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# TOWN OF AURORA Weekly Notice Board

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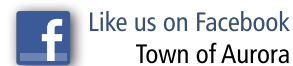
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## COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Thursday, June 19	7 p.m.	Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Friday, June 20	10 a.m.	Trails and Active Transportation Committee
Tuesday, June 24	7 p.m.	Council
Wednesday, June 25	7 p.m.	Public Planning*
Tuesday, July 8	9:30 a.m.	Joint Council Committee Rescheduled to July 15
Thursday, July 10	7 p.m.	Committee of Adjustment
Monday, July 14	7 p.m.	Heritage Advisory Committee
Tuesday, July 15	9:30 a.m.	Joint Council Committee
Tuesday, July 15	7 p.m.	Council
Tuesday, July 29	7 p.m.	Council

Meetings are open to the public and held at Aurora Town Hall. Council meetings can be seen on Rogers TV, channel 10. For a full list of upcoming meetings, please visit [www.aurora.ca](http://www.aurora.ca)

\*Meetings can be viewed online by visiting [www.aurora.ca/gcstream](http://www.aurora.ca/gcstream)



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The next municipal election in The Town of Aurora will be held on **Monday, October 27**. Nominations are now open and forms can be viewed and downloaded online at [www.aurora.ca/vote2014](http://www.aurora.ca/vote2014)

Residents are encouraged to educate themselves on the election process and the candidates running for office. Have your voice heard on election day and vote!

This year, the Town will also ask residents to vote on the following two questions on the ballot:

1. "Are you in favour of electing all Aurora councillors, other than the Mayor, by ward vote instead of general Town-wide vote?"
2. "Are you in favour of reducing the number of Aurora councillors, other than the Mayor, from eight (8) councillors to six (6) councillors?"

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### Licensing and Court Administrator

The Town of Aurora is accepting applications for the position of Licensing and Court Administrator. Deadline for application is **Tuesday, June 24**. For more information, visit [www.aurora.ca/employment](http://www.aurora.ca/employment)

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### June is Recreation and Parks Month

The Town of Aurora is celebrating Recreation and Parks month and you're invited! Attend one of the many exciting events we have planned throughout June. Activities include a scavenger hunt, outdoor boot camp, qi-gong class and more!

To learn more about these activities, please visit [www.aurora.ca/jrpm](http://www.aurora.ca/jrpm)



### Club Aurora Student Membership Specials

Are you a college or university student off for the summer break? Why not join Club Aurora Fitness Centre for the summer? We are offering an affordable short term membership plan for students:

Two month membership:	<b>Tuesday, July 1 to Sunday, August 31</b>
Cost for Aurora residents:	\$76 per person
Cost for non-residents:	\$91 per person

For more information, please call 905-726-4764 or email [fitness@aurora.ca](mailto:fitness@aurora.ca)



### Town of Aurora Summer Camps

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With more than 30 camps to choose from, your child can spend the summer exploring their interests and developing their talents. There is a camp for every child! Call 905-841-PLAY(7529) or visit [www.aurora.ca](http://www.aurora.ca) for more information.



### Notice of Town Hall Renovation

The Town of Aurora is pleased to announce that renovations are underway on the first floor of Aurora Town Hall to create a new Customer Service unit, Access Aurora.

The payment office is fully operational during construction, but will be temporarily located outside Council Chambers, adjacent to the main entrance on the first floor. Regular business hours remain in effect, Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, please contact Ivy Henriksen, Manager of Customer Service, at 905-727-3123 ext. 4392 or [ihenriksen@aurora.ca](mailto:ihenriksen@aurora.ca)

Stay tuned for the Access Aurora grand re-opening announcement once renovations are completed. We look forward to better-serving our growing community.

### Youth Engagement Committee Call for Members

Are you an Aurora resident between the ages of 12 and 17 interested in making a difference in your community? Become a member of the Youth Engagement Committee (YEC) today! Roles and responsibilities include engaging other youth within the community, serving as a liaison between Aurora youth and Town staff, exploring potential sponsorship opportunities and assisting with the development of programs and special events.

The committee will meet every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 4:30 p.m. from September 2014 to June 2015

For more information, please contact Franco DeMarco, Youth Co-ordinator, at 905-727-3123 ext. 3121, [fdemarco@aurora.ca](mailto:fdemarco@aurora.ca) or visit [www.aurora.ca/YEC](http://www.aurora.ca/YEC)

### Dinner and a Movie

*Iron Man* (Rated PG)

Where: Aurora Public Library

When: **Saturday, June 21**  
7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Ages: 11 to 14 year-olds

Price: Entry is \$3 per person and pizza will be served.

For more information, please call 905-727-3123 ext. 3121.



### Theatre in the Park

The Humber River Shakespeare Company brings the magic of outdoor theatre to Aurora Town Park with "Romeo and Juliet," by William Shakespeare on **Friday, July 11** and **Saturday, July 12** at 7 p.m. This is a "pay-what-you-can" event. Please arrive early and bring a chair or blanket and enjoy! For more information, please call 905-726-4762 or visit [www.humberivershakespeare.ca](http://www.humberivershakespeare.ca)



## REMINDERS

### Debris on Roads

Homeowners constructing pools or undertaking other building projects are reminded to keep roads, sidewalks and rights-of-way (the Town-owned section of property bordering the road) free of construction debris. Keeping these areas free from bricks, timber, soil and other materials is essential to pedestrian and traffic safety. Construction permits do not allow storage of these materials anywhere except your property.

### Outdoor Water Use Bylaw

The Town of Aurora enforces a municipal bylaw related to outdoor water use. It is important that all residents and businesses observe the regulations, as they have been put into place to ensure a continued abundant water supply. Even/Odd watering restrictions are in effect.

### Property Standards/Clean Yards Bylaw

The Property Standards/Clean Yards Bylaw is in effect. All residents should be cleaning up debris on their property and keeping grass no longer than eight inches. Let's keep Aurora looking beautiful!

### Fireworks Bylaw

The Town of Aurora's Fireworks Bylaw #5373-11 (Sale and Display), regulates the setting and sale of family and display fireworks. Family fireworks are low hazard fireworks generally used for recreation. Fireworks are permitted on Canada Day and the day preceding this holiday from sunset to 11 p.m. For a full list of regulations under this bylaw, please visit [www.aurora.ca](http://www.aurora.ca)

For more information on these and other Town bylaws, please call 905-727-3123 ext. 4240 or visit [www.aurora.ca](http://www.aurora.ca)

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### Sidewalk Repairs

Residents are advised that The Town of Aurora is completing sidewalk repairs. Work will continue until the end of June during normal working hours. If any residents will be affected, making their driveway inaccessible for more than one night, notice will be provided.

For more information, please contact Kevin Vande Beek at [kvandebeek@aurora.ca](mailto:kvandebeek@aurora.ca) or 905-727-3123 ext. 3459.

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### EVENING HOURS BY APPOINTMENT PROGRAM

Are you a homeowner or contractor in need of a permit for a home renovation project? Can't make it during regular business hours? The Town of Aurora is offering extended hours by appointment on:

JUNE 19	SEPTEMBER 18	OCTOBER 16
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Book your appointment today for a quick, "one-stop-shop" permit process. Call 905-727-3123 ext. 4390, 4394 or 4388 or email [building@aurora.ca](mailto:building@aurora.ca). Please contact us at least one day in advance.

The Evening Hours by Appointment Program allows for review of projects that qualify under the Town's Residential Express Permit Program. For information on projects that qualify, please visit [www.aurora.ca/REPP](http://www.aurora.ca/REPP)

Appointments take place at Aurora Town Hall, 100 John West Way, Building Services department, 3rd floor

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(Above) Students Amanda Holden, Monica Ciligot, Jessica Arevalo, and Danielle Freiwh greet visitors to Cardinal Carter's reunion on Saturday. (Left) attendees showed their appreciation for the committee that put the reunion together and (right) signed a commemorative poster to mark their milestone anniversary.

Auroran photos by Brock Weir

# Cardinal Carter set to “hit new heights” following 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration

By Brock Weir

“We’re good,” said Richard Maurice, to a room of familiar faces on Saturday afternoon.

It was a simple statement, but the two words from the principal of Cardinal Carter Catholic High School summed up the feelings in the school’s chapel as current students and staff, recent grads, and some blasts from the past came together to celebrate the school’s 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Saturday.

The day featured a Eucharistic mass in the morning led by Father Joe Gorman of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, art and music supplied by today’s students, a gathering of dignitaries who have helped steer Cardinal Carter’s future from its early foundations in Oak Ridges, culminating in a pub night near the scene where it all began that evening.

“It is all stories of frustration, stories of pain, stories of pride, stories of humour, and it is certainly stories of celebration that enable us to appreciate the richness of our school culture so we can relish in this magical moment,” said Maurice.

He was speaking in the school’s chapel before not just students past and present, but also his predecessors who served the school over the past year and a half.

For many, it was old home week as they hadn’t been through the Bloomington Road doors they left with their mortarboards.

For Wendy McCabe, she hadn’t looked back since her graduation in 1995. When the reunion came up, however, the chance to show her own children her own stomping grounds was too good to pass up.

“I haven’t been back since I graduated and it looks 25 years old!” she joked. “It was brand new when I started.”

For former staffer Angela Maira, it was an anniversary long-overdue, as was the school itself, when she was part of the fight in 1989 to bring a new Catholic high school to York Region. At the time, Newmarket’s Sacred Heart Catholic High School was bursting at the seams, she said. Kids in Sharon had nowhere to go.

“I wanted to see a new school in our community so our children could have a Catholic education,” said Ms. Maira, who worked at the school from 1997 – 2009. “I know the staff here have been real community builders.”

One of the school/community builders in attendance at Saturday’s celebrations was Cardinal Carter’s first principal Dave Brennan. He steered Cardinal Carter in its first decade and in those formative years, he said it was their main priority to “provide each person with the best possible conditions to achieve his or her potential.”

“But, it was more than that,” he said. “It was also to lay the academic, co-curricular, and spiritual foundation upon those who followed us so they could

build. Judging from the many successes, some of which you are hearing about today, I think we were somewhat successful.”

Reminiscences throughout the morning and afternoon highlighted the growth of the school communities, pressures that came when growth almost got the best of them, and tributes students like Colten and Luke Rybuck, who became heroes in the community after rescuing a neighbour from a fire, and students who left the Cardinal Carter community well before their time.

“Despite all the challenges, we made it work,” said former principal Frank Fazzari of the school reaching its peak of students with 2,200 students and staff jammed in the building and 30 portables. “Everyone adapted and cooperated. Our school thrived, we were active, and we remained a very vibrant school community. It seemed like there was always something to celebrate.”

Out of all this, however, one of his most memorable days was – as it was for many of the people in the room – when the elderly Cardinal Carter himself made the trek to visit his namesake school in June 2002. It was a historic event for the school community, bringing out thousands of students, staff, parents, and alumni to take in a mass, followed by carrying a cross up Yonge Street from Bloomington to Our Lady of Grace.

“He was frail and yet he attended the milestone event with a great determination I will never forget,” said York Catholic District School Board trustee Susan Crowe. “It was hot for the healthiest of us and he just...I can’t even find the words to say it because it was such an awe-inspiring moment to be there.”

For Ms. Crowe, another milestone for the school was Cardinal Carter developing an International Baccalaureate program, honing in on a niche in the educational system which revitalized what had been a waning school community. Many people, she said, were gravitating towards private schools and what was then the incoming St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic High School had been due to take a hit on their existing school population. It was a move which was embraced far and wide, she said.

“It is the reputation of excellence, combined with the welcoming, safe environment that is drawing students to the school,” she said, noting another imminent upswing when 400 Grade 9 students from Aurora, King and Richmond Hill come through their doors this September. “Your support helps to lift the school up to new heights.”

# Free The Children Club not content to rest on their laurels – or their trash

By Brock Weir

After collecting 10 tonnes of electronic waste last month, students in Cardinal Carter’s Free the Children club helped take a lot of weight off the shoulders of local residents, as their garages became piled higher and higher in obsolete electronics.

Those who brought in their old computers, TVs and VCRs, gained some much-needed elbow room, the students collected a record amount of waste, and earned over \$1,400 for Rose of Sharon and laptop programs for Aboriginal students in Northern Ontario in the process. But, they’re not content to sit back and bask in the glory of a hard-earned record. It is merely driving them to look for ways to do more.

“A few of us are going to Kenya next month and, personally, I am going to take ideas from there and come right back and see how we can start supporting those communities,” said Maha Khawaja, a Grade 11 student who will be among the leaders of the club in September. “I am sure we are going to stumble across some things we have never done before, but we do like this e-waste thing we have going!

“We are going to be building a school there, so I am buying all my construction gear, steel-toed boots, a hat with a flashlight and things like that. In terms of mentally preparing myself for what we are going to see, I am more excited than anything because I have been fundraising and just thinking about all these kids in these countries for so many years no,

I finally get to see it.”

Although this year’s fundraiser put more of a focus on local issues, many international charities have benefited from initiatives organized by the school’s Free The Children club, particularly the construction of a school in Baarind, India.

Free the Children is a very active club within the Cardinal Carter community and, as they looked on at last Wednesday’s cheque presentation for all their hard work, Grade Nine student who had their first taste of the club this year were eager to try out new ideas and initiatives to grow the club in the next school year.

Many came into the club inspired by the work of the national founders Craig and Mark Kielburger. Seeing the impact they had throughout the world with Free the Children, they wanted to be a part of the change.

“I like the idea of really helping children around the world in our community, in our country because we are so fortunate with what we have and I just want to make sure other people have the same opportunities we do,” said Anastasia Afanasseiva.

Adds Alexander Jacobs: “Ever since Grade 8 when they introduced this at my old school, I thought the idea was awesome. Once I saw it in high school, I wanted to join and I haven’t looked back. There are just so many great causes that we have contributed to.”

This year, they were happy to be introduced to Rose of Sharon that have an impact so close to home. Learning more about the

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## Briefly

### RIDE4STYLES CYCLES THROUGH AURORA

The Fourth Annual Memorial Ride4Styles heads through Aurora this Sunday, June 22, in honour of fallen York Regional Police Officer Constable Garret Styles. This year, organizers from the York Regional Police are working with partners from the community to make this year’s event a huge success. Teams and individuals are welcome to register and join the relay in Newmarket for a minimum pledge of \$100 for individuals and \$25 for teams. Check-in begins at York Regional Police’s #1 District Headquarters at 240 Prospect Street in Newmarket at 7.30 a.m. with a start time at 8 a.m. Heading down Bayview Avenue through Aurora, the ride ends at #5 Headquarters on McCowan Road in Markham. Proceeds from this year’s event benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of York, Victim Services of York Region, and Special Olympics Ontario. For more info, email Detective Karim Bardai at 961@yrp.ca.

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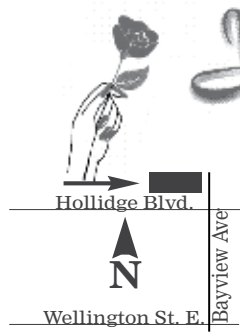


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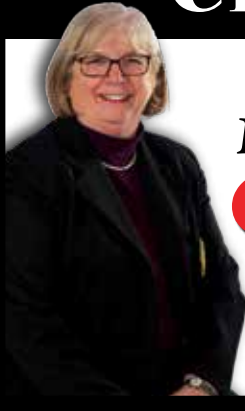
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE OF COUNCIL’S INTENTION TO ADOPT AN AMENDMENT TO THE TOWN’S ZONING BY-LAW**

Aurora Town Council is providing notice of its intention to amend By-law Number 2213-78, as amended, pursuant to section 34 of the Planning Act. A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 7 p.m. at Aurora Town Hall, Council Chambers.

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of The Corporation of The Town of Aurora (the “Town”) is providing notice of its intention to amend By-law Number 2213-78, as amended (the “Zoning By-law”) on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014 pursuant to section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, for the purpose of prohibiting the use of land or the erection or use of buildings or structures unless municipal services are available.

**PURPOSE:** The Town’s current Servicing By-law Number 4721-05.D, which amended the Zoning By-law, prohibits the use of land or the erection or use of buildings or structures unless municipal services are available. The amendment will include the 2C Secondary Plan Area within the Town’s serviced area.

**FILE NAME:** Municipal Servicing By-law

**FILE NUMBER:** D14-05-14

**CONTACT:** Additional information may be obtained from **Glen Letman**, Manager of Development Planning & Development Services department at 905-727-3123 extension **4346**. Comments may also be mailed to the Planning & Development Services department at the same address, faxed to 905-726-4736 or emailed to **planning@aurora.ca** prior to the meeting. Please quote the file name and number.

The Town of Aurora collects personal information in communications or presentations made to Town Council and/or its Committees. The Town collects this information to enable it to make informed decisions on the relevant issue(s). If you are submitting letters, faxes, emails, presentations or other communications to the Town, you should be aware that your name and the fact that you communicated with the Town will become part of the public record and will appear on the Town’s website. The Town will also make your communication and any personal information in it, such as your address and postal code or email address available to the public unless you expressly request the Town to remove it. By submitting a fax, email, presentation or other communication, you are authorizing the Town to collect and use the above-noted information for this purpose.

If you make a presentation to Town Council and/or its Committees, the Town will be audio recording you and Town staff and may make these audio recordings available to the public.

Please direct any questions about this collection to the Town Clerk at 905-727-3123, ext. 4771.

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# NEW AURORAN POLL

**Next week, Council will have  
60 days to fill the vacant seat left by Chris Ballard.  
How do you think the seat should be filled?**

- a) By next runner(s)-up from the 2010 Municipal Election
- b) By a former Councillor
- c) Nominations from the community
- d) Other (send your suggestions to letters@auroran.com)

**Go to [www.theauroran.com](http://www.theauroran.com) to vote!**  
Results will be tabulated Tuesday at 12 noon.

**Previous Poll Results**

Did you vote in the 2014 Provincial election?

a) Yes – on June 12   b) Yes – in advance polls   c) No

RESULTS June 17, 2014	A	B	C
	48%	43%	10%



**Aurora residents who received the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Medal were recognized at a small ceremony at Town Park on Tuesday afternoon as Civic Square Park was formally renamed Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Park. Behind this group of medallists – over 60 residents received the medal in all – is a plaque bearing the names of each recipient. The plaque was formally unveiled by the Duke of York earlier this month. For more, including Council’s discussion on future features at the park, watch for next week’s Auroran.**  
**Auroran photo by David Falconer**

## Ottawa Report



**LOIS BROWN**  
MP Newmarket-Aurora

**Service Dogs Pilot Project**

Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) is funding a two-and-a-half-year pilot project to look at the impact of the use of psychiatric service dogs in assisting Veterans with PTSD. Up to 50 Veterans will participate in the project and VAC will provide up to \$500,000 in research and treatment benefits for the pilot project’s duration. By exploring whether the use of psychiatric service dogs would help Veterans manage their PTSD symptoms, Veterans Affairs Canada is listening to Veterans and ensuring they get the care and support they need.

**Quanto’s Law**

The Justice for Animals in Service Act (Quanto’s Law) was recently introduced in Parliament. The legislation proposes Criminal Code amendments that would create a new offence specifically prohibiting the injuring or killing of animals trained and being used to help law enforcement officers, persons with disabilities or the Canadian Armed Forces.

Persons convicted of such an offence could face up to five years’ imprisonment, with a mandatory minimum sentence of six months in prison in cases where a law enforcement animal is killed while assisting a law enforcement officer in enforcing the law and where the offence is prosecuted by indictment. The new legislation would extend to dogs, horses and other kinds of animals.

The development of Quanto’s Law is part of the government’s plan for safe streets and communities which focuses on tackling crime, enhancing victims’ rights, and ensuring a fair and efficient justice system.

**Action on Climate Change**

The Government of Canada is committed to protecting the environment while keeping the Canadian economy strong and is doing this through a wide range of actions and investments.

Since 2006, we have invested more than \$10 billion to begin Canada’s transition to a clean energy economy and advance this country’s climate change objectives. These have included investments in green infrastructure, energy efficiency, adaptation, the development of clean energy technologies and the production of cleaner energy and cleaner fuels. It also includes over \$4 billion invested in science and technology at Environment Canada since 2006, and another quarter of a billion dollars to be invested over the next five years into Canada’s weather services.

We have also have taken action on climate change by introducing regulations on the two largest emitting sectors—transportation and coal-fired electricity. Since 2005, Canadian greenhouse gas emissions have decreased 4.8 percent while the economy has grown by 8.4 percent and our emissions per capita have decreased significantly and are at an historic low.

Canada represents less than 2% of global carbon emissions. By comparison, the U.S. coal sector produces more greenhouse gas emissions than all of Canada. As a result of our actions, carbon emissions will decrease by close to 130 megatons from what they would have been under the former government’s plan; the equivalent of shutting down 37 coal-fired electricity generation plants.

**Paid Internships in High-Demand Fields**

The government has announced significant new funding for paid internships for post-secondary graduates. The support for the internship initiative, which was provided in Economic Action Plan 2014, will help up to 3,000 post-secondary graduates take part in full-time paid internships across the country in high-demand fields such as science, technology, engineering, mathematics and the skilled trades.

The internships, which will last between six and 12 months, will take place over the next two years and give participants the opportunity to gain the real-life work experience and skills necessary to succeed in the workplace now and in the future. The internships will be offered through the Youth Employment Program (YEP) of the National Research Council’s Industrial Research Assistance Program (NRC-IRAP), as well as by Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC)’s Career Focus Program.

**EcoAction Community Funding**

The government recently announced \$4,351,753 in funding for 85 EcoAction Community Funding Program projects across Canada and is now accepting new applications. Environment Canada’s EcoAction Community Funding Program provides financial support to community groups for projects that have measurable, positive impacts on the environment.

It supports the key priorities of the National Conservation Plan (NCP), which was recently launched by Prime Minister Stephen Harper to provide a shared and coherent vision to advance conservation efforts across the country.

Since 2006, EcoAction has approved \$38,649,632 in funding for 1,006 projects that engage Canadians in direct environmental activities. Projects must address one of the following four themes: clean air; clean water, climate change and nature. For every dollar received through EcoAction, approximately \$2.45 is leveraged from other funding partners.

Applications are now being accepted until November 1, 2014 from non-profit groups and organizations. Groups that are non-incorporated may apply to the EcoAction Community Funding Program. For more information, visit [ec.gc.ca/ecoaction](http://ec.gc.ca/ecoaction).

*If you would like to contact me on any issue, please call 905-953-7515 or visit my website at [www.loisbrown.ca](http://www.loisbrown.ca). I look forward to hearing from you.*



## SENIOR SCAPE

Sylvia Dickens

### Winding down already?

It seems like mere days since the Aurora Seniors’ Centre reactivated its programs after a long, hot summer and here we are again.

We’ve heard it before. Some programs are set to go idle until fall. It’s understandable. People have far more going on in their lives over the summer than they do during bitter winters like the one we just had.

The Book Club, the computer drop-in help sessions and the dances are three that will pause. That doesn’t mean you can’t still enjoy the Centre over the summer. Besides, it’s a great place to hang out when the temperature soars.

One new activity you can enjoy all season is Keep Singing. This informal group welcomes anyone who wants to sing just for the fun of it. It is not a choir. Rather, it takes you back in time to the days before television and computers, when families entertained themselves by standing around the piano and singing traditional favorites like You Are My Sunshine, When The Saints Go Marching In, Five Foot Two, Sentimental Journey and many others.

The group meets every Thursday from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. for a fun sing-a-long in a social and relaxing atmosphere.

**Card player wannabees**

Have you ever wanted to learn how to play cards? There are several card games offered where other players will gladly teach you. You can learn Poker, Canasta and Bid Euchre while you play.

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Mahjong is a very old game that has a number of variations. Not all versions look the same. In fact, a computer version involves simply removing matching tiles to clear the board. The mahjong played at the Centre is much more involved and takes a bit of learning. Fortunately, the mahjong group is more than happy to teach you during any of their Monday afternoon sessions.

Simply walk through the door and someone will welcome you. When they find out that you’ve never played before, they will quickly become your teacher. As with the card games, you will learn as you play.

**One last chance**

You’ll get one last chance to enjoy dancing at the Centre before this activity halts until September. June 20 is the final day for Friday Night Dance, which starts at 8 p.m. Singles and non-members are welcome. Your \$4.50 (members) and \$5 (non-members) fee includes light refreshments. A cash bar is also available with beer, wine and soft drinks. Line Dancing Practice will return September 9.

**Urgent reminder**

Don’t forget the Family Fun Day and Picnic on June 22 from 12 noon to 5 p.m. It will be a great time for everyone. Be sure to bring your own food and the rest of the family, especially the children. They can enjoy face painting, a three-legged race, a clown and storytelling while you play bocce and table tennis. Get a peek into your future with a tarot card reader. Following the games, treat yourself to strawberry shortcake and cream dessert with hot and cold drinks.

There will be raffles and much more. The cost is 25 cents per activity, \$2.50 for dessert, drink. From 3.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., enjoy a music and comedy show by the Silver Stars called “Fun with Song” with a sing-along for everyone featuring some old traditional favorites. It’s a day suited for all ages – just like in the good old days.

**Summer reading**

The Book Club is another program that

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## Ready for My Close-up? Part 2



## INSIDE AURORA

Scott Johnston

The car drove slowly through the Toronto cemetery, pulling to a stop in front of a beautiful flowering crabapple next to a weathered old stone building. Two people stepped out, and started slowly walking up a nearby path between the graves.

“You can’t park there,” yelled a man running towards them, waving his arms.  
“We’re filming a documentary.”  
“Oh, \$#@&\*!”  
“Cut! We’ll have to do it again.”

Our first scene was not off to a great start. If you missed my last column, I described that over the past several years I have been conducting research on the fate of my late uncle, who was killed in the Second World War, and whose body was never recovered or identified.

Although I don’t have confirmed proof of this, I believe that he may be buried in an unmarked grave in a small cemetery on the island of Schiermonnikoog, off the coast of The Netherlands.

This had resulted in a German crew, who have been filming a documentary about the cemetery and its many fascinating stories, coming to Aurora to record our family’s account.

After assuring the cemetery worker that my brother and I were only parking for a minute, we managed to successfully complete the shot the next time.

After some more scenes, the producer wanted to get some clips of us in a crowded area, to better emphasize the difference between the big bustling Canadian City of Toronto, and the small Dutch island of only 1,000 residents at the centre of the story.

We were downtown, so that would be easy.  
Make that ... should have been easy.  
It was Victoria Day Weekend and the city was deserted. Yonge and Bloor? Ghost town. Dundas Square? Eerily quiet.

In an attempt to make the streets look congested, we actually had to wait for and stalk the infrequent groups of people. I expect on screen we will look like two inept spies unsuccessfully trying to covertly tail someone.

The next day the crew came up to Aurora. They were most impressed with our town, including the cenotaph and “the castle” (Magna Headquarters).

Hopefully, a thorough house cleaning beforehand will result in no dust bunnies being visible in the final feature, despite the crew setting up in rooms in which we hadn’t expected them to film, and much shuffling of furniture and contents.

There were some technical difficulties in a pivotal scene where we skyped with the man who manages the Schiermonnikoog cemetery.

Although we’d been in touch for years by email, this was the first time we’d actually seen each other.

Unfortunately that’s all we could do, as there was no sound, and none of us could lip-read. Eventually, after about half an hour, we got the sound to work, but the spontaneity of the moment had long passed.

The last day of filming was again back in the city, and consisted of them shooting us from different angles as we drove around town, in one case with both camera men and all their equipment wedged into the backseat of the compact car.

In the end, the crew seemed happy with all their shots, and I must admit a curiosity to see the finished cut next year; and how my uncle’s story intermixes with the other ones they’ve already filmed.

More importantly, although we haven’t conclusively identified our uncle’s grave, through the documentary we have been able to share his story, which is a small first step towards providing a bit of the closure about his fate that my mother and grandmother never had.

My research continues.

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Jane Twinney, seen here with her husband Joe and gesturing to her nine-year-old son Michael, addresses supporters at Aw, Shucks!, following Thursday’s election.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

## Jobs plan was stumbling block for campaign, says Jane Twinney

By Brock Weir

Last Thursday’s election results might not have been what she had hoped for, but Progressive Conservative candidate Jane Twinney has no regrets about what unfolded.

As she looks back at the campaign that was, she thinks about the people, particularly the volunteers, who spent “countless hours” dedicated to her campaign and put their lives on hold in support of getting her to Queen’s Park. They are memories and relationships which will stick with her for a lifetime, she says.

Over the seven weeks on the campaign trail, Ms. Twinney, a Newmarket Councillor, knocked on numerous doors in both municipalities, explained her platform – both skills she had under her belt, but which enabled her to step outside her comfort zone to get her message across.

“I put myself out there in situations I have never been in before, like debates, and it taught me what I needed to learn and which ways I could improve myself,” says Ms. Twinney. “I learned if you can put your mind to it, you can do anything. Even though we didn’t win, even if I didn’t know the outcome, I wouldn’t take it back and not done it. It was an experience that is unique and until you have actually done it, I have been a municipal candidate, but this level was very intense.”

That intensity, she says, came from just what one campaigns for. At the municipal level, one truly puts themselves out there, explains to voters what they believe in, and shows what they, as an individual can do at the Council table. As a provincial candidate, things are quite different. Although one ultimately subscribes to the party’s platform, the campaign becomes about much more than the individual.

“People look at you differently,” says Ms. Twinney. “People would look at me and say, ‘Jane, I love you, I support you, but I can’t support this party.’ Then, there were people who would say, ‘I am supporting you because of your party’ even if they didn’t really know me.”

It was a relatively brief, but extraordinarily contentious road leading Ms. Twinney to be Newmarket-Aurora’s Progressive Conservative candidate. After Frank Klees announced he would not seek re-election, Ms. Twinney was the first candidate out of the gate to formally declare her candidacy. She was quickly followed by fellow Newmarket Councillor Maddie di Muccio and, later, Aurora resident (and Auroran columnist) Stephen Somerville.

The race took a dramatic turn, however, with social media sniping, a decision made by the PC party to deny Ms. di Muccio’s candidacy, and, later, Mr. Somerville dropping out of the race citing threats to himself and his family. Through it all, Ms. Twinney said she tried to stay above the fracas and stay the course.

“We knocked on thousands and thousands of doors and people who

came out and supported me were people who have been a part of the party forever and ever, long-time supporters, and at the end of the day, whatever happened had nothing to do with me,” says Ms. Twinney when asked if she found support for her among the party faithful what it ought to be. “I was there to run a nomination race and, unfortunately, [the race] didn’t happen. I just carried on.”

Carrying on after securing her nomination through acclamation in March, just a day after Chris Ballard also won the Liberal nod through acclamation, the campaign began in earnest. With thousands of doors knocked, and countless steps taken, she is confident she and her supporters did all they could to keep Newmarket-Aurora a Tory blue.

“I don’t think anything we could have done differently would have changed the outcome,” she says. “Coming down to the last week, I just wish I had a little bit more time because I hadn’t gotten to every single door, but I worked as hard as I could. I was out every single day, all day long, and I wouldn’t change a thing.”

But, would she have changed any of her platform planks while pounding the pavement? Probably not. Looking ahead, Ms. Twinney says the reality is that cuts of 100,000 public sector employees proposed by her now former party leader Tim Hudak will become a reality Ontarians will inevitably have to face. She admits that was probably the biggest stumbling block.

“It scared people and it scared people who worked in the public sector,” says Ms. Twinney. “If you have 1.2 million people who are in the public sector, you are not just appealing to the 100,000 jobs that are going to be cut, you are appealing to 1.2 million people and their families. It didn’t matter who you spoke to, obviously someone who was very secure in their position and was definitely not going to lose their jobs, had this fear. The stumbling block was the messaging that got across and I had to explain it at the doors, which was quite time consuming.

“Going forward over the next four years, there are going to be public sector job losses and they are probably going to be close to that 100,000 mark, if not at least that. It is going to happen anyway, [Hudak] was honest about it, and I guess we paid the price.”

At the end of the day, however, every cloud has its silver lining. As she returns to her work as a Newmarket Councillor, she is taking the next few months to consider her future. In the meantime, she says, the great thing about the campaign was getting to know Aurora better.

“I got to know the community better, the lay of the land, I got to meet so many more Aurora residents, so it broadened my horizons out of Newmarket because I have been so focused on here. That was fortunate and in the years to come I will be able to enjoy spending much more time in Aurora as well.”

## Ballard looks to Moraine following election

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supporters, noting he was cautious not to jump the gun too early on his victory. “So many people have come out of the woodwork to help me, help Kathleen, and so many friends here and family members, people from all parties have got behind me right from the beginning. I am feeling a tad overwhelmed with their support – but I am excited at the same time. I am excited about what is to come. This is like a big family and I am looking forward to working with them in the months and years ahead.”

Joining him at the election night party were his wife, Audrey, their children, and Ballard’s mother, Dawn. For Dawn, it was an evening of excitement but not altogether unexpected.

“As a young boy, his Kindergarten teacher told me Chris was going to go very far in life,” said the proud mom. “That’s true. He was very serious for his age. I can’t say anything more than how exciting this is. He has worked very hard for it, been on Aurora Council for four years, and has always been involved in the community, kept an eye on what is going on and keeps involved in things.”

Similar views were expressed by Audrey, who said she had been “nervous all day” but that was quickly giving way to excitement.

“W h e n tomorrow hits, it will likely be with a little more reality, but it has been a lot of work and we have had a lot of fun,” said Ms. Ballard of

the lead-up to Thursday. “This election was a little bit different because of the level of commitment and volunteerism. People have been wonderful, so helpful, and we wouldn’t have been able to do it without them.

“[Chris and I] have been through so many things over our lifetime and this is just one more adventure!”

While Ballard’s win in Newmarket-Aurora was decisive, it was even more so for Kathleen Wynne, who was elected not only with a majority, but also earning a footnote in history by being Ontario’s first duly elected female premier. This, Ballard said, was not particularly surprising to him as the more he knocked on doors, the more he heard people liked Ms. Wynne and “liked her sense of optimism.”

“I am humbled that the people of Newmarket-Aurora have put their faith in myself and Kathleen and I am going to be a strong voice for all of us at Queen’s Park,” said Ballard.



MPP-elect Chris Ballard, and campaign manager Cathy Gapp, excitedly monitor their photos as the CBC projected Ballard as the winner in Newmarket-Aurora.

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# 60 day window to fill Council vacancy could begin Tuesday

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to confirm to his satisfaction that the Candidate is still qualified to hold office before his or her name is submitted to Council for approval.”

In this case, that ninth place finisher is Stephen Granger, who served in the 2006 – 2010 term of Council, but was beaten to that coveted eighth place by Councillor Paul Pirri by just 21 votes following a recount.

Although there are no restrictions Mayor Geoffrey Dawe and the remaining seven Councillors can place on whomever they choose to fill Ballard’s place, there is a sense from the many of the members that they want someone with experience around the Council table and preferably not someone who is planning to put their names forward for election on October 27.

**MAYOR DAWE**

“Given that I was a major proponent in having a by-election the last time Council had a vacant seat, which was a wide-open process and certainly transparent, whatever we do will be as open and transparent as possible,” said Mayor Dawe.

60 days to fill that spot is, he said, a relatively short period of time, but there is enough time to gather a list of applicants and interested parties similar in a way they would fill a vacancy on a citizen advisory committee.

“You might have someone who has been a former Councillor and has no desire to run again, but would be willing to sit for a couple of months, at least have experience in dealing with reports, and having a sense of the situation,” he added. “[Appointing someone already considering a council run] would, in my opinion, be giving an unfair advantage.”

**JOHN ABEL**

Councillor Abel agreed with the principle of an unfair advantage and said as it is so close to the end of the term, appointing someone who is familiar with how things are done, such as an ex-Councillor, would be beneficial. “It should be very transparent and it should be someone with experience filling the role, familiar with the role, but not going to take advantage of increasing their visibility in the upcoming election,” he said.

**MICHAEL THOMPSON**

Although his preference too would be someone familiar with the role, he said he welcomed further discussion around the Council table to get the ins and outs of the ideal person for the appointment and the rules around that. Looking for a guarantee that they would not put themselves forward for election later was something he said should be discussed, but he was skeptical whether any assurances could be made in that regard.

“I don’t want to give anyone unfair advantage going into the next election but we have to figure out what this process is going to look like,” he said. “I want to make sure that it is open and transparent, and people aren’t going to second-guess Council.”

**EVELYN BUCK**

From Councillor Evelyn Buck’s perspective, no Council has the authority to ask prospective candidates for any kinds of assurances. She added each Councillor will have their own ideas and reasons for whichever option – and candidate – they might push for.

