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# Pickering residents rally behind family

Donations, fund-raisers planned in wake of house fire

By Lesley Bovie  
Staff Writer

PICKERING -- The community is rallying around a single mother and her two teenaged daughters, who were burned out of their home Tuesday night.

Brigitte Lacourciere and her daughters Alex, 16, and Danielle, 14, managed to escape the blaze unharmed, but a charred skeleton is all that remains of their home on the 4th Concession, just west of Rosebank Road.

Joe Stevens, a family friend, said the girls banged on a trailer he was staying in on the property at around 11 p.m.

"I came out and helped them push as many things as we could away from the house but by then it was too late," he said.

Alex had to escape the fire by descending a television antenna

from the second floor of the house, he said. The family's cat, Snezy, also managed to survive but little was salvageable from the home, which was still smouldering as late as Thursday afternoon.

The family is currently taking refuge with next-door neighbours Rob and Sylvia Holloway, who woke up that night to a flickering light.

"At first, I thought it was our mini barn out back," she said. "Flames were just shooting out of the sky."

Pickering Fire Services arrived to find the house already "fully involved", said Deputy Chief Mark Diotte. It took 24 firefighters, four pumpers and three tankers to contain the fire.

Firefighters were very good with the family, said Ms. Holloway, with the chief on duty even taking the time to talk with Ms. Lacourciere and her daughters.

News of the fire reached St. Monica Catholic School, where Danielle attends Grade 8, as

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## Tree friends out on a limb

PICKERING — From left, Alyson Hagos, Shannon Manion and Chantal Nelson do their part for tomorrow by helping with the planting of 200 trees at Ontario Power Generation offices on Brock Road. The three are part of the Grade 8 class from Holy Redeemer Catholic School that teamed up with the energy supplier.

## Delivering freedom 65-plus

Mixed reactions to Tories' ban on forced retirement

By Jeremy Le Page  
Staff Writer

DURHAM — Said famous National Football League coach Vince Lombardi: "The harder you work, the harder it is to retire."

And Premier Ernie Eves, in an effort to coach Ontario labourers, had a plan announced in the

Throne Speech Wednesday to eliminate mandatory retirement at the age of 65.

The decision, explained Lieutenant-Governor James Bartleman, will allow "more seniors to remain active in the workforce - retiring at a time of their choosing, not an arbitrary, government-appointed time."

The decision, claim many, will throw a definite twist into the working world of the province.

"It does not demonstrate any respect for Ontario's workforce," says Sid Ryan, president of the Canadian Union of Public Em-

ployees (CUPE), Ontario division. "Where is the legislation which will provide pensions that allow workers to retire early, and enjoy the fruits of their years in the workforce? The Throne Speech missed the real problem: little or no pension plans for too many workers."

"There's an awful lot of ramifications Mr. Eves hasn't taken into consideration," says Ian Burns, a personal financial consultant in Whitby. "But I believe 65 today is an awful lot different

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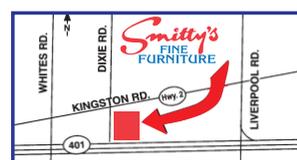
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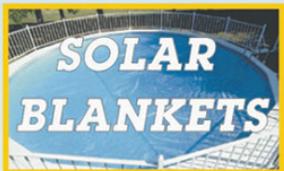
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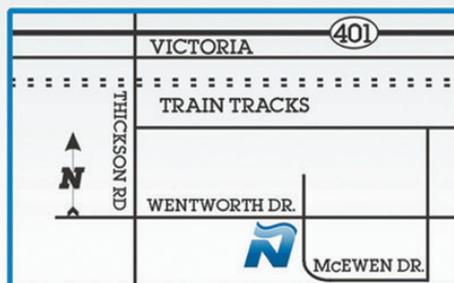


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# UOIT, committee reach compromise

## Pending final approval, new Durham university will get \$10 million over eight years

By Jacquie McInnes  
Staff Writer

DURHAM — A report stating a new university will line the Region's coffers helped convince Durham's finance committee to buy into a \$10-million contribution for UOIT.

The University of Ontario Institute of Technology will receive the \$10 million in cash and in-kind services from the Region over an eight-year period if the committee's recommendation is approved at council next Wednesday.

In an effort to reach a compromise position, committee members crafted a proposal to give \$2 million of the \$10 million to the

university through infrastructure work to be funded from sewer and water reserves. The remaining \$8 million will be doled out over eight years to make the burden easier for taxpayers to bear. The estimated average cost per household will be \$1.47 per year.

The university had originally asked for \$10 million cash over five years but MaryLynn West-Moynes, spokesman for the university, said this was a compromise with which UOIT could work.

"I am pleased to support this," said Jim McMaster, the committee chairman. "If you want to see what a university does for a town, just look at Guelph," or other university cities, he said.

By the time the Region makes the last of its eight-year contribution, it will have already received a good portion of its money back, according to an economic impact study released by UOIT. In the next eight years, the Region will receive \$6.58 million in additional taxes as a direct result of the university. In the same time period,



MARK HOLLAND  
'Zero doubt.'

the presence of UOIT will generate \$388 million in personal income and 7,754 person years of work. The construction of the facilities will bring another \$706.3 million and more than 14,000 person years of employment.

An Oshawa taxpayer, Greg Milosh, told the committee he opposed the \$10 million contribution because it is not part of the Region's mandate to fund education.

He said the provincial and federal government should properly fund the university so it doesn't need to come from property taxpayers. Although it is a small amount, he said, the effect on low income earners is cumulative with each dollar spent. He said the argument that the economic impact of the university will offset the donation is "speculative."

Pickering Councillor Mark Holland disagreed. "Somebody could say it was speculation if there weren't any other universities. But when you look at the others there is zero doubt." The councillor added that if the Region turned its back on the university it would be giving other municipalities a perfect opportunity to urge the Province to take their focus away from UOIT to places it would find community partners.

The university must raise \$100 million within the community as part of an agreement made with the provincial government to land the university here. UOIT is the first new university built in Ontario in 40 years. Many communities across the Province were lobbying for the chance to bring it to their area.

Clarington Mayor John Mutton, who forwarded the compromise position, sympathized with Mr. Milosh.

"I don't like spending money on mandate-creep. I don't like spending money on anything, actually," he said. However, he said the new proposal eases the burden for those on fixed incomes while addressing the need of the university. The economic benefits to Durham and to taxpayers makes this different than contributing to other non-mandated projects, he said.

"You look at \$1.47 and I think that's a pretty cheap investment on our greatest asset, our young people," added Uxbridge Mayor Gerri Lynn O'Connor.

## Robber gets knuckles rapped

AJAX — A sticky-fingered bandit got caught with his hand in the till - literally - when a quick-thinking clerk slammed the tray shut Wednesday.

Durham Regional Police say the botched gas bar heist began at 11 p.m. when a man entered Shell at 10 Station St. and pretended to buy a beverage with a \$20 bill. When the clerk opened the register, the robber reached for the cash.

"The guy stuck his hand in the tray and the victim slammed the till shut, catching the suspect's fingers," said Sergeant Paul Malik, police spokesman.

As the robber struggled to free his fingers, the clerk kept the till closed with his foot and cracked him over the head with a chair, said Sgt. Malik. The would-be robber finally broke

loose after a struggle and fled empty-handed. The suspect is described as white, 6-foot-1, 25 to 30 years old, with a medium build.

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# Schools pitch in for Pickering family

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early as 8 a.m. the next morning. An emergency staff meeting was called and principal Catherine Hermans and vice-principal Hyacinth White went to the home with flowers.

"It was just one special thing we were able to do by going up there to visit (Ms. Lacourciere)," said Ms. Hermans.

The school has since started up a collection for the family. It's hosting a staff/student volleyball game today (Friday) to raise money and will hold a pyjama day next week, along with a hat day, movie day and bake sale.

St. Monica's school community council has also offered to replace Danielle's prom dress, which was destroyed in the fire. Her Grade 8 closing ceremony is June 24.

At St. Mary Catholic Secondary School, several teachers are holding fund-raisers for Alex, with the school promising to match donations. Staff has also arranged to provide the Grade 10 stu-



Lesley Bovie/ News Advertiser photo

A fire Tuesday night destroyed this house on the Fourth Concession, but a single mother and her two daughters were able to escape.

dent with school uniforms and the chaplain has approached the parish social ministry for additional support.

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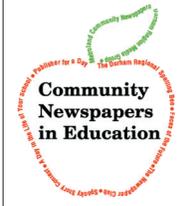
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# Two strikes and out for drivers

## Throne speech initiative aims to curb impaired driving

By Stephen Shaw  
Staff Writer

DURHAM — Impaired drivers who don't learn the first time won't get a second chance under new severe penalties promised by the Province in Wednesday's throne speech.

The provincial government is planning to impose harsher punishment on impaired drivers with vehicle seizures and

automatic lifetime driving suspensions upon a second conviction for drinking and driving.

Local law enforcement, frustrated after years of failed efforts to curb drinking-and-driving, welcomed the proposed sanctions.

Police say about 15 per cent of impaired drivers they catch are repeat offenders, some with as many as six, seven or more prior convictions.

"It makes you cringe," said Durham Regional Police Constable Mark Stone, referring to the criminal history of some chronic impaired drivers.

"It's an excellent step. I was pleasantly surprised (by the

announcement). If you go through the system once as an impaired driver and you still haven't learned your lesson then you don't deserve to have a licence. The only way to make it stop is to take away their vehicles and driver's licences," said Const. Stone, a major collision investigator and the vice-president of Durham's chapter of MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving).

"If someone shoots a person you don't give them back the gun," he said.

Currently in Ontario, an impaired driver receives a 10-year driving ban upon a third conviction and a lifetime licence

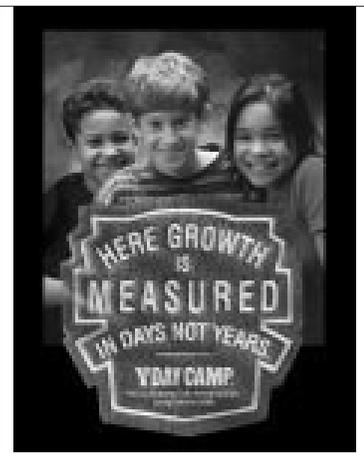
suspension for a fourth offence.

Whitby-Ajax MPP Jim Flaherty said tougher penalties, such as automatic lifetime licence suspension for a second conviction, are necessary.

"Regrettably we have some people who still do not get the message," he said.

"(The lifetime suspension) is significant. They will lose the right to drive. It will be a very serious consequence for a serious crime," said Mr. Flaherty, adding it'll make Ontario penalties among Canada's most severe.

He said legislation would be introduced in the coming weeks.



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## Throne speech delivers relief for some seniors

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than 20 years ago. And we need the experience of the senior people." But for younger people, he says, the decision could pose problems.

"Traditional retirement makes way for jobs and opportunities," he adds.

Joelle Holt-Morey agrees. She is an employment service co-ordinator at Oshawa's John Howard Society.

She says professionals, who already have solid retirement packages, will probably still retire by 65. But less-skilled labourers will keep working, she explains.

"We're going to see more workers over the age of 45 looking for work," Ms. Holt-Morey says, adding employers won't shy away from hiring such individuals as there is no set retirement age. She says skilled, educated youth entering the work force won't be affected tremendously, but for others less qualified, it will definitely "limit the opportunities."

Adds Ms. Holt-Morey: "The ripple affect down the line will mean we will have to look at more youth-oriented jobs."

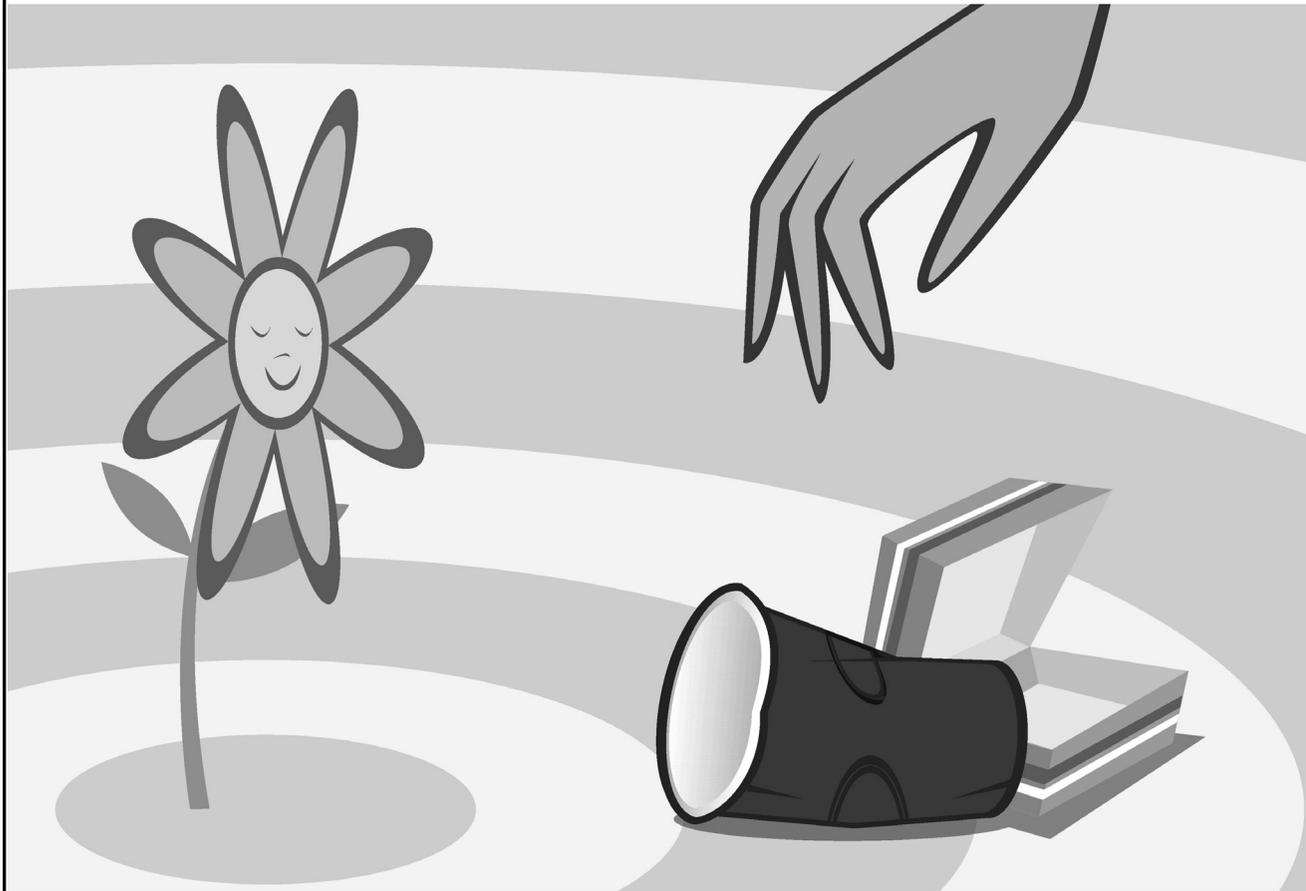
Lt.-Gov. Bartleman says

the proposed ban on mandatory retirement, along with other promises of the government demonstrate "Ontarians' values shin(ing) through."

### Highlights from the Throne Speech

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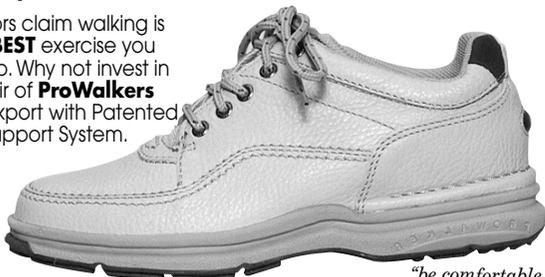
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## Editorial

### Throne speech good for seniors

#### Tories make obvious pitch for votes

It's an obvious prelude to an election and it starts with a pitch to seniors, who tend to vote in higher numbers than younger people. In that vein, rarely have those over 65 received better news from their provincial government than in Wednesday's provincial throne speech.

The promise to refund seniors' property taxes with respect to their education portion was originally made in the March budget speech but was reiterated in the speech from the throne. In addition, the Tories have made mandatory retirement at age 65 a thing of the past.

The promise to ban mandatory retirement is a winner on all fronts. At a time when the province is suffering a shortage of skilled workers, it allows those seniors who wish to continue working and who can do the job, to do so. Experts suggest only one or two per cent of potential retirees will continue working, so the impact on those who are entering the work force is minimal. As a political and vote-getting move, it appeals to seniors who feel the government is sensitive to their needs and respects their options.

In addition, the speech promises to strip the driver's licences of repeat drunk drivers, a move long overdue and needed to emphasize how seriously our society takes drunk driving.

The need to encourage doctors and nurses to work in underserved areas by providing free tuition should be beneficial to Durham and Northumberland where a number of municipalities including Scugog, Uxbridge, Clarington and Northumberland are in dire need of doctors.

The speech also promises to guarantee waiting times for surgery and diagnostic services such as MRIs. It sounds nice on paper but such a pledge will surely depend on the amount of funding health care receives and is delivered over the next few years.

The guarantee to parents of freedom of choice for which public school in which to enrol their children, rings hollow. In northern areas this is not possible and in urban areas is likely to depend on whether or not the school of preference has the room. A promise to push phonics in schools in an attempt to boost reading and writing levels just proves everything old is new again.

An increase for payments to people on the Ontario Disability Support Program, more police officers to fight gun crime and child pornography and a token force of OPP officers to be sent to Iraq rounded out the list of objectives the Tories hope to accomplish in this sitting of the legislature.

After nearly four years since the last election and a significant leadership change a year ago, the Progressive Conservatives are setting themselves up as a much kinder, gentler party, willing to respond to the needs of all citizens.

Will the voters buy this change in direction, one that deviates sharply from the approaches taken under Mike Harris in the 1995 and 1999 elections? Ernie Eves is certainly staking his political career and that of his party on such a strategy. The election, due within the next 13 months, will provide the answer.



## Letters to the Editor

### ITER project just too costly for Durham and Canada

To the editor:

Re: 'MPs invited to show their support for ITER,' April 23.

Please tell me there was a misprint in your story.

The cost is \$1.6 billion just to put in a bid?

No wonder they are not interested.

T.H. Clarkson,  
Ajax

### Prohibition wouldn't solve problems

To the editor:

Re: 'Stats cause for concern,' editorial, April 27.

The prohibition of tobacco growing and cigarette producing in Canada would fail to stop cigarette smoking for the same reasons prohibition failed to stop the drinking of alcoholic in the 1920s. Now there are even more reasons.

By the way, would this ban include cigars?

Brian Eckler,  
Ajax

## Education excellence depends on balance

### System the root cause of poor test scores

We've heard a lot about how Ontario students' standardized testing scores have not measured up on an international level. Are we to conclude from this that our students are of below-average intelligence? Or should we instead look to the system itself for the root cause of this poor performance? My vote would go to the latter.

Many corporations subscribe to a performance measurement model known as 'The Balanced Scorecard' (Authors: R. Kaplan & D. Norton). The "scorecard" is based on the theory that "what gets measured, gets done". Secondly, goals are much more likely to be achieved if the measures are



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balanced between four keys areas - financial, internal processes, customer and learning and growth. This is in contrast to the traditional approach which focuses primarily on bottom-line financial performance only.

In applying this theory to our education system we would first establish our goals, who our shareholders are (the taxpayers) and our customers (our children).

From a financial perspective, the taxpayers (the shareholders) expect fiscal responsibility from the Education Ministry. Tracking our children's (the customer) ongoing progress will tell us whether we are successfully meeting their needs. It is also therefore important to understand and measure the stability of the process and systems in place to provide for the needs of our children. And lastly, we must give our teachers and administrators the tools they need - the learning and growth that allows for them to change and improve to drive the system and therefore our children towards successfully achieving the goals set out for them.

As we measure performance in each area we must be willing to address concerns and take action. Understanding the root cause of poor performance is key. All too

often it is the "squeaky wheel" that gets the attention. Problems that are especially irritating are assumed to be the biggest contributor to poor results when the majority of the time it really is only noise.

But above all, it is in the best interest of our children - our future - that we live by the guiding principles that each of the four perspectives is dependant on the other. A quality education for our students is dependant on teachers and systems that work together and have the support they need to change and grow, while at the same time be on budget. We cannot afford to sacrifice financial, customer, process or learning and growth. We must have balance.

Laura Jarvis-Whitehead is an Ajax mother of two and Director of Business Management with one of Canada's largest retailers.

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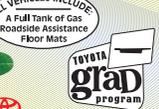
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## Giles earns Wooldridge Award

By Mike Ruta  
Staff Writer

DURHAM — Brandon Peraziana says he has two moms.

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which each year recognizes an outstanding board EA.

Brandon, who has cerebral palsy, attended the Durham District School Board meeting when Megan Elliott, Ms. Wooldridge's daughter and the administrative assistant to the board's education director, presented Ms. Giles with the award.

"Mrs. Giles is one of the most wonderful people I have ever met," Brandon said, describing her as "nice and kind. She always helps me when I am having trouble with my schoolwork. Mrs. Giles is like my second

mother."

In accepting the award, Ms. Giles said she "can honestly say I love my job". She began working with Brandon in Grade 1, and quipped, "as long as Brandon keeps passing, I keep passing."

"Brandon and I are a team, so we don't go anywhere without each other. Brandon gives me the confidence that I sometimes

need. We've tackled many things over the years."

She added, "there are many EAs deserving of this award."

Ms. Elliott said in addition to Brandon and his mom, the John Dryden staff nominated Ms. Giles for the award. The award is named for the former board employee who was devoted to special-needs children. She died in 1987.

Brandon Peraziana nominated his educational assistant, Janette Giles, left, for the Durham District School Board's Clare Wooldridge Award. Megan Elliott, at right, Ms. Wooldridge's daughter, presented the award to Ms. Giles.

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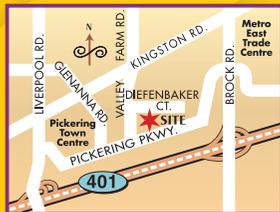
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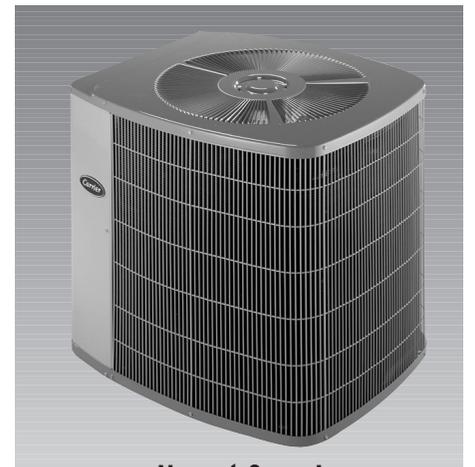
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# Bartleman opens program - and his soul

## Lieutenant governor on hand for mental health unit's official opening

By Jane McDonald  
Staff Writer

DURHAM — Not only did Ontario's lieutenant governor cut the ribbon and the cake at the official opening of Lakeridge Health Corporation's Child Youth and Family Program April 28, he also cut to the chase.

James Bartleman told the gathered politicians, hospital officials, program staff - and some of the youth for whom the mental health program is designed - about his first-hand knowledge of mental illness.

"In Colombia when I went to work in the morning, I had to step over children covered in newspapers, abandoned on the street," said Mr. Bartleman, a 35-year veteran of the Canadian Foreign Service. "They'd have to fend for themselves. They wore cut-off clothes from older people. Many were affected by mental health (problems). If they didn't have them when they started, they soon did. I think this is one of the reasons why there is so much violence in



**JAMES BARTLEMAN**  
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Colombia." When the former diplomat was in Bangladesh, he saw a starving people, unable to provide mental health care.

"The youth were really in terrible shape," he said. "You'd see naked children foraging in garbage dumps with dogs ... The children would be fighting (over food) with the dogs and running in packs. Nobody was looking

after them. That's why it's important to look after all members of society, especially children."

The 27th Lieutenant Governor of Ontario is a patron of every major mental health agency in Ontario. "And I am very proud of that role."

The Child Youth and Family Program has been up and running for the past year, and has already assessed and referred 2,000 children and youth between the ages of five and 18. The hospital-based service is designed for families with a child or adolescent suffering from acute mental health illness, including mood disorders such as depression and bipolar disorder, anxiety disorders, disruptive behaviours, suicidal thoughts, self-harm and psychosis.

Program Leader Lorraine Sunstrum-Mann said the agency provides a multidisciplinary team of therapists, nurses, social workers, psychologists and psychiatrists. The children receive access to treatment at community agencies following assessment. "We all work together," she explained. "We launched the program last year. Our services include outpatient treatment, urgent care and intensive ambulatory."

Another category of treatment will include inpatient care when a 10-bed psychiatric unit at the Lakeridge Health Oshawa site is completed.

Before he concluded his comments, Mr. Bartleman looked at the teenagers present and shared his most personal mental health experience.

"I did not suffer from depression as a child," he said. "But I did as an adult." The representative of the Queen in Ontario explained how he had been attacked in February 1999 when, as Canada's high commissioner to South Africa, he was in Cape Town to hear Nelson Mandela's farewell presidential address. "I was viciously beaten ... and went into a deep depression."

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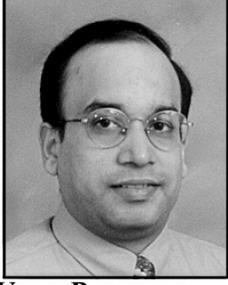
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The Durham Home and Small Business Association (DHSBA) welcomes nominations for its Business of the Year Award to be announced at its annual general meeting in June.

Nomination forms are available from any member of the DHSBA board or by contacting the association's hotline at 905-728-2899.

Members also have the opportunity to contribute to the DHSBA newsletter. Entries must be submitted before May 7 to Nancy Rogers at write.rogers@sympatico.ca for inclusion in the next newsletter.

## Bioethics up for discussion

**AJAX** — Come and learn about bioethical issues.

Dr. William Sullivan, director of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute, is the guest speaker at an open information evening Thursday, May 8, from 7:30 to 9 p.m., at Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School, 1375 Harwood Ave. N., north of Ross-

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# Region seeks input on strategic plan

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The workshops are hosted by a steering committee consisting of regional councillors and senior staff.

All workshops will begin at 7 p.m. in the following communities:

- Ajax, Pickering, Whitby: May 13, Whitby Council Chambers, Rossland Road East.
- Brock, Scugog, Uxbridge: May 14, Community Reach Centre, Reach Street, Port Perry.
- Clarington, Oshawa: May 15, Courtice Complex, 2950 Courtice Rd, Courtice.

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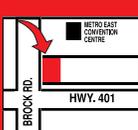


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Elementary teachers employed by both the Durham District School Board and the Toronto District School Board are currently engaging in work-to-rule campaigns, having been in legal strike positions for months now.

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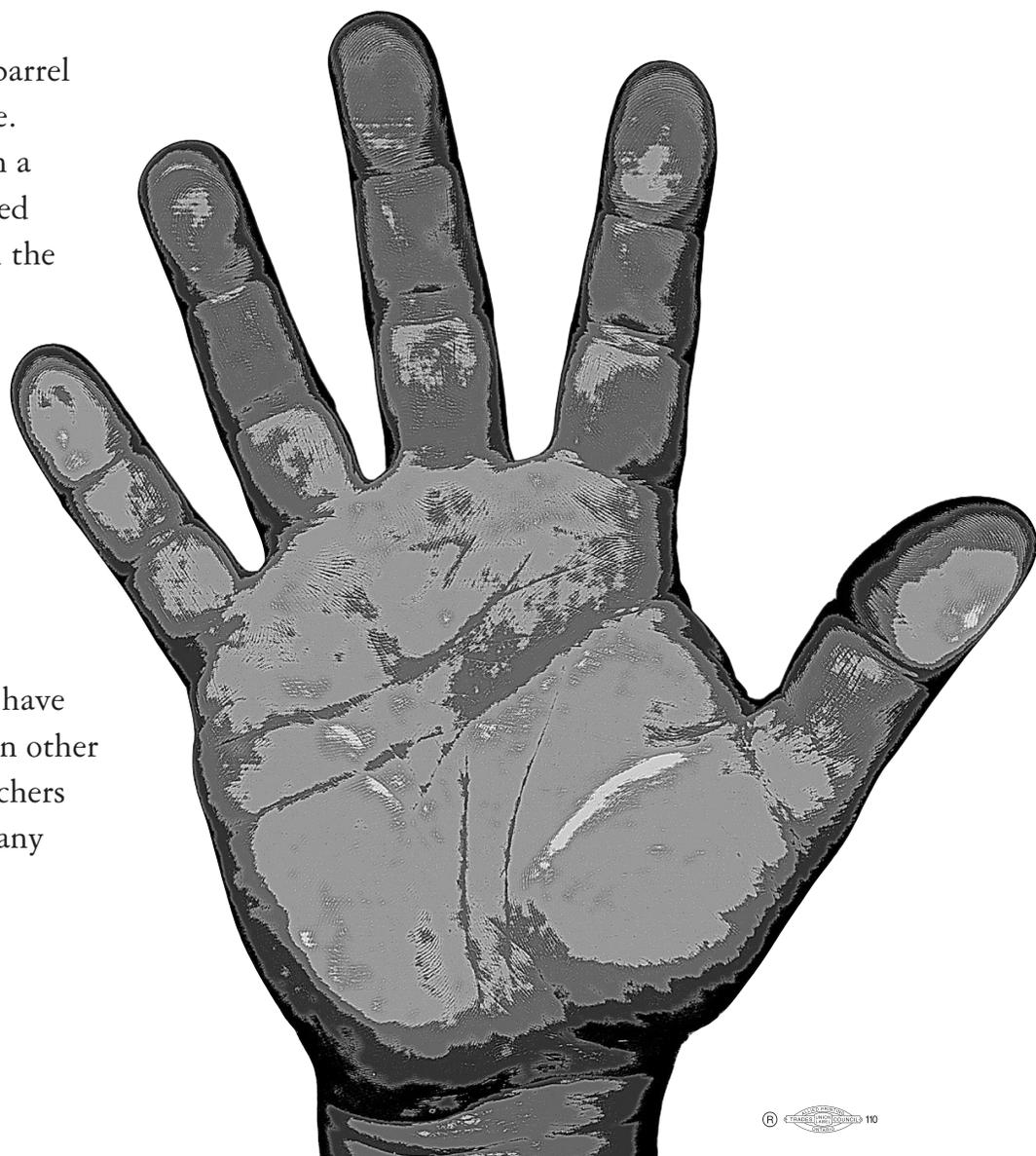
In Durham, ETFO teachers are at the bottom of the barrel when it comes to salary, benefits and preparation time. The School Board refuses to remedy these problems in a meaningful way, despite the fact the Board has received millions of dollars in additional funds for salaries from the provincial government, and is sitting on a mind-boggling \$72 million in reserve funds.

In Toronto, ETFO teachers are trying to negotiate a reasonable salary increase, with no cuts to benefits or deterioration of working conditions. However, the School Board has been taken over by a government-appointed supervisor with his own agenda. Students, parents, teachers and trustees are being held hostage.

Accordingly, the Durham and Toronto school boards have been "pink-listed". This means that ETFO members in other jurisdictions, as well as all graduating and current teachers Canada-wide, are advised not to apply for, or accept, any

occasional or regular elementary teaching position, with either the Durham District School Board or the Toronto District School Board. To view the pink list notices, teachers may visit the ETFO website: [www.etfo.ca](http://www.etfo.ca)

As an educator, you want to work for a school board that respects your profession, and provides a quality learning environment for students. Unfortunately, at the present time, Durham and Toronto don't measure up.



# Durham man suspended over Islamic comments

## Tory federal riding executive won't take back remarks

By Martin Derbyshire  
Staff Writer

DURHAM — After making remarks an Islamic group is calling "hateful" and "Islamophobic" an executive of the Oshawa Federal Progressive Conservative riding association has been suspended.

But, Third Vice President Stephen Leach, whose comments landed him in hot water with the Canadian chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR-CAN), says he is not a racist.

"North America was not founded on Muslim principles, else, we wouldn't be the strong continent we are today. We would be a bag woods (sic) civilization like many Muslim nations found in the Middle East today," an e-mail sent by Mr. Leach to the U.S. chapter of CAIR says. "Yeah, we are the infidel (sic), but in North America, thank God you are a minority religion and not one which the vast majority of North Americans adhere to."

Mr. Leach, who ran for Oshawa council in 2000, at-

tacked CAIR for criticizing the U.S. Christian group Samaritan's Purse, run by Franklin Graham, son of well-known evangelist Billy Graham.

CAIR officials claim Franklin Graham has made derogatory comments about Islam and that Samaritan's Purse expressed motive for offering aid to Iraqi refugees was to convert Muslims to Christianity.

Mr. Leach's email also called CAIR's criticism a "hate crime against Christians" and demanded a public apology to Mr. Graham.

In an interview Tuesday, Mr. Leach said he stands by his comments, but says he made them as a private citizen, not on behalf of the PC party.

"Maybe I didn't use the most eloquent language but I made my point," he said. "I will not recant what I said...I was defending my religious faith."

Riad Saloojee, executive director of CAIR-CAN, said his organization's criticism of Samaritan's Purse was not critical of Christianity in general and in no way represents a hate crime.

And, he said Mr. Leach's comments were "quite hateful towards Muslims and Islamophobic."

The PC Party's top brass, including former prime min-

ister and current leader Joe Clark, agrees and are scrambling to distance themselves from Mr. Leach and his words.

In a joint press release, CAIR-CAN and the PC Party of Canada denounced Mr. Leach's comments, calling them "unacceptable and inappropriate" and claiming they "bear no relation whatsoever to the position and policies of the PC Party of Canada."

Following a conversation with Party Leader Joe Clark, Dr. Sheema Khan, Chair of CAIR-CAN said, "In words and deeds, the PC Party and its leader, the Rt. Hon. Joe Clark, have consistently fought for fairness and understanding."

"Having spoken directly with them, I am confident these internal matters are being addressed with the seriousness they deserve."

On Tuesday, Thomas O'Brien, Oshawa Federal PC Riding Association president, confirmed Mr. Leach had been suspended indefinitely from the riding association.

"His remarks do not represent the aims and principles of the party," he said. "They were inappropriate and incomprehensible."

Mr. Leach said he is still considering another run for Oshawa council this fall.

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On May 28, 2003 the Council of the Region of Durham will hold two public meetings, pursuant to Section 12 of the Development Charges Act, 1997. These public meetings will be held to explain the proposed area specific development charges by-laws and the related underlying background studies and to obtain public input on those proposed by-laws and studies regarding water supply and sanitary sewerage services in the Carruthers Creek area of the Town of Ajax.

All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Meetings of Council and any person who attends a meeting may make representations relating to the proposed by-laws. The meetings are to be held:

Wednesday, May 28, 2003

Immediately following the Regional Development Charges Public Meeting

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In order that sufficient information is made available to the public, copies of the proposed by-laws and the background studies are being made available as of May 12, 2003 from the Regional Treasurer at the Finance Department, 60 Bond Street West, Oshawa, ON, L1H 8B6, 905-571-3311 or the Regional Clerk at 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby ON, L1N 6A3, 905-668-7711.

Interested persons may express their comments at the Public Meeting and/or in writing addressed to the Regional Treasurer at the above address no later than 4:00 p.m. on June 27, 2003. All submissions received in writing and those opinions expressed at the Public Meeting and any subsequent Regional Council meetings will be considered prior to Council's decision, which is anticipated during the regular Regional Council meeting of July 9, 2003.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Mary Simpson, Director of Financial Planning, Regional Finance Department at 905-571-3311 ext. 6222.

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**ADDITION:** The Serenity Group meets at 8 p.m. at Bayfair Baptist Church, 817 Kingston Rd., Pickering, for a 12-step recovery meeting. The group meets every Friday to discuss addictions of all types including co-dependency. Child care is available if needed. Call Jim evenings at 905-428-9431.

## SATURDAY, MAY 3

**SPRING BAZAAR:** The Ajax Seniors' Friendship Club, at 46 Exeter Rd. in Ajax, hosts a spring bazaar between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The bazaar features a tea-room, baking, crafts, raffles, books, plants and a white elephant table.

**GARAGE SALE:** The Pickering Pentecostal Church, 1920 Bayly St. (at Squires Beach Road), Pickering, holds its annual community garage sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. More than 15 vendors are expected. Proceeds to support young adult missions. 905-839-5401 (Dave Houlbrook).

**GARAGE SALE:** The Altona West Community Association holds its annual garage sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Located west of Altona and north of Twyn Rivers in Pickering). A rain day is scheduled for May 4. Call Karen at 905-509-2985.

**BAZAAR:** The New Apostolic Church, 465 Kingston Rd., Pickering Village, holds a spring bazaar, rummage and bake sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 905-831-3170 (Elsa).

## SUNDAY, MAY 4

**POTTERY SHOW:** Durham Potter's Guild hosting its 14th annual Spring Pottery Show and Sale from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Ajax Kinsmen Heritage Centre, 120 Roberson Dr., Pickering Village, Ajax. There is gift ideas, door prizes, free admission and no GST. Percentage of sales is to be donated to The Denise House, Shelter for Women. Call 905-427-7097.

## MONDAY, MAY 5

**SENIORS' ACTIVITIES:** The Ajax Seniors' Friendship Club plays bridge and cribbage every Monday at 1 p.m. at the St. Andrew's Community Centre, 46 Exeter Dr. Ajax. In addition, bridge is also played Wednesdays at 1:15 p.m. Call Agnes at 905-686-1573.

## TUESDAY, MAY 6

**GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY:** Guest speaker Bob Leverty, of the Ontario Historical Society, discusses 'Ontario Cemeteries - the struggle for public interest' at the Ontario Genealogical Society Durham Region Branch 22's meeting at 7:30 p.m., in the Arts Resource Center, 45 Queen St., Oshawa. Call 905-683-2476.

**SAHAJA YOGA MEDITATION:** Free Sahaja Yoga mediation classes are held every Tuesday at 7 p.m., at the Oshawa Library's Northview branch. Call 416-284-0756.

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**INFORMATION NIGHT:** A half-hour to optimal health is held every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Chiropractic and Massage Clinic, 8 Old Kingston Rd. Meeting discusses health breakthroughs. The program is free, however; seating is limited so call for reservations at 905-427-3202.

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# Great gardens springing up

## Annual competition honours brightest green thumbs

**AJAX** — The competition has begun to bloom. The Ajax in Bloom garden

competition is officially open and gardeners have until mid-July to get their creations into shape.

Nominations are available in Ajax at the Town Hall, the recreation centres, or on the Internet at [www.townofajax.com/news](http://www.townofajax.com/news).

Homes and businesses are eligible for prizes and gardens

must be visible from the curb. Schools have their own category.

Friday, June 20 is the deadline for nominations.

First, second and third prizes are given in each municipal ward and to businesses. The top prize is the Red Rose of Lancaster Award, after the Town's official flower.

Gardens can be nominated for awards by their owners or anyone else.

The Town supplies signs to designate nominees. Judging is from July 12 to 20, and the winners are announced Sept. 18 at an awards night.

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## That's taking a load off

AJAX — There was compost by the truckload recently, as the Ajax operations centre hosted a morning of activity as part of the kickoff to Environmental Affairs Week. Blue boxes and composters were on sale, and the rich compost was also given away to people like Gayle Kearns, being helped here by Dave Bodley.

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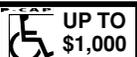
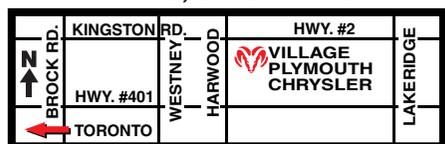


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# Students offer thanks

## Our Lady of the Bay recognizes work of health employees

By Alison Bell  
Special to the News Advertiser

**PICKERING** — SARS means something more than a health scare to students at Our Lady of the Bay Catholic School in Pickering.

More than 400 children stopped what they were doing April 29 at 1 p.m. to make cards in recognition of the efforts being put forth in the fight against severe acute respiratory syndrome.

"We want to support and thank the health-care workers," said principal Joanne Binns.

Students were made aware of the SARS epidemic through newsletters sent home from the Durham Region health department, but the project aimed to reassure students of their safety.

Before beginning their cards, students were given an overview of who exactly the health-care workers are, their duties, and their importance to the system.

The cards are unique to each class.

Grade 8s wrote poems, while Grade 4s and 7s wrote letters. Anna Muller-Cheng's Grade 1 class brain-

stormed a list of different health-care workers, picked one to write to, and then made pop-up cards.

Grade 1 student Cassandra Merenda said she is thankful to health-care workers because her doctor is good to her, while Grade 4 student Angelo Tancioco aspires to be a doctor and appreciates the doctors who helped his dad.

In addition to making cards, students dressed in bright, cheerful colours to represent happiness that they are healthy.

"We want this to be a positive experience," said Ms. Binns.

The cards will be delivered by parents who are health-care workers.



Alison Bell/ News Advertiser photo  
Our Lady of the Bay Grade 1 students David Dyer, left, David Lepka, Cassandra Merenda and David Myers (back), made cards in appreciation of health-care workers dealing with SARS.



Allan Gilchrist, president of Ajax-based Nokia Products Limited, left, receives the award of knight, first class of the Order of the Lion of Finland from Ilkka Ristimaki, Finland's ambassador to Canada. Mr. Gilchrist was recognized for his contribution to the development of Nokia in Canada and his involvement in the local Finnish community.

# Finnish honours for Nokia head

## Allan Gilchrist named to Order of the Lion of Finland

**AJAX** — The head of a local mobile phone manufacturer is taking his seat around Finland's round-table.

Allan Gilchrist, president of Nokia Products Limited in Ajax, was recently awarded knight, first class of the Order of the Lion of Finland. The decoration recognizes Mr. Gilchrist's contribution to the development of Nokia in Canada and his involvement in the local Finnish community.

"Being honoured with this award means a great deal to me," said Mr. Gilchrist, who received the decoration from Ilkka Ristimaki, Finland's ambassador to Canada.

"I wouldn't be receiving this reward without the commitment and dedication of my friends and colleagues," he added. "Being awarded this accolade is more than a testimony to

a life's work but a testimony to the bonds I have made with so many incredible people and the wonderful nation of Finland."

An electrical engineer from Manitoba, Mr. Gilchrist joined Nokia in 1979, where he witnessed the company's transformation from rubber boot manufacturing to mobile communications.

As president of a Canadian wholly owned subsidiary to a Finnish-based company, Mr. Gilchrist has introduced such initiatives as cross promotions with Vapaa Sana, Toronto's Finnish newspaper.

Nokia has also sponsored concerts in support of Finnish studies at the University of Toronto, and has provided scholarships to students in the program.

Mr. Gilchrist is a member of the board of directors of the Wireless Telecommunications Association of Canada and was chairman of the Finnish Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Toronto from 1984 to 1987.

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**MARILYN CRAWFORD**  
 'I'm amazed at how much money is given out in an election year.'

# Board wants Province to break plans

By Mike Ruta  
 Staff Writer

**DURHAM** -- Durham's public school board is sending a letter to the Province opposing the proposal to give seniors a tax break on the education portion of their tax bill.

Brock-Uxbridge Trustee Nancy Loraine said the plan, announced in the provincial budget, is a radical departure from current tax policy and almost suggests a user-pay tax system.

"The long-term consequences of the public policy change are huge," she said.

Two board members were adamant in opposing a letter.

Scugog Trustee Martin Demmers said the board would look "silly" commenting on the issue. He said trustees don't have a beef with the Province since the board's funding has gone up, and that the proposal wouldn't affect education spending.

"This is not a public policy change; education is funded out of general revenues," he said.

Pickering Trustee Paul Crawford said the board's letter would assume less funding is on the way as a result of the tax plan, which he said is untrue.

Instead, he proposed a "letter of questions" to the Province so the government has a chance to explain the rationale for the idea. Trustee Crawford's motion to form a board committee to draft a letter was voted down.

Most trustees felt a letter was warranted.

"I'm amazed at how much money is given out in an election year," said Ajax Wards 1 and 2 Trustee Marilyn Crawford.

She said if put in place, the tax plan would affect the board in the future "because there's only one pot" of provincial money.

In a 6-0 recorded vote, trustees opted to send a letter to Premier Ernie Eves and Finance Minister Janet Ecker, signalling the board's objection to the seniors' tax break. Trustees Paul Crawford and Demmers did not take part in the vote.

# Public board trustees approve contract for new \$27.5-million secondary school

## New Whitby facility will cost \$1.5 million more than expected

**DURHAM** — Public board trustees awarded the contract for Whitby's new high school

Monday.

Percon Construction Inc. will build Whitby's fourth public high school, for a total cost of \$27,588,790.

That price is roughly \$1.5 million more than when the project was approved 16 months ago, part of the Durham District School Board's second system-wide

accommodation plan.

Jack Massie, the board's facilities superintendent, cited escalating costs as the reason for the higher price tag.

Mr. Massie noted two contractors who intended to bid on the project were disqualified because their bids were late. Tenders have a deadline and there is no grace period al-

lowed.

"They were a few minutes late," said Mr. Massie at a recent standing committee meeting. "But that's why you have a time clock and a process."

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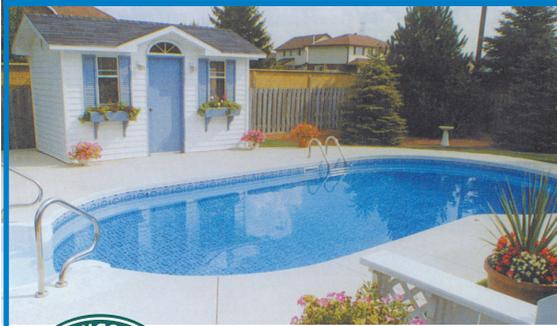
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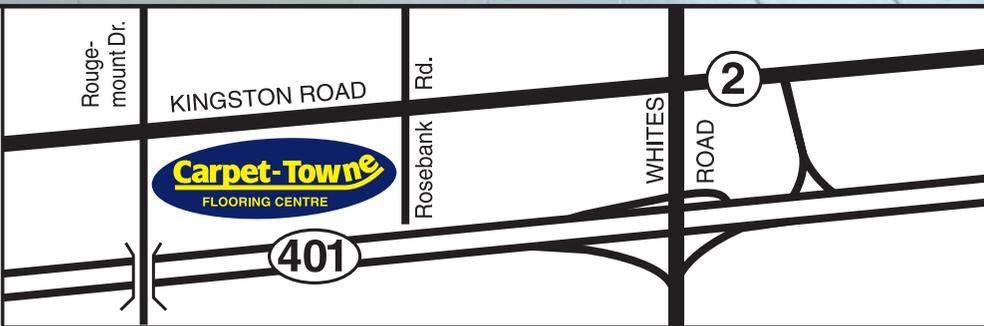
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The design scheme in many homes will not center around one primary color scheme, but will include many combinations of rich complex colors and patterns beginning in 2003. Many of these new complex color combinations were borrowed from the elegant design trends and color confections of earlier eras. The inspiration of the 1920s will be apparent in hues that mix silver and gold, and the glamour of the art deco era is captured in colors that blend pink and peach. Vintage reds will be mixed with blues to create a classic, yet vibrant new red. These rich color combinations all reflect the luxury and sophistication of the vintage style that

consumers are demanding. Many new ethnic-inspired shades are putting a twist on the basic beiges and browns to offer consumers a bit of a kick in carpet color selections. Latin influences will impact the popular Canadian color palette. Red influenced bronze, khaki and other earth shades will offer an added zest. African influences also will be popular in new safari greens and rich golds, which reflect the natural and vibrant color of the sand dunes of Morocco.

Beyond color, texture will be another major trend in wall-to-wall carpeting. While solid Saxonomies often have been chosen for their traditional appearance, more consumers will be demanding carpeting that offers a bit more personality and durability. Frieze textures (a shorter version of the shag, with extra twist) and carpeting that offers a subtle pattern effect will be the top choices for 2003. Ultra-soft carpeting, also has increased in popularity with homeowners. Ultra-fine fibers give

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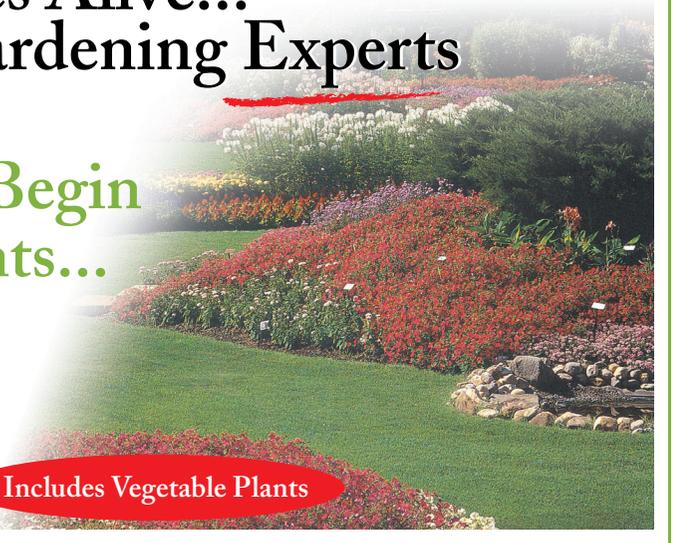
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# Gears of a clown



## What makes these beloved entertainers go?

By Keith Gilligan  
Staff Writer

**DURHAM** — What's it like to be a clown? Not the class clown, but an honest to goodness clown. With the makeup, the red nose, the horn, and floppy shoes.

For the past 15 years, Uxbridge resident Denise Richard, alias Bellybutton the Clown, has been clowning around.

**Q:** Why did you become a clown?

**A:** I worked in a left-brain job. I was a supervisor at Shell Canada and I'd been there for about 10 years and I went to employee relations and I was waiting for my turn and I picked up the continuing ed brochure and it said (there was a clown course and I thought I'd like to take that course. I knew I wouldn't flunk it (laughs). I wasn't that great in other courses.

**Q:** Do you like it?

**A:** No, I love it. I always said if I was a millionaire tomorrow morning, I would not change anything about my work. It's not a full-time job, it's a part-time job, but it's a wonderful part-time job and I can't believe I get paid for playing and loving children and people as well because I'm a people person. So when I come back from a gig, I'm always impressed it's work.

**Q:** What makes a good clown?

**A:** We have to clown from the heart. If I'm clowning from the pocketbook, definitely children can see that. They can see through us. They read us. What's the expression... find what you love doing and you'll never have to work again. I need to love what I'm doing and it shows through.

**Q:** How often do you work?

**A:** Like any business, there are peaks and valleys. My busy times are June, July, August and September. Company picnics. Picnics. And then my other busy times are November, December, Christmas parties, company Christmas parties. Other than that, through the year, it's up and down. Entertaining seniors, retirements. Popular are the regular kids' parties.

**Q:** What's a tough crowd?

**A:** A tough crowd would be the more fortunate children, the children who have everything, who have all the latest computer games, the horses. Nannies. That's wonderful. We all want to live that life. It's hard to stimulate them, because they have all this stuff going on in their lives. The easiest crowd, maybe it's because I've been doing it a long time, I don't come upon a tough crowd a lot. Whether they're two or 92, we all have a little child inside us. We all want to laugh. We all have things we're uptight about. If I make something silly of myself, it gives permission to someone else to laugh.

**Q:** What gets you smiling?

**A:** I don't laugh easily. I don't laugh easily out loud. However, if I look at TV, Mr. Bean, Lucille Ball, Red Skelton. Natural comedians like that. What makes me happy is when I see the crowd enjoying and laughing. That makes me happy.

**Q:** How do you reach a crowd?

**A:** It helps to be spontaneous. Again it has to be from the heart. Anyone can buy the same tricks I have and read the instructions. The way I work the tricks and what I put in the tricks, makes it successful or not successful. There are only so many clown stores and only so many clown tricks, so it's not the tricks that reach the crowd, it's what's put into it. I make a lot of my own tricks. I have one that has not been duplicated. I like that, the authenticity of the material. The worst thing a clown wants is someone in the crowd saying 'I know that trick. I saw that last time'. Because we do repeats with companies or siblings or whatnot. The

worst thing a clown wants to hear is 'You did that last time'. It sort of puts a damper on that. Usually, how I handle that is I go close enough and (whisper) 'That's between you and me' and then they feel good because they have a secret with me.

**Q:** Where does the name come from?

**A:** I wanted a name that was unique. I had done research and seen all the names out there. And I wanted a name that would exclude no one on the face of the earth. And I think I succeeded, because I think everyone has a belly button. However, I ask little children if everyone has a belly button and I ask who doesn't have a belly button and there's always someone in the crowd. It's a fun name to play on, because we do do belly button exercises. And I have a little belly button brush for grownups, so it's fun.

**Q:** What makes a good clown?

**A:** The first thing (her clown teacher) told us in our first class was the outfit doesn't make one a clown. In my years of experience I learned that's so true. I can dress up as a reporter and I can have all these badges, guess what, I'd be rotten at it. There are good clowns and there are great clowns and then there are clowns who are not clowns, but people in a clown's outfit. I've got the certificate and the outfit, and the (horn), but that didn't make me a clown. So I did volunteer work for two years and it was wonder-

ful because I learned what to do and what not to do. And since it was volunteer, they could not fire us. And it wasn't that bad. We were just a bunch of apprentice clowns. They call us Joeys when you are an apprentice. Two years later, in the newspaper, there was an agent looking for buskers and jugglers and clowns and entertainers. And I responded to the ad. I took out my resume and looked at all the places I had been in two years. There were a lot of places -- Centre Island, Mount Sinai Hospital, Maple Leaf Gardens. All for a good cause. None I'd made money off, but it looked good on paper and I got hired and for the next 10 years I worked with two agents. We became good or better with each gig we do. I was a bit of joker and a clown prior to all this. So I think also it's in the personality. It comes out.

**Q:** Is being a clown serious business?

**A:** Oh yes. Oh absolutely. It's a very serious business. Because it's clowning, there is still the left-brain stuff that needs to be done. We need to be sensitive to what we joke about. Because I'm a clown doesn't mean I can joke about everything. I always like to let them know what I'm going to be doing and I always keep it open and I say nothing is written down. We can change anything. If you tell me your child is very timid, I won't do certain tricks that make a lot of noise. If it's an elderly person with a pacemaker, I'm not going to bring out my big bang stuff.

I've entertained people who are dying. It's touchy. Tough yes, challenging. Very touching. Very rewarding. It's, for the lack of a better word, it's humbling and I'll walk out thinking, 'why me?' None of us are getting out of this alive. I always says let's not take this too seriously. We're temporary things. However, I walk out of that hospital or home and I come home to my family. The body's broken, the body is busted, however, in their eyes, the soul's there and the body is no longer wanting to do anything. They can't say a lot, but I can see the eyes. I guess the colourfulness. I've got a lot of bold colours. When I walk in I can see a bit of the spark.

**Q:** Are corporate events tough?

**A:** No, not really. Corporations will not hire only a clown. If it's from noon to 5 p.m., they'll have magicians, storytellers, music, entertainers. We're just a small part of that big day.

**Q:** Are you recognized without the makeup?

**A:** All the time. I'm the lunch supervisor at (Uxbridge Public School), I've been for six years. I really love kids, whether I'm Bellybutton or not. The young ones call me Madam, because it's a French-immersion school, while the rest call me Bellybutton. I found out early on that the little children look up and they don't see Bellybutton the clown. They see a person and it was confusing. So for the little ones, I've come up with this story. I have an identical twin sister. She's Bellybutton. The young children, in junior and senior K refer to my twin sister, Bellybutton the Clown. And it's sort of ripped over to the adults. I was in town one day and I was in one shop and a woman came up and said 'I saw your sister on the weekend, Bellybutton the Clown, and she was great or whatever'. I came home and said to my husband 'It's spilled over to the adults. They think I have a twin sister'. It's fun, it's nice. I always wanted to do something on stage. I didn't know what. I grew up with a whole bunch of siblings. We didn't have a lot of money, but we had a lot of laughs, a lot of cries, all the food and all the stuff that makes a family happy, I guess. I always wanted to do some kind of entertainment. But I didn't know what. And I woke up one day and said, 'Wow, I did it'.



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Bellybutton the Clown, aka Denise Richard, leads a life of laughs. The Uxbridge woman spends her days entertaining audiences of all ages, as Sinclair Minshull, left, and Haley Fowler will attest. The two enjoyed a bit of magic recently at Uxbridge Public School. Top photo, the sky's the limit on the fun.

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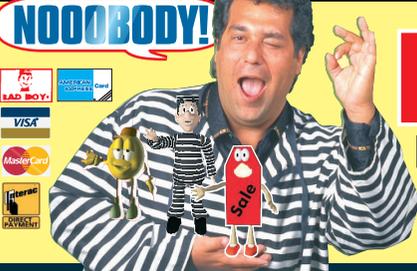
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# Billie Jean a Thriller

## Ajax man earns Juno for recording of Jackson classic

AJAX — Nothing Bluntz the sound of winning.

Ajax resident Cory Bradshaw can attest to that, having heard his name announced as a winner during the recent 2003 Juno Awards.

He and partner Peter Pantzoures for Dance Recording of the Year for their version of 'Billie Jean'.

Operating as The Sound Bluntz, the pair had a singer re-record the Michael Jackson song, which was part of 'Thriller', the top selling pop record of all time. It was produced by Quincy Jones.

"(The new recording) looks and sounds like the Quincy Jones track. We tweaked it and turned it into a dance record," said Bradshaw. "It's not that it wasn't a good track at the time."

Doing another version of Billie Jean was tough, given "Michael's voice is unique," Bradshaw noted.

"A friend sang the track. You'd swear to God you were listening to Michael Jackson. It's probably the only reason



Ajax resident Cory Bradshaw, right, and Peter Pantzoures earned the 2003 Juno Award for Dance Recording of the Year. The two remade the Michael Jackson song 'Billie Jean.'

the record worked because of the sound.

"To find somebody to say this track is as close as possible without getting Michael Jackson is quite a feat. It fooled a lot of people."

The remix is so convincing, "we had to show proof to some record companies," Bradshaw added.

"We needed proof that what was done was a full out cover and not a rip-off of the original

recording."

The Sound Bluntz version has certainly been a hit with listeners.

It's reached the top-40 on the Rick Dees countdown, as well as being a number-one record in Australia.

"It's listened to in every nook and cranny and bar," Bradshaw stated.

"With dance music, most sales are by compilation. Not a lot put out singles. We estimate one million units sold -- we've been part of singles and compilations. It's good we get to help Michael Jackson a little. He needs the money."

In England, the song was on the Ministry of Sounds compilation and there were half-a-million sales.

They sold 20,000 singles in Australia.

It was the fourth Juno nomination for Bradshaw, with the others coming in 1994, 1998 and 2000.

All three of the previous nominations were in the same category, although he used different names.

"The thing with dance music is everybody uses an alias. It's a different team of people, but I've always been the leader in getting things together," Bradshaw said.

Billie Jean was recorded at Bradshaw's Ajax studio.

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The choir is performing 'A Lovely Way to Spend an Evening' on May 9 and 10 at the Class Act Dinner Theatre, 104 Consumers Rd., at 8 p.m. both nights.

The varied program will include 'A Lovely Way to Spend an Evening,' 'Calling Canada,' a new folk song, 'Cape Breton Lullaby,' 'Pie Jesu,' 'Every Time I Feel the Spirit,' 'Amazing Grace,' 'O Sifuni Mungo,' 'New York State of Mind,' 'Blue Skies' and much more.

The choir will also perform at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Newcastle on May 3.

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All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Meeting of Council and any person who attends the meeting may make representations relating to the proposed by-law. The meeting is to be held:

Wednesday, May 28, 2003  
 10:00 a.m.

The Regional Council Chambers  
 605 Rossland Road East  
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In order that sufficient information is made available to the public, copies of the proposed by-law and the background study are being made available as of May 12, 2003 from the Regional Treasurer at the Finance Department, 60 Bond Street West, Oshawa, ON, L1H 8B6, 905-571-3311 or the Regional Clerk at 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby ON, L1N 6A3, 905-668-7711.

Interested persons may express their comments at the Public Meeting and/or in writing addressed to the Regional Treasurer at the above address no later than 4:00 p.m. on June 27, 2003. All submissions received in writing and those opinions expressed at the Public Meeting and any subsequent Regional Council meetings will be considered prior to Council's decision, which is anticipated during the regular Regional Council meeting of July 9, 2003.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Mary Simpson, Director of Financial Planning, Regional Finance Department at 905-571-3311 ext. 6222.

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# X-Men united

## Mutants are under attack in film sequel

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Magneto, having escaped from his plastic prison, forms an unlikely alliance with Professor Xavier to stop Stryker. Meanwhile, Wolverine heads north to investigate his past.

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Halle Berry has retaken her place among the mutants in 'X2: X-Men United', opening this weekend.



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## Talented duo

**PICKERING** — Beyond Reason, a country gospel band from Clarington, was just one of the talented acts to hit the stage at Greenwood United Church last Friday. Dan Barraball, left, and Reg Post, fellow band members, and others were taking part in a talent night fund-raiser in aid of a family that lost everything in a fire.

## PineRidge spins out new president for meeting

**PICKERING** — The Shuttlebug Weavers and Spinners are the guests at the next meeting of the PineRidge Arts Council.

Led by new president April Polak, the council meets Wednesday, May 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Pickering Recreation Complex, 1867 Valley Farm Rd. Along with the guests, the group will discuss Pickering Artfest and Canada

Day celebrations in Ajax.

The non-profit organization meets monthly and is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life within the community by developing widespread appreciation, support and involvement in the arts.

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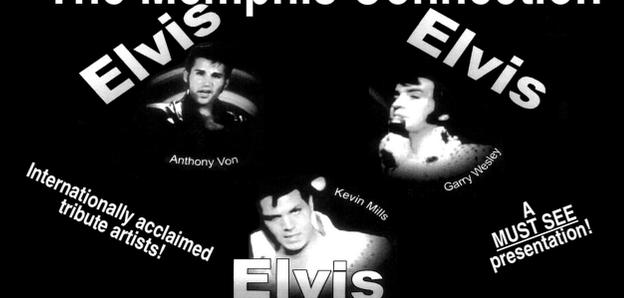
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## Getting ready for next season

PICKERING — Preparations are already under way for the 2003-04 Durham West Girls' Hockey Association with rep tryouts at area arenas. Here, Chloe Masse leads the way on this drill while attending a tryout session at Don Beer Arena Tuesday for the Lightning bantam 'A' rep hockey team.

# Pickering High athletes dominate Rowland Games

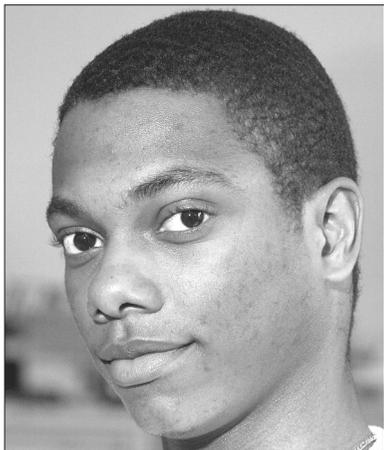
## Toronto meet start of outdoor track and field season

AJAX -- The Pickering High Track and Field team cleared its first hurdle in its quest to repeat as provincial track and field champions in 2003 by dominating the 30th Annual John Rowland Memorial Games in Toronto.

Hosted last weekend by Nike Canada and Neil McNeil High School at Etobicoke's Centennial Stadium, the Trojans sprinted off with the team title ahead of Toronto's Birchmount Park Collegiate.

The meet, which showcases some of the province's top talent, drew more than 1,400 athletes from across southern Ontario. Traditionally, it serves as the official start of the outdoor high school track season.

Leading the Trojans' charge was graduating senior Jason Jordan, fresh off the basketball court, who scored a trio of gold-medal performances. Jordan ran



JASON JORDAN

Triple gold medallist.

to gold in the 100 metres with a blistering time and provincial-best clocking of 10.52 seconds. He also collected gold in the long jump with a distance of 6.68m. In addition, Jordan was a member of Pickering High School's gold-medal-winning senior boys' 4-x-100m sprint relay team, which also included team captain Cameron Sahadath, and juniors

Aaron Bramwell-Cole and Ryan Finn.

Meanwhile, Sahadath, returning to the track after a three-month layoff due to a foot injury, placed second in the 110m senior boys' hurdles -- a mere three one-hundredths of a second behind eventual winner Paul Martin, an OAC student at Pine Ridge Secondary School in Pickering.

In the senior girls' division, Kemika Richards placed third in the long jump.

In junior boys', Tedroy Gomes placed first in the 110m hurdles and Finn placed first in the 1,500m. Ryan Gordon placed second in the long jump and third in the 110m hurdles. Adam Brown placed fourth in 110m hurdles and fifth in the 100m. Bramwell-Cole was fourth in the 100m. Matthew Lawrence was sixth in the 100m and eighth in the long jump. Timothy Brooks placed ninth in the long jump.

Pickering High's junior boys' 4-x-100m 'A' relay team of Gomes, Lawrence, Gordon, and Bramwell-Cole placed third. The junior boys' 4-x-100m 'B' relay team of Brown, Anthony Lue,

Brooks and Sheldon Connell placed fourth. Lue and Connell were midget-aged athletes who moved up to run in the junior division.

In the midget boys' division, Lue won gold in the 100m hurdles. Connell was third in the 100m hurdles, fourth in the 100m and fifth in the long jump.

Aisha Wharton was second in the long jump and fourth in the midget girls' 100m.

Members of the Pickering High boys' track and field team compete in the 2003 Eastern Ontario High School Track Classic at Ottawa's Terry Fox Stadium Thursday, May 1.

All members of the team participate in the Pre-Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) Meet at the OFSAA facility in St. Catharines Saturday, May 3.

The Lake Ontario Secondary School Athletics (LOSSA) championships are slated for Oshawa's Civic Stadium May 21 and 22. The OFSAA regionals are at York University May 28. The OFSAA championships are in St. Catharines June 4 to 7.

## St. Aubin back on the floor

### Pickering resident makes Rock after five-year absence

By Al Rivett  
Sports Editor

DURHAM -- Playing lacrosse close to home enticed a local player back to the floor this season after a five-year absence from the game.

Dan St. Aubin makes his debut with the rest of the Ajax-Pickering Rock in the club's Ontario Lacrosse Association Senior 'B' opener against the Owen Sound Woodsmen at the Pickering Recreation Complex tomorrow (Saturday) at 7 p.m.

The 26-year-old Pickering resident is almost giddy at the prospect of putting on the equipment and getting back on the floor competitively.

"I'm really looking forward to Saturday. I've spoken to everyone I know in town and they're just as excited as me. Since the Toronto Rock, everyone has recognized lacrosse for the great game it is," said St. Aubin.

St. Aubin is among four local players who'll be on the floor with the Rock this season. Eddie Fines is also from Pickering and Paul O'Grady and Tom Watt are both Ajacians.

Rock general manager Paul St. John said it was very important to put a local stamp on the team to not only grow the team's fan base, but also to have people in the community recognize the players.

"It's important for the area to relate to some of the players," said St. John. "When you have players from out of town, it's difficult to identify with them because they're only here on game days."

St. Aubin has been waiting for an opportunity to play lacrosse at the competitive level locally since he played for the Oshawa Green Gaels junior 'B' squad five years ago. Due to work commitments as an area contractor, he was unable to travel farther afield in order to play the game.

"I haven't played in five years because there wasn't anything local. Because of work, I wasn't able to make a commitment because of the travel. With the Rock, I'll be playing on the weekends and we'll be practising locally, so I'm pretty excited about getting back into it," said the former Whitby minor lacrosse player.

After finding out about the new Rock team several months ago, St. Aubin looked into it right away and started to practise in earnest to prepare himself for the training camp late last month. Although he played in the past, he knew he wasn't a lock to make the team.

"I didn't know how much I had missed it until I started playing again. It has been great. Just making the team was beyond my expectations. I managed to have a good camp and get a spot on the

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# Durham athletes make medal haul at Montreal meet

DURHAM -- Durham West special sports athletes participated at the 20th annual Defi Sportif in Montreal, with numerous medals won throughout the weekend.

The Durham West (Region 12 -- Ontario Special Olympics) club joined more than 2,300 athletes from seven countries in various events such as track and field, swimming, rhythmic gymnastics and cycling.

Victoria Edwards, representing the Durham West Shooting Stars gymnastics club, fared well in rhythmic gymnastics, winning the all-round gold medal. Individually, she earned gold in floor exercises, hoops and ribbon. She also earned a silver medal in the ball portion.

Meanwhile, the Durham Milers Track and Field club earned multiple medals.

Leading the pack was Andrew Boyd who won silver in the 100-metre dash and the long jump. His other medal was a bronze medal in the shot put.

Meanwhile, Kathy Dunlop captured silver in the 100m dash and a bronze in the long jump.

Blake Feetham won a



**ERIN RYNBERK**  
Three medals in Montreal.

silver medal in the shot put and bronze in the 200m dash and the long jump.

Catherine Partlow captured gold as part of the 4-x-400m relay team. She also won silver medals in the 100m dash and the 200m dash.

Members of the Durham Dolphins swimming club were also awash in medals.

Blair Desjardins won two gold and three silver medals, winning the 25m

freestyle and the 25m backstroke. She was the silver medallist in the 50m free, and as a member of the 4-x-25m and the 4-x-50m relay teams.

Erin Rynberk captured three medals: gold in the 50m back, silver in the 100m free and bronze in the 25m free.

Melissa Shaw won silver in the 25m free and bronze in the 50m free.

Lindsay Smith was the gold medallist in the 25m free.

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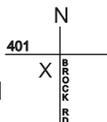
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## Rock opener Saturday

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team and I'll take it from there."

While the Rock may be an expansion team with a number of young players littering the roster, St. Aubin is nonetheless confident the team is on track to have a solid inaugural season.

"We have guys coming from Barrie, Orillia and Oakville, which shows the commitment is there," he said. "We have a great bunch of guys and the coaching staff is really interested in us. I think we're going to have a great season and I'm really looking forward to it."

NOTES: Goaltending

will, no doubt, be the Rock's trump card this season. The club is blessed with three outstanding goaltenders, led by Mike Miron, who played with the National Lacrosse League's Columbus Landsharks last season. Also expected to see action are Mike 'Bud' Wye and Jay Preece. "Although Miron will carry the bulk of the load, it's kind of neat to have three number-one goaltenders," said St. John... the Rock have acquired veteran Kevin Taylor from the Brooklyn Merchants in a cash deal. "He's very good defensively and he's very tough. We needed to add a little toughness and he was the player we needed," said St. John...

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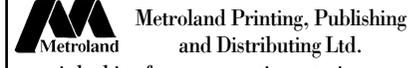


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PICKERING BASED portable toilet company requires service route driver/labourer for units in GTA, York and Durham and for septic tank pumping. Starting rate \$11.00 per hour after training period. Part time and full time required. Please fax (905)985-3850

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CONSTRUCTION FIRM requires Project Manager/Project Superintendent. ICI experience in new construction or renovations a must. Salary commensurate with qualification. Fax resume 416-282-0405.

ELECTRICIAN Journeyman or 5th term apprentice required for industrial and commercial control work. Must have own vehicle, competitive wages. Fax resume 905-655-3831

EXPERIENCED PREP PERSON, minimum 5 years. Apply in person to: 520 Fox St. Until 1. Oshawa.

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LICENSED AUTOMOTIVE tech. for busy general repair shop in Oshawa. Must be able to do diagnostic and repair work. Qualified applicant will get \$25.20/hr flat rate to start and benefits after 3 months. Call 905-433-4782.

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BELL SYMPATICO AGENT requires commissioned direct sales representative (door-to-door). Full & part-time positions avail. Excellent remuneration. Students welcomed. Contact Robert 416-678-3115 or John 905-432-9862.

DENTAL ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST required immediately, full time. Evenings and Saturdays are required. Dental experience a must. Fax resume to (905)683-2980

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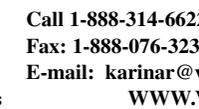
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We have just received a container from England, also selling local estate, collectables, fine furniture, glassware & china to include: oak hall stand, Henry 11 buffet, mah. gateleg table, stain glass window, oak wardrobe, set of 6 Queen Ann Chairs, cab. leg stool, oak plant stand, oak sewing machine, pine fire surround, oak sideboard, french piano, 3pc. Bergere suite, barley twist oak chairs, tea trolley, doll house, satin wood dressing table, Vict. 2 over 3 chest, walnut bedside cabinet, old blanket box, glass front wall cabinet, tilt-top coffee table, old gramophone, walnut wardrobe, oak floor lamps, wrought iron dressing table, black toolbox, nest of tables, too many items to list.  
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OF  
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**SUNDAY, MAY 4**  
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11:00 AM	Worship Service	Tuesday 7:30 PM	Bible Study
6:30 PM	Evening Praise & Worship	Friday 7:30 PM	Youth Group

**If we could be of any assistance to you, please call us at 905-837-7791**

320 Garage/Yard Sales

Everything INCLUDING the Kitchen Sink Sat. May 3, 8-2, no early birds 4965 Westney Rd., Clarendon, (opposite Spring Creek G.C.) Airtight stove insert, gas fireplace, Hanover maple kitchen cabinets, 45 gal. barrels, washer/dryer, aluminum doors, Pellar windows, light fixtures, high performance snow tires, fax machine, ladies' clothing, '91 Subaru certified e-tested \$1500, dishes, plates, collectibles LOADS MORE!

STREET SALE Sat. May 3rd, 8-3 p.m. MacIntyre Lane Ajax (Rossland/Ravenscroft) Furn, computer access. TY BEANIE BABIES childrens toys, Precious Moments Figurines, old 78 records

STREET SALE Liverpool Rd. (North of Finch, Pickering) SATURDAY MAY 3 ~ 9AM Tools, Furniture, Crafts, Household items

YARD SALE Sat May 3rd, 8 a.m. 15 Bramwell Dr. Ajax (Hwy. 2/Westney Rd.) Perego stroller, highchair, household items, lots more!

MOVING/DOWNSIZING SALE 36 Cedar St. Ajax Sat. May 3rd 8am-4pm china, artwork, linens, furniture, books, collectables, etc.

ALTONA WEST COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE May 3rd - 8am-2pm (raindate May 4th) West of Altona, North of Twyn Rivers 18 Streets of Bargains & Deals!

GARAGE Sale Sat. May 3rd 9am-2pm 37 Hettersley Dr., Ajax (Hwy 2/Westney) Lots for everyone!

FOSTER COURT GARAGE SALE, PICKERING Sat./Sun. May 3 & 4 ~ 8:30 a.m. Baby items, pram, air conditioners, more!

GARAGE SALE - Sat. May 3, 8am-12noon Rain date Sun May 4 - no early birds 1747 Greenvale Cres., Pick (Rosebank/Springview) Wide selection of items

320 Garage/Yard Sales

Int. designers HUGE YARD SALE BOTH NEW AND USED Saturday, May 3rd - 8:30 p.m. Joining street sale. South of Hwy 2 off Rougemount Look 4 Yellow Signs

PICKERING COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE Saturday May 3, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm 1920 Bayly St. (Corner of Squires Beach Rd & Bayly) Over 20 vendors, many new items and crafts, Support Young Adult Mission Team with Car wash, barbecue, bake sale, KRISPY KREME Donuts and silent Auction For more info. call Dave at 905-839-5401

GIANT GREENWOOD COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE Sat, May 3rd -- 9am-2pm (Rain or Shine) Westney Rd & Hwy 7 Follow the purple & yellow balloons!!! Household items, furniture, infant/kids stuff, toys/clothes, books, and lots more...

GARAGE SALE 1284 Old Orchard Ave., Pickering (near Massey's Restaurant) May 3 & 4; 10 & 11, 9am-4pm Furniture, housewares, toys, books, games, clothing & crafts

Bayly/Liverpool Multifamily Garage Sale 1940s Shop smith, new microwaves, tools, furniture, kids stuff, tons of stuff new & used. 810+815 Zator Ave., Pickering Sat., May 2, 8am-?

STREET SALE Sun. May 4th, Marsh Lane Ajax (Rossland, between Westney and Church) 8 a.m. Clothing, bedding, household items etc.

HUGE GARAGE SALE SAT. MAY 3RD - 9 A.M. - 12 NOON Golf clubs, exercise equipment, books, tools, light fixtures, kids toys, games, odds and ends 766 EDGEWOOD RD. PICKERING

GARAGE SALE Everything From "Soup to Nuts" Saturday May 3rd starting 7am 1845 Rosebank Rd North, Pickering

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256 Deaths

DRINKILL, Dave. Suddenly passed away on April 29, 2003 at the Ajax and Pickering Hospital at the age of 53. Beloved husband of Jill. Cherished and devoted father of Kevin, Brandon and Matthew. Loving son of Joyce and the late Bob Drinkill. Dave is survived by brother Gary. Lovingly remembered by his 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 to 9 on Thursday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday. The funeral service will be held in the chapel on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Interment to take place at Erskine Cemetery. Should family and friends so desire, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Hospital for Sick Children would be greatly appreciated.

258 In Memoriam

OUR MIRACLE May 1, 1992 - August 22, 2002 Dear Dylan When you were born, I thought that you were certainly not a beautiful baby. A brow that already creased like an old man with a lifetime of worries And that little "tag" beside your ear-what was that? Your dad could not take his eyes off you and Jenny waited anxiously for this baby brother who had taken so long. How we had all waited for you - our miracle. God gave us his miracle, but you were on loan. We thought so many times, that time was up and as many times he let you stay a little longer. Or maybe it wasn't God's doing, maybe it was you - fighting to hold on. Fighting to stay another day, another week, another year. When time was up - you didn't struggle You went quietly - softly. But Our Miracle all the Same FOREVER OUR MIRACLE Love Always Mummy, Daddy, Jenny & Rick

256 Deaths

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258 In Memoriam

FORD Lisa Catherine In loving memory of our dear friend Lisa who touched our lives in so many ways July 30, 1987 ~ May 2, 2002 A year ago today, we lost a special friend, She fought so hard to stay, Until the very end. She was our hope inspiration, Always showing such determination. With her smiling face So much wisdom for her years, We always had to show, "Only smiles and no tears." All she really wanted, was to be able to stay, But God knew he needed her, So he took her away, To keep things organized in Heaven, Where the Angels sing, So he gave her something special, Her very own orange wings. We miss you Lisa Love, Uncle Ed, Aunt Jo, Clayton, Joshua Claire

258 In Memoriam

Lisa Catherine Ford July 30, 1987 - May 2, 2002 The memories we hold, are so dear. Your warm and tender smile, is so very tender. Your love for life, keeps our light forever bright. You taught us about bravery and courage... You are our Hero Forever Our Angel with Orange Wings Lovingly remembered and sadly missed Mom, Dad, Meghan, Kerri, Family and Friends

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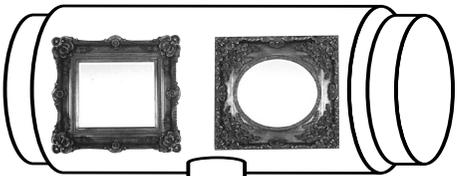
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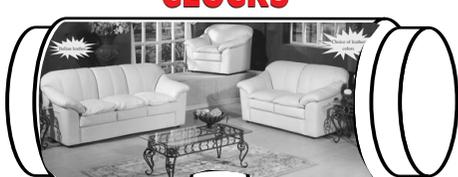
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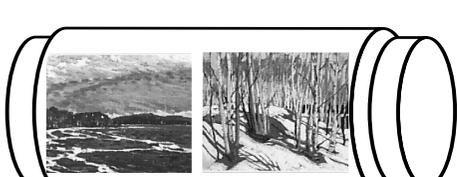
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**SOUTH, AJAX**

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**SUN., MAY 4, 2-4 P.M.**  
**937 VISTULA DR., PICKERING**  
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**SUN., MAY 4, 1-4 P.M.**  
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**FRIENDLY LITTLE HOUSE**  
**SOUTH AJAX**  
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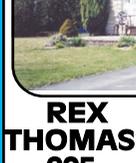
**SUN., MAY 4, 2-4 P.M.**  
**1721 CONACHER CRES.**  
Very clean all brick three bedroom open concept home, main floor laundry room with garage access. Vaulted ