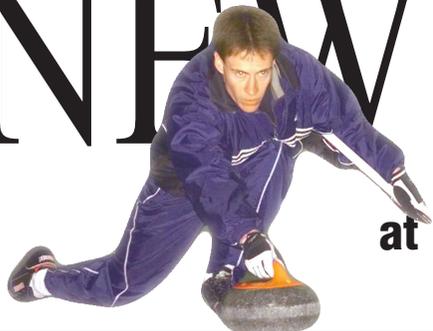


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Pickering gets plenty of access suggestions

Community groups offer 17 recommendations

BY MARTIN DERBYSHIRE
Staff Writer

PICKERING — Few people attend Pickering council meetings on a regular basis. David Steele is one of them.

He is best described as a concerned citizen and head of the group Pickering Ajax Citizens Together for the Environment (PACT).

On many occasions and on a variety of issues Mr. Steele addresses council. But, while the topic of discussion may vary, one constant re-

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Digging in for the environment

PICKERING — Students at Gandatsetiagon Public School literally dug in on Wednesday as part of a tree-planting program at their school. Ten trees were donated by a group called Environmental Earth Angels, part of a two-year commitment from the group to donate 30 trees for planting around the school. Here, Kelsey Reardon and Stephanie Hardiment do their part to assist.

Prepare for 'potentially violent' spring

Durham Regional Police say turf war appears to be escalating

BY STEPHEN SHAW
Staff Writer

DURHAM — Police in this region are preparing for a "potentially violent spring" as tensions between rival outlaw motorcycle gangs appear to escalate.

In a somewhat unusual move, the Durham Regional Police force issued a news release Thursday warning of increased biker activity expected in the coming weeks, putting the public as well as gang members on notice.

Police are "readying themselves and advising the public about a potentially violent spring and summer of activity among competing motorcycle gangs," says the statement issued by Sergeant Paul Malik, police spokesman.

Sgt. Malik says a "turf war" in southern Ontario between clubs "appears to be escalating and police believe rival gangs have begun to arm themselves in anticipation of future conflicts."

Arch rivals the Hells Angels and Bandidos (formerly members of the Rock Machine) waged war in Quebec through the 1990s, claiming more than 100 lives.

Police here have predicted a clash for territory since both clubs expanded into Ontario in 2000.

The first drops of biker blood were shed in the province in Oshawa last December. A Bandido member was stabbed in the parking lot of a Bloor Street strip club and well-known hangout for members of the Hells Angels' Oshawa chapter in an apparent "gang-related" ambush.

The victim, Eric 'The Red' MacMillan, an Oshawa man identified as sergeant-at-arms on the Bandidos Web site, was whisked to hospital in a car that

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Community groups suggest ways city hall can be more accessible

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ains: he continually complains he has not had enough time to review council agendas before meetings.

"Right now the public doesn't know what's going on with city hall business in a timely fashion," he said in an interview this week. "We don't get to know the background on an issue and we don't get the agenda until the day of the meeting."

For some it may sound like a rant from one local activist, but Pickering council has heard his cry. Most of council has listened to the complaints of Mr. Steele and others, and an effort has begun to improve accessibility to the political process.

It started back in October 2001 when council asked City staff to report on changes it was suggesting and eventually led to councillors directing staff to hold discussions with residents and community groups to get their opinion on how public access could be improved. Staff was to report back to Pickering's committee of the whole April 8.

A meeting was held in March between City staff and Mr. Steele, Craig Bamford and Paul White of the Fairport Beach Neighbourhood Association, Paul Kelland of the Pickering East Shore Community Association, and Martin Herzog of the Liverpool West Community Association.

Each community association had a chance to air its concerns, leading to a consensus on 17 recommendations.

Among them were requests to have the full agenda, including backup documents and reports, available to the public, e-mailing and fax-

ing the entire document to associations if requested, distributing it earlier, and posting it on the City's Web site. The groups also asked that the public be notified of development applications 14 days prior to meet-

ings and public notification timelines on all agenda items be lengthened for all committees of council.

"We need improved public access. The average member of the public trying to get the information

can't," said Mr. Steele. "Every individual has the right to go in front of council. Things are happening in their neighbourhoods that they don't know about or they may find out about too late."

He also noted April 8 came and went without the recommendations being considered by councillors and he wants to know why.

"I expected them to deal with this in a timely fashion," he said.

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Teacher tests this weekend only a practice run

DURHAM — The Province has decided the first mandatory test of new teachers set for this Saturday will not count, but that hasn't reduced the tension for a Whitby woman who will be taking the exam.

As a result of a miscalculation, 400 graduating teachers who had planned to write the four-hour morning test in Toronto have been assigned to write it in Hamilton.

"What a fiasco — I live in Whitby, so I'll either have to get up at 5:30 in the morning to be at the test site by 7:30 or pay for a hotel room the night before," an incensed Deborah Whelan said Monday.

The 23-year-old student at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto said she also has been told she cannot bring food into the test, even though she is hypoglycemic and will need something to eat during the morning.

"What do they think I'm going to do — bring a cheat sheet in with my juice box? It's all so disorganized," said Ms. Whelan, who already has been offered a conditional job from the Durham Catholic District School Board to teach high school English this September.

Education Minister Elizabeth Witmer confirmed Tuesday this year's test will not count.

"I have had an opportunity to review this initiative and will proceed with a provincewide field trial for the first year of the test," she said in a release. "This is consistent with the advice and input received from education stakeholders. This test is important for teacher candidates. The provincewide field trial is a prudent step to further validate the test and ensure that it is fair, accurate and effective."

Durham teacher representatives called the move a good first step, but maintained the entire program, which includes the recertification of experienced teachers,



SHELLEY PAGE

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should be scrapped.

"It's a good gesture," said Bob McDonnell, president of the Durham Secondary branch of the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association. "It's good to see that they're at least responding to some of the concerns that have been raised for months and months now."

He said the entry test for new teachers is not needed at all because newcomers to the profession "are already being evaluated by their faculties" of education,

where programs have been accredited by the Education Ministry.

Mr. McDonnell said the provincial backtracking on the entry test is a public relations exercise, as is testing experienced teachers.

Shelley Page, Durham president of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation, said the government move should be the first small step towards cancelling teacher testing altogether.

"I never thought that the entry test made any sense at all, so if they're reflecting on the wisdom of having an entry test... then I guess putting it off is the smallest gesture one can expect," she said.

Ms. Page said the entry test is a "reference test", which means some new teachers, "fully licensed to teach", will fail.

"How is that helping to solve the teachers' shortage?" she asked.

Bob Willsher, chairman of the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board, predicted there would be more announcements like this from the ministry as it tries "to soften relationships with teachers and boards."

"Clearly, up to this point in time, the government has been hard-nosed about this testing and professional development as well."

But Mr. Willsher said "time will tell" if the government is sincerely interested in making policy changes or is merely trying to appease educators.

"We've been saying for some time there's many

things that need to be addressed by this government," he said. "The whole relationship with teachers is one this board has been concerned about for some time."

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Police warn of growing conflict between rival motorcycle gangs

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was hit by gunfire as it fled. He suffered a deep stomach wound and survived.

Since the incident, there have been "several recent altercations" involving suspected bike-gang associates, as well as a handful of arrests and weapons seizures in this region and others in Ontario, says Sgt. Malik.

Also of concern to local authorities are unconfirmed reports the Outlaws plan to lay down roots in Durham Region with a clubhouse in Pickering.

The Outlaws, sworn enemies of the Hells, are aligned with the Bandidos.

Police say the clubs have been actively recruiting new members.

The Oshawa Hells chapter, called the club's fastest growing in the country, now has more than 20 full-patch and prospect members, as well as several other associates with "hang-around" status, says Detective Constable Dan McKinnon, of the force's outlaw motorcycle gang squad.

The local chapter also has a growing number of

puppet clubs, he says.

"There is definitely tension building up. It's a lot of escalation and speculation right now.

"We're not trying to alarm people, we just want to make them aware, give the public the heads up," says Det. Const. McKinnon.

"There's going to be large numbers of Hells Angels around the region this summer and lots of activity."

He says police plan to keep a "close eye" on gang activity including summer biker runs and the annual gathering of Hells Angels and associates at the club's Caesarea marina compound, known as the "On the Road" party.

Meanwhile, police said they arrested the sergeant-at-arms of the Oshawa Hells Angels chapter early Friday for breaching bail conditions.

Gary Malcolm Livingston, 38, is accused of being out past curfew and violating a condition banning him from possessing any Hells paraphernalia.

Police arrested him outside his Courtice residence at 12:30 a.m.

Two gold chains with

medallions bearing the club's name were seized, police said.

Mr. Livingston was

originally released on \$10,000 bail, with strict terms, after being charged with assault causing bodily

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The extras benefits are all around us

Return of high school activities paying off for Ajax, Pickering students

If you've ever wondered if there are any tangible benefits to high school extracurricular activities, you need look no farther than schools in Ajax and Pickering.

If you thought extracurriculars for high school students was primarily about camera clubs and intramural sports, think again.

Since the revival of extracurricular activities for students — and it should be noted some schools in the community did manage to offer a modified schedule during the three-year dispute between the provincial government and teachers — much has occurred to underscore the importance of these high school traditions. Teachers across Ontario, you might remember, withdrew their services over the Mike Harris government's approach to education policy.

The full-bore return of extracurriculars locally has resulted in:

Another Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations silver medal for the girls' hockey team at St. Mary Catholic Secondary School, placing them second best in Ontario.

St. Mary students have also achieved great success against opponents on the football field and on the basketball court.

At Pickering High School, students there came in second in a national 'Smart Ask' competition similar to the old 'Reach for the Top' quiz show.

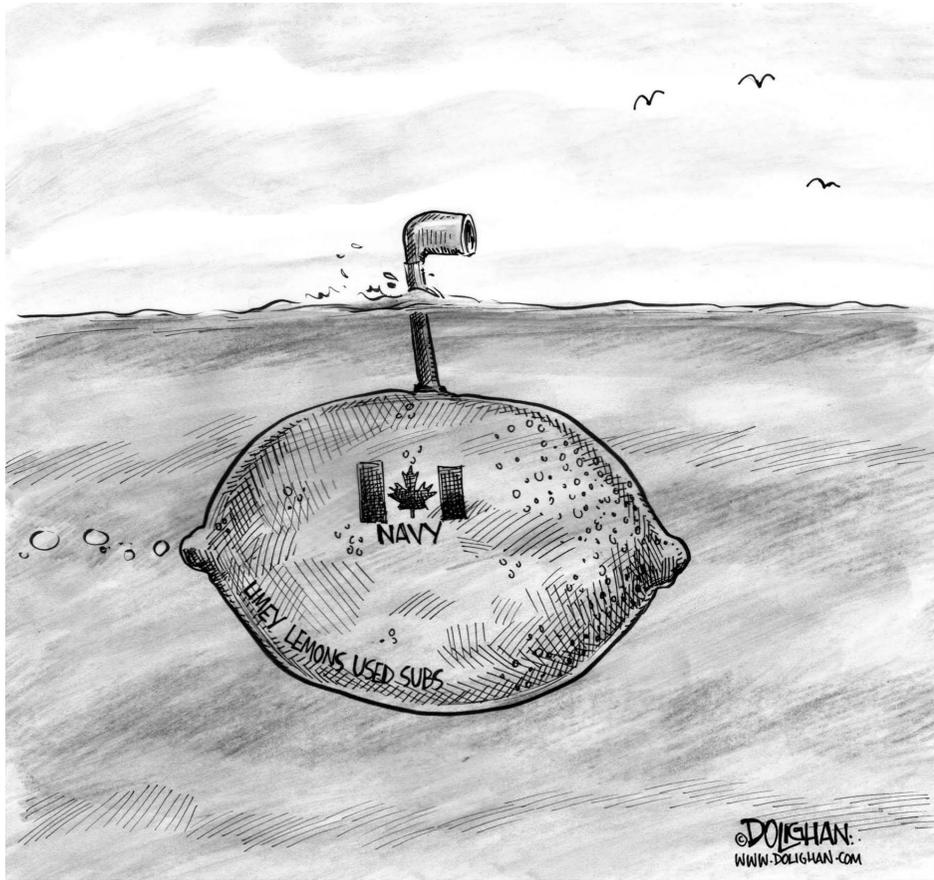
As well, schools that abandoned extracurriculars altogether have made a great effort in reviving them.

Clearly, extracurriculars serve an important purpose in providing the types of life lessons students may not learn in the classroom or from a textbook. They foster personal growth for young men and women preparing for their entry into the adult world. Sports teams, for instance, illustrate the importance of self-discipline and teamwork. They teach students to rely on one another and work collectively toward a common goal.

Extracurriculars provide an opportunity for students to shine in their particular discipline, whether it's in the arts or at the ice rink. It teaches them how to deal constructively with disappointment, and how to celebrate a group achievement. Moreover, these activities help teachers stitch together a more complete relationship with their young charges in settings outside the classroom, and provide guidance unrelated to algebra equations or sentence structures.

The lessons learned by students who participate, much like the lessons they learn in their core subjects, will serve them throughout their lives.

If you've ever wondered if there are any tangible benefits to high school extracurriculars, you need look no farther than schools in Ajax and Pickering.



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Health-care system must be protected

To the editor:

We are often told lately that we can 'no longer afford' our publicly funded health-care system. Yet, our federal and provincial governments have had no difficulty in affording massive tax cuts. The tax cuts were in large part funded by delisting medical services and by reducing federal health transfer payments from 40 per cent of the provincial cost to the current 10 per cent.

Study after study has shown a two-tier system does not hold down costs, it merely robs the public system of top-rate practitioners and ensures poor quality service to the less wealthy. Yet our provincial government continues to contract to private companies for home-care services, radiology and new hospital construction (Brampton). Surely, it is merely common sense that a privately owned company, driven to make as

much profit as possible, cannot build and maintain a hospital for less money than a non-profit government-owned facility.

The solution lies in establishing community-based, cost-efficient clinics that are operated on a 24-hour, seven-days-a-week basis by practitioners who are paid a flat rate, not by a per-service fee. The Ontario government knows this but is resisting this solution because of political pressure from doctors who fear losing their high incomes.

It is also necessary for the federal government to increase taxes slightly (the Roy Romanow commission estimates by a mere \$300 per year) in order to increase federal health transfers to the 50-per cent level and to make them direct and accountable.

It took hard work by committed citizens to make the dream of universal health care a reality for millions of Canadians. It is up to us as citizens to let our governments know we will not allow them to disband it piecemeal.

Deborah Drapeau,
Pickering

Time out! We have to learn to relax, people!

From family commitments, to work and meetings, there doesn't seem to be enough hours

Is it me, or does the world move a little too quickly in the 21st century?

I was listening to a radio program last week and an American professor mentioned how society does not waste time anymore. With the advent of faxes, cellphones, the Internet, e-mail, ABMs, online banking, and any other new gadget that comes along, is it any wonder we have little time to waste?

Everything is completed and processed quickly and speed is expected in return. Wasting time has become anathema in our society. With all these new tools, one would think our lives would be a little less hectic with the extra high-tech help.



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Yet, as adults, we race from one thing to another — family commitments, work deadlines, meetings, personal engagements and get-togethers, without taking the time... to waste a little of it.

Wasn't it only a generation or two ago, the experts were predicting we would have so much leisure time

on our hands we wouldn't know what to do with it all? Work weeks would be cut down to three or four days, hobbies and recreational activities would grow dramatically, and time spent relaxing would increase so greatly as to necessitate courses on how to deal with this newfound leisure time.

Maybe I fell asleep during the movie, but I see people working more hours (in fact, I believed the aforementioned professor mentioned a 10-hour weekly increase in the last 20 to 30 years), while often holding down two jobs and balancing work, family and leisure time like an acrobat on a tightrope. We overbook ourselves until there's

nothing left for us.

Unfortunately, I don't have any answers. I do see the rise of consumerism, where we must get at all costs (and I do include myself in that number) and that we must keep spending and producing and spending and producing until we end up like the little hamster in the wheel, out of gas, or fallen off the wheel.

Short of checking out of society and becoming a hermit, there's got to be a better way to find a little extra downtime. Until then, I'm sure I have some shopping to do, or maybe it was a walk down to the lake I had planned. I think I'll choose the latter... I've got some time to waste.

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William Dunbar Public School changes its toonie

Pickering school's loonie day inspires thousands to take part this year

BY SARAH TEPER
Special to the News Advertiser

PICKERING — William Dunbar Public School is at it again.

For the second year in a row, the Pickering school is taking part in raising money for autism research funds.

'Toonie for Autism Day' is this Friday, April 26 (today) where all students are asked to bring in a toonie.

Bonnie McPhail, co-chairman of day's organizing committee, said the event will help "make people more aware of autism".

William Dunbar students, however, are not alone in their efforts. Ms. McPhail, co-chairman Ron Harrison, and

other volunteers have helped spread the day to schools across Ontario.

Currently 235 schools and 102,000 staff and students are participating in the campaign, with the numbers growing every day, said Mr. Harrison.

"It's the single biggest (autism) campaign ever," he said.

Durham, Toronto, Dufferin-

Peel, and Niagara District are among the public, Catholic and French boards taking part.

In addition, 25 companies have taken pledge packages and plan to do something as well, said Ms. McPhail.

"Everything is going along really well," she said. "We've had a great response, more than we've anticipated."

Last year's campaign was inspired by Durham Regional Police Sergeant John Keating, who started cycling across the United States to raise money and awareness for autism on April 26, 2001. He cycled more than 11,700 kilometres and raised more than \$1 million.

On April 27, 2001, William Dunbar held a 'Loonie for Autism Day' and raised \$601.

Ms. McPhail said it's not too late to participate and schools can still join the campaign, even if they are unable to take part this week. Anyone interested in making a donation (all contributions of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt) or for more information, can call the Autism Society of Ontario at 1-800-472-7789 or 416-246-9592.



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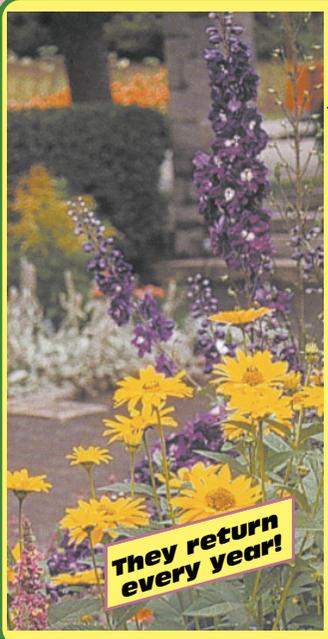
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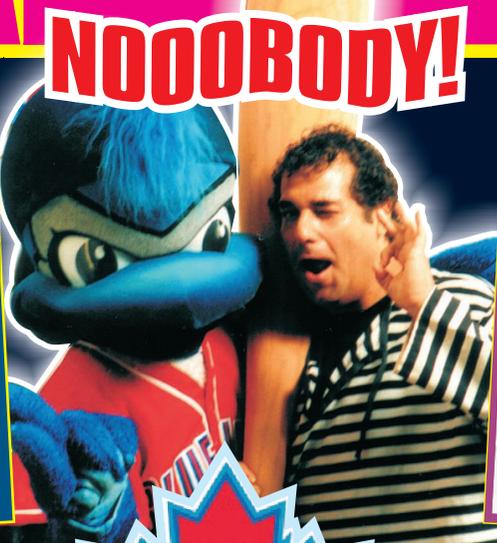
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Architect selected for university/college campus

BY PAULO SANTOS

Special to the News Advertiser
DURHAM — The Durham College/University of Ontario Institute of Technology campus is closer to taking its village-like form with the hiring of an architectural firm from Toronto.

