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Winter Olympics silver medallists Collin Mitchell and Richard Hart are home and living a normal life again after two weeks of intense competition in Nagano Japan. Their Olympic effort helped lead Canada to a record medal count in the winter games.

## Silver on ice...

### Olympics 'a chance of a lifetime' for Pickering curlers

BY BRIAN LEGREE  
 DURHAM STAFF  
**PICKERING** — Now that Richard Hart has returned to Pickering from Nagano, he's slowly putting his Olympic experience into perspective. The third on Mike Harris's Winter Olympics silver-medal-winning curling team says he's getting over the disappointment of losing gold. "Getting home and seeing friends and family and seeing how proud they are and having them tell us where they were when they were watching us and how excited they are, it's really helped," says Mr. Hart, just back from the Olympics along with rink mate and fellow Pickering curler Collin Mitchell, who played second. "I've even had people recognize me on the street and come up and congratulate me. It's helped a lot. I'm feeling pretty good." It didn't take Mr. Hart long to resume his normal routine; he's back at his electrician's job at Hart-well Electrical in Scarborough. "It's good to get back at it," he says. "I could have sat at home feeling sorry for myself, but you need to get back to work. We still have mortgages; those things don't change." The Olympic memory Mr. Hart will cherish the most is being part of a large group of athletes proudly wearing the maple leaf.

"For me it was a chance of a lifetime," he says. "Normally you're a member of a four-man team, it's neat to be a member of a 155-member team, meeting all the other athletes. They're all so supportive. That was, to me, the most special part of it." Although Nagano had a silver lining for Mr. Hart, it also contained a dark cloud. "The other thing that wasn't so nice is dealing with the bureaucracy of the Canadian Olympic Association," he says. And, Mr. Hart notes, "There were 155 athletes and double that number of people going over on freebies. In my opinion it's not the smoothest run ship. Maybe it's because we're curlers, but we had doctors, coaches, team leaders, the team leader's boss..." Still, he's allowed himself to at least consider trying to earn a berth in the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. "It's such an achievement for us, for anyone, to represent your country at the Olympics." The Harris rink isn't eligible for the Canadian curling championships this year because it was in Nagano when the Ontario playdowns were held. The team may compete in the Bonspiel Tour championship in Alberta at the end of March, or it may just look forward to "golf season," says Mr. Hart.

## Balancing act

### Deficit at zero, modest tax cuts on the way

TAXES: Low-income Canadians get break on federal surtax  
 EDUCATION: Commitment of \$2.5 billion Millennium Scholarship Foundation

BY MARIANNE TAKACS  
 STAFF REPORTER  
 There was a bit of a tax break for citizens, a bit of money to pay down the deficit and a larger amount for spending on social and education programmes as Finance Minister Paul Martin unveiled his federal budget for 1998. Much of the emphasis, however, was on the fact the federal government will take in more than it spends for the first time in a long while. "We will balance the budget this fiscal year," announced Mr. Martin triumphantly, promising to continue the balancing act in 1999 and 2000 as well. He noted it has been 50 years since Canada has gone three years in a row without a budget deficit. About 50 per cent of this year's expected surplus of about \$3 billion will go to financing new programmes, while 25 per cent will go to paying down the debt and 25 per cent to tax relief for low and middle-income Canadians. Mr. Martin described his fiscal plan as one that would "safeguard and strengthen a caring



## Durham school funding news delayed again

### Educators 'waiting with bated breath'

BY SUSAN O'NEILL  
 STAFF REPORTER  
 School boards will have to wait a little longer for the Province to release details of the new funding formula which was expected this week, says a Ministry of Education and Training official. Daniele Gauvin said Monday Education Minister Dave Johnson is now indicating the announcement will be made in March. "I'm not expecting it this week. But he decides when announcements come about." The delay comes as no surprise to

local school board officials who are anxiously anticipating the news. "We're waiting with bated breath," says Durham Catholic District School Board chairman Jim McCafferty, who notes the board can't begin working on the budget for next year until it gets word of the funding it will receive. Recent changes to the education system gave the Province the responsibility of funding education and allocating money to school boards across Ontario. "It looks like it's going to be drawn out," says Bill Butcher, Durham president of the Ontario Public School Teachers' Federation (OPSTF). He adds the delays are "pretty scary" for the education system. He reports school boards can't set



RON TRBOVICH  
 'We're anxious'

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## Grade 3 test results...

### Durham separate board discourages comparisons



GRANT ANDREWS  
 'Become better'

BY SUSAN O'NEILL  
 STAFF REPORTER  
 While Grade 3 students at separate schools across the region fared well on provincial tests administered last spring, board officials warn parents of the dangers of comparing one school to another. The board declined to release the reading, writing and mathematics results from individual schools last fall in the hope of avoiding comparisons and generalizations, reports Grant Andrews, director of the Durham Catholic District School Board. However, the individual school results, ob-

tained by the News Advertiser, were released to trustees this month following a Freedom of Information Act request by Oshawa trustee Fred Jones. Mr. Andrews notes parents received their child's results last spring and individual school results were released to each school community in the fall. "We don't believe that the purpose of the test is served by school-by-school comparisons...the purpose is to learn from the experience and to plan and become better from the result," he says. Mr. Andrews feels there is a "danger" in

comparing the results of the tests, administered by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) to approximately 130,000 Grade 3 students across Ontario last April. The EQAO has also discouraged comparisons between schools. Mr. Andrews explains there are a "number of factors" that contribute to a student's results so drawing generalizations about a school based on the test results could lead to unfair conclusions. "In any given community you may have a

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# Funding model anxiously awaited: Trbovich

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their budgets or address staffing for the next school year until the numbers are released.

"In the elementary panel we would have announced to all schools on Monday the staffing for next year," Mr. Butcher says.

He adds it's also common practice to inform teachers before March break if there will be any layoffs.

"Now (the government) is pushing back every-

thing," he says.

The Province is "putting boards in jeopardy of having to pay a large penalty in severance pay" if they're unable to give their teachers sufficient notice of layoffs for the coming school year.

"Obviously we're anxious to get the funding model," says Ron Trbovich, superintendent of business for the Durham District School Board.

He reports board staff are examining various options in anticipation of the announce-



**JIM McCAFFERTY**  
Needs word on funding

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# Individual schools' Grade 3 test results

**Durham Catholic District School Board**  
Grade 3 test results  
(percentage of students who scored at or above Level 2)

	Reading	Writing	Math
BOARD	83	86	76
PROVINCE	80	82	76
<b>INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS</b>			
Canadian Martyrs Catholic	94	89	78
Father Francis Mahoney Catholic	73	79	75
Father Joseph Venini Catholic	68	74	82
Holy Cross Catholic	81	81	78
Holy Family Catholic	68	79	37
Holy Redeemer Catholic	71	77	51
Immaculate Conception Catholic	78	82	75
John XXIII Catholic	87	91	71
Monsignor Philip Coffey Catholic	59	76	34
Our Lady of the Bay Catholic	85	85	79
Sir Albert Love Catholic	97	97	94
St. Anthony Daniel Catholic	77	85	83
St. Bernadette Catholic	80	80	48
St. Bernard Catholic	90	87	91

	Reading	Writing	Math
BOARD	83	86	76
PROVINCE	80	82	76
St. Catherine of Siena Catholic	79	92	63
St. Christopher Catholic	84	91	73
St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic	87	90	86
St. Francis de Sales Catholic	88	98	88
St. Gertrude Catholic	76	82	76
St. Gregory Catholic	67	71	62
St. Hedwig Catholic	83	83	61
St. Isaac Jogues Catholic	82	88	79
St. James Catholic	72	84	62
St. John the Evangelist Catholic	86	91	73
St. Joseph Catholic (Uxbridge)	81	67	69
St. Joseph Catholic (Oshawa)	71	79	60
St. Jude Catholic	95	92	90
St. Leo Catholic	85	95	85
St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Catholic	88	82	96
St. Marguerite d'Youville Catholic	98	95	83
St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic	79	89	79
St. Matthew Catholic	87	81	87
St. Michael Catholic	91	86	95
St. Monica Catholic	87	93	87
St. Patrick Catholic	92	91	85
St. Paul Catholic	86	94	74
St. Theresa Catholic	90	80	75
St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic	66	63	47
St. Wilfrid Catholic	91	83	91

# School boards get Ontario funds to aid transition

BY SUSAN O'NEILL  
STAFF REPORTER

School boards across Ontario will receive \$215 million from the provincial government over the next two years to aid with restructuring and start-up costs.

Education Minister Dave Johnson announced Monday the Province will provide funding through a transition programme to ensure boards can meet the costs of restructuring and find "more efficient" ways of doing business.

"The start-up of the new district school boards is an opportunity to find new ways of doing things," Mr. Johnson said. "We are looking for creative and co-operative approaches to the effective use of resources."

Ron Trbovich, superintendent of business for the Durham District School Board, says the programme means local boards could receive financial assistance in establishing joint co-operatives, such as a shared transportation system.

He says the busing co-operative is just one example of several initiatives that could be implemented to save a "substantial" amount of money.

While the development of a shared transportation system in Durham, initially planned for this fall, is on hold, he says, "We've written to (separate board officials) to encourage them to reconsider."

Should the project proceed, Mr. Trbovich says the board could apply to the Province for some assistance in getting it off the ground.

Grant Andrews, director of the Durham Catholic District School Board, says the board "continues to be interested in working on a cooperative basis with (the public board)."

He notes the board is examining the possibility of establishing a shared bus system and adds there may be other possibilities in sharing computer services and programmes.

As of Jan. 1 the number of school boards in Ontario was cut from 129 to 72.

Ministry spokesman Daniele Gauvin reports funding is available to all 72 dis-

# Women's Centre hosts annual meeting Thursday

PICKERING — The Ajax-Pickering Women's Centre is hosting its annual general meeting on Thursday.

The meeting, which begins at 5:30 p.m., will include a panel discussion on services for abused women featuring Doris Anderson of the Violence Prevention Council, Shirley Burnett of the Sexual Assault Care Centre, Cindy Johnson of domestic violence court and Nancy Simms of the Rubena Willis Counselling Centre.

Panellists will discuss new services which have opened doors for abused women and cuts to services for abused women. The meeting will be held in the auditorium at the Pickering Central Library. For information call 426-1064.

# Arts on agenda at general meeting

The Pine Ridge Arts Council is hosting its annual general meeting Wednesday, April 8 in Pickering.

The meeting, which begins at 7 p.m., will include musical performances, an art exhibit, a silent auction and a speech by songwriter Florence Turner.

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trict boards in the province to help offset start-up costs or expenses incurred through amalgamations. "It's really to help them reorganize."

Ms. Gauvin adds the Province is encouraging boards to form partnerships and to look at ways of becoming more efficient.

"We're asking them to tell us what they need and then we'll review it," she says.

School boards have until March 31 to submit plans to the ministry, with funding allocations to be granted by the end of April.

# Durham Catholic board releases Grade 3 test scores

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group of eight-year-old children who are high achievers," he says, noting the same may not be true of the next crop of students.

In the reading category, 83 per cent of separate board students in Durham scored at levels two, three or four while the average across the province was 80 per cent.

In writing, 86 per cent of Durham students scored higher than a level two compared with an Ontario average of 82 per cent.

And in mathematics, 76 per cent of Durham students scored a level two or higher, the same as the provincial average.

Overall, "Our results were higher than the provincial average," Mr. Andrews says. "We've nothing to be ashamed of."

The results reflect the student, their parents and the school they attend, Mr. Andrews says. He adds, "One area where we feel more work has to be done is (increasing) parent involvement in educating their children."

Gerry Blake, superintendent of programmes for the board, says it has undertaken several initiatives aimed at addressing areas of concern.

He reports the board identified mathematics as an area that required a stronger focus two years ago and it plans to continue to focus on literacy.

The board introduced a computer programme highlighting math skills for Grade 3 students this year, Mr. Blake says, and elementary teachers are receiving additional training in math instruction.

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# Assessing things in Pickering...

## Town works to figure how assessment taxes you

BY MARIANNE TAKACS  
STAFF REPORTER

**PICKERING** — Residents anxious to know the effect of recent province-wide reassessment on their property taxes must wait a while to find out.

Pickering director of finance Gil Paterson says he's working hard to develop a relatively simple calculation for homeowners to measure the impact of reassessment. It will allow them to estimate how much property tax they would have paid last year under the new assessment system.

"What I'm going to try to do is come up with a very general indicator of change. I'm trying to redo '97 (taxes) in a very general way so at least people have some indication of the way things are going. We hope to have something soon."

The Town's and councillors' phones have been ringing off the hook as confused citizens phone to find out what's going on. Residents recently received in the mail a notice from the Province informing them of the market value figure their home has been reassessed at, as well as their first property tax bill of the year.



**GIL PATERSON**  
"Hope to have something soon"

curious as to what one has to do with the other," says Mr. Paterson. "A lot of people just don't understand."

The two actually have nothing to do with each other, which is frustrating taxpayers. The assessment notices from the Province provide no information that relates the new assessed value of a property with the old one, so recipients have no idea whether the new assessment system has increased or decreased their taxes, or left them the same.

And the tax bills from the Town are simply interim bills which ask for the same first installment as last year, based on the old assessment system and last year's budgets. That's because the new assessments weren't available in time to use them in calculating the tax bills, and because budgets are being delayed while the redistribution of regional and local municipal responsibilities and costs resulting from provincial downloading are sorted out.

Most municipalities across Ontario are coping with the confusion the same way as Pickering, by basing their initial tax bills on last year's assessment and budget.

The financial director notes he won't be able anytime soon to provide residents a way to estimate their taxes for this year, as Toronto has, because so much of the effect of downloading here will depend on what Durham Region does.

"They (Toronto) are in a one-tier environment, they are the only government in that area," he explains, while Pickering is part of a two-tier system with Durham Region. "Most of these decisions are going to be made at the regional level."

Mr. Paterson notes reassessment itself is not going to affect the size of the Town's actual tax take, even though the total dollar value of the properties in Pickering will be higher than under the old system based on 1984 market values.

"The amount of taxes the Town collects will not change because of reassessment," he explains.

"That doesn't mean an individual's taxes won't change. Some people will pay more and some people will pay less, but it will all balance out."

Pickering properties were last reassessed in 1984. Generally, based on reassessment only without taking the effect of downloading into consideration, it's expected taxes on homes built and assessed in more recent years may go down, while they may go up for older homes.

Under the new 'Ontario Fair Assessment System', properties across Ontario will be reassessed every three years at first and then annually and the taxes on them may rise or fall based on the change in their value relative to the value of other properties in the same municipality.

# Frenchman's Bay preservation plan hits rough water

BY MARIANNE TAKACS  
STAFF REPORTER

**PICKERING** — It wasn't easy, but Town Council decided Monday to proceed with the development of a watershed management strategy to stem the flow of silt and pollution from urban Pickering into Frenchman's Bay.

After lengthy debate, councillors scaled back the motion for the watershed plan brought forward by rookie local Councillors Mark Holland (Ward 2) and David Pickles (Ward 3).

The resolution finally approved by Council directs staff to report back by March 23 with a preliminary report to include information on the scope of a watershed strategy; a summary of what is in place now; identification of the priorities that need to be addressed; the estimated cost of preparing and implementing the strategy; and potential sources of funding.

Taken out of the proposed resolution were directions to staff to report on how to deal with the impact of development on the 'Iroquois shoreline' area of north Pickering, where the creeks and streams flowing into Frenchman's Bay originate. Also deleted were sections dealing with watershed monitoring, an implementation schedule for the watershed strategy, and recommendations on the development of management strategies for other watersheds for the rest of Pickering's waterfront.

Councillors Holland and Pickles fought doggedly to have their original motion passed in the face of proposed amendments to reduce the watershed report's scope, delay it, and eliminate the 'Town-appointed citizens' task force on the waterfront as a participant in the process of drawing it up.

"Since 1932 we have seen a 70-per cent reduction in the size and scope of our wetlands," said Coun. Holland. "The time for action is now. I don't want to defer this for another six months or another three months. Stormwater management is an issue we must grasp head-on now."

Coun. Pickles tried to reassure his colleagues the compilation of the report would not commit them to any projects, preclude any development or take up a large amount of staff time. He maintained the goal was simply to get the process of protecting the bay moving forward.

"We don't expect to do anything tomorrow," said Coun. Pickles. "But we have to have a direction in front of us."

Other Council members expressed concern the original proposal would have staff looking into projects that would prove to be expensive at a time when the Town will already be struggling with the extra cost of provincial downloading.

"My fear is that when we get all this back Council will have more than it's willing to digest," said Mayor Wayne Arthur of the original motion. The mayor added approving a more limited report would not necessarily preclude Council from addressing the issues deleted from the resolution at a later date.

Ward 3 Regional Councillor Rick Johnson noted planning applications for lands in the Iroquois shoreline area already before the Town "could be influenced" by the watershed plan.

Coun. Holland said after the meeting he was "disappointed" his original motion wasn't approved in its entirety.

"Not all the issues are being identified and considered," he said.

Coun. Pickles said the items being deleted may end up being addressed anyway because the watershed issue can't really be looked at without considering them.

Dave Steele, chairman of the Pickering 2001 Waterfront Task Force of citizens and stakeholders appointed by the mayor last spring to draw up a plan for the lakeshore, also said he was "disappointed" by Council's decision on the issue, particularly the deletion of the section dealing with the impact of development on the Iroquois shoreline.

The task force's interim report, presented to Council in October, included a recommendation for the Town to embark on a stormwater management plan to reverse extensive damage to Frenchman's Bay by stormwater contaminated with chemicals and silt.



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# Gagnon trial... Slain sports store owner's son testifies

BY STEPHEN SHAW  
DURHAM STAFF

Justin Pardy glared fiercely into the eyes of his father's accused killer after describing yesterday in court the masked gunman who "coldly" shot four men during a savage weapons raid at Gagnon Sports.

The 17-year-old son of slain Oshawa storeowner Roger Pardy was in the kitchen of their Simcoe Street South residence with his mother Nathalie when bandits burst into the adjoining sporting goods store Sept. 14, 1994.

"I saw a short stocky guy in front of the cash register. He said 'This is a holdup' in a loud commanding voice. . . He was holding a gun with a silencer on the end," said the teenager, then 14, who testified he peered briefly through the window of a door leading into the shop.

After hearing several gunshots, he and his mother ran into a bedroom and "we hid under the bed."

Mr. Pardy, 43, was fatally shot in the head as he whispered to a customer on the phone to call police during the robbery for guns, a double-murder trial has heard.

As he left the witness stand, Justin Pardy, a soft-spoken Grade 12 student, stared directly into the prisoner's box at Ronald Woodcock, the man accused of shooting his father.

Mr. Woodcock and Roshan Nourozali are charged with two counts of first-degree murder in the slayings of Mr. Pardy and Kenneth Thomas, whose car was used in the holdup.

The London, Ont., men are also on trial for the attempted murders of four other men, three of whom were also shot during the robbery.

Yesterday, for the second straight day, jurors heard dramatic testimony from the victims who survived the bloody supper-hour heist.

The jury heard Gagnon Sports customer George Haralampopoulos came within inches of death when a .22 calibre bullet ripped through the back of his head as he tried to flee the gunman.

He and friend Nick Koutsakis were shopping when the first robber stormed the store screaming orders to get down.

"They were commanding and very loud and clear. They looked like they meant business," Mr. Haralampopoulos said, adding he heard a couple of muffled gunshots from what sounded like a silenced weapon.

"I figured this guy's here to shoot everyone so I went upstairs and I was crawling to the back of the store," he testified.

Moments later, when he thought he heard the gunman approaching, he tried to flee back down the stairs and tumbled to the floor as a bullet pierced his head.

"I felt like somebody took a sledgehammer to my head and punched me in the head," said Mr. Haralampopoulos, who somehow managed to get back on his feet and escape through the front door.

Mr. Haralampopoulos testified he ran to a neighbour's house and pounded on the door but got no answer. Bleeding heavily, he then jumped a fence and sought aid at a nearby fast-food restaurant.

Court heard the bullet exited Mr. Haralampopoulos' head about an inch or two from where it entered — failing to penetrate his skull but leaving him with headaches, dizziness and blurred vision for about three weeks.

Employee Wesley Glaspell, whose head a bullet narrowly zipped past, testified he watched as colleague Randy Jenkins and customer David Spicer



Gagnon Sports shooting victim George Haralampopoulos was struck in the head by a bullet during the violent robbery. He testified yesterday in the trial of two men accused of murdering sports store owner Roger Pardy and Pickering resident Kenneth Thomas.

were also shot. "Randy (who was shot in the arm) fell down and then Dave Spicer turned a little bit and he just coldly shot him. Just like that," Mr. Glaspell said. "I was stunned. I froze. I felt some-

thing go by my head and then I started to crouch down behind the counter. I was in shock," testified Mr. Glaspell, who along with store manager Gerry Gagnon crept behind the counter to a staircase leading into the basement.

When asked to describe the demeanor of the gunman, Mr. Glaspell said: "I was really surprised at how fast he shot without even thinking of the consequences. How cold it was."

Mr. Gagnon, who was standing behind the front counter with Mr. Pardy when the robbers rushed in, said when Mr. Spicer was shot "Roger and I both crouched down."

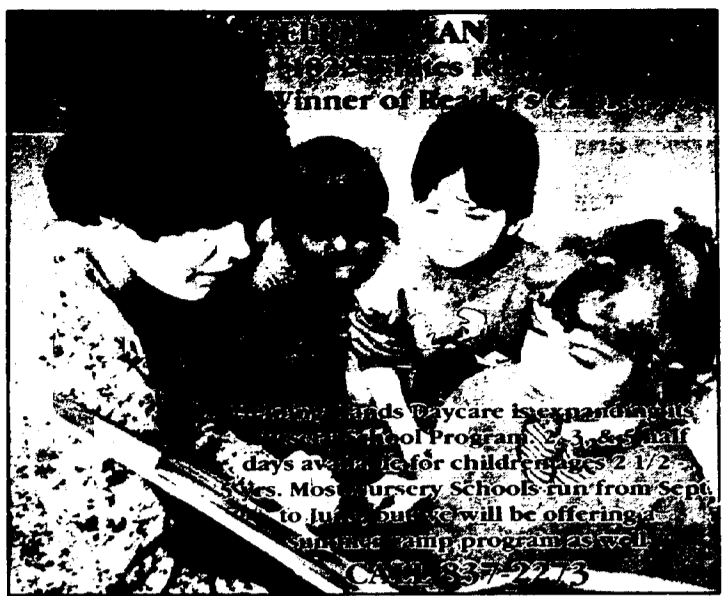
"He whispered into the phone (to a customer) 'we're being held up, this is an emergency.' The next thing that happened is I heard two gunshots, one which hit Roger in the head while he was crouched down."

"Then he fell to the floor and I could see blood pouring from his head."

Mr. Gagnon said the gunman "started shooting as soon as he burst in and there was no hesitation whatsoever. No warning at all."

During the shooting spree, a second robber whom prosecutors allege was Mr. Nourozali, smashed a handgun display case and scooped several weapons into a duffel bag before the pair fled.

Mr. Gagnon told the court 11 restricted handguns were stolen — 10 semi-automatics and a .357 Magnum. The trial continues.



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## ▼ Editorial

### Budget gets straight 'A's from students

By any standard the 'good news' budget delivered by Finance Minister Paul Martin Tuesday gets top marks on a report card. Not only did the budget, for the first time in 27 years, come out of the red and into the black, but it offered plenty of goodies for hard-luck, over-extended students and their families.

Beginning in the year 2000, for 10 years, the federal government will dish out \$2.5 billion to 100,000 eligible low- and middle-income students who will receive on average \$3,000 each per year for a maximum of \$12,000 over four years of study. The extraordinary Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation is intended to make post-secondary education accessible for those who can't currently afford it. It will not offer students a free ride — post-secondary education in Canada will still come at a cost, but by Mr. Martin's own calculations, it will cut average student debtloads in half, from about \$24,000 today to about \$12,000 in future.

Other measures introduced will also benefit students and those who wish to study: an encouragement to parents to start a Registered Education Savings Plan for their children by kicking in 20 per cent or \$400 of the first \$2,000 each year; giving graduates a break by giving tax relief on the interest on student loans (this could save a student with a \$25,000 debt up to \$3,200 over 10 years) and even eliminating some of the principal of the loan for those hardest hit: allowing up to \$20,000 to be borrowed tax-free from RRSPs for education spending; and study grants of up to \$3,000 per year, starting next year for up to 25,000 needy parents of small children who wish to return to school.

Proving that he's not just concerned about students, the finance minister also agreed to eliminate employment insurance premiums, called job-killers by business owners and opposition politicians, on all new jobs created for 18-24-year-olds. It's a direct hit against youth unemployment, one of the country's biggest problems.

There's help for the rest of us as well. As of July 1 the 'tax on income tax,' or surtax of three per cent is being eliminated for those who earn up to \$50,000 per year and will be reduced for those who earn \$50,000 to \$65,000. A further 400,000 low income Canadians will be eliminated from the tax rolls entirely. In the end, some 14 million Canadians will get a tax cut of some kind; only the richest among us won't get a break. The total cut amounts to \$7 billion over three years — and \$7 billion will be directed back to the provinces over the same period in social transfer payments (to help with health care, education and welfare).

In short, what's not to like about this budget? It even targets debt reduction which will drop naturally if our economy continues to grow at 3.5 per cent per year, inflation remains under three per cent and interest rates stay low.

This budget helps the young and the poor and it builds toward future surpluses. Well done Mr. Martin.

To respond to this editorial call Infosource at 683-7040 and dial 5109

## ▼ We asked...

The question is: What impact do you think your new property assessment will have on your taxes?



**Dan Washburn** says, "I don't understand it, we'll see."



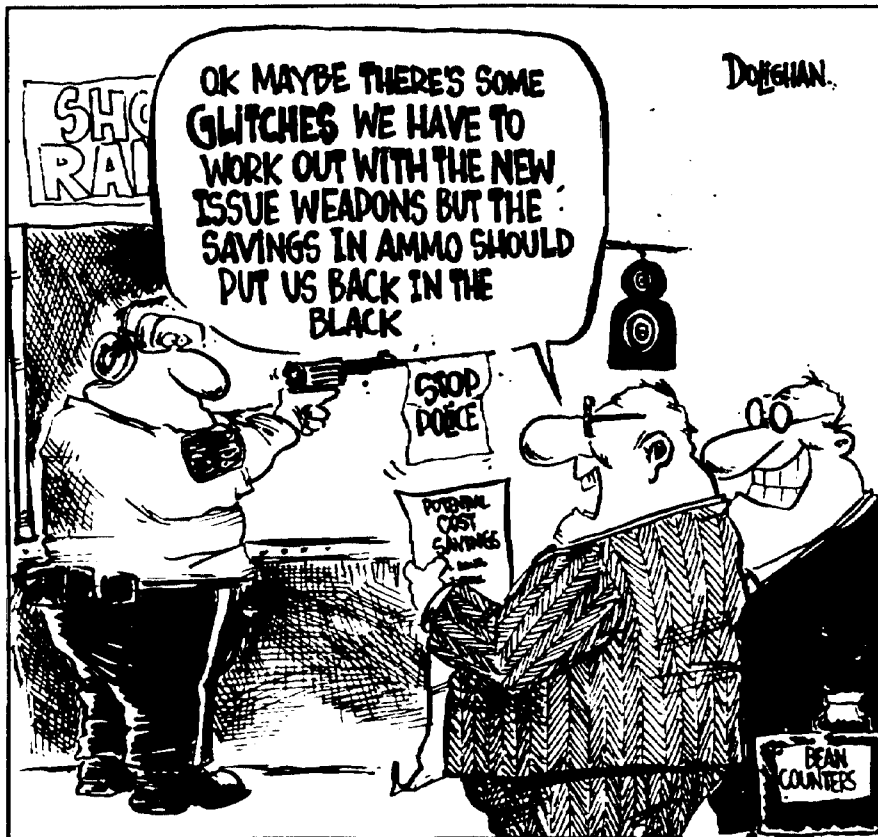
**Herb Pichler** says, "I am going to the Town hall information meeting to find out."



**John McMaster** says, "I can't answer because no mill rate has been set yet. But assessment is fair."

## ▼ Write on...

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## ▼ Letters to the editor

### Property assessment 'fairness' escapes me

To the editor:

I received my invitation to attend a meeting March 4 to 8 at Pickering Town hall with an assessor to consider my new "fair system" of property assessment. Reading through the literature, I could not find out exactly what this meeting could do for me.

Under the subheading "What to do about your new assessment" on the blue sheet, I am told that if I think my assessment is fair, "you don't have to do anything." This phrase is in highlighted print to impress on the reader that you really don't have to do anything. How can one argue about one's assessment when we don't even know how the assessment was arrived at in the first place? Was it location that decided this? Was it amenities that created the value? Was it proximity to Hwy. 401? Was it because we get hydro service or sewer and water services? Was it because we have paved roads and street lighting? Or was it based on what the real estate market thinks my home will sell for? If, as I suspect, the last method was used, then the idea of fairness is open to question.

People who take an interest in real estate values (what home owner doesn't?) know full well that homes of similar types and size that are located in Scarborough, Pickering and Ajax sell for very different prices. The average price for a home in

Scarborough is a few thousand dollars more than one in Pickering and similarly one in Pickering can sell for a bit more than one in Ajax. As a matter of fact there is even a difference between north Pickering and south Pickering in house values. A glance at the tables issued by the real estate industry will confirm this.

According to the information, it will be a municipality-based thing. Everybody with similar homes will have the same assessment, so we will all be treated more fairly. The question that arises is, exactly where does the municipality end or where does it begin? Does some invisible line decide how much my property is worth if I was selling to a "willing buyer"? Wasn't that a problem with the old system as described in the brochure? Similar homes on the same street had a different assessment. How will this change under the new system? Our own part of this province serves as an example. Where does Ajax separate from Pickering or Ajax from Whitby? According to my Notice of Property Assessment, the Town of Pickering is a municipality so I have to assume that Ajax is in the same position so it is quite conceivable that a home in Ajax will have a different assessment than a similar one in Pickering. Why? Both municipalities get similar services. Both have garbage collection, street light-

ing, firefighting and snow removal. They both get hydro service, sewer and water service, public transport and ease of travel in and out of both places. Fortunately there is a combined hospital, but maybe Pickering homes would be assessed lower than Ajax because the hospital is in Ajax.

None of the above can at all be answered by the visiting assessor so why hold the meetings? We can only hope that the condition of the sidewalks near your home will influence him to consider reducing your assessment. Or if you have a postal box stuck near your driveway. But the fact that you would be lucky to get \$5,000 or \$6,000 less for your home if you sold it right away will have no impact on whether your property might be re-assessed. Instead that would involve you in a journey deep into Queen's Park to visit the Assessment Review Board — not a venture for the faint at heart and certainly not for one who can little afford the wait.

The "fairness" of the new system certainly escapes me and if the visiting bureaucrat from Toronto can't alter the Actual Value Assessment to any great extent, then I must assume that there is only a Hobson's choice available in this affair and that what you get is what you get, like it or not.

A. B. Hay, Pickering

### Voters should elect Durham Chairman

To the editor:

The article in the Dec. 5 News Advertiser headlined "Back in business. Anderson is new Durham Chairman" speculated that "Under the rules of the Region of Durham Act, incumbent Chairman Jim Witte could only cast a tie-breaking vote on the third ballot."

Not so! At present, there is no section in the Regional Municipality of Durham Act dealing with the election of the chairman.

"Amended By-Law No. 88-94 Rules of Procedure for the Regional Municipality of Durham Section 9.1 (h)" reads as follows: "If there are only two nominees who elect to stand or if only two nominees remain and if on the first ballot there is an equality of votes or a nominee does not receive the majority required to be elected, a 10-minute recess shall be held followed by a second vote. If on

the second vote there is still an equality of votes or a nominee does not receive the majority required to be elected, a further 10-minute recess shall be held followed by a third vote. If there is still an equality of votes or the nominee does not receive the majority required to be elected on the third vote, the Presiding Officer shall adjourn the meeting until the following day(s) at which time a further vote(s) shall be taken and if a Chair is not elected at any adjourned meeting held within one week after the first meeting, the Lieutenant Governor in Council shall appoint a Chair to hold office for the term of the Council and until his or her successor is elected or appointed in accordance with the Act.

The Regional Municipalities Act under side bar 6.(3): "Failure to elect Chair" is essentially identical, with the Lieutenant Governor in Council appointing

the chairman as a last resort.

The Regional Municipality of Durham Act under Section 7.(3) states "The Chair does not have a vote except in the event of an equality of votes." However, this is only applicable to normal Council business.

A review of the acts for the 10 regions in Ontario shows that four of these already elect the chairman of Regional Council by general vote of the electors of the area municipalities. These are Hamilton-Wentworth, Ottawa-Carleton, Sudbury and Waterloo.

It is now time for the silent majority to have its voice heard and lobby Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Al Leach to have the act amended so that in three years the voters of Durham Region elect the chairman.

Guy Colm, Ajax

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Opinion Shapers



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## Time well spent

The dark-haired little boy bounded into the pool area just as I was finishing my laps. He was about five, slight of build with flashing dark eyes. I knew, right away, that the older, slightly balding gentleman who was removing his shoes and socks was his grandfather. I smiled because a parent would not do anything for a child that he could do for himself.