“It couldn’t be an objective choice,” said Councillor Buck, noting her two preferred candidates would be Marsh, and former councillor (and Auroran columnist) Alison Collins-Mrakas

because she has a “great deal of respect for their competence and integrity.” “I don’t believe Council has the right to ask anyone not to commit to being a candidate. I have seen it happen in the City of Toronto that someone has been chosen on the basis they wouldn’t run in the next election and they did. There are no requirements for anyone to agree and we don’t have the legal authority to do it, either.”

**SANDRA HUMFRYES**

Ahead of this week’s meeting, Councillor Humfries is undecided on who a possible replacement should be, or if she has a preference on whether or not the October election should be a factor. At this point, her main concern is finding someone who can hit the ground running.

“I hope that we can have, for the last mile of our term, someone who is really going to be able to pitch in, be up on the latest issues and projects, so we can really gain that synergy with that individual and keep things moving,” she says. “It has to be an individual who has kept up with what is going on and interested in moving our business forward.”

**WENDY GAERTNER**

Councillor Wendy Gaertner, along with Councillor Buck, are the only two members of the 2006 – 2010 term of Council left standing from the time when Marsh’s vacancy had to be filled. In her view, that Council’s decision to appoint the next runner-up was the right one then, and the right one now.

“I would just go right down the list of people like we did with John Gallo,” she said. “We can’t hold an election, I definitely don’t think it is appropriate to appoint someone, so what are the choices? Anybody who is in the seat

might be perceived to have an unfair advantage. According to the democratic process, I can’t think of a more democratic way to fill that seat than to go from who the electors voted for the last time to be in this term of office.”

*HAVE YOUR SAY: Since a by-election is not an option in this case, how do you think Council should fill Ballard’s vacancy? Who is your ideal candidate? Is there anyone you would like to see return to the Council table to finish off the remaining few months of the 2010 – 2014 term of Council? Send your thoughts to letters@auroran.com.*

## Newmarket-Aurora youth vote Liberal as well

The Liberals not only swept into Newmarket-Aurora last week with the support of the majority of local voters, there was a similar sentiment expressed by future voters in Aurora as well.

In elections held in 19 elementary and secondary schools in Newmarket-Aurora, Liberal Chris Ballard won 34.1 per cent of the vote, followed by Progressive Conservative Jane Twinney with 18 per cent. Green Party candidate Andrew Roblin was next with 15.84 per cent of the vote, followed by Angus Duff of the NDP with 14.78 per cent

*For more on the youth vote in Newmarket-Aurora, please see Page 20.*

# NDP’s Duff kept important issues from being lost in the shuffle

By Jeff Doner

When Newmarket – Aurora NDP candidate Angus Duff threw his hat in the mix to run in the provincial election, he knew it would be a tough battle.

As the results came rolling through on election night last week, he said he was hoping for a bit more support for the NDP all around, but was pleased with what he found while canvassing through his riding.

“I’m pleasantly surprised that Newmarket – Aurora is being restored to a more socially conscious government than has existed through a PC held seat for the past period of time,” he said. “These results are positive for me in that respect, but would I have liked to have seen a better showing from the NDP? Obviously yes, but we’ll have to see how things finish out.”

This was Duff’s first time running for election and he was confident that he and his team did what they set out to do by reminding the other parties that issues like poverty and housing costs are critical issues in Newmarket – Aurora that need to be addressed.

“I think we did a great job of keeping social issues on the agenda that otherwise would have been forgotten in this election,” he explained. “We reinforced the message that things like education and child care are important issues that need to be addressed in this community.”

That message resonated with 15-year-old Sterling Mancuso, a student at Pickering College, who joined Duff’s campaign team as a volunteer.

Mancuso said he has been interested in politics for quite some time and wanted to take it to the next level by gaining some valuable experience.

“The election came and this opportunity came along and I thought

it was a great time to get involved,” he said. “The experience has been great. I’ve done a lot of canvassing door-to-door, I have had the chance to speak with a lot of interesting people in the area and it has just been a really great experience and I have learned a lot about how to run a campaign.”

With Duff coming in behind Liberal candidate Chris Ballard and PC candidate Jane Twinney, Mancuso said he is hoping things continue to go up for the NDP from there.

He is looking to stay on to help out with next year’s federal election and will also continue to stay active with the local NDP riding association.

Surrounded by his small, but rowdy team, Duff gave them full credit for helping him run his campaign.

“They were great,” he said. “I had a team made up of seasoned NDP supporters who have been in campaigns as far back as 30 years ago, I had some New Democrats who have only been with us for a while and I’ve had some others who just joined with this campaign. Everybody pulled their weight, pitched in when needed and I certainly couldn’t have done this without my team.”

Duff said the experience was very positive overall, but also said he learned some valuable lessons while on his first campaign. “The primary lesson that came from this, I came on to the campaign two weeks late, and so there was a lot of learning that went on, so preparations for the next campaign will have to start much earlier,” he said, before addressing whether or not he would stick around to run again.

“We’ll have to wait and see. It was fun and it has been an honour to represent the voice of social democrats, it’s been an honour to represent the NDP and I will consider it for the future.”



**NDP candidate Angus Duff marks the end of the campaign with family and supporters at Jonathan’s Restaurant.**  
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(L) Hundreds filled Town Park on Sunday for a sunny thanksgiving service, hosted jointly by Aurora United Church and Trinity Anglican, to mark the coming together of their two congregations following April's fire. (C) Mayor Geoffrey Dawe delivered the homily at the service. (R) Reverends Dawn Davis, Andy Comar, Lorraine Newton-Comar, and Ian Martin delivered messages of unity.



# Journey of Aurora United and Trinity leads hundreds to Town Park to say thanks

By Brock Weir

Lapel buttons were the only things distinguishing congregations as members of Aurora United Church and Trinity Anglican Church turned out in the hundreds on Sunday morning to collectively give thanks to the community.

Sunday's outdoor service, gathered around the band shell, was a way not just for the two congregations to give thanks to the community as they embarked on their unlikely journey together after fire ripped through Aurora United, but also to celebrate their newfound friendship and relationships with the Town at large.

Lead by Reverends Dawn Davis and Ian Martin of Trinity, along with Andy Comar and Lorraine Newton-Comar of Aurora United, the two churches unveiled their vision of "#Room4U2."

"This is the new banner that will be in front of 79 Victoria Street, so that everyone who goes by can know that on this step in our journey we are cohabitating," said Davis, noting she hoped the hashtag would start a conversation on their new joint mission. "When you look at it, we are really so blessed and we have so much. Just moving over and making room for each other; there is still, amazingly, room for all."

Sunday's service drove home that message, first to kids, likening the new relationship to making the first tentative new steps towards a prospective new friend at summer camp. You might not know each other right away, they said, but given time you can become fast friends.

To the adults as well, this journey was traumatised by two congregants from each community finding themselves converging from opposite sides of a collective path. For them, their message was they were stronger moving forward together:

Delivering the homily for the day was Mayor Geoffrey Dawe, who was praised by the two churches for his response to the fire in its immediate aftermath, continuing through today. When asked to deliver the homily, Mayor Dawe said he initially wondered what he had gotten himself into, but soon found inspiration in the words of people reflecting on how faith helped them through their struggle. Among these works was "Thou Shalt Not Hate", written by a man living in the Gaza Conflict whose three daughters were killed by an artillery shell, while a fourth made an arduous recovery.

"I don't know how an incident like that could not turn you into a fanatical hater; ready, willing and able to do harm to anyone at any time in any place," said Mayor Dawe. "Yet, he rose above that. It was his response to the tragedy that made new and won him humanitarian awards. Instead of seeking revenge, or

sinking into hatred, he called on the people in the Region to start talking to each other. His deepest hope is that his daughters will be the 'last sacrifice on the road to peace.'"

The man's faith, he said was a "staff" to help them on their journey, and parallels could be found with Aurora United Church. As a "revered piece" of Aurora's history, "and a critical thread in the fabric of our Town", a number of people in the community, regardless of religion, were touched by its loss, he said.

"A building steeped in tradition that was violently removed from our landscape and now the conversation centres on how to move forward," said Mayor Dawe. "I have been quite heartened by those conversations. Conversations very much show how the residents of Aurora of all faiths, all walks of like, wanted to help their neighbours. They were conversations that lead to Trinity Anglican and AUC coming together to share the worship space and, today, share worship. They were conversations which showed Aurora is a community of faith.

"In preparing this, I reflected a lot on those conversations, the demonstration of character, courage and conviction, and a testament to the true meaning of our community and our faith. In the midst of an unfolding tragedy, these conversations provided hope, inspiration and optimism. You set a brilliant example of what it means to be a good neighbour and for your giving our community is a much better place."

The theme of the "journey" was one which resonated throughout the service. Near the end, Newton-Comar told those in attendance that although there are many ways in which their two denominations will remain separate, there are bigger things at play.

"From the time we have been called to travel on this path together, we will share strengths and vulnerabilities," she said. "We will offer support and care. We will be challenged to share, grow and love."

Following her words, those wearing the lapel buttons of their respective congregations traded them with others as a symbol of unity.



(L) Hundreds filled Town Park on Sunday for a sunny thanksgiving Students Alice Sandiford and Carly Blaser show off two years of growth before it all gets cut off on Wednesday.

Auroran photo by Brock Weir

# Two years of hair care leaves lasting legacy at Regency Acres P.S.

By Brock Weir

Some people mock the amount of time it takes for people these days to get their hair just right before setting out for the day.

Gel, mousse, pomades, straighteners, and any variety of curling devices are regular pieces in the hair care arsenal, but for many Grade 8 students at Regency Acres Public School, their two years of careful primping has not just been about looking their personal best – others have a very important stake in their manes.

Students will gather at Regency Acres next Wednesday, June 25, as the Grade 8 girls, along with students from other grades, and some students from Aurora High School, line up to get their waist-length hair cut in a threefold event designed to raise money and awareness for cancer research, and to provide hair that will be put towards wigs for people

undergoing cancer treatment.

It was an initiative spearheaded in the school by Alice Sandiford when she was in Grade One. Now on the cusp of graduating from Grade 8 to attend Unionville's Bill Carruthers Secondary School in September, this event will be one to remember.

"The last two years have been all about growing my hair and taking very good care of it," says Alice. "It is actually harder than it seems. For starters, you can't straighten it a lot, or curl it a lot, or heat it a lot, because it kills your hair and you have to do lots of treatments on it, including oil."

She will be joined at the event by fellow Grade 8 student Carly Blaser, who first got involved in the initiative as a Grade 6 student. As they prepare to leave Regency, although they hope the event continues, they view this as something of a grand finale, laying the groundwork on what hopefully will be a legacy for the school.

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# After nearly a year, Council set to get down to business determining use for PetchHouse

By Brock Weir

Since restoration work was completed, Aurora’s Petch House has been perched proudly, reconstructed log by log behind the Aurora Seniors’ Centre – but just sitting there for nearly a year awaiting a purpose.

The next chapter in the long life of the log cabin could start to gain some clarity this week as Council examines suggestions from the public, and Town Staff, on just what should be done with the building.

Considered one of the oldest buildings in what is now Aurora, the Petch Log House started life in the Township of Whitchurch in the 1840s. Since that time, over the subsequent century and a half, time, and Aurora’s boundaries, ultimately caught up with the house, and its history was folded into that of our Town.

Eventually, however, the land it was sitting on was poised to be redeveloped by Smart Centres into Walmart and for nearly a decade, it sat precariously on a rack, mouldering, and open to the elements on Leslie Street, awaiting its fate.

The last Council ultimately voted to restore the building log by log to its present location, but since its unveiling and rededication last year, it has sat there empty, without plumbing, wiring, or a second floor that would be up to code, until a possible use could be determined.

Although a possible determination was likely to be a couple of weeks away, Councillors will have an early crack at figuring what to do with the empty building this week, prompted by questions raised at Council last week from Councillor Evelyn Buck.

Councillor Buck said she was hoping to bring forward her own idea for the building last week, but was ultimately unable to get it on the Council agenda in time. Her idea, she said, was to turn the building into something akin to a wedding chapel, suitable not just for weddings, but also rustic wedding photos, all within a stone’s throw of the Seniors’ Centre hall which could be used both for washroom facilities and, following the ceremony, a suitable banqueting hall.

That use, she said, would require little to no alteration to the Petch Log House as it stands today. Amenities of the Seniors’ Centre would be close enough for use, and it would take advantage of what she views as an underused professional

catering kitchen.

“I had hoped we would be able to persuade Council to consider an idea since none of us have put any ideas forward, that Council might be receptive to this idea, which is something I can’t see any fault with whatsoever,” Councillor Buck told Councillors last week. “I [understand] Mr. Downey has something similar in mind along those lines. I think people need an explanation of why there is nothing more going on with the building.”

At the time, Aurora CAO Neil Garbe said staff had a list of ideas collected from the public, staff, and committees, and were working on compiling them into a report which would evaluate each option by the required work which would need to be carried out in the building to make each idea a reality.

Since the bare-bones list was ready to go, he said it could be brought forward for discussion this week.

The ideas for Petch House in the subsequent report include a Community Non-Profit meeting room, a rental facility for small receptions “including bridal showers and fundraisers”, a rental facility for yoga, tai-chi, qui-gong classes, and art exhibitions, a place to sell hand-made Aurora crafts, an Aurora Heritage Centre with exhibits, seminars and possible events in conjunction with the Aurora Historical Society and Aurora Cultural Centre, as a hub for various environmental initiatives, and an “old time tea room or saloon with finger snacks.”

An additional suggestion has an idea to relocate the log cabin to behind the Aurora Retirement Centre on Murray Drive “for access to water lines and seniors.”

On the staff side, they have put forward a number of suggestions including storage space, leased commercial use, a tourism information centre, the wedding option, a rest stop for hikers and walkers, a daycare facility, and even a home for the Aurora Sport Hall of Fame, among others.



It was all worth it for student Jakob Israel on Monday as his head shave raised over \$5,600 for cancer research.

Auroran photo by Brock Weir

# LBP student’s cancer fundraiser exceeds all expectations

By Brock Weir

As hundreds of his schoolmates, their parents, and his own mom and dad proudly looked on, cheering “Jakob! Jakob! Jakob!,” Grade 4 student Jakob Israel didn’t even wince as the hair stylist approached him with a buzzing pair of shears.

After cultivating his mane for the better part of a year, he was ready to see it go – if only to fulfil a personal goal and to make a significant difference in the lives of people in the community.

Jakob was shorn at the final Touchstone Assembly of the year at Lester B. Pearson Public School.

Jakob was a long way from earlier this year when he approached his principal, Arin Otis, with an idea.

“I asked him what he specifically wanted to do, and Jakob said he wanted to raise money for cancer research,” Mr. Otis proudly told the crowd on Monday afternoon. “I told him it was a great idea and gave him some pointers. Some of the students in the audience here have done some great fundraising and I told him, ‘Jakob, it requires a lot of time and dedication. What is your goal?’ He said his goal was to raise \$1,000 for cancer research, which is a pretty lofty goal.”

Through the support of the school, the school community, his family and friends, Jakob quickly made mincemeat of that “lofty goal”. By the time Danyal Habibi of Yellow Orange Salon approached the stage, clippers in hand, he had ultimately raised a whopping \$5,600 for the Canadian Cancer Society.

Over the last few months, through colourful posters in the hallways, word of mouth, and a mobilized web

presence, the students were eagerly anticipating what was about to happen and as they chanted his name, they were up on their feet cheering and clapping as each brown lock fell to the floor.

When it was all said and done, a beaming Jakob rubbed his newfound scalp stubble and bent over to grab a few handfuls of his hair almost to assure himself that his mop was well and truly gone, and the Canadian Cancer Society was nearly \$6,000 further on their path towards a cure for cancer.

“Thank you to Mr. Otis, Mme. Stanley, the school, and especially to my mom, dad, grandparents, and my little brother, Harry,” said Jakob. “Without them, none of this would have been possible. Next year, everybody can join in and let’s make this a bigger and better event. Go LBP!”

Following the haircut, and the presentation of the cheque, Karen Beaulieu, Fundraising Coordinator for the Canadian Cancer Society (Holland River Unit) presented him with a certificate of appreciation for a fundraiser that exceeded everyone’s wildest dreams.

“I hadn’t met Jakob prior to today, but his father dropped by the office and said he wanted to do a fundraiser with a goal of \$1,000,” she said. “I just can’t believe you raised \$5,600! It is just amazing. It is people like Jakob that help us raise money for cancer research, programs and services that we provide the Society, so, Jakob, you are really a great example of a youngster doing such a great job and thinking of the Canadian Cancer Society. I can’t thank you enough.”

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## Teen Challenge

June is always a crazy month for everyone and this year is especially crazy for me because Grade 8 graduation is just around the corner. I have had time to reflect and to think about what graduation and Pickering College means to me, and how much my school has done for me throughout my first eight years. One of the most important messages that my Quaker-based school encourages all of our students to live by is to leave the world a better and more beautiful place than the way we found it.

As I reflect back on what I have learned, I understand what this means and why I find it important, both now and in the future. I understand that you don't have to perform one extraordinary action to make a difference in the world, but by performing one minor action, you can make as much of an impact as an extraordinary one.

Leaving the world a better place than when we found it can be simple if we understand that by not throwing a wrapper on the beach, we can start making the world a better and more beautiful place. But we don't have to make it better just through helping the environment! We can join together within our communities and support one another. If we all join together and respect each other and our communities, we can make the world a more beautiful place with just a simple smile to a stranger.

Pickering College has inspired me in many ways, but never more so than now because I am inspired to make a difference! A simple example of this is, last week I noticed that the hill was covered in freezie wrappers from Sports Day. Our school janitor began to clean them up but then all it took was two students to start picking up a few wrappers and then everyone joined in and the hill was cleaned!

It doesn't take much to make a change, to make an impact and to inspire others. So why don't we join together and respect one another and our environment!

From one Aurora teen to another, I challenge our teens to hold the door for the next hockey Dad carrying the heavy bag into the community centre, to hold on to your freezie wrapper until the next garbage at the soccer fields and to offer to return a shopping cart for a mother who has just loaded her groceries and is struggling with her child's car seat.

It is through ordinary actions we can create extraordinary change!

## SKATEBOARDING With Michael

Michael Eichenbaum is just about to finish grade nine at King City Secondary School and he is looking forward to spending more time this summer doing what he loves and that is skateboarding.

He claims his friends turned him onto the sport last year and he has been seeking out skate parks in the Aurora, King City, Newmarket, Markham and even Toronto area. He is very interested in it. "I love it a lot" said Eichenbaum, "it gets your energy going a lot faster than a video game".

He will also be spending time at a family cottage in Huntsville this summer, but admits he has found a skate park there as well.

He along with five other students takes a bus from Aurora to King City Secondary. "I am special needs" says Eichenbaum. "When I was in grade one, I was diagnosed with Aspergers Syndrome. When I found out I was scared at first because I did not know what to think", he stated. "Since then, it has kind of gone away, because now I feel like a normal kid going to High School". At King City he attends regular classes as well as learning strategies.

"Aspergers is a very big social disorder" said Eichenbaum "I feel I have overcome that part of it, because I am making friends." He credits his elementary school with helping him learn better social skills.

Aspergers Syndrome is an Autism spectrum disorder, although most function quite well independently and intellectually and no two people with the disorder



— Photo By S.J. Mulholland

are exactly the same. They tend to lack social queues and become engrossed with something, such as music or even skateboarding.

Most people with Aspergers have an average and often an above average IQ. They just seem to know how to do things. Eichenbaum admits "I am really good at taking things apart and putting them back together and I am really good with computers".

He likes King City Secondary and now that the weather has become warmer he can go to the skate park in the town during his lunch break where he practices his jumps. He seems to know where all the skate parks are "that's what Google maps is for" said Eichenbaum with a smile on his face.

"When I first went to High School, I was really nervous, I had heard that it would be bad, but I have found that most people are really nice and some kids are not the greatest" said Eichenbaum.

When he talks about skateboarding, his eyes light up and he proudly shows the bumps and bruises that he has obtained from his endless practicing. He also has quite a collection of snapped boards that he has gone through.

This fifteen year old will be enjoying his summer. He will be doing what he loves to do, getting fresh air and exercise. Wouldn't we all like to do that?

■ WRITTEN BY CHRIS MCGOWAN

## The Music students at Carter are doing it

The music program at Cardinal Carter, which is run by Dawn Ellis-Mobbs, is not what you would consider average. She has been teaching for ten years, two of which have been at Carter and she has introduced a program that involves reaching out to others. In her spare time, she attends Wilfred Laurier University herself as a student who is obtaining her Master's Degree in Community Music.

In the first semester of this school year, her music class started by reaching out to World War II Vets. At that time, Don Dempsey, a Naval Gunner was contacted by the students.

Ellis-Mobbs, along with singer, songwriter Glen Murray introduced the Memory Project, where they connect with vets and write inspirational songs that honour the subject. The students in Ellis-Mobbs music class have become an integral part of this project and have been challenged with writing songs that bring comfort and honour. These songs are also helping people with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and so much more.

On Friday, June 6th, Ellis-Mobbs and forty of her music students jumped on a bus and went to Sunnybrook hospital to entertain about two hundred Vets that live there. Sunnybrook is the largest veteran's care facility in Canada. They work closely with Veterans Affairs and offer long term hospital care to approximately five hundred Vets from the second world war and the Korean war. The musical group from Carter entertained the Vets for an hour with a couple of swing songs from the World War II era along with other favourites.

"They have written fourteen songs in

total this year" said Ellis-Mobbs. "Some are solo piano numbers and some are heavy metal rock pieces" and the diversity of music is huge, but that is ok. "They are all doing it" she said.

They hosted a concert at the school on Monday June 16th and have released a CD as part of the Believe Project, which is a project about spreading love and good fortune in the form of inspirational quotes and in this case, inspirational songs that reach out to make others feel better.

"We have invited Don Dempsey, Carol Collier and other members of the community that the students have reached out to with their music" said Ellis-Mobbs. They are honouring and inspiring while they are writing and playing their music.

Ellis-Mobbs music class is not just about music, it is about what music can do for others. The students are expanding their horizons, looking at others' needs and applying their musical skills. Their extraordinary effort is being felt not just in the class room, but in the community itself and this program is expected to be held at Carter for next year as well.

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# Jays sit third in League standings after another week of wins

By Jeff Doner

The Aurora Jays senior men's baseball team has escaped yet another week without taking a loss, earning two wins and a tie to give them a 10 – 1 record at the mid-point of the season.

They now sit third overall in the North Dufferin Baseball League standings, but have played fewer games than the only two teams ahead of them – the Bolton Brewers and the Ivy Leafs.

Last week started with an all-around effort against the Lisle Astros.

With the dependable Dan Lehmkuhl starting on the mound, the Jays gave him run support early on, scoring four runs in the first inning.

From that point on the Jays didn't look back, as Lehmkuhl slammed the door with a complete game shutout victory, while the offence tacked on three more runs in the later portion of the game to give Aurora a 7 – 0 win.

"I felt really good early on," Lehmkuhl said postgame. "It's a long game for this time of the year, so I definitely felt pretty tired towards the end, but I was pretty happy with it

overall."

Lehmkuhl returned to the team for 2014 after playing the previous five seasons in Thornhill and is feeling right at home.

"It's a great bunch of guys to play for," he said. "I've never had as much fun playing as I have with these guys. It's a good group for this league and we're having some success, which is nice. The win streak makes it a lot more fun to come out and play."

Lehmkuhl has given the Jays another strong arm they will need to make another run this year.

Contributing offensively for the Jays was Chris

Fafalios with a triple, a double by Fab Dolan and two runs scored by Brad Crosby. Outfielder Ryan Lewis made the Lisle pitchers work by drawing three walks.

Two nights later, the Jays took to the road for a tilt with the Angus Black Sox.

Brent Owen pitched a solid game, but the bats hit a dry spell and offered little support in a game that ended with a 1 – 1 tie.

That tie could have easily been a loss, but outfielder Stephen Vallee threw out the potential winning run at home plate in the final frame.

The tie snapped the

Jay's win streak, but still keeps them without a loss since the first game of the season.

On Sunday, the Jays were keen to get back into the win column against the Barrie Angels in what turned out to be another close game.

Veteran pitcher Ian Milne got the start for the Jays and pitched well to earn the win, while the trusty Zach Wiseman registered the save.

Team manager Rob Wilson said it was a good all-round effort for the team as they dug in for a 7 – 6 victory.

Earlier in the week, Jake Pinnegar said he was pleased with the way things were coming together for the Jays and that he likes the way the team grinds out wins.

"We're playing all parts of the game well; hitting, pitching and defence and we've been able to win the close games and get a couple of blowouts as well, so yeah, it feels pretty good," he said.

"We can stay composed and not lose our heads in close games no matter what calls the umps make, we seem to always be in the game no matter what happens."



Jake Pinnegar slides into home plate in an attempt to get another run for the Jays late in the game against the Astros last week. Auroran photo by Jeff Doner

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# —THE AURORAN— Arts & Culture

## Musicians get ready to lift you up at this Sunday's Gospel Music Festival

By Brock Weir

Jim Edwards wasn't always a man who felt like he was on the right path for himself.

Indeed, he characterises his past as often one of "inner turmoil", "leaning on the wild side of life", and making compromises he later came to second guess.

As a child, he grew up with musical parents, a father, a veteran of both World Wars, proficient on the mouth organ, and a mother never shy about expressing herself musically with her voice around the house. Eventually, this music came to be his solace and after hearing the song "Without Him", he says he felt the correct path was laid before him to get back on track with life and love.

"I was compromising here and there and it just wasn't really satisfactory," he says. "I was self-centred, looking for my thrills, my joy, and not caring about who I might hurt. The message of the Gospel is, 'What can I do to help others? I often run into people who are discouraged or depressed, and you have to be careful because you can't come across as too preachy. You just have to listen to them, pray for them, and that helps him.'"

Although he wants to shy away from being too preachy, Mr. Edwards, 84, wants to bring the type of uplifting music, music which he found personally lifted him up out of a murky existence, to the people of Aurora.

Mr. Edwards is spearheading the inaugural Aurora Gospel Music Festival, which will take over Aurora Town Park this Sunday, June 27, from 1 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. It brings together a veritable who's who of talent from the Ontario Gospel scene, ranging from country to folk, from southern style to traditional, and even classical pieces performed by musicians ranging from Aurora to London, ON.

Proceeds raised through the free will offering event will benefit the Southlake Regional Cancer Centre, as well as the Aurora Food Pantry.

These are causes very close to Mr.

Edwards' heart. After beating cancer before, he now lives with the disease. There are some ways his particular kind of cancer can be treated, but it will put him out of commission for weeks at a time. He would rather, he said, "burn out than rust out" and laying the foundation of this Festival has been something that has driven him forward..

"We're going to have something for the community, something hopefully for all the churches to cooperate with and hopefully the whole community will be blessed, because this is what blessed me years ago," says Mr. Edwards. "Going to that Gospel music festival and hearing a song which touched my heart gave me new enthusiasm for my faith. When you love something, you love to sing about them, and you love to sing to them whether it is a person or whether it is God. Then, you are inspired to do good things because some parts of the world are in a chaotic situation. Everyone needs to get focused on something that is definitely positive. If you love one another, forgive one another, and help one another, it is all there in the message."

While most of the money spent on making this festival a reality has been out of pocket, Mr. Edwards says it is money well spent because, to be frank, it is better than simply going on a cruise which would just satisfy himself.

"If we could have 500 to 1,000 people blessed, encouraged and inspired in one afternoon, why not?" he says. "I hope people leave thinking, 'Boy, I am glad I came' and 'Man, that was fantastic.' I hope they feel blessed if they are experiencing depression, or the blues, that they are picked up out of that. We make choices of whether we want to be happy or unhappy, and if we want to be happy, we will seek things that make us happy, and that is what music is for me. It is a decision we make every time we get up."

For more information on Sunday's Gospel Music Festival, email Mr. Edwards at [musicjim@gmail.com](mailto:musicjim@gmail.com).



### SENIOR SCAPE

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will ease off for the summer, but you can still enjoy a good book! Their last book was *The Storyteller* by Jodi Picoult. If you didn't read it, summer is a good time. It sounds quite intriguing but the images it portrays can be rather disturbing.

Sage Singer, a car crash survivor, faces a life with severe scarring that leaves her self-conscious about her appearance. While at a support group, she meets a 95-year-old former Nazi who committed despicable acts during World War Two.

Why would Josef choose to unburden all his guilt on her? Was what he was telling her even true? Should she share this horrible secret with anyone else and should Josef be made to pay for his crimes? The vivid descriptions of Josef's involvement in the persecution of Jews are difficult to read. Secrets and lies are exposed and the book takes a twist that none of the Book Club members saw coming.

If you enjoy this activity, consider joining the Book Club when it starts again in September to begin regular bi-monthly meetings.

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Club’s success can be a model elsewhere: environmentalist



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organization that provides support to single mothers in Northern York Region, they said, gave them some perspective and showed how people in unfortunate circumstances can be marginalized or misunderstood within the community.  
Additional initiatives the students plan to mull over the summer is a new program floated by student Charles Troy to expand the initiative to collecting used bicycles for kids in developing countries in order to make the journey to collect fresh water a little bit less arduous, as well as new marketing campaigns to ensure the e-waste collection record is theirs for

years to come.  
The e-waste was ultimately collected by ARTEX, in conjunction with the Ontario Electronics Stewardship Program. For Melanie Wilde of the Stewardship Program, Cardinal Carter’s success with e-waste can serve as a case study on a much wider scale.  
“You have done something great for the environment to ensure that substances haven’t gone into landfills and you have recaptured things to go back in production like cooper and aluminum, you have earned money doing it and now that money is going to go to your favourite charities that are going to have an effect of positive change in other environments.”

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 19. Body of water  
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 21. To get up  
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 41. Artificial  
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 46. Unit of time (abbr.)  
 47. 1955-77 regional defense org.  
 49. Local area network  
 50. 1/3 tablespoon (abbr.)  
 53. Breathe excessively  
 57. Dilapidated ships  
 58. Goes it alone  
 59. Jap. women pearl divers  
 60. Television tube  
 61. (Prev. Portuguese) S. China seaport

30. Nutmeg covering spice  
 31. Woman (French)  
 33. Foot (Latin)  
 35. Fast rise to fame  
 36. Used to cut and shape wood  
 37. Shaft horsepower (abbr.)  
 39. A consortium of companies  
 42. Stirrup bone  
 43. Transmitted  
 44. Carrier’s invention  
 46. Without (French)  
 47. Noah’s oldest son (Bible)  
 48. Jaguarundi  
 49. Former Cowboy Leon  
 50. Powder mineral  
 51. Greek colonnade  
 52. Mexican monetary unit  
 54. Preceded the DVD  
 55. Doctrine suffix  
 56. Mauna \_\_, HI, volcano  
 57. Public prosecutor

Conflict leaves future of Aurora Tigers, Home Show uncertain

**By Jeff Doner**  
The Aurora Tigers Junior A hockey club and the Aurora Chamber of Commerce are hoping to iron out a few issues with the Town of Aurora this week regarding facility availability for the Aurora Community Centre every April.  
Just this spring, a conflict arose when the Aurora Tigers run to the OJHL finals overlapped the Chamber’s annual Home Show, causing the Tigers to move their final series home games to York University.  
Now, the two sides are looking to the Town to help bridge the gap, starting with a presentation at Town Hall this week.  
“We’re not looking for much, to be honest with you,” Barry Quinn , Tigers VP, said Tuesday. “We [Tigers] need to provide what they call ‘continuity of venue’ to satisfy the OJHL [and] Hockey Canada and that’s all we’re really looking for.”  
Quinn said the OJHL and Hockey Canada are asking the team to have guaranteed availability of ACC#1 every spring for the playoffs, or else the team could face a hefty fine or sanctions from the league and governing body.  
“We entertained and exhausted all possible alternatives within the Town of Aurora,” he said. “The SARC will never be able to accommodate 500 fans at any one rink and that’s part of the Hockey Canada requirement for a venue that you have to provide.”  
Historically, both long-time tenants have been able to run without trouble, but recent changes by the OJHL to the playoff format have altered things for the Tigers.  
Previously, the first two rounds of the playoffs were five games, now they are seven, which has pushed the final end date back and caused the conflict with the Chamber’s Home Show in the event the Tigers make it to the finals.  
“I don’t want anyone thinking that we’re going after the Chamber of Commerce, because we’re not,” Quinn said. “We have to provide continuity of venue and if we can’t do that, then we could be sanctioned by the OJHL and Hockey Canada and then we would have to make the decision whether or not we would leave the team in Aurora.”  
Quinn said that he just wants council and the Town of Aurora to know that the organization’s back is against the wall and the issue needs to be figured out by July in order to be ready for training camp on August 15.  
As for the Home Show this past spring, Quinn said he understands why the Chamber was unable to move the

show last minute and hopes the two sides can work together with the Town for a solution for the future.  
“Hopefully we get support from the Town of Aurora to extend the ice availability for two weeks and that’s all we want to allow us to continue to operate in the Town of Aurora,” Quinn said. “Don’t misunderstand me, that doesn’t mean we’re going to move, I just don’t know.”  
Judy Marshall, CEO of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce, also said she hopes an amicable agreement can be made for the future.  
Marshall said the Town was hoping the Chamber would consider moving the date or the location of the Home Show.  
“The date can’t be changed; we have to do it then, in April. Everyone is booked and it’s the cycle we’re in,” she said. “I’m sure council is wanting to hear that we’re willing to move and I’ll have to be honest with you, and I’m not sure this will be totally supported, but there will be some very positive things with moving to [SARC] that will be exciting, but the parking is limited, access is limited.”  
Marshall said if the Home Show is moved, it will take a large amount of planning, restructuring, advertising and essentially the creation of a whole new show.  
“It is possible and I think in some ways it will be exciting, but it’s just the expense and the planning.”

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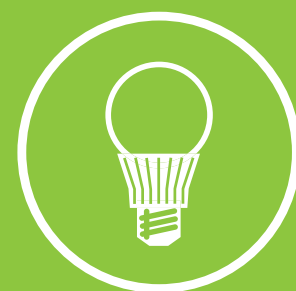




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# Liberals elected in Province-wide Student Vote



By Angela Gismondi

Voters under and over the voting age elected a Liberal majority government in Ontario this week.

After learning about the democratic process, meeting the candidates running in the Newmarket-Aurora riding, researching the candidates and party platforms and debating the future of Ontario, students cast their ballots for official candidates running in their electoral district in Student Vote 2014.

About 167,416 students under the voting age from 1,261 schools representing 107 electoral districts across Ontario cast ballots throughout the week. The results were released after the polls closed on election night.

The Liberals won a majority government in the student vote with 62 seats, increasing their seat count from 39 in 2011 and increasing their share of the popular vote to 32.4 per cent. Party leader Kathleen Wynne won in her electoral district and is elected Premier by the students of Ontario.

The NDP won 33 seats, losing seven seats since the last Student Vote. Party leader Andrea Horwath kept her seat in Hamilton Centre. The party received the same share of the popular vote as in 2011 (26 per cent).

The Progressive Conservatives took 11 seats, down from 25 in 2011. Their share of the popular vote decreased to 18.4 per cent and leader Tim Hudak lost in his own electoral district.

The Green Party won one seat with 14.6 per cent of the popular vote, while leader Mike Schreiner lost in his own electoral district. The party won two seats in the last Student Vote.

Nelson De Castro, a Grade 7 teacher at St. Jerome Catholic Elementary School in Aurora said it's important to get students involved in the democratic process from an early age.

"It encourages the next generation of voters to become aware of the issues and the candidates," said De Castro. "They go through the physical process of voting so they can see what it's all about. It gets them on the early path to voting."

Candidates in the Newmarket-Aurora riding visited the school and spoke with Grade 7 and 8 students. They answered a series of questions and students were encouraged to ask questions of their own. Students were also split into groups and asked to research each party, its leader and the party platforms and present them to the class.

"We tried to make the election have a more local, personal connection to the students instead of a provincial context," De Castro stated.

The program was successful, De Castro explained.

"We know that they raised their awareness and engagement," said De Castro. "Students are talking about it on their own and they are talking to their parents about it which was one of our goals."

Students agreed the exercise was educational.

"I think it's really good because we get to see what it will be like in the future when voting and what our parents go through to elect someone for the government," said Chloe, a Grade 7 student at St. Jerome. "I loved learning more about the different parties. It was very interesting to me."

Dorian Baxter of the Canadians' Choice Party of Newmarket-Aurora stopped into the school on election day.

"I think it's wonderful," said Baxter about engaging the students in the democratic process. "It's important because it introduces students to the need to exercise their democratic rights. I am an educator as well and I'm very happy to see this happening."

Student Vote is the flagship program of CIVIX. CIVIX is a national registered charity building the capacity and commitment of young Canadians to participate in their democracy.

Elections Ontario has engaged CIVIX to deliver the Student Vote program in conjunction with the 41st general election.

Complete results from Student Vote 2014 can be found at [www.studentvote.ca/on/results](http://www.studentvote.ca/on/results).

## Result highlights of Student Vote 2014:

+ Only two leaders of the major political parties won their seats: Kathleen Wynne in Don Valley West and Andrea Horwath in Hamilton Centre. In Niagara West – Glanbrook, PC leader Tim Hudak finished in third place behind the Liberal and NDP candidates. Green Party leader Mike Schreiner finished second in Guelph.

+ 8 per cent of the popular vote went to parties who did not win seats. The relatively unknown Libertarian Party won 3.3 per cent of votes cast.

+ Markham-Unionville had the most students reporting results with 4,251 votes cast.

+ Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke and Brant each had 22 schools report results - more than any other electoral district. Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke also had the most schools report results in the 2011 Student Vote.

+ Preliminary results from Whitby-Oshawa, Chatham-Kent-Essex and York West showed very close races. Candidates have been declared with less than 15 votes separating winners. Late-reporting schools could change those results. In Whitby-Oshawa, the top three candidates are separated by just 31 votes.

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## NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF BY-LAW NUMBER 5626-14 TO IMPOSE INTERIM CONTROLS ON THE USE OF LAND, BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES

### Interim Control By-law – Medical Marihuana Production Use Pursuant to the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended (the “Act”)

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of The Corporation of The Town of Aurora (the “Town”) enacted By-law Number 5626-14 (the “By-law”) on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014 pursuant to section 38 of the Act and Report No. PL14-040, for the purpose of imposing interim controls on medical marihuana production facilities and medical marihuana production uses on all land, buildings or structures within The Town of Aurora which, pursuant to Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended (the “Zoning By-law”), are zoned M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M6 and BP, including any exception zone to such zoning categories.

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that, pursuant to subsection 38(1) of the Act, the Council of the Town enacted the By-law to be in effect for a period of one (1) year, which period shall not exceed one (1) year from the date of the passing thereof, prohibiting the use of land, buildings or structures within the defined areas of the Town for such purposes as are set out in the By-law.

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that pursuant to subsection 38(2) of the Act, the Council of the Town may amend the By-law to extend the period of time during which it will be in effect, provided that the total period of time does not exceed two (2) years from the date of the passing of the By-law.

#### Purpose and Effect of the By-law

The By-law was enacted to prohibit land, buildings or structures in industrial and business park areas of The Town of Aurora from being used for the purpose of growing, cultivating, drying, harvesting, packing, processing, testing, treating, storing, shipping, and/or selling “marihuana”, “dried marihuana”, or “cannabis”, as defined by Health Canada under Regulation SOR/2013-119, and includes facilities used for such purposes.

The passage of the By-law will allow time for a study to be undertaken in respect of land use planning policies relating to medical marihuana production uses/facilities in The Town of Aurora, and if appropriate, to implement the findings of such study.

#### Location

The lands subject to the By-law are all those lands zoned M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M6 and BP, including any exception zone to such zoning categories, as per the Zoning By-law. A key map of the location is provided with this notice. If the location of an affected property is not legible on the key map, please contact the individual noted below in the Town’s Planning & Development Services department.

#### Appeal Process

Pursuant to subsection 38(4) of the Act, any person or public body to whom notice of the By-law was given under subsection 38(3) of the Act may, within sixty (60) days from the date of the passing of the By-law, appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board by filing with the Town Clerk a Notice of Appeal setting out the objection to the By-law and the reasons in support of the objection.

If you intend to appeal, a Notice of Appeal must be filed with the Town Clerk, Legal & Legislative Services, The Corporation of The Town of Aurora, 100 John West Way, Box 1000, Aurora, Ontario, L4G 6J1 and shall include:

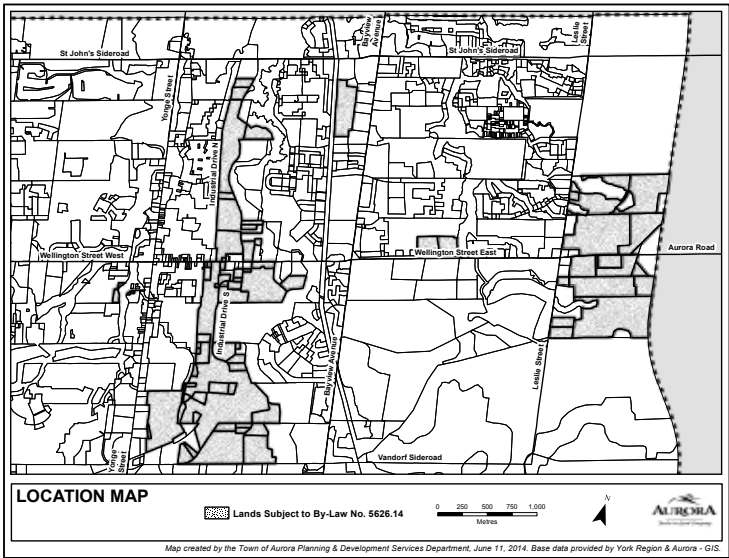
- A completed A1 Appellant Form. This form is to be completed by the appellant for appeals relating to an interim control by-law and is available on the Ontario Municipal Board website located at [www.omb.gov.on.ca](http://www.omb.gov.on.ca);
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- A referral fee in the amount of \$540.00, pursuant to Town By-law Number 5566-13, as amended, payable by certified cheque or money order to “The Corporation of The Town of Aurora”.

#### The last day for filing a Notice of Appeal is 5 p.m. on Monday, July 28, 2014.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal an interim control by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

The report regarding “Interim Control By-law, Medical Marihuana Production Facilities, File No. D14-02-14” (Report No. PL14-040) was presented to Council on Tuesday, May 27, 2014 and can be found on the Town’s website in the Council Agendas and Minutes section, located at [www.aurora.ca](http://www.aurora.ca). A copy of the By-law can also be found at the above website in the Council agenda of Tuesday, May 27, 2014, and is replicated with this notice.

For further information, please contact Fausto Filipetto, Senior Policy Planner, Planning & Development Services department at 905-727-3123, ext. 4342 or at [ffilipetto@aurora.ca](mailto:ffilipetto@aurora.ca), quoting File Number: D14-02-14.



#### The Corporation of The Town of Aurora By-law Number 5626-14

##### BEING A BY-LAW to impose interim controls on the use of land, buildings, or structures within certain areas of the Town of Aurora.

**WHEREAS** subsection 38(1) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, provides that where the council of a local municipality has, by by-law or resolution, directed that a review or study be undertaken in respect of land use planning policies in the municipality or in any defined area or areas thereof, the council of the municipality may pass a by-law to be in effect for a period of time specified in the by-law, which period shall not exceed one (1) year from the date of the passing thereof, prohibiting the use of land, buildings or structures within the municipality or within the defined area or areas thereof for, or except for, such purposes as are set out in the by-law;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora (the “Town”) has directed that a study be undertaken in respect of land use planning policies relating to medical marihuana production facilities and medical marihuana production uses, as more particularly defined herein, within the Town of Aurora with respect to Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended (the “Zoning By-law”);

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the Town deems it necessary and appropriate to enact this By-law, being an interim control by-law, to allow the Town to undertake the required study with respect to the land use planning policies for medical marihuana production facilities, and, if appropriate, to implement the findings of such study;

##### NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AURORA ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT for the purposes of this By-law, “Medical Marihuana Production Use” is defined as follows:  
“Medical Marihuana Production Use” means the use of land, buildings, or structures for the purpose of growing, cultivating, drying, harvesting, packing, processing, testing, treating, storing, shipping, and/or selling “marihuana”, “dried marihuana”, or “cannabis”, as defined by Health Canada under Regulation SOR/2013-119, and includes facilities used for such purposes.
2. THAT this By-law shall apply to all lands located within the Town of Aurora which, pursuant to the Zoning By-law, are zoned M1, M2, M3, M4, M5, M6, and BP, including any exception zone to such zoning categories (collectively, the “Prescribed Zones”).
3. THAT notwithstanding the permitted uses and regulations set out in the Zoning By-law, no land, buildings, or structures within the Prescribed Zones shall be used for Medical Marihuana Production Use, or any purpose related to such use, except for uses legally existing on the date of final passage of this By-law.
4. THAT subject to the Council of the Town amending this By-law to extend the period of time during which it will be in effect, this By-law shall come into full force and effect on the date of final passage hereof, and shall remain in full force and effect for a period of one (1) year from the date of final passage.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2014.

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2014.

Original Signed by “Geoffrey Dawe”

GEOFFREY DAWE, MAYOR

Original Signed by “Stephen M.A. Huycke”

STEPHEN M.A. HUYCKE, TOWN CLERK

## COMING EVENTS

All-day passes will be sold through Thursday for \$15, and tickets are \$20 on the day itself. Individual tickets for rides will also be available on site. All money raised will be re-invested into school programs. For more information, call 416-528-1003.

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The Aurora Cultural Centre hosts Mémère le Colibri, an evening of music, song and theatre headlined with a performance by Metis fiddler Alyssa Delbaere-Sawchuk, along with guests Jess Salgueiro and Jacinthe Roy. Tickets are \$10, or \$35 for a family of four. For tickets, call the Centre at 905-713-1818.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 21

The Aurora Farmers’ Market will host their annual Strawberry Festival at their traditional Wells Street location this week. Events get underway at 8 a.m. through 1 p.m. For more information on the Strawberry Festival and other special Market days coming up, visit [www.theaurorafarmersmarket.com](http://www.theaurorafarmersmarket.com).

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#### PUSH FOR YOUR TUSH –

The annual fundraising walk and run takes over the Aurora Family Leisure Complex today, starting at 2:30 p.m. Get your face painted, enjoy a snack from the Feisty Jack Food Truck, and bid on items in the silent auction. Prizes for best costume, top fundraisers, and more, benefiting Colon Cancer Canada. For more information, including registration and fundraising, visit [www.pushforyourtush.ca/aurora](http://www.pushforyourtush.ca/aurora).

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 22

The Aurora Seniors’ Centre will host their annual Family Picnic and Fun Fair this afternoon from 12 noon to 5 p.m. The picnic will be followed by many games and activities for the young and young-at-heart, and will conclude with a strawberry dessert, and a live music and comedy show up on the stage. Small charges for select games will apply.

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The Aurora Community Band presents “Music in Motion”, a collection of dance-themed music including earth dances, rhythm dances, Welsh ayres, dances, and even a bit of Gershwin. Trinity Anglican Church, 79 Victoria Street. Concert starts at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for seniors and students, and \$10 for adults. They are available at the door, or by emailing [auroracommuntyband@gmail.com](mailto:auroracommuntyband@gmail.com).

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Get uplifted this afternoon from 1 – 4:30 p.m. with the Gospel Music Festival at Town Park, featuring gospel performers from across Southern Ontario. A free event, donations will be accepted to benefit the Stronach Cancer Centre at Southlake Regional Health Centre, as well as the Aurora Food Pantry. For more information, call 905-713-1665.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 25

Garden Aurora! The Ruby-throated hummingbird is one of the smallest birds in the world and yet it is a champion acrobat and long-distance flyer. Join Kristen Martyn and the Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society for “Hummingbirds: Nature’s Miracle.” The meeting will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion (105 Industrial Parkway North) at 8 p.m. For more information, visit [www.gardenaurora.com](http://www.gardenaurora.com) or call 905-713-6660.

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 26

Spend an day with Tracy Pawis building a new skill at the Discover Quill Brooch Making workshop this morning at the Aurora Cultural Centre from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a rare opportunity to develop a new skill and create something beautiful as Pawis walks guests through the process of making the traditional piece. All materials will be provided for an admission of \$20. Bring a lunch. Pawis is a visiting instructor at the G’Zaagin Art Gallery in Perry Sound. For more information, contact the Centre at 905-713-1818.

# “Dancing for Life” continues reign as top Relay fundraisers

By Jeff Doner

The Somerville Dance Academy in Richmond Hill one again submitted a full team to the annual Relay for Life, once again rising to the top by raising over \$21,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society this year.

The Dancing for Life team has been involved for nine years now, giving them over \$100,000 raised in that time, and they were honoured earlier this month for passing that milestone mark.

The team was started by Michelle Marshall with a group of dancers and their families from the studio and is now captained by dancer instructors Amanda Lytle, Calli Barnea and Danielle Di Giacomì.

Lytle said the team started when a parent of a former dancer at the Academy, who has since gone professional, passed away from cancer. It is also in memory of another parent, Barb Studdard, who played a big part in the Academy’s annual dance recital.

“Pretty much everybody on the team has been touched or affected by cancer in some way,” Lytle said. “We have some families with parents that are suffering right now.”

The whole Academy gets involved, giving them about 35 members, among a few more volunteers, to help out with their fundraising efforts.

## Long hair welcome at Regency Acres next week

#### From page 8

“I hope it continues,” says Alice. “But we’re coming back to cut our hair again!”

For Carly, her first time cutting her hair was about wanting to be a part of the program. Two years on, a family friend is now fighting cancer, so this year’s cut hits very close to home.

“It is a good feeling,” says Carly, thinking about where their long-tended hair is ultimately going to end up.

Adds Alice: “I think about who I am going to make smile because of this.”

This year’s event will be extra special as CHFI personality Erin Davis will be on hand to lend her voice to the cause. Knowing how active Davis has been to advocate for cancer-related causes in the past, Judy Sandiford, who works in administration at Regency in addition to being Alice’s mother, approached her for the 2012 event. Although Davis had to send her regrets for that outing, the stars aligned for June 25.

“She is such a huge advocate for cancer and is who I hope Alice takes after,” says Judy. “She is just so selfless. When she said she would try to come, I knew we had to make the effort to make it bigger. We had to get kids aware of why they cut their hair, where it goes, and how it is treated. This year, we have students from Grade 3 to Grade 11 and I couldn’t ask for anything more.”

If you have eight inches of hair you would like to get rid of for a good cause, all are welcome for next

The Dancing for Life team raises a large chunk of their funds from their dance showcase each year in December, usually held in Aurora.

However, they also hold bake sales, dance workshops, Pie Your Teacher in the Face night at the studio and other events. They also teamed up with Menchie’s in Oak Ridges for an event and a car wash at the Aurora Highlands car lot.

Lytle has played a big part in organizing the team recently and said it’s an event the entire Academy looks forward to each year.

“It’s a very emotional event,” she said, ahead of Relay. “The idea is that cancer never sleeps, so neither will we and you’re supposed to have one member of your team walking on the track all night. It’s pretty amazing. In the opening ceremony, they usually have a speaker that has been touched by cancer in some way and they tell us their story, which is pretty motivating.”

She also cited the luminary ceremony where people light candles to remember others or show their support in their journey with cancer as a memorable moment.

“We light those at dusk and it’s just amazing to see them all,” she said. “That’s usually the most emotional part and it’s touching to see.”

Wednesday’s group haircut, which gets underway at 11.15 a.m. For more information, contact Judy Sandiford at [Judy.Sandiford@yrdsb.ca](mailto:Judy.Sandiford@yrdsb.ca).

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Bev McGrath



Bev McGrath, passed away peacefully at Southlake hospital on June 15th in his 79th year. Survived by his loving wife of 57 years Marion. Bev leaves his son Larry and Peggy McGrath (Kettleby) and Doug and Debbie McGrath (King City) and 6 grandchildren Stephanie, Hailey, Katie, Courtney, Taleigh and Riley and one great grandchild Isabella. Friends will be received at the Thompson Funeral Home, 530 Industrial Parkway South, Aurora, on Wednesday June 18 from 2-4 and 6-8pm. A funeral service will be held at York Pines United Church, 3150 Lloydtown Aurora Rd, Kettleby on Thursday June 19 at 11am. Interment Bond Head Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to the Southlake Regional Health Centre Foundation Stronach Cancer Center would be appreciated. Online condolences may be made at [www.thompsonfh-aurora.com](http://www.thompsonfh-aurora.com)

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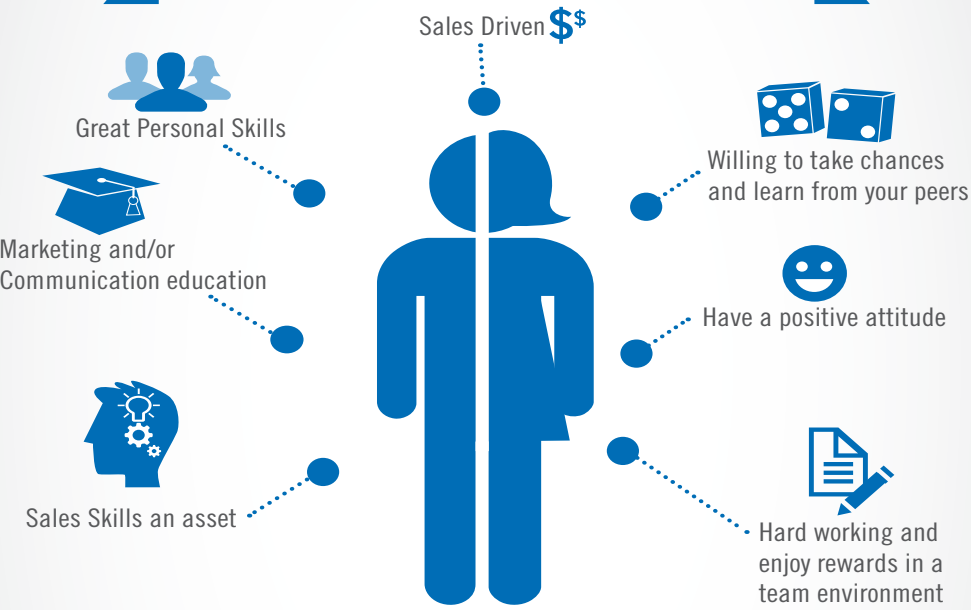
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# Food advocates come together to question the need of local food banks

By Brock Weir

It's a question that has been asked before, but experts – and users – have yet to come to a common consensus; but food advocates are coming together in Aurora this week hoping to answer the question of whether “food banks are past their best-before date.”

It is a question that will be posed to a panel of experts this Thursday, June 19. Bringing together dietitians, activists from the food bank organization Freedom 90, and representatives from a Community Food Centre, the discussion focuses on “food charity.”

“Food charity is touted as tangible evidence of a caring community and it offers the opportunity to reduce waste by matching surplus food with those who need it – supposedly a win-win situation,” offers up the York Region Food Network in a statement. “In practice, emergency food charity has created an inefficient food distribution system, negatively impacting our environment, economy and community. This new distribution system, designed for poor people, mainly provides food high in salt, fat, and sugar; and does nothing to shift policies and actions to ensure a just and sustainable food system,”

Speaking to The Auroran last week, Joan Stonehocker, Executive Director of the York Region Food Network, gave her opinion of the question that will be asked this week, likening the situation to a can of peaches. It might have a best before date of June 18, she said, but it won't necessarily be bad on June 19.

“We still have it, we can still eat the peaches, but maybe we should be looking at where to go to next,” said Ms. Stonehocker. “Food banks are necessary because people don't have enough money to buy food and they go hungry, and have less money for other necessities in their lives if we didn't have food banks. They are a valuable service to people living in poverty, but is it the best way to do it? No.”

Part of the work of the York Region Food Network is to provide “healthy food systems” to people living throughout the Region. In focusing on developing policies surrounding “healthy food”, they question whether Food Banks can be a part of the system

and, if so, how they can best fit.

Among the panellists, representatives from Community Food Centres be on hand to look at how people can be empowered by “using food as a way to have a voice in our communities.”

“In community food centres, you have staff that are there and available while you are doing a healthy food component, learning how to cook, how to grow your own food, and you are being mindful of where your food comes from and that whole process of how it integrates into our lives and whether we have a fair and just food system.”

One voice which will not be at the table, however, is Aurora's primary food bank, the Aurora Food Pantry. For them, the answer to the question posed by the York Region Food Network is a resounding no. It is a “no” which they feel would be shared by each volunteer working in their Industrial Parkway facility, as well as the 400 clients they serve regularly.

From the perspective of Pantry volunteer John Sergeant, organizations opposing food banks came in via a path cleared by many food bank volunteers and that need that brought them there in the first place, is still something they strive to fill.

“It is readily available, it helps people when they are down in need,” said Mr. Sergeant. “Poverty is not going away.”

Operated primarily by volunteers, Mr. Sergeant says they funnel their resources and donations directly into serving the clients that need them.

“They are more into giving out food vouchers,” he said. “These people are all creating full-time jobs. When I approached

[the Network] on the question, I said, ‘that is a pretty catchy slogan on your behalf, but what about the people that these Panties serve?’”

Thursday's Panel Discussion will take place at the York Region Food Network, 350 Industrial Parkway South, from 7 – 8 p.m.



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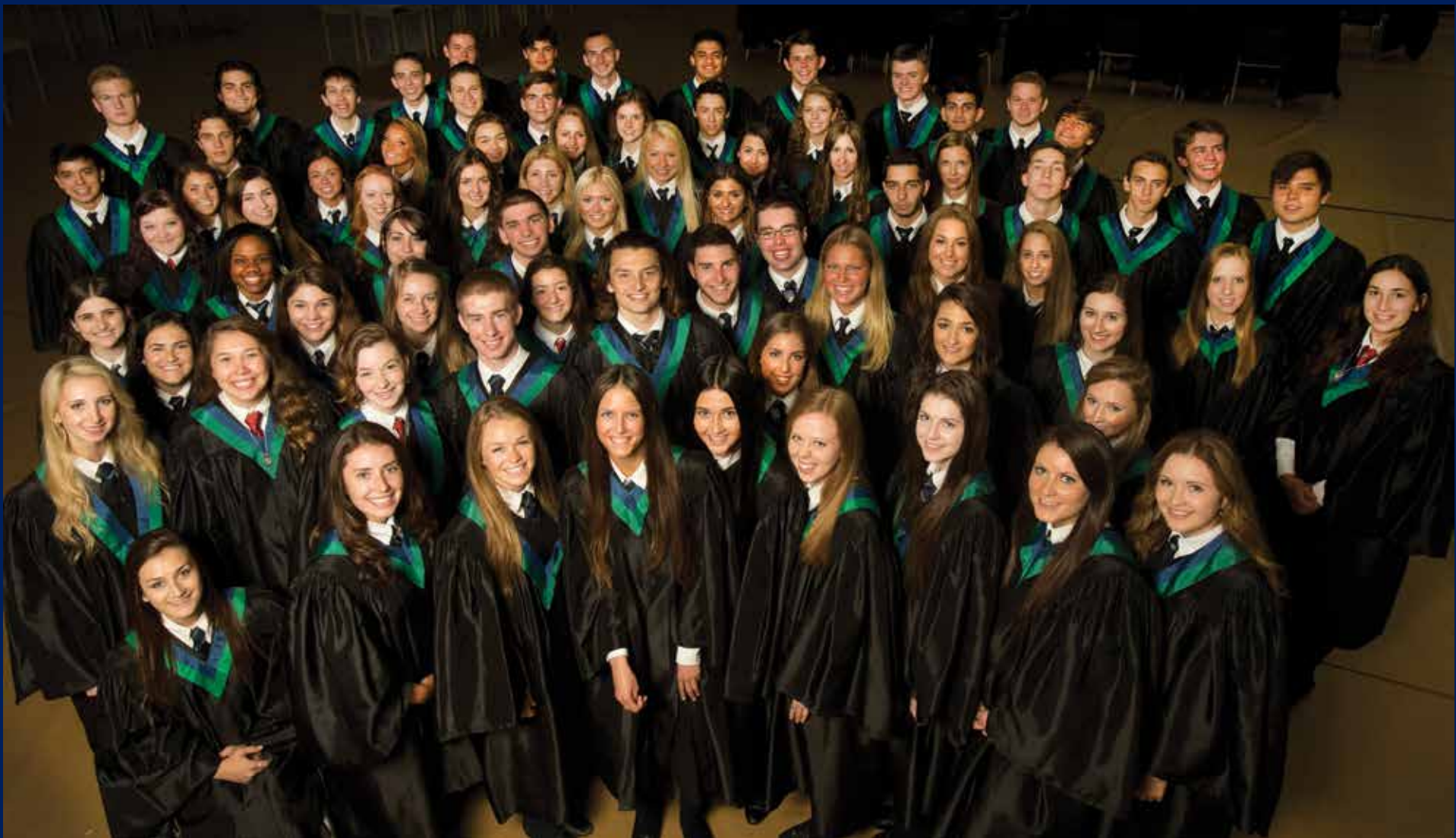
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