The firm Diamond-Schmidt has been chosen to undertake the design for two new academic buildings and a library, soon to be built on the college campus in north Oshawa.

The university, which has been promised \$60 million in provincial money to get started, is scheduled to take in its first students in September 2003.

"On April 2 we ended up picking one of the world's great architects to create what we are determined will be one of the world's great campuses," said Gary Polonsky, Durham College president. "Jack Diamond and Don Schmidt have been creating sensational buildings around the world for years."

Mr. Polonsky said for the next couple of years the campus will be full of cranes, dirt and construction.

"Where there are parking lots today, there will be green space," he said. "Where there is green space, there will be some parking lots. And where there are some buildings, they won't be there anymore. We will be much larger, much more beautiful, and much more modern."

Mr. Polonsky said the campus will present oppor-



An artist's rendering shows the exterior of the new university/college campus which will become the Durham College/University of Ontario Institute of Technology.

tunities for students and faculty to encounter one another through a series of paths, connecting courtyards and buildings.

"In addition to the student imperative, there will be a very important research capacity created," he said. "Our destiny is to become a major research university."

The Centre for Integrated Justice Studies has just opened at the college and by this summer, more new buildings will be ready: a new south wing, the Integrated Manufacturing Centre, and a new student residence.

In addition, Mr. Polonsky said construction on four other buildings will begin by the end of the year and be ready for summer 2004.

Two new academic build-

ings, a library for both the college and university, and a cafeteria that will have the flexibility to be converted into a performing arts space, are scheduled for the near future.

"We're not talking about a 10-year wish list," said Mr. Polonsky. "We are talking about a two-year reality."

Diamond-Schmidt has an international reputation that ranges from a city hall in

Jerusalem, to a symphony hall in Detroit, and a \$100-million computer-science research building for the University of Toronto. The firm was chosen from a field of 40.

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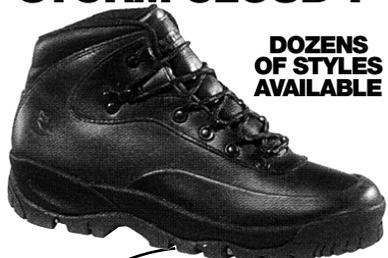
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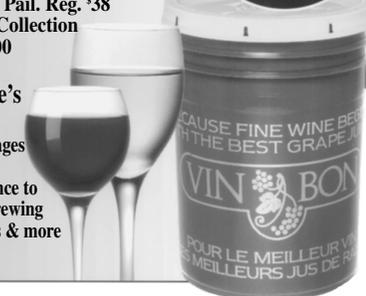
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DR. ROBERT KYLE
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Distribution is part of the provincial nuclear emergency plan (PNEP), and is being co-ordinated by the Durham Region Health Department and Durham Emergency Measures Office (DEMO). In the event of a serious nuclear accident, radio-iodine may be released. The KI pills protect the thyroid gland, preventing or reducing the absorption of radio-iodine.

"KI pills are to be taken only upon direction from Emergency Measures Ontario as a protective measure for dealing with the effects of a nuclear emergency," said Dr. Robert Kyle, Durham's medical officer of health.

Under the PNEP, the pills are made available to people who live or work within an approximate three-kilometre radius, known as the contiguous zone, of the Pickering or Darlington nuclear stations.

In Pickering, the boundaries are Whites Road in the west, Hwy. 401 in the north and Duffins Creek to the east. Drug stores with the pills are the Bay Ridges Pharmacy on Bayly Street, Guardian Main Drug Mart on Glenanna Road and the Liverpool Pharmacy on Krosno Boulevard.

In Darlington, the boundaries are Courtice Road to the west, Baseline Road to the north and Waverley Road to the east. Pharmacies with the tablets are Guardian Drugs at 130 Waverley Rd.

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The pills, which have been distributed for years, come with an expiry date and should be replaced at that time. For those living outside the three-kilometre zone, pills will be provided at reception centres set up in the event of a nuclear emergency.

"The recommended dosage is found on information sheets delivered with the tablets," Dr. Kyle added.

For more information on the tablets or the PNEP, call the health department at 905-723-8521 or 1-800-841-2729, ext. 2289, or call DEMO at 905-430-2792 or 1-877-938-7426.



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A real balancing act...

DURHAM — Students from around the region turned out at the Durham Forest Environmental Education Centre last week as part of a Durham District School Board schools program to encourage environmental appreciation and to teach the benefits of teamwork. Here, students (from left) Sabrina Grove, Alison Weick, Miranda Caterer, Connor Fitzgerald and Taylor Collins work together to keep their balance on this wooden frame during one of the day's exercises.

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The fight continues...

Ten years after her daughter Kristen's murder, Donna French continues to raise awareness

BY MARTIN DERBYSHIRE
Staff Writer

PICKERING — It was Thursday, April 16, 1992 when 15-year-old Kristen French was abducted from a church parking lot in St. Catharines.

She had reportedly stopped on her way home from school to give a young couple directions when they dragged her into their car and sped away.

Fourteen days after that her body was found and only later would her family discover she was one of the victims in one of this country's most horrific crimes.

On the 10-year anniversary of the abduction, as her killers Karla Homolka and Paul Bernardo languished in separate penitentiaries, Kristen's mother Donna French came to Pickering.

She came as a special guest of Dunbarton High School students, and told them about her experience, her pain, her loss and what they can do to end the violence that took her daughter and still plagues society today.

"Each and every one of us is a potential victim," she told the crowd of more than 400. "Yes, it can happen and it does. Every one of us has a responsibility to try and reduce violence. Violence affects us all."

Mrs. French described the experience of discovering her daughter was missing. She said feelings of "shock" and "fear" turned quickly into "no sleep that night and for many nights to



DONNA FRENCH
'Paul Bernardo and Karla Homolka took her youth, her innocence and her life, but they could not take her spirit.'

come.

"I remember jumping every time the phone rang, praying it was Kristen, but I soon had no doubt someone had taken her."

She also spoke of the deep sadness the family experienced when Kristen's body was finally discovered.

It was April 30 and police had found a young girl's body in nearby Burlington. Mrs. French said she remembers praying it wouldn't be her daughter, but knowing somehow it was.

Then police came to her home, sat her and her husband down and gave

them the news. Police said they found her in a field, it looked like she was sleeping, but she had been sexually assaulted and asphyxiated.

"In that moment our family crumbled," she said. "We would never be the same again. Someone would forever be missing."

But, Mrs. French also reminded the Dunbarton students her experiences are not all that uncommon.

"Our story is just one of many," she said describing several meetings with families also hit hard by violence over the last 10 years. "The list goes on and on."

In addition to encouraging people to end violence in their own communities, Mrs. French is a proponent for victims rights and is also fighting for changes to section 7.45 of the Criminal Code, a "loophole" that allows convicted murderers to apply for parole after 15 years of imprisonment.

"It makes a farce out of our life sentence," she said. "The result is they're back in society after 15 years. Is that justice? I think not."

She said she would continue to lobby for changes to the code and never forget those who took her daughter away — the sick and depraved couple she describes as "pure evil."

"Paul Bernardo and Karla Homolka took her youth, her innocence and her life, but they could not take her spirit. Still, for a grieving family they took too much."

Mrs. French admits she is still grieving, but added breaking the cycle of violence is a cause worth dredging up old feelings of pain and sorrow for.

"We will not tolerate violence. Taking violence out of our society is our responsibility," she said. "Together we can make a difference."

Gay high school student gets his day in court

Marc Hall makes his pitch for prom May 6 and 7

DURHAM — Marc Hall's court case will be heard in Whitby in two weeks.

The gay Oshawa high school student is seeking an injunction against the Durham Catholic District School Board and Michael Powers, principal of Monsignor John Pereyema Catholic Secondary School, which would enable him to bring his boyfriend to the school's May 10 prom.

Mr. Powers refused Mr. Hall's request, a decision supported by trustees at the April 8 board meeting. The board says same-sex dating is homosexual behaviour, which the Catholic Church does not condone.

Two days after the board meeting, Mr. Hall announced he was suing the board. Because he is not an adult, Toronto MPP George Smitherman, one of Mr. Hall's supporters and a homosexual, will act as his litigation guardian.

Lawyers for Mr. Hall and the board in a recent conference call agreed to set aside May 6 and 7 for the case.

It will be heard at the Ontario Superior Court of Justice on Rossland Road.

Peter Lauwers of Miller Thomson

Barristers and Solicitors is representing the board. In an interview he said it's unlikely, but not impossible, that witnesses will testify.

"This kind of a case, an interlocutory injunction, normally goes by way of paper," said Mr. Lauwers.

He explained Mr. Hall's lawyer, David Corbett, has filed sworn, written witness statements, or affidavits, with the court and he will be doing the same.

In court, each lawyer will have the right to cross-examine the statements.