The little guy stretched his foot out and observed that it was warmer in the pool area today than it had been yesterday. His grandfather nodded and continued to undress the child.

Orange water wings helped support the youngster at first until he got used to the water. It was up to his chin and he had a hard time standing upright on the bottom of the pool because he was so light. He held on to the edge and started to swim to the safety of the outstretched arms with great splashing and boisterous hoots. He improved with each attempt as the grandad moved further away, shouting all the while "Come on", "That's great", "You're doin' just fine."

As the wiry little guy gained more confidence, he ventured farther and you could see the independence developing. The mischief sparkled in those dark eyes and suddenly he splashed the old man right in the face, deliberately.

"That was an accident!" After he sucked in his breath in surprise, grandpa's stern response was: "Are you gonna swim or are you gonna play?" The little boy knew he meant business.

It was obvious that this was no passing relationship between the youngster and the man. They understood each other perfectly. The older man accepted no nonsense and he didn't laugh at the boy's prank. But the love was there and the child felt secure in the man's care. He attempted to please his grandad and he was praised for his accomplishments as he learned to swim.

I reflected as I left the pool area that, like most things in life, a person must feel secure to go beyond his present state and try something a little more challenging. That is how we all learn and grow. "You can't jump if you don't have a place to stand." I realized that our job with children is to give them a place to stand and lots of love and encouragement.

This grandfather provided these things for this little boy. He chose to teach him a skill rather than take him to the movies or the video store. That skill will last a lifetime.

What do you do with your grandchildren? It is easy to spoil them by giving them everything that they demand and then send them home to their parents, whining, with a chocolate bar clutched in their little hands and the idea that they are entitled to anything they want.

But what will they remember from their childhood? The gift of a skill like swimming will be with them for the rest of their life.

Dust off the cribbage board, get out the golf clubs or the sewing machine or the old books from your youth and share these with your grandchildren. Teach them to golf or to paint. Share your experiences with them through stories of the past. They will treasure your times together doing things that you didn't have time to do when your own children were young. Build memories with them. Teach them skills. Their parents don't have time just now.

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BUDGET '98

# Budget focuses on tax relief, students, debt reduction

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and compassionate society" at the same time as it keeps control of spending.

"This budget will demonstrate that we have left the era of chronic deficits behind," he said, adding it will also show Ottawa is on an "irrevocable" course to reducing the national debt.

The finance minister maintained the country is facing a bright immediate financial future, though he admitted unemployment is still unacceptably high at just below nine per cent.

He said business confidence is at record levels and investment is surging.

He noted Canada enjoyed economic growth of over 3.5 per cent last year and healthy economic growth is expected to continue this year, giving the country its best back-to-back years of economic performance in 10 years and the strongest performance among the G-7 nations.

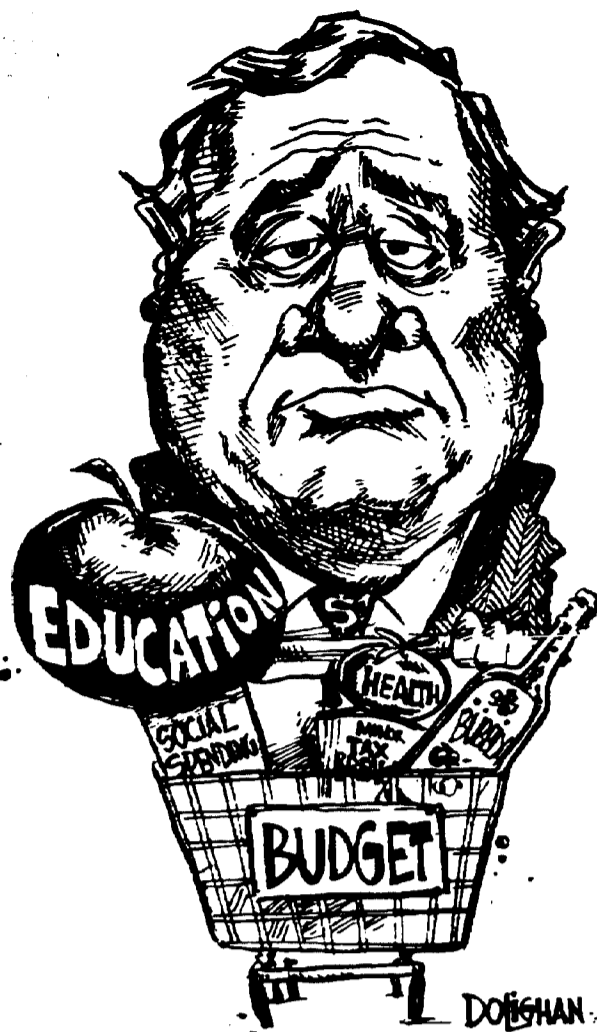
"There has not been a time in the past 25 years when our prospects have been better," he said, noting economic growth is pushing Canada's deficit down dramatically.

Among the budget measures Mr. Martin announced Tuesday afternoon were:

- Elimination of the three per cent income surtax for those making less than \$50,000 and a reduction in the surtax for those earning \$50,000 to \$65,000.
- Establishment of a \$2.5 billion Millennium Scholarship Foundation expected to provide 100,000 scholarships, beginning in the year 2000, averaging \$3,000 a year for low- and middle-income Canadians.
- An increase in tax breaks to poor families with children.
- Restoration of grants for scientific,

medical and social science research.

- An increase in the basic personal tax exemption of \$6,456 for low-income individuals and families, which will eliminate federal taxes for about 400,000 low-income Canadians, and cut taxes for about 4.6 million.
- Elimination of employment insurance premiums paid by employers providing new jobs to Canadians aged 18 to 24, to stimulate job creation for youths.
- A commitment to pay down the national debt by up to \$9 billion over the next three years if the economy remains strong.



## BUDGET AT

### A GLANCE

#### Highlights of federal budget:

First balanced federal budget in 30 years, which includes a \$3 billion contingency fund for rainy days and debt repayment at the end of the fiscal year.

#### Taxes:

Three-per cent general surtax is eliminated July 1 for individuals with incomes up to \$50,000 and reduced for those with incomes between \$50,000 and \$65,000.

#### Tax Shelters:

Adults who want to return to school will be eligible to withdraw up to \$10,000 a year tax free from their RRSPs to a maximum of \$20,000 over a four-year period. Withdrawals must be paid back over 10 years.

Parents paying for a child's education will get a 20-per cent grant on the first \$2,000 they contribute to a Registered Education Savings Plan, which means up to \$400 annually.

#### Education:

Starting in 2000, more than 100,000 students will get scholarships from the \$2.5 billion Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation.

For full-time students, scholarships will average \$3,000 a year to a total of \$12,000 over four academic years of study towards undergraduate degrees, diplomas or certificates.

Effective this year, all students will be able to claim a 1.7-per cent federal tax credit on the interest portion of payments made on federal and provincial loans.

#### Family:

The child-care expense deduction rises from \$5,000 to \$7,000 this year per child under the age of seven. It rises from \$3,000 to \$4,000 per child between the ages of seven and 16.

People who care for an elderly parent or a family member with a disability will get a care-giver tax credit of up to \$400.

#### Small Business:

Self-employed and owner-operators of small businesses will be able to deduct premiums for health and dental insurance against their business income.

Employers won't have to pay employment insurance premiums in 1999 or 2000 for new employees aged 18-24.

#### Technology:

More than \$400 million over the next three years on science, technology and medical research.

## Millennium fund gets good grades

Up to 100,000 scholarships each year expected with budget pledge

BY SUSAN O'NEILL

STAFF REPORTER

The federal government has pledged a commitment to increasing access to post-secondary education across the country through the introduction of the Canada Millennium Scholarship Fund.

In delivering the budget from Ottawa yesterday, Finance Minister Paul Martin unveiled details of a \$2.5-billion plan that will provide 100,000 scholarships each year, starting in the year 2000, for low- and middle-income college and university students for the next 10 years. "This is the largest single invest-

ment ever made by a federal government to support access to post-secondary education," the minister said, noting the scholarships, which will provide students with approximately \$3,000 per year, are for students at Durham College in Oshawa just as much as they are for students at universities such as Dalhousie in Halifax.

Mary Lynn West-Moynes, executive director of communications for Durham College, said prior to the budget speech Tuesday, college officials were "excited to see the potential" of the Millennium Scholarship

Fund.

"We know that the Association for Canadian Colleges has been lobbying for access for all students," she said, adding officials were hopeful the grant allotment for students with children would be "changed and improved."

Mr. Martin said the government is "taking action" on seven fronts to ensure all Canadians have access to life-long learning.

He said the government will help students cope with rising costs through the implementation of scholarships, will help students manage a "growing debt burden" through

interest relief, will increase access to money required for Canadians to upgrade their skills, will assist families in saving for their children's education through changes to Registered Education Savings Plans, will aid students in making the transition from school to the work force and will work to ensure all Canadians have access to the technology of the information age.

The government will provide new grants of up to \$3,000 per year for over 25,000 students in financial need who have children and will extend the education tax credit and child-care expense deduction to part-time students for the first time.

Students will also now be able to borrow up to \$20,000 tax free against their RRSPs to enable them to attend school, Mr. Martin said.

"This is an investment that will pay for itself over and over again in the years ahead."

'This is an investment that will pay for itself over and over again in the years ahead.'

Paul Martin



DAN McTEAGUE 'Prepared to support them to the hilt'

## 'Era of doom and gloom is over...'

BY MARIANNE TAKACS

STAFF REPORTER

Finance Minister Paul Martin's budget speech Tuesday was greeted with unequivocal praise by local MPs.

"We can pretty well say the era of doom and gloom is over," said Pickering-Ajax-Uxbridge MP Dan McTeague of the first surplus budget the country has seen in many years. The MP says it was particularly good for young people, in terms of helping make post-secondary education more affordable and creating jobs for them.

"Very clearly we have targeted Canada's youth as being the most needy and we are prepared to support them to the hilt," Mr. McTeague says the government's youth strategy will "yield tremendous benefits for the nation down the road," and particularly Durham, which he noted is one of the youngest communities in the country.

And Tuesday's federal budget balances education and health concerns with lower taxes says Judi Longfield, Whitby-Ajax Liberal MP.

"Yes there could have been more of a tax cut, but then there would have been less money going to edu-

cation and health care," she said, the budget presentation. "We've always said as we had the capacity to reduce taxes we would and I think we are keeping our word."

With Durham College president Gary Polonsky sitting in the public gallery as the budget was being read, Mr. Martin announced the scholarships, which will start in 2000, saying they "will be for the students at Durham College in Oshawa and the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology in Edmonton just as much as they will be for those at the University of Montreal or Dalhousie."



JUDI LONGFIELD 'I think we are keeping our word'

## He's Silent Mike from now on

TORONTO — Premier Mike Harris has lost his zest for going to war now that he is preparing for an election and anxious to avoid avoid fights where he can.

Asked whether he supports the federal Liberal government's help for the United States in bombing Iraq, the Progressive Conservative premier said he knows nothing about the issue.

Mr. Harris said he has his hands full trying to provide the best education, health care, community services and environment to create jobs in Ontario. He also said he is not an expert on the Iraq issue, has not been privy to any discussions on it, is not even sure what the federal government is doing, will leave it to federal judgment and hopes there will be a negotiated solution.

His non-belligerency is a far cry from his hawkishness in the Gulf War against Iraq in 1991. As an opposition leader, he rushed out a news release declaring Canada had to take up arms and support the Progressive Conserva-



Eric DOWD At Queen's Park

tive prime minister, Brian Mulroney, in providing military aid.

Mr. Harris then said going to war was the only responsible course and Canada was "holding high the torch of leadership to help achieve world peace and freedom," about the only time on record he has been moved to poetry. The Tory leader sounded almost

ready to go to the front himself, but in the end reserved his pugnacity for belting around a few more golf balls. Mr. Harris also scored some political points off New Democrat premier Bob Rae, who was forced by his questions to say he stood with his federal party against the war when polls showed Canadians overwhelmingly supported it.

Mr. Rae said he felt economic sanctions would work and should be continued and stuck to his unpopular stance.

Mr. Rae and now Mr. Harris have broken significantly from the past, because Ontario premiers traditionally have adopted policies on the Middle East dictated by the province's 191,000-strong Jewish community and favoring Israel, which fears Iraq and would be happy to see it attacked.

This community has had power beyond its numbers through spokesmen at top levels in politics and business and its votes and fund-raising capacity are crucial to winning several Toronto

ridings. Former Tory premier William Davis, who like virtually any other Ontario leader (including Mr. Harris) visited Israel chasing votes, once declared there "I am a Jerusalemite," trying to cash in on John F. Kennedy's "I am a Berliner."

Mr. Rae showed particular courage or foolhardiness in breaking from the tradition, because his wife is Jewish and their children are being raised in the Jewish faith and both were rebuked by some in the Jewish community for turning their backs on it.

One unprecedented sight in the Gulf War was the undiplomatic Israeli ambassador descending on Mr. Rae's office in anger to bring him to heel and leaving looking even more livid after the premier would not change his mind.

Mr. Harris is an admirer of the U.S. and normally quick to copy its policies, including workfare and getting tough on crime, and relished vacationing with ex-president George Bush,

organizer of the Gulf War.

But Canadians through many well-documented reports increasingly see Israel no longer as a brave little state fighting for survival in its homeland, but as occupying land it took by force, brutally repressing its inhabitants and reneging on promises to give it back.

Mr. Harris will have noted that a large and growing number share this view in letters to newspapers and comments on open-line shows. He also will have seen from the latest census Ontario has a rapidly growing Arab population — 72,000 in Toronto alone — which is articulate and could tip the scales in some ridings, and a much larger body of Muslims from other countries which would have sympathy with it.

Mr. Harris has fallen in the polls partly because he got in arguments he could have avoided and he does not want to drop further over another squabble thousands of miles away. He would prefer a new image as peacemaker.



photo by A.J. Groen

## That old saw...

Kate Bennet gets ready to do a bit of work during the closing weekend of the Claremont Winter Carnival last Saturday by taking part in a log-sawing event. Residents in and around Claremont and Pickering turned out for the annual event to celebrate the season and take in some of the many activities offered. This year marked the 15th annual carnival celebration.

# Take time to smell the roses at bloomin' good show

If you love flowers, don't miss Canada Blooms, the second annual exhibition of flowers and gardens to be held March 11 to 15 at the Metro Convention Centre, South Building, on Bremner Boulevard off Simcoe Street.

With a theme of 'Spring Dreams', the 1988 show will include approximately 40 feature gardens, offer free daily seminars with master gardeners, and allow exhibitors to sell all types of garden supplies, bulbs and plants.

Canada Blooms' organizers will be hard-pressed to make this year's display of flowers even better than last March's magnificent array when an estimated 70,000 people, double the expected number, enjoyed the show in Mississauga.

"The exhibits will be just as spectacular with even more emphasis on water displays of ponds, waterfalls, and water music," says Ted Johnson, general manager of the event. "As well, we have added a 'Dream Wedding' garden.

"This year we feel that the central location will offer better accessibility for seniors to take the GO or TTC. The Convention Centre has wider aisles to accommodate touring groups and wheelchairs.

## LARRAINE ROULSTON Recycler's Report



Also, there will be additional sitting areas and it will be more convenient to enjoy a snack with the centre's 25,000 square feet of cafes as well as having the choice of leaving the building to visit any one of the many downtown restaurants," Mr. Johnson adds.

If you haven't already joined the 'green wave of recycling', you can visit the Composting Council of Canada's (CCC) booth to familiarize yourself with composting so you can grow a better garden.

Last year the CCC's volunteers enjoyed sharing information and handed out literature to those who were just beginning. To create yourself a natural fertilizer and at the same time divert waste from landfill, simply layer organic kitchen waste with yard waste and let nature take its course.

Mark Cullen, host of television and radio gardening shows, will serve as this year's national spokesperson for the CCC's National Composting Awareness Week May 4 to 10.

Mr. Cullen, who calls compost the "soul of soil" will also be on hand at the Canada Blooms seminars to offer his famous master gardener advice.

Canada Blooms, a non-profit organization, donates some of the revenue generated toward horticultural projects.

Last year, \$40,000 was given to the Don Valley Brick Work to help restore the Don River. The show is produced by the Garden Club of Toronto and Landscape Ontario and is heavily sponsored by many corporations.

The fee for a two-day pass is \$15 for adults, \$9 for seniors and free for children under 10.

To enjoy the six acres of beautiful gardens, Mr. Johnson suggests you wear good comfortable walking shoes and step into the wonderful fragrance and sounds of spring. Tickets are available at Loblaw's and Super-Centre.

Lorraine Roulston's column exploring environmental issues regularly appears on Wednesday.

## Serenity group invites you to journey with them

**PICKERING** - With a little support and encouragement, you could be well on the road to serenity.

The Serenity Group holds a 12-step recovery meeting Friday, Feb. 27 at 8

p.m. at Bayfair Baptist Church, 817 Kingston Rd. east of Whites Road in Pickering.

The group deals with addictions of all kinds, including co-dependency. A

child-care programme is available as required. All are welcome to attend the meetings.

For more information, call Jim at 428-9431 in the evenings.

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**ABUSED WOMEN:** The Ajax-Pickering Women's Centre hosts a panel discussion on Services for Abused Women. Doors Opening and Closing at 6 p.m. at the Pickering Central Library, One The Esplanade. To register, phone 426-1064.

**MAYORS' ADDRESS:** The Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade holds its annual Mayors' Address at a 7:30 a.m. breakfast meeting at the Regalis Restaurant, 1305 Pickering Parkway, Pickering.

Members \$20, non-members \$15.

Phone 837-6638 (board of trade) for more information.

**CANCER:** Hearth Place Cancer Support Centre holds a session on relaxation and guided imagery techniques for cancer patients and their caregivers from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at Hearth Place Cancer Support Centre, 86 Colborne St. W., Oshawa.

Phone 579-4833 for more information.

**BREAST CANCER:** A Breast Cancer Peer Support Group for women living with breast cancer meets from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Hearth Place Cancer Support Centre, 86 Colborne St. W., Oshawa. Drop-in group, no registration required.

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# A day in Claremont

## Students take in the great outdoors



A group of students from Oshawa spent three days at the Claremont Conservation Field Centre last weeks to learn more about the natural environment. Top photo, Nicole Partridge warms up with a cup of hot chocolate. Top right, Shawn Zoldero helps collect wood for a camp fire. Below, kids take part in bird-watching. Other activities included survival training and the use of a compass.

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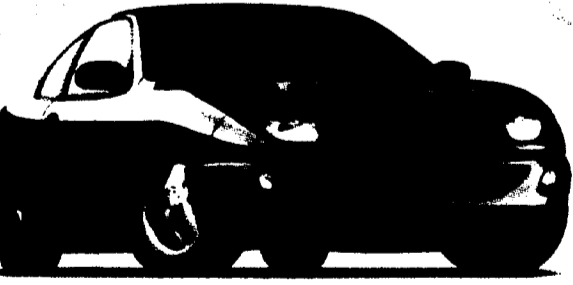
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## They've got it covered

Vaughan Willard Public School students Tamara McNutt (left) and Amber Bond put their artistic skills to work recently and came up with winning designs for the front and back covers of a commemorative compact disc marking the school's 40th anniversary. The students' work was chosen as part of the celebration to honour the school's milestone. Amber's work will grace the front cover; Tamara's will be found on the back.

## Search on for top communities

If your community is a special place to live, here's your chance to let it be known. The search for Ontario's outstanding communities of 1998 has begun.

The Trillium Foundation, an Ontario Lottery Funded agency, will be awarding up to five \$20,000 awards to communities with an ability to "bring people together to get things done. We're searching for collaborative and creative communities whose stories will inspire others," says Julie White, executive director of the Trillium Foundation.

In 1997, the first year the prize was awarded, 167 communities applied. The winning communities included Ear Falls in northwestern Ontario which rallied together after the town's main employer closed down. The community's "spirit and activism" caught the eye of another company which was so impressed it opened a saw mill in the town.

The Caring Communities Award is open to neighbourhoods, towns or people who create a community through their shared goals and experiences. Applications for this year's award must be post-marked no later than Friday, April 24. Twenty-five finalists will be announced in July. To apply, contact the Trillium Foundation at 1-800-263-2887 or visit their web site at [www.trilliumfoundation.org](http://www.trilliumfoundation.org).

## Watch a movie, help a sick child

**PICKERING** — The new Famous Players Entertainment Centre will host an inexpensive movie night for charity Wednesday, March 4.

New and relatively recent films will be screened at the refurbished Pickering Town Centre Famous Players theatres in showings at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

Choice of movies is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The upgraded entertainment complex includes digital sound theatres, an interactive game centre and "exciting food options". Most premium concessions will be available at half price during the movie night. All proceeds will go to Ronald McDonald Children's Charities of Canada, which is committed to improving the quality of life for children with life-threatening or chronic illnesses and disabilities and their families. Tickets, at \$2 per person, are available at all Pickering, Ajax and surrounding area McDonald's restaurants.

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# Arts & Entertainment

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## Move over for fun

The Pickering Players are currently staging the British farce *Move Over Mrs. Markham* featuring hilarious cases of mistaken identity, planned liaisons and frequent plot twists. It hits the stage this Friday and Saturday at Dunbarton-Fairport United Church on Dunbarton Road in Pickering after a successful opening last weekend. Here, (back row, from left) cast members Lynn Valiquette, Rick Wyzynski, Derek Genova and Rhonda Brewster ham it up with (on couch, from left) Russell Phipps and Linda Chapman. Call 416-410-0211 for information.

## Noteworthy...

### Battle continues in Bandwarz competition

The battle has been joined -- and the fighting will last for the next several weeks.

Bandwarz kicked off last Friday featuring local musical talent, and culminates in April with cash and studio time for the top band.

Sponsored by Eclipse Concerts and Lagermeister, the Fifth Annual Bandwarz event includes the sounds of *Mic Assassins*, *The Void*, *Underbrush*, *Token*, *Viewfinder*, *Deep Shag*, *Accident Prone* and *Feral Child*.

They were among the acts set to go opening night, and are also eight of the more than 55 bands out to earn first prize in this year's battle for independent supremacy.

"We've had some great talent come through the contest so it's a good chance (for audiences) to see them at the ground level," said Kerri Nowensky of Eclipse, about the eight-week run at the Durham College pub.

Made up of bands from within and just outside Durham Region, a panel of music industry judges will be out each week to catch the talent and help uncover the top group and award a number of prizes.

The winning group will receive \$1,000 cash, 12 hours of recording studio time valued at \$900 from Q107 SkyLab Recording Studio and \$500 towards compact disc manufacturing provided by Music Manufacturing Services.

There will also be runner-up prizes for the competitors.

Running each Friday until the finals April 17, the shows are all ages with a licensed area and Durham College is located at the southwest corner of Simcoe Street and Conlin Road.

Tickets are \$8 at the door or \$6 in advance at Alcatraz Skates and Star Records in Oshawa. For more information on the event, please call 905-786-2528 or 579-3788.

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## Students ready to tread the boards in annual Sears Ontario Drama Festival

The Durham Region Drama Festival takes the stage at Pickering's Dunbarton High School with 16 performances by schools across the region from March 2 to 6.

The local festival marks the beginning of the 52nd Sears Ontario Drama Festival, which is billed as one of the largest student drama festivals in North America.

The provincial drama festival provides students the opportunity to work as actors, directors, playwrights, technicians and publicists.

"When the curtain rises this season more than 7,000 students and teachers will present almost 300 productions across Ontario," reports Wayne Fairhead, executive director of the Sears festival, in a news release.

Almost 300 productions will be presented in 23 centres across the province, with the winners at the district level advancing to the regional finals in April where 15 productions will be picked for the Ontario Showcase May 5 to 9 at the University of Toronto's Hart House Theatre.

This year 16 one-act plays from 13 area secondary schools will be performed in Pickering with awards being presented March 7.

The festival begins March 2 with performances of Competition Piece by

students from Uxbridge Secondary School, *The Sandbox* by R. S. McLaughlin C.V.I. and *Impromptu* by Monsignor John Pereyma Catholic Secondary School.

On March 3 students from O'Neill C.V.I. will perform *Not My Cup of Tea*, pupils from St. Mary Catholic Secondary School will stage *Revelations* and students from Ajax High School will also perform.

Performances on March 4 will include *Persona* by students from Port Perry High School, *Ernie's Incredible Illuminations* by students from Uxbridge Secondary School and *Miss Julie* by students from Dunbarton High School.

On March 5 O'Neill C.V.I. will present *The Cop* and the Anthem, Sinclair Secondary School will present *Tartuffe* and Dunbarton High School will present *Three Blind Mice*.

The final evening of com-

petition on March 6 will include the performance of *Crescendo* by Dunbarton High School, *The Marriage Quartet* by Father Leo J. Austin Catholic Secondary School, *The Zoo Story* by Monsignor Paul Dwyer Catholic High School and *Haku* by Eastdale C.V.I.

All performances will be held at 7 p.m. at Dunbarton High School, 655 Sheppard Ave. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for students. Seats must be reserved. For information call (905) 839-1125 ext. 472.

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## Barnes rules the pool at Pickering Swim Club meet

**PICKERING** — Pickering Swim Club members showed off their pool prowess at the club's recent meet.

Warren Barnes, 12, ruled the boys' 12-and-under category, winning the 100-metre backstroke, 100m breaststroke, 100m butterfly and 400m individual medley. Barnes placed second in the 100m freestyle. He also qualified for the Ontario Provincial Swimming Championship in the 100m fly at the meet.

Also swimming in the boys' 12-and-under category, Adam Janssen placed third in the 100m free, fourth in the 100m breast, fifth in the 100m fly and sixth in the 100m back and 200m I.M. Brandon Barbaro was fourth in the 100m free, fifth in the 100m back and seventh in the 200m I.M. Ryan Ferguson placed fifth in the 100m free and sixth in the 100m fly. Joey Lupiccini was seventh in the 100m fly and Matt Johnston seventh in the 100m breast. Matt Wolch finished eighth in the 100m breast.

Brenna Taylor led the way for Pickering in the girls' 12-and-under age group. She won the 100m free, was second in the 100m fly, third in the 100m back and fourth in the 200m I.M. Caitlin Heggie swam a great race to earn a fourth-place finish in the 100m breast and Taryn Kavanagh followed close behind in fifth. Sophie Doria placed fifth in the 100m fly.

In the girls' 13-and-over age bracket, Megan Shanks had a strong meet winning the 100m breast and 100m fly. Shanks also placed second in the 100m back, fourth in the 100m free and fourth in the 400m I.M. Alicia Kaye won the 400m I.M., had second-place finishes in the 100m free, 100m breast and the 100m fly and a fourth in the 100m back. Brianna Ferreira won the 100m free and finished fourth in the 100m fly. Lauren Campbell finished third in the 100m breast, fifth in the 100m fly, sixth in the 400m free and seventh in the 100m free. Stephanie Mathias placed seventh in the 100m back and the 100m breast. Danielle Bull-Wagner finished seventh in the 100m fly and eighth in the 100m back and the 400m I.M. Alison Chan placed eighth in the 100m breast.

In the boys' 13-and-over division, Graham Wolch posted a first-place effort in the 100m breast and third-place finishes in the 100m free and 400m I.M. Jon Kaye finished third in the 100m breast and sixth in the 100m free and

100m back. Matt Ginter placed fourth in the 100m fly, fifth in the 100m back and seventh in the 100m free.

In the girls' 15-and-over age group, Carrie Lahti finished fourth in the 100m back and the 100m fly and fifth in the 100m free. Jenn Martin was fourth in the 100m free.

David Grose led the way for Pickering in the boys' 15-and-over category, winning the 100m back and 100m fly events.

He was second in the 100m breast and fourth in the 100m free. Brett Harding finished third in the 400m I.M., fifth in the 100m fly and sixth in the 100m breast, 100m back and 100m free. Eric Kelly finished fifth in the 100m free, 100m breast and 100m back.

In the girls' 10-and-under category, Laura Barnes finished third in the 50m breast. Stephanie Peters placed fifth in the 50m back and 100m I.M., sixth in the 50m breast, seventh in the 50m free and eighth in the 50m fly. Melanie Campbell finished seventh in the 50m breast and Jenna Bayley placed eighth in the 50m back.

In the boys' 10-and-under division, Bradley Johnston won the 50m fly, was second in the 100m I.M. and fourth in

the 50m free. Jordan Chizick touched the wall first in the 50m breast, was third in the 50m free, fourth in the 50m back and sixth in the 50m fly.

Daniel Langlois finished third in the 50m back, fifth in the 50m fly and 50m free and sixth in the 50m breast. Ryan Shanks earned a third-place finish in the 50m breast, fifth in the 50m back, sixth in the 100m I.M. and seventh in the 50m free and 50m fly.

Kent Williamson finished fifth in the 50m breast, seventh in the 100m I.M. and eighth in the 50m fly.

Kurt Hobson had seventh-place finishes in the 50m back and 50m breast.

In the eight-and-under group, Jake Stevens finished in a first-place tie in the 25m free and was second in the 25m fly, 25m back, 25m breast and 100m I.M. Alex Griffith tied for first in the 25m free, was third in the 25m fly, fourth in the 25m back and seventh in the 25m breast. Eric Wilton placed sixth in the 25m fly, 25m back and 100m I.M. and seventh in the 25m free.

Nicholas Barbaro finished sixth in the 25m breast and 25m free and seventh in the 25m back, 25m fly and 100m I.M. John Ferguson was eighth in the 25m free.

Also swimming for Pickering were Megan Aird, Adrienne Byng, Kathryn Ball, Willie Ball, Malynn Cowley, Cailie Douse, Ashley Dow, Alexandra Fergu-

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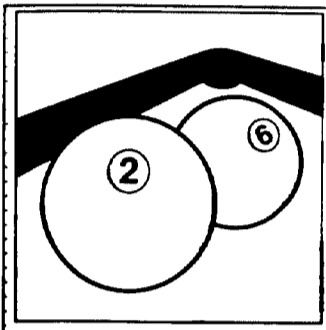
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# Pickering Sports

## Durham West Lightning novices snatch silver at tourney

The Durham West Lightning Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce novice 'B' girls' rep hockey team captured the silver medal at the recent Cambridge Girls Hockey Tournament.

In the gold-medal contest, the novice Lightning fell to Barrie 4-0.

Durham West had numerous scoring chances, but was unable to solve a hot Barrie goaltender.

The Lightning started the tourney by playing to a 1-1 tie with Barrie. Kelsey Adair scored the lone Durham

West goal, assisted by Kyla Thurston and Kelly Woods.

In the second game, the CIBC novices blanked Leaside 6-0. Stellar goaltending was supplied by Lisa Plenderleith who earned the shutout.

Lindsay Hill and Stephanie Bowes led the way offensively with two goals apiece. Kyla Thurston and Jamie Gooding netted single markers.

The Lightning finished round-

robin play with a 5-1 win over host Cambridge. Hill, Kelly Woods, Gooding, Erin Small and Sara Allain scored. Thurston had three assists. Lauren Sears and Small had one each.

## Pickering novices win first playoff round

**PICKERING** — The Pickering Panthers Sheridan Dental Centre minor novice 'AA' rep hockey team won its opening best-of-three playoff series over the Whitby Wildcats three games to one.

The Panthers completed the play-off victory with a 2-0 win over Whitby in game four. Kalman Waldman opened the scoring for Pickering and Chris Paul added an empty-net marker to seal the victory. Michael DeGroot earned an assist.

In game three of the series, Pickering earned a close 2-1 victory over the Wildcats. Michael Hurl and Michael DeGroot each picked up a goal and an assist to lead the offensive charge. Drew Stark and Ryan Lamanna also added assists.

Whitby scored an exciting 4-3 overtime victory in game two. Michael Morrison scored two goals and an assist for Pickering. Adam Hurley added a goal and an assist.

The novice Panthers started the series by blanking Whitby 5-0. Stark and DeGroot each scored a pair of goals. Paul added the other marker. Robert O'Shea recorded two assists. Hurl and Waldman chipped in with single helpers.

The Pickering goaltending tandem of Kevin Prebble and James Balsdon was the difference in the series, providing blue-chip netminding throughout.

Balsdon earned both shutouts for the Panthers.

Other strong efforts were turned in by Matthew Frawley, Adam Morra, Michael Carey and Blake Coulitce.

The team is managed by Sue Hurl and Dave Carey.

## Two comeback wins in ladies basketball action

**AJAX** — East Side Mario's posted a come-from-behind victory over Dakota Bob's in recent Ajax Ladies' Recreational Basketball League action.

Dakota Bob's couldn't hold on to a slim half-time lead as East Side Mario's came back to score a 30-25 victory.

Joanna Reardon paced Mario's with 16 points. Debi Bonar replied with six for Bob's.

The second game of the night followed a similar pattern, as Glenn's Auto Service rebounded late in the game to post a 36-28 victory over the Bank of Montreal.

Engrid Carmichael led the way for Glenn's with 10 points. Kristan Scarlett scored 10 for the bankers.

Players in the league live in Ajax and Pickering.

## Gymnasts on the ball at the Falls

Two local gymnasts posted good results at the recent Ameri-Cana Invitational Meet, hosted by the Niagara Falls Lightning Gymnastics Club.

Tania Wyer, of Ajax, competing in the Argo 'C' 11-year-old division, finished sixth overall. She placed third on vault, fifth on floor and seventh on beam and bars.

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