it or not but the 1969/70 salary schedule for secondary school teachers was from a low of \$6,000 to a high of \$14,000 with the average around \$10,000.

- Council received plans for a Metropolitan Store in the Aurora Shopping Centre, now Staples Business Depot.

- Council rejected the purchase of the old Yonge Street Post Office on a 5-4 vote, and the A & W Drive-In was officially opened at Yonge and Brookland.

WHAT HAPPENED?

In early 2000, Leisure Services wrote to all community groups seeking interest for an exchange visit with Aurora's twin municipality, Leksand, Sweden.

Responses were received from The Aurora Opera Company and the Society of York Region Artists and staff advised the Leisure Services Advisory Committee that they would report any calls or correspondence received.

As no further reports were received, it's obvious there was a lack of interest which is a shame as Friendship visits were exchanged on a regular basis when the late Councillor Norm Stewart was Aurora's Ambassador to Sweden.

What happened?

Last March the Accessibility Advisory Committee recommended that staff explore a methodology similar to the Road Watch program to report unauthorized parking of vehicles in designated disability parking spaces.

Seeing motorists drive into a designated handicapped spot, hop out and run into a store is a common occurrence and the suggestion has merit.

What happened to it, and what happened to the Road Watch program? Periodic reports would be helpful.

The committee also recommended that staff prepare a draft communiqué and create a catalogue of photographs of businesses in the downtown core that are both accessible and inaccessible to be reviewed at the April meeting for a presentation to the Chamber of Commerce in May or June. What happened?

Last April following a presentation by the Canadian Federation of University Women for use of the McKenzie/West meeting room at the Seniors' Centre, the Leisure Services Advisory Committee requested a report.

The report was to include a cost benefit analysis of the room rental, a record of bookings of the room and the process undertaken to arrive at the room rental rate of \$100 per hour.

Later council confirmed the rental rate of the McKenzie/West Room at \$100 per hour but what happened to the report?

Aurora designer featured at show

Cupid & Psyche designer Teresa Cook, of Aurora, will be the featured jewellery designer at the Second annual eTalk Tastemakers Celebrity Gift Lounge during the 2006 Toronto International Film Festival.

The event is sponsored by Movie Entertainment magazine and Flare Magazine and will be open daily Sept. 8-14 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the press floor of the Hotel InterContinental, 22 Bloor Street West.

The eTalk Tastemakers Celebrity Gift Lounge allows celebrities of the Toronto International Film Festival to browse and choose from Teresa's designs to wear during this event.

Already a celebrity favourite,

she was selected to introduce A-list celebrities to her Coliseum cuffs and chandeliers.

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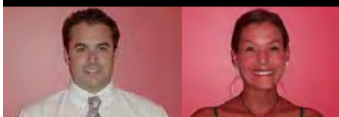


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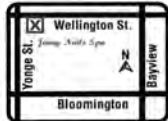
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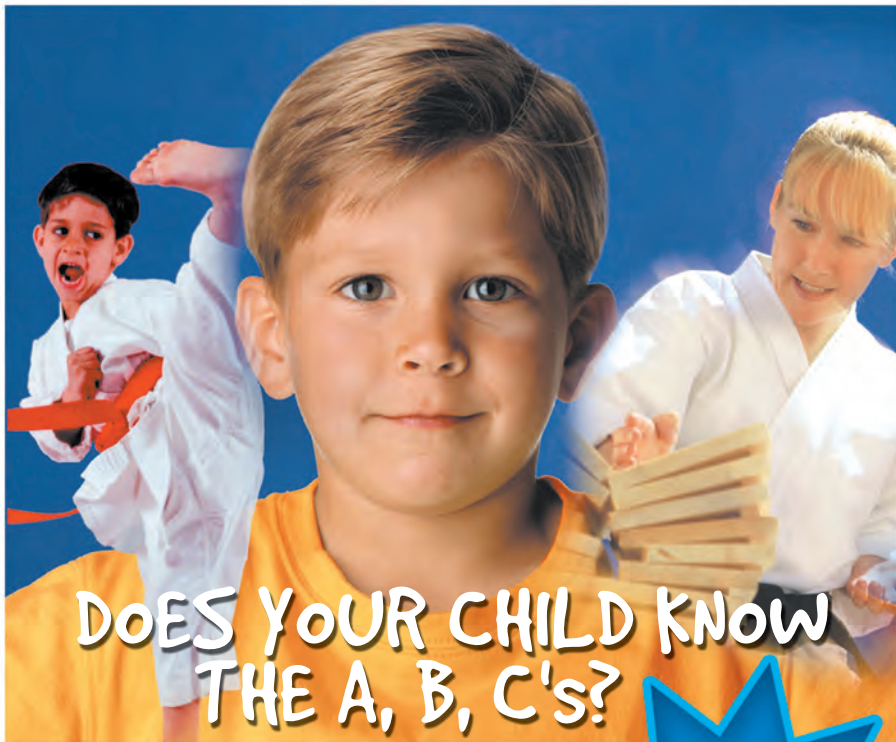
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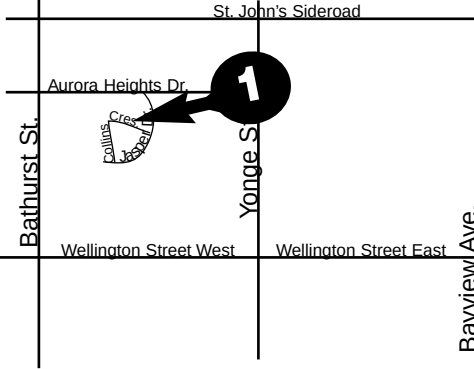
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TV in the lounge? It's going to happen