Mr. Hall is also seeking an injunction to prevent the prom from being cancelled altogether, along with \$100,000 in damages, and declarations that the board and Mr. Powers violated his rights under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Education Act.



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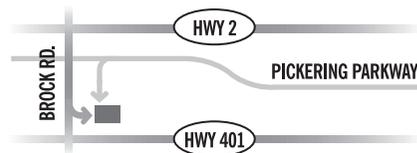
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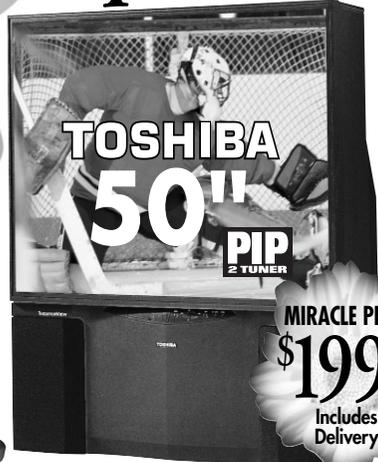
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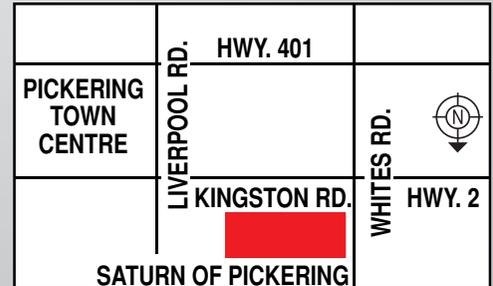
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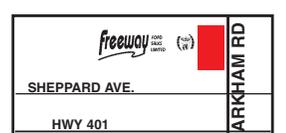


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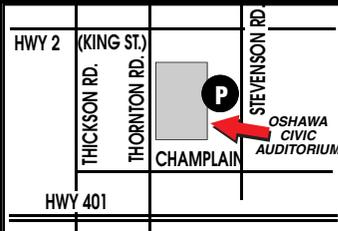


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Poachers taking advantage: OPSEU

Ministry disputes claim by striking workers

BY PAULO SANTOS

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DURHAM — Hunters and anglers are taking advantage of the Ontario Public Services Employees Unions strike by poaching fish, deer and other wildlife out of season, striking conservation officers warn.

But the Ministry of Natural Resources denies it's aware of any illegal activity occurring because of the strike.

Mark Russell, district investigator with the Ontario Conservation Officers Association's (OCA) Aurora district, said spring is a critical time of year and there's no one protecting fish while they're spawning or animals from being poached.

"Because people know that conservation officers are on strike, they are being blatant abusers of the law," he said. "They have no fear of that conservation officer jumping out from behind a tree."

The Aurora district covers the regions of Durham, York, Halton, Peel and the City of Toronto.

But Paul Demers, spokesman for the Ministry of Natural Resources, said he hasn't been made aware of any illegal activity.

"I think that most of the people in the province are law-abiding," he said. "People who care about the natural resources are usually the ones that are the most law-abiding."

Mr. Demers added there are enforcement supervisors on the job working to protect wildlife and natural resources, but because of the strike, the number has been reduced to about 28 from 221 across the province.

"These are conservation officers," he said. "But they are also the bosses of the conservation officers. In their managing role, they are excluded from the strike."

While Mr. Russell said he has not witnessed any illegal activity, he said there are signs that it is happening.

"In the Durham Region, in me taking my family for walks and visiting other relatives across the region, I've seen numerous vi-



Conservation officers conduct a picket outside MPP Jerry Ouellette's Oshawa riding office last week. They claim poachers are taking advantage of the strike and are fishing and hunting illegally.

olations," he maintained. "If I can see them in a matter of a half-an-hour's drive home, then there is a lot of it occurring."

Mr. Demers encouraged people to report those abusing the law.

"If anyone does know of any activity that is happening illegal-

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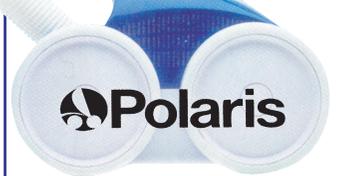
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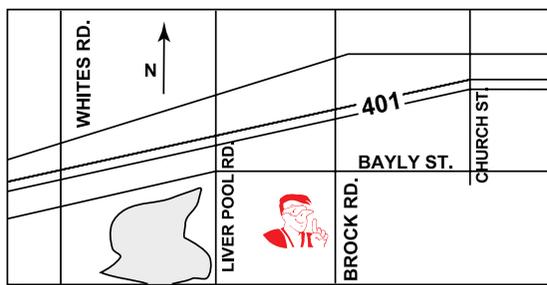
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Petals & Home is celebrating their first anniversary and a special celebration is planned for Saturday, May 4th and Sunday, May 5th. To help celebrate, customers will receive a free gift just for visiting. Special discount coupons (see ad) are also being offered. Marianne says, "This would be the perfect time to pick up a very special Mother's Day gift."

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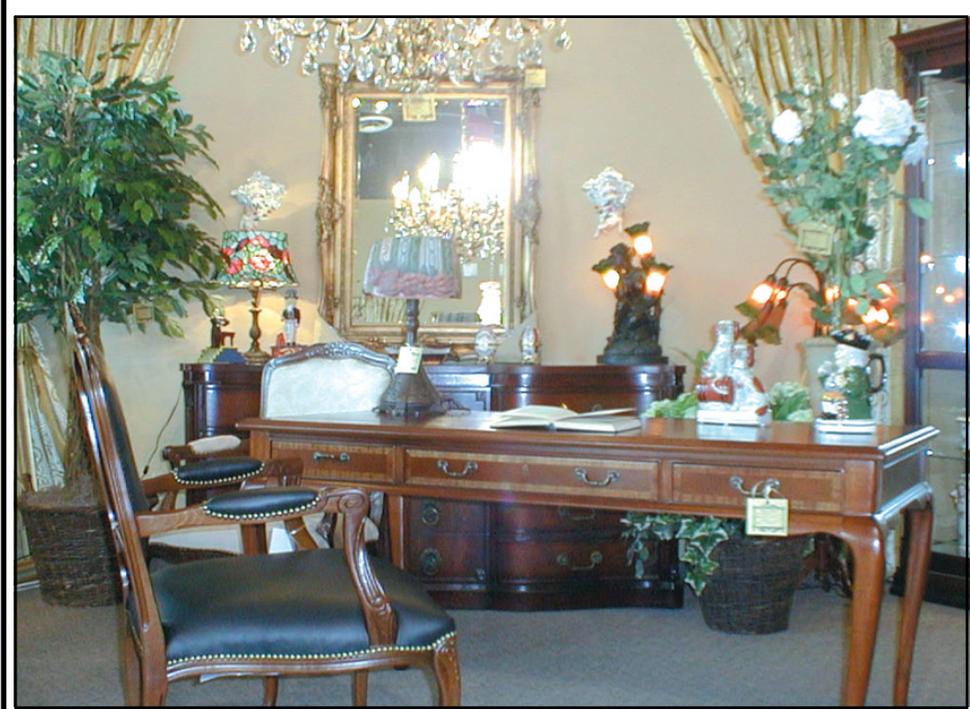
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"We are so happy to receive this award," says Jason. "We try to do our best everyday, and this award proves that we are doing our best."

Dolphin Pool and Spa Supplies has also received the Most Outstanding New Beachcomber hot tub dealer, for excellent service and great sales.

"We would like to take this time to thank the community of Ajax for their support," says Jason. "It is because of them that we have been



Dolphin Pool and Spa Supplies is located at 65 Kingston Rd. in Ajax.

able to accomplish so much."

Recently, Dolphin Pool and Spa Supplies made an addition to the family by hiring Roy Cowan.

"Roy's strong sales background and extensive knowledge of chemicals is sure to benefit our customers," says Jason.

"We will do anything to keep our customers happy."

Dolphin Pool and Spa Supplies is located at 65 Kingston Rd. in Ajax. For more information visit their website at www.dolphinpools.net, or call them at (905)686-6420, or even email them at jason@dolphinpools.net.



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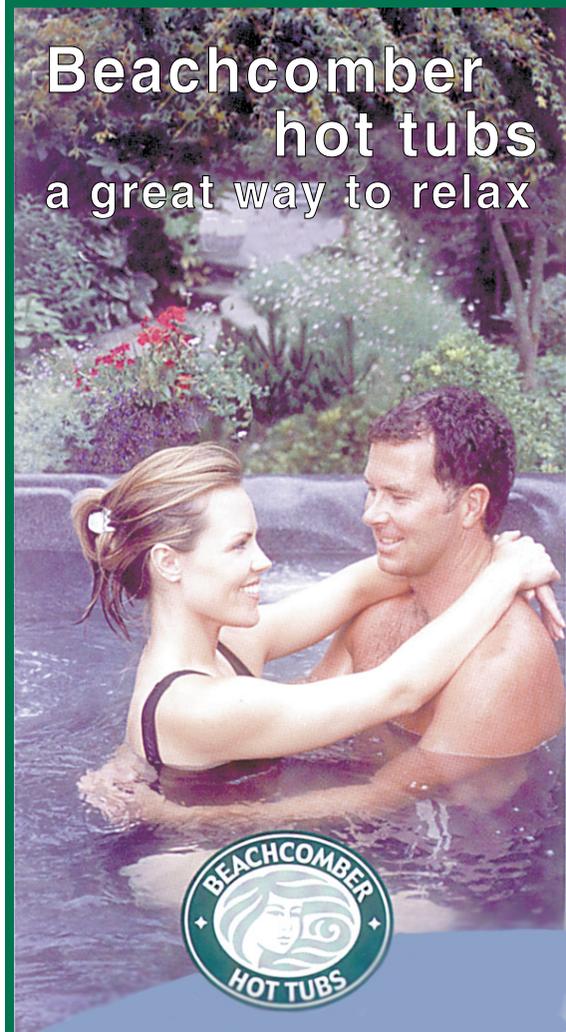
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Some adults test positive for TB

DURHAM — Two TB clinics held here Sunday and Monday yielded some positive test results.

"As expected, these clinics saw a small number of positive results in adults," confirms Glendene Collins, spokesman for the Durham Region Health Department. "This reflects exposure that may have occurred years ago and ... are not related to this investigation."

Health officials, including Lakeridge Health Oshawa, have assessed about 400 patients, family members and hospital visitors following the death of one baby from the disease

and a diagnosis of tuberculosis in a Durham Region infant.

"To date, all skin tests in children have been negative," says Ms. Collins. "The health department is continuing to read skin tests today (Thursday, April 25)."

Officials announced last Friday, April 19, they were looking into the two cases of infant TB exposure. The Durham child is still being treated at the Toronto Hospital for Sick Children, which tested a similar number of people at the beginning of the week who may have been exposed to the disease in its neonatal intensive care unit between Dec. 5, 2001 and Feb. 5, 2002.

The Durham baby was one of those infected and therefore the call

went out to anyone who may have come into contact with the baby at Lakeridge Health Oshawa when the infant was a patient April 8 to 12. The local child was transferred back to The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto April 12 where treatment is ongoing.

It is doubtful any active cases of TB will be discovered but because the illness can be so devastating to young children all infants who may have been exposed are automatically receiving antibiotics. For those adults who tested positive, it does not necessarily mean they have active TB disease.

"These people are being seen by their own physicians for assessment and follow-up," says Ms. Collins.

Rouge Valley hospitals announce new CEO

AJAX — Rouge Valley Health System (RVHS), operator of hospital sites in Ajax and Scarborough, has named a new chief executive officer to replace Allan Whiting.

Mr. Whiting announced his retirement in late 2001.

Hume Martin, currently chief regional officer and executive director of Alberta Children's Hospital of the Calgary Regional Health Authority, takes over July 8.

Greg Anderson, chairman of the RVHS board of directors, said Mr. Martin is the right person to take over at this time.

"He has a strong track record of decisiveness and an ability to assist

boards in choosing their priorities wisely," said Mr. Anderson. "We are confident that under Mr. Martin's leadership Rouge Valley will continue to grow, to improve its facilities and services, and to make new inroads in providing the best health care possible to the people of east Toronto and west Durham."

Mr. Martin has more than 20 years of experience in health-care administration.

He joined the senior management team of North York General Hospital in 1982 and was appointed hospital president in 1986. Three years later, Mr. Martin left Toronto to become executive director of the Bermuda Hospi-

tals Board, and in 1994 returned to Canada as CEO of the Essex County District Health Council in Windsor.

Since 1997, Mr. Martin's work with Alberta Children's Hospital has included serving on the Calgary Regional Health Authority's (CRHA) senior management team, with responsibility for strategic and service planning, system performance measurement and policy development.

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Amnesty group turns 25

Durham residents making a difference in fight against political persecution

BY MICHAEL PELHAM
Special to the News Advertiser

AJAX — It was visions of imprisonment and torture that drove Dorothy Westney to do something about human rights abuses taking place around the world.

In 1977, the former teacher and Ajax resident was watching a 'Man Alive' news program about political prisoners being cruelly punished in foreign countries and was so moved she had to do something about it. Twenty-five years later, there are 281 residents from across Durham Region working as part of a group with Ms. Westney to dedicate themselves to helping deliver people worldwide from persecution because of their political beliefs.

April 23 marked the 25th anniversary of Amnesty International Group 90 Ajax and Pickering. Amnesty International is a worldwide organization dedicated to advocating the re-

lease of political prisoners and victims of inhumane treatment.

Alex Neve, secretary general for Amnesty International Canada, was the guest speaker at a special celebration which also included music and other entertainment.

Over the years, Ms. Westney has written many letters and recalled some successful stories, including one government that gave in to the flood of letters and public pressure.

"One chap was getting so many letters all over the world," she said. "The governor of the state called him and said 'take your box of letters and get out of here, I never want to see you again'."

Ms. Westney admitted she never expects to hear of success stories, but adds it's rewarding when she does. "When reading something like that I think, 'why doesn't everybody belong to (Amnesty International)?' We could do so much better."

The more people who write, the better the chance the prisoner has, she said. "It is the volume; (the government) is afraid of public opinion."

The local Amnesty chapter was formed after Ms. Westney and a small group of her friends began writing letters to Ottawa out of their local

churches to rally for their causes.

And the group's work is far from done.

"There are many countries still not caring of human life," Ms. Westney said. "They don't have the same value we put on it. Life's expendable."

Membership for Amnesty International is \$35 yearly. That includes a bulletin every two months with a list of causes to write for.

There are also special speakers at meetings, such as Stephanie Coward, a musician, actor and activist against capital punishment, who performed at the recent March 23 gathering.

Ms. Westney also admitted the success of Group 90 wasn't foreseen when the letter writing began.

"I think it's the loyalty of all those in the past that have joined and have kept up their membership even though they move away," Ms. Westney said.

"That's why it's grown."

But, she added, in order to keep growing, it's important to get the young people of the community interested. "We're not going to be around forever, so there must be young people to take it up," she said.

Call 905-683-4721 for more information.



Dorothy Westney peruses some of the information crucial to the efforts of the local Amnesty International chapter. The Ajax resident was one of the founders of the local chapter.

Eat well, but stay safe

With barbecue season here, Ajax fire officials offer timely tips to keep you cookin'

AJAX — It's time to spark up the grill and cook a few burgers and dogs over an open flame.

But, Ajax Fire and Emergency Services wants residents to be careful their barbecue isn't Old Smokey.

"Propane and natural gas barbecues are safe and convenient if you maintain and use them properly," said Thom Evered, Ajax chief fire prevention officer.

Unfortunately, many people are needlessly injured every year while lighting their barbecue, he added.

Before starting the barbecue, test all connections and hoses for leaks by using a 50-50 solution of soap and water. Don't use matches, lighters or flames to check for leaks.

Check for insect nests and spider webs, as clogged tubes can cause a fire. Replace worn

and rusted parts, while old or corroded burners should also be replaced.

Clean everything thoroughly.

Light the match or lighter before opening the valve.

And, always barbecue in a well-ventilated area, away from windows and combustible surfaces.

If you smell gas, immediately shut off the supply from the tank and turn off the burner controls.

Extinguish any open flame and open the grill lid to ventilate the gas.

Should the odour continue, contact your gas supplier or the fire department.

Other items not to forget in-

clude:

- When moving your propane cylinder from one spot to another, be sure all valves are closed and the canister is in an upright position;
 - Keep children a safe distance away, as the barbecue surface is hot and can cause burns;
 - Never leave a lit barbecue unattended;
 - After cooking, always turns off the barbecue and turn off the gas supply; and
 - Always follow the manufacturer's instructions before using or repairing your barbecue.
- For more information, call Ajax Fire and Emergency Services at 905-683-7791.

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A lesson learned on drinking and driving

It takes a mighty effort to get that blood-alcohol level over .08

BY CRYSTAL CRIMI
Staff Writer

DURHAM — How many drinks does it take before you can be charged with exceeding a .08 blood-alcohol concentration (BAC)?

Probably a lot more than you think.

Recently, I was given a unique opportunity to see how much I could drink before blowing over .08. By the time I reached the deadly number there was no way I could have driven home — I was loaded like a gun.

Drinking is not a big pastime for me and I'm frequently labelled a 'cheap drunk', so when the Durham Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the Durham Regional Police asked me how much I thought I could drink without blowing over .08, I thought four ounces would get me there, or pretty close.

The BAC experiment I participated in is part of MADD's attempt to prove people are too impaired to drive by the time they hit a BAC of .05, never mind .08. MADD has been lobbying the federal government to have the BAC dropped to .05.

After all seven participants arrived by limousine and were fed a moderate lunch (two sandwiches and a couple of bonbons for me), it was noon and time for the good times to roll. My drink of choice was the traditional screwdriver — two ounces of vodka with orange juice as the mix.

The first one went down fast and though I am ashamed to admit it, it did have a slight effect. I would have thought if I got into my car with a slight buzz I could kiss my licence goodbye for the next year, the traditional penalty for those convicted on the first offence for drunk driving.

Not so. After finishing my second double — about an hour after I began drinking — my head was a whirlpool. There was no way I could have driven and stayed in my own lane — yet I could have driven without losing my licence. I took the breathalyser and roadside test, but was only at .038 not even halfway there. I walked a straight line (I think), said the alphabet, and was able to touch my nose. Although an observer who doesn't know me could have been fooled into believing I was OK, I was buzzing like a bee.

The numbers came as a surprise to me. I'm 5-foot-5 and only 110 pounds, so the likelihood of blowing over .08 after two doubles in just an hour seemed high. My test results were recorded, then MADD and the police threw me back into the lion's drinking den to guzzle even more.

Quickly I began to forget I had only met one or two people in the room — now everyone was becoming my friend. By six ounces, I was in serious blabbering, chucklehead mode; in other words, drunk. I also began to



Reporter Crystal Crimi tries to focus during a test to see how much alcohol she could consume before being considered legally impaired. Her experience taught her a lot about the effects alcohol has on her body.

look hammered — as those who were stone cold sober pointed out. My eyes were bloodshot, glassy and lazy, my face burning red. I slurped back another.

By my fourth and last drink, it was storytime through slurred words — the kind where you start telling strangers about the time you got drunk and... I wasn't just drunk anymore, I was toasted.

I wouldn't have been able to ride a bicycle without crashing it into the nearest ditch, never mind being able to drive my car.

My police friend, who I like to call my 'drinker coach,' recorded what time I finished my fourth drink — about two-and-a-half hours since beginning my first — and sent me to do the tests again 15 minutes later. By this point, I wanted to blow over so I could stop drinking.

By test time, I wasn't sitting, but falling, into the chair in front of the breathalyser and then blew a number I was amazed to see: just .077, not even .08. I said my alphabet, mixing up one or two of the letters, couldn't stop laughing at the officer testing me, could barely follow his pen with my eyes, like one of those people on the TV show 'COPS' who cause viewers to laugh because of how drunk they are.

I'd had enough of the game and was tapped out. I asked if I was required to keep drinking and clearly noted how much I wanted to stop — there was no way my next sip could have gone down. Instead of forcing me to continue, we waited another 15 minutes to see if my reading changed. Half an hour after my last drink — without having anything else, I finally hit and exceeded the legal limit — I blew .102 or 102 mg of alcohol per 100 ml of blood.

The reason for the higher breathalyser reading, according to the police,

is that it takes about half-an-hour after your last drink to reach your BAC peak.

So three hours after beginning my first of eight ounces of vodka I finally blew over — I had no idea how drunk you have to be for the Criminal Code to deem you incapable of driving. Before doing the test, I would have thought someone could have blown over after feeling just a little buzzed.

Some might say, "Well my friend only had four beers in a couple of hours and blew over." After doing this test, my own response to that is, how much did your friend drink before those four beers?

It wasn't so much how many drinks I could consume that scared me, but how thoroughly drunk I was by the time I actually blew over. True, the eight ounces might not have as severe an effect on a 200-pound man, but after drinking them, he's not likely to blow nearly as high as I did, either.

Of the seven participants in the MADD study, only one said he was totally fine to drive after consuming four ounces of alcohol. Of the six people who said they wouldn't drive, everyone blew under .05.

Two laws people often confuse are impaired driving and exceeding .08 BAC.

The charge of impaired driving can be brought against any motorist showing impairment to operate a vehicle due to lack of sleep, or consumption of drugs or alcohol, regardless of the breathalyser reading.

Exceeding .08 BAC pertains strictly to the amount of alcohol consumed by a driver. Currently, when someone blows .05 to .0799, he faces a 12-hour licence suspension.

MADD will use the results from the BAC experiment to try and convince the federal government the charge needs to be lowered to exceeding .05.

Farm fund-raiser supports programs

WindReach hosts special event to help special people

DURHAM — Walk and roll at WindReach Farm.

The annual walk and roll fund-raiser to support programs at the farm, which is accessible for people with special needs, is Saturday, May 25 from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Residents can walk or in-line skate and sponsor one of the animals to accompany them on the trail. Carl the rabbit and Nubian goats Jillian, Jessie and Jazz will participate in the six-kilome-

tre course. Following the event participants can visit the petting zoo and the museum and purchase a barbecue lunch.

Pledge forms are available at the main branch of the Oshawa Public Library on Bagot Street, the Information Oshawa kiosk in the Oshawa Centre, the Whitby Chamber of Commerce office on Brock Street South or by calling the farm at 905-655-5827.

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Jason is back -- from the future

Following are the new movie releases being screened this weekend at local cinemas:

JASON X
 Starring Kane Hodder, Lexa Doig, Lisa Ryder.
 Directed by James Isaac

In the year 2455, long after humans have abandoned Earth, professor Yilo and his students of archeology are on a field trip to the old planet now contaminated and abandoned for centuries. Yet humans have returned to the deadly place they once fled - not to live, but to research the artifacts of the lost civilizations.

Soon, they discover a research facility where two people are cryogenically frozen: one a young woman, the other a male in a strange mask.

The students bring the bodies back to their spaceship in hopes of resuscitating them. There's only one problem: the auto-regeneration procedure has somehow been triggered. The frozen cryo-jell is melting like a block of ice and soon the two bodies will thaw and deteriorate!

With time running out, the young explorers return to their starship and blast-off for Earth II, where they are surprisingly able to revive Rowan, the young woman. But very soon, these students will come face-to-face with a shocking, totally new form of evil as Jason comes back to life as well and begins to silently stalk them through the corridors of the spacecraft.

LIFE OR SOMETHING LIKE IT
 Starring Angelina Jolie, Edward Burns, Tony Shalhoub, Christian Kane.
 Directed by Stephen Herek.

What would you do if you thought you only had one week left to live? Would you radically change what was left of your life? Re-evaluate your values and priorities?

Those are the last questions in the world Lanie Kerrigan (Angelina Jolie) thought she'd ever have to face. A feature reporter at a Seattle television station, Lanie thinks her life is perfect. Perfect job. Perfect apart-



Jason, the maniacal murderer in the goalie mask, is up to more mayhem in 'Jason X', playing this weekend in local cinemas.

ment. Perfect wardrobe. Perfect boyfriend.

But her 'perfect' world starts unravelling after a homeless street seer (Tony Shalhoub) tells Lanie she leads a meaningless existence, and will die the fol-

lowing week. When the savant's other predictions come true, Lanie begins to re-examine her life and priorities, all in a whirlwind one-week period.

As if things weren't crazy enough for Lanie, romantic sparks fly as she reluctantly teams with a cameraman (Edward Burns) with whom she has long been at odds.

FRANK MCKLUSKY, C.I.
 Starring Dave Sheridan, Frank Monaco.
 Directed by Arlene Sanford.

Frank McKlusky is an insurance claims investigator who takes his job a little too seriously. As a child, he watched his daredevil father wipe out in a horribly-conceived motorcycle stunt and since then, Frank's developed an unhealthy aversion to any kind of risk: he lives with his parents, wears a helmet everywhere he goes and lives his life strictly by the rules.

For a complete listing of what's playing at local cinemas this weekend, contact your local operator.

Native arts, crafts on display

DURHAM — The Mississaugas of Scugog Island are hosting a Native arts and crafts show this Saturday, April 27.

On display will be a wide-range of work by First Nation artisans from all over the province. Local talent will include painter and sculptor Don

Chase. The event is at the Health and Resource Centre, 22600 Island Rd. and will include refreshments, door prizes and a 50/50 draw.

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Of course a number of staff and former staff were invited to the reception including Lisa and her husband Geoff. Everyone looked so beautiful including Ryan's sister Erin fresh from a double burn at Fabutan and 5 hours at the hairdresser. Ryan's

Mom, Linda (who also works for us) was transformed for this day. She said it was Erin's hairdresser who did it. Most of all my wife Sherry looked absolutely stunning for the occasion. The highlight of the reception was when Ryan looked at Carey during his toast and said how beautiful she looked as she walked down the aisle.

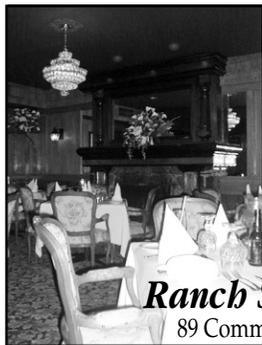
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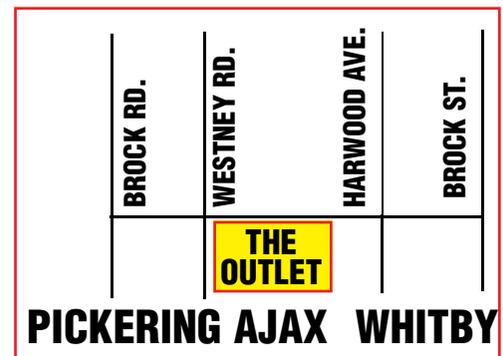


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Berlin rivals Paris, London for intrigue

Once an isolated outpost, Berlin is now a gateway between the East and West

BY JANE STOKES

At any time of day and night now, Berliners walk, cycle, drive, skate and jog between the east and west neighbourhoods of the city, back and forth where the Berlin Wall used to be. Indeed, residents and tourists alike also seem oblivious when crossing the old demarcation area they called "no man's land", where only 12 years ago they would have been shot.

Berliners remember no man's land exceedingly well. They remember the 30-metre wide death-strip; the empty zone of grassland between the outer and inner walls that literally locked in half the city. It was the Soviet-built buffer zone for the Berlin Wall and it was reserved solely for guard towers, watch-dogs and guns. Berliners can't forget the prolonged torment and yet, Germany's capital city is rebuilding at such a rapid pace now newcomers can't be expected to fully appreciate the freedom to just come and go.

I recall the last time I was here, standing at the wall on the western side, trying to peer up and over the four metre-high, 155 metre-long concrete barricade to get a better look at the dark and sombre Russian stronghold that was East Berlin. On my side, the free side, West Berliners had come to lay scores of white crosses and flowers throughout the years, each one in memory of an unsuccessful escape. During its 28-year existence, at least 160 people lost their lives in desperate attempts to cross no man's land, until one day in 1989, the Wall — which had been separating the frontiers of capitalism and communism — was suddenly chopped up, leading to the full reunification of Germany as the Soviet Union collapsed.

All at once Berlin found itself strad-

dling the border of two distinct, but no longer separate worlds. Overnight the city changed from an isolated outpost in Soviet territory to the official gateway between East and West. The city's entire foundation is a living museum and indeed, it is attracting attention.

There is no doubt it is the former East Berlin that western visitors come to see — and while the city is intent on rebuilding and blending all of Berlin together to create one, dynamic European hub, still, most people will visit Berlin for its extraordinary past.

The chance, for example, to see remnants of the communist reign, up close and personal, is an invaluable eye-opener for our immediate generation. In the century preceding it too, Berlin was the intellectual heart of Imperial Prussia and therefore, centre stage for science, medicine, education, technology, and the arts — and for entertainment. Indeed, after dark the city was equally identified for its raunchy nightclubs and adult-only cabarets.

If you are like most Berliners however, you may prefer to view this city on the leading edge for fine art, the performing arts, academics, architecture, fashion, hospitality and cuisine. The threat of nuclear holocaust taught Berliners to live like there was no tomorrow — and it has taken no time for its youth to step in and make up for lost time.

To make the most of a brief time here, consider taking an orientation city bus tour. There are plenty of them at all hours of the day, including a 'hop-on, hop-off' ticket that encourages the freedom to explore more than a dozen major sites. Germany's capital city is now home to the ballet, the symphony, three opera houses, 150 theatres, 170 museums and 300 galleries.

More information on Berlin and all of Germany is available at www.germany-tourism.de.

— News Canada



The Brandenburg Gate remains a popular tourist stop for travellers in Europe. The gate separates the former East and West Berlin.

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Extinguishing the myth

Firefighting is just one part of their demanding job

BY NATALIE MILLER
Staff Writer

DURHAM — The chief handed him a pair of boots, a helmet and a coat and he became a firefighter.

Dave Ballingall's first call came mid-afternoon in the fall of 1974. As a private citizen he frequently heard the fire alarm, an air-raid siren, wailing throughout the town of Port Perry.

This time it was calling him. He got into his vehicle and drove to the fire hall, hopped on a truck and headed to an auto wrecking yard. Employees were cutting up cars and the sparks had started a grass fire.

"I wondered what the heck I was going to do and how I was going to do it," says Mr. Ballingall, now district chief for the Township of Scugog.

That day, he was instructed to pull a hose off the truck. "They let me spray a little bit of water around," he adds.

There has been a complete turnaround in firefighter training since Mr. Ballingall first donned his gear. Firefighters are constantly learning new skills and upgrading their training throughout their careers. Yet, what they're learning has less to do with battling blazes than ever before.

The volunteer department in Scugog reports 75 per cent of its responses are to medical calls and motor vehicle collisions. Twenty-five per cent are fire-related. Meanwhile, Whitby Fire and Emergency Services saw a dramatic jump in the number of medical calls it responded to in 2001. Firefighters handled 453 more calls last year than in 2000 for ailments like difficulty breathing, heart attacks and chest pains for a total of 1,548 calls. They responded to 444 motor vehicle collisions and just 146 fires.

"It's evolved from the basic response to house fires, miscellaneous calls, accidents, wires down and garbage can fires," says Whitby Chief Kent MacCarl.

"The fire department is pretty much a catch-all. It's really difficult to keep the skills up."

While firefighters now routinely respond to medical calls, it wasn't until the late 1970s firefighters in Whitby were even trained in CPR. They only had basic training in artificial respiration.

"CPR came along and it was a really big thing," Chief MacCarl says. "We spent hours and hours practicing. I can remember some people's lips turning blue."

Back then, they learned to administer CPR on mannequins and had to provide a precise amount of air that was measured and recorded by a print-out. CPR was a stepping-stone into tiered response, which means police, ambulance and fire services attend a call. The Whitby department has been involved in tiered response for 17 years.

"Availability is part of it. (There's) the opportunity we can be there when (paramedics) can't or before them. The focus is to save lives."

In the 1980s, firefighters began responding to an increasing number of serious car crashes and underwent training through the Ontario Fire College in extrication of people from vehicles.

They spent a week in a wrecking yard tearing apart cars, says Chief MacCarl. The purpose was to familiarize themselves with a variety of vehicles they may encounter during rescue efforts. That's also when the Jaws of Life and other heavy rescue equipment became a part of their response to collisions. Firefighters also take part in ice and water rescues, respond to carbon monoxide alarms, free children locked in vehicles and rescue people trapped in elevators. Calls to handle hazardous materials were sporadic prior to Sept. 11. Following the terrorist attacks, fire departments fielded a lot more inquiries about suspicious packages and substances in light of the threat of biological and chemical warfare. Anthrax, a colourless, odorless bacteria that can cause flu-like symptoms if spores are inhaled, turned up at media and government



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Whitby firefighters Christopher Curry and Patrick Fitzpatrick perform the daily check of medical equipment.

offices in the United States. Officials speculated the cases were terrorist-related.

"There were numerous calls after Sept. 11," says Chief MacCarl. "It put us all under a lot of strain." The department was accustomed to one or two hazardous materials calls a year and that climbed to an average of three calls a month during October, November and December of 2001. That required collaboration with the Ontario Fire Marshal's office for direction. Firefighters' responsibilities shifted simultaneously with the decrease of fires.

"Over the past 15 years, there has been a decline in fires across North America," says Thom Evered, chief fire prevention officer for Ajax Fire and Emergency Services.

He says firefighters of the past extinguished blazes as a reactive response to fire. Today, there's equal effort in a proactive approach through fire prevention.

"Just being in the public eye really makes a difference," he notes.

The Ajax department teaches fire safety to seniors, physically-challenged residents and babysitters and reaches school children from pre-school to Grade 8 through its Learn Not to Burn program. Beginning May 1, firefighters will go door-to-door to ensure Ajax residents aren't living in homes filled with hazards. A Safe at Home visit takes around 15 minutes and involves a firefighter's check of basements, utility rooms, storage areas, kitchens, sheds and garages for potential fire risks. The department's goal is to cover every residence in the town over the next 10 years. Ron Morgan, as a youth during his fire-fighting days with the Pickering Fire Service, observed the construction of a fire station near his home in the area of Kingston and Rosebank roads. The fire hall, then run by volunteers, opened in 1952. The 15-year-old boy who watched the station go up joined the 20-man roster the following year, along with two other teens.

"We became the gophers," says Mr. Morgan, 64, who now lives in Aylmer, Que. "Manpower was hard to come by."

He recalls why there were more blazes then. Most of their calls were to house and barn blazes and grass fires he says.

"Everybody burned everything in the ditch," Mr. Morgan says.

Ajax fire department rookies Dan Bonnar, (right), and Dustin Watson are part of a new breed of firefighters.

Buildings also had fire codes of greater lenience back then, which contributed to more blazes.

Mr. Morgan moved into the fire prevention section in 1976 and retired five years ago. When he was hired, the only requirement was a Grade 10 education. Now, many wannabe firefighters undergo "stringent" training through York University that involves physical and medical tests, says Chief MacCarl. Some hopefuls choose to attend community college programs, which combine theory and practical training. It's an asset, but not mandatory, in order to be hired by the Whitby department. The chief predicts in the future fire departments will recruit from college programs.

Depending on the department, potential firefighters may be required to complete an aptitude test, have training in CPR and First Aid and possess a DZ driver's licence that permits the operation of a truck with air brakes. Dustin Watson is acting on his childhood dreams of becoming a firefighter.

The 29-year-old Ajax resident started with the department in that town on April 15 after leaving his job as an elementary school teacher in Pickering. He taught grades 3 and 4 and physical education at Altona Forest Public School for nearly two years while volunteering for the Ajax fire service. Attending the Ontario Fire College for training was the turning point for him. Despite the increasing responsibilities and shifting focus of the job, men and women remain enthusiastic about the fire and emergency services field.

"The competition is pretty stiff," says Chief MacCarl. "There's always been a high interest in the fire service."



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Local curling season draws to a close

Norton rink tops men's league; Leslie skins foes; Avonlea team cashes in at Last Chance bonspiel

BY JIM EASSON

Special to the News Advertiser

AJAX — The Gord Norton rink swept up top honours as the Annandale Curling Club's men's competitive league completed play last Wednesday night.

In the main event, the Norton foursome captured the Jack Rauch Trophy after defeating the Paul Boyland rink.

The Barry Moylan rink won the 'B' event crown; 'C' winners were the Harry Nolte foursome; Ken Bolsby's rink captured the 'D' crown; the 'E' category went to the Barry Gillespie team and the 'F' division title went to the Arthur McCrorie foursome.

The Warren Leslie rink won the Annandale skins playdown, taking \$270 of the \$395 purse.

The final was played between the Leslie and Jon Payne rinks.

Over the season of skins play, the Leslie team divided \$404; Payne shared \$317.50 and the David Lloyd rink won \$130.

The Ted Anderson rink from Avonlea won the main event and \$500 top prize at the season-ending annual Men's Last Chance Bonspiel at Annandale last weekend.

Runners-up were the Avonlea team skipped by Floyd Dempster.

The second event went to Jeff Thomas, also of Avonlea, over Annandale's Ken Cribby foursome. Third and fourth events went to Annandale teams — Gerry Pinkney over Keith Metakos, and David Lloyd over Leslie, respectively.

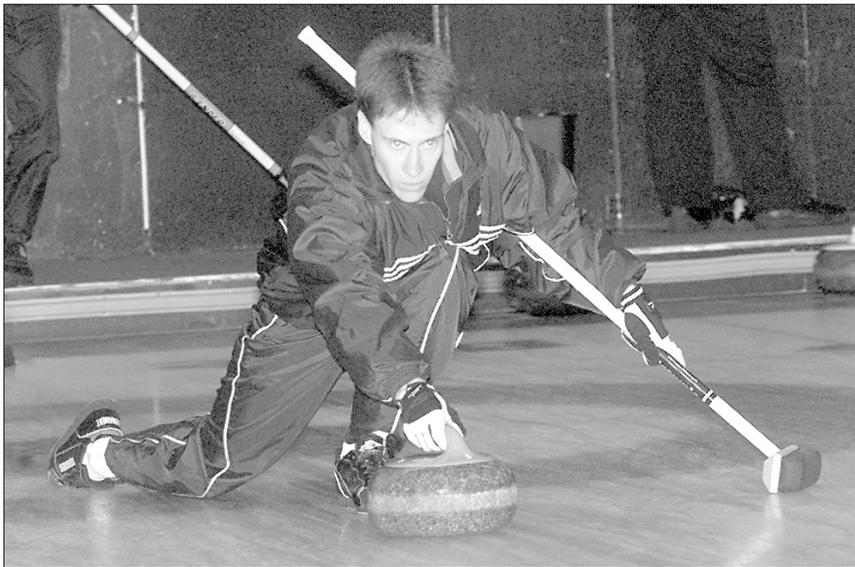
With Anderson were teammates Andrew Edgar, Mike Nelson and Brian Costello.

The event was full with 32 teams and a waiting list.

Ten teams were out of club, and a total purse of \$2,200 went to the winners.

Sunday saw the youth leagues' closing banquet, awarding of trophies.

Following the banquet, the curling sheets were turned over to the ice skaters at the conclusion of the Last Chance men's bonspiel.



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Jamie Pilgrim gets set to deliver the rock to the house while competing with his Annandale Curling Club team at the annual Last Chance Bonspiel at the Ajax-based club last Saturday. Clubs from across the GTA competed at the event that signals the end of the curling season

Sign up for summer of hoops dreams

DURHAM — The Durham West Youth Summer Basketball League is set to begin its fifth season on the court with registrations in the coming days.

Players can sign up Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. to noon or Monday, April 29 from 7 to 8 p.m. at Archbishop Denis O'Connor Catholic Secondary School, 80 Mandrake St., in Ajax.

The league is for girls' born in 1985 to 1989 or boys born in 1987 to 1992. Cost is \$95 per player. The cost rises to \$105 for those who register after April 29.

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Local tramp Dragons post sky-high results

Vivian leads the way at trampoline provincials with silver medal

AJAX — A Sky Dragons Trampoline Club athlete posted a silver-medal-winning performance at the Ontario Trampoline and Tumbling Provincial Championships in Toronto April 5 to 7.

Hosted by Etobicoke Gymnastics, the meet attracted athletes from across the province, including six from the Sky Dragons club.

Leading the way for the Sky Dragons was Joshua Vivian who captured the overall silver

in the open male category. Teammate Derek Marsham finished sixth in the same division.

Meanwhile, in the level 1 female (11 to 13 age group), Caitlin Tizzard finished seventh and Julia Crawford was eighth. In 13 to 15, Corissa Vivian placed 11th and Sara Hunt was 14th.

All sixth achieved personal best scores.

At the interclub trampoline competition at Skyriders Trampoline Place in Richmond Hill Saturday, April 20, Sky Dragons Trampoline Club members soared to solid results.

In the beginner ladies' category, the Sky Dragons made a clean sweep of the top-five

placings.

Teala Kozmik finished first, followed by Anika Reece in second. Caitlin Howe was third, Nadine Schlink was fourth and Heather MacDonald came in fifth.

In the beginner men's division, Eric Hallam placed second, Jesse McKay was fifth and Sean Turcotte finished sixth.

In the novice men's category, Jason Au was first, Munro Chambers was second, Thomas Chambers was third and Greg Zaharias finished fourth.

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215 Campers, Trailers, Sites

2000 Palomino tent trailer, sleeps 8, 3 way fridge, furnace, 3 burner stove, screened room. Call (905)439-5751

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230 Sports Equipment

1973 AIR STREAM TRAILER, 20' Land Yacht globetrotter, single axle, new tires, awning, all original, rare model, needs some restoration. Full price \$7500. Call (905)619-0137

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Local boys have best Attack in Ontario

Black club finishes first, while Reds third at midget championships

BY CHARLEY MISNER

Special to the News Advertiser

DURHAM — Talk about a double threat. The Durham Attack fielded two of the top three midget boys volleyball teams in Ontario this year.

The Attack Black won the gold medal at the Ontario Tier I championships in Oakville last weekend, while the Attack Red team earned bronze.

The Black entered the tourney seeded third among the 10 teams, while the Red was ranked 10th.

The Black went 4-0 in round-robin play. After earning a bye in the first round of the playoffs, they wound up playing Attack Red, winning 25-19, 25-17.

In the gold medal game, the Attack Black downed the Ottawa Kangaroos 25-11, 19-25 and 15-8.

"We went into this tournament ranked third, so we certainly faced some tough teams that we had to beat," said Attack Black coach Phil Ovsenek. "Realistically, we were probably the team to beat going in. We've won two of the four tournaments so far this year."

The Red went 3-1 in round-robin play, losing only to Waterloo.

In the playoffs, the Attack Red defeated the Stingrays, from York Region 25-11, 25-13 before losing to Attack Black.

In the bronze medal game, Attack Red had a rematch with Waterloo, winning 25-11, 19-25 and 15-8.

The Red came into the tournament on a roll after finishing second at the recent Tier II tournament in Ottawa. That result earned



Members of the Durham Attack Black and Red midget boys' volleyball squads had plenty to smile about after capturing medals at the recent provincial championships.

them entry into the Tier 1 Championships.

Attack Red coach Graham Hewitt said he was proud of his team's achievements. Hewitt said the Attack Black team is composed of mainly second-year players, while Red is made up of mostly first-year players.

The squads practice together, which Ovsenek said is a vital component to the success of both teams.

"That's why we really practice together, (because) we run the same system," he said. "From a club perspective, we're (looking) at the next levels up. We want them to all have the same basics, same type of team systems. So, they're ready to move onto the juvenile, junior (divisions) and beyond, hopefully."

Most of the players on the two teams are from Oshawa, Whitby Ajax and Pickering,

Hewitt said.

Members of Attack Black are Eric Cunniffe, Chris Ganesh, Chris Graham (captain), Kent Howe, Marc Jackson, Jordan Matthews, Matt Melissis, Jason Moreau, Steve Oram, Evan Rosser (assistant captain) and Chris Wright.

Members of Attack Red are Matt Brooks, Kyle Costello, Greg Dionne, Greg Donnahue, Andrew Dymont (assistant co-captain), Jason Fleming, Pat Johnston, Tim Millar, Jake Patte (assistant co-captain), Aaron Racioppa (captain), Jeff Silver, James Russea and Mike Wilson.

Members of the coaching staff are Phil Ovsenek, Josh Ovsenek, Ryan Williamson, Gord Baxter, Graham Hewitt and Joe Wrigley.

Select desposits basketball win, title at bankers' expense

Women's championship game a low-scoring affair

AJAX — Select Food Products outlasted the Bank of Montreal to deposit the Ajax Ladies' Basketball League crown following a low-scoring, defensive-oriented final Wednesday night.

Neither side was able to find its scoring touch in the final, but Select scored just enough to win 19-9. As well, both sides were missing players, which had the net effect of slowing the pace of the game as the players tired.

Colleen Wetering netted six for Select and Lana Letourneau chalked up five for the bankers.

The consolation final featured East Side Mario's cruising to a landslide 69-32 victory over Et Tu Caesar's.

Caesar's could do little against the strong Mario's defence. East Side intercepted passes to run the fast break and established a large first-half lead.

Despite a valiant effort in the second half when Caesar's managed to find its scoring touch, East Side cruised to the easy victory.

Krystal Green sunk a game-high 20 points for East Side; Carol Stephenson replied with 16 for Caesar's.

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CARRIGAN, Charles D. - Born in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, May 16, 1936, passed away at Lakeridge Health Centre, Bowmanville on Friday, April 19, 2002. Charles, son of James E. Carrigan (of Pictou, N.S.) and the late Constance Carrigan. Survived by brothers Bill and his wife Judy of Port Hope, Robert and his wife Muriel of Oshawa, Edward and his wife Isobel of Pictou N.S., George and his wife Terry of Calgary AB, Harold of Oshawa; sister Gloria of Whitby; and predeceased by sister Marie Fitzpatrick. Fondly remembered by his many nieces and nephews. A celebration of Charles' life was held on Wednesday April 24, 2002 at 2 pm in the chapel of the **MCEACHNIE FUNERAL HOME**, 28 Old Kingston Road, Ajax (Pickering Village) 905-428-8488. Should family and friends so desire, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Salvation Army would be greatly appreciated.

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EGOROFF, Margaret (nee Austen) Peacefully, on Thursday, April 25, 2002, in her 82nd year. Beloved wife of the late Nicholas. Dear mother of Barbara, Donald, and the late Janice and John. Loving grandmother of Kerrick, Ceilidh and Alix. She will be greatly missed by family and friends. The family will receive friends at the **MCEACHNIE FUNERAL HOME**, 28 Old Kingston Road, Ajax (Pickering Village) 905-428-8488 from 7-9 pm Friday. Funeral service in the Chapel on Saturday, April 27, 2002 at 1 pm. Interment - Resthaven Memorial Gardens. A special thank you to her caregivers (especially Thorntonview) for the care Mom received these past few years. Should family and friends so desire, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or to the Canadian Cancer Society would be greatly appreciated by the family.

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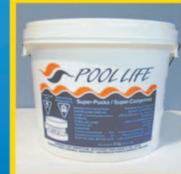
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