As I indicated in last week's column, the ASA resorted to a referendum to determine whether or not to install a television set in the ASA lounge.

The lounge is spacious and is ideal for many uses and diversions, including conversation amongst friends.

It is also ideal for larger audiences who might wish to view television of popular interest, such as sporting events or major political announcements.

A television set would be vital in dissemination of urgent news in times of emergency, and the ASA centre is designated for use in a public emergency.

In the area of public entertainment, it has proved excellent for showing movies, which is fast growing in popularity.

The ASA has some members who live alone and members who live with family, including members who visit the ASA to be with people, not television.

This point has a validity which is deep and sincere and with which I sympathize, and is a matter of strong and deep concern for most seniors.

It is in no way a flippancy matter and must be viewed in a sensitive and sympathetic manner.

The ASA also has members who consider television as a welcome and intimate part of their lives and their viewpoint is not flippant, and should also be addressed in an equally, understanding fashion.

The ASA has its share of members who, though full of years, remain very bright, determined and tenacious and possessed of the willingness and ability to make their viewpoint known.

Thank goodness for the possible solution offered by compromise, which while not favouring either side completely, does not abandon either viewpoint completely, but seeks a middle ground where everybody can feel accommodated.

The referendum was conducted judiciously by

excellent members of the ASA, and the result was a ratio of five members to one, favouring television in the lounge.

This is a vigorous and conclusive result in my opinion, to install a television set in the lounge.

This result does not mean that the television set will broadcast constantly. It does not give any particular member or members the privilege to choose programming; it means that a television set is available for viewing in the lounge.

It also means that conversation is a desirable and integral part of what should take place in the lounge.

Hopefully, common sense will determine programming for the most part, and common sense should determine when the television should be off to permit warm, intelligent and civilized conversation.

The sooner the heat of controversial debate subsides, the sooner clarity of thought will prevail and the lounge will achieve its potential as an intimate meeting place for members.

Traffic calming measures proposed

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Listing the next steps, he said a poll of households in the study area would be undertaken in which it was necessary for 60 per cent to respond of which 60 per cent must approve the design.

Concerns were expressed about snowplow operations and he advised this had been discussed with town staff and the measures were not new as they were used elsewhere in the GTA.

Bob McRoberts, a resident of the area, said the study was long overdue as in the past only stop gap measures had been used. He questioned the impact of traffic from the proposed new Catholic high school on Wellington Street with traffic using Industrial Parkway.

Nancy Sassur, a Mark Street resident, said the problem on Mark Street was traffic speed and volume and the design would move traffic to Mark increasing the problem. She also expressed concerns about lack of parking due to the chicanes.

Gordon Barnes appeared during Open Forum to express his support for the traffic calming plan.

Councillor Damir Vrancic recommended the staff report be accepted including approving the traffic calming plan in principle, the carrying out of a

poll and subject to a successful poll and if no appeal during the 30-day period, that the plan be referred to the 2007 capital budget process.

Councillor Evelyn Buck introduced a friendly amendment that the plan be referred to the emergency services for a written report and also a report on garbage collection and snowplowing which was adopted.

Councillor Bill Hogg expressed concern about a possible ripple effect and the impact on the St. John's Sideroad, Industrial Parkway and the Yonge/Wellington intersection.

Councillor Vrancic said councillors shouldn't be concerned about the impact on St. John's Sideroad or the Industrial Parkway as they were designed to handle the traffic and the objective was to

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The report and recommendations were adopted

as presented including the amendment to obtain written reports from the emergency services.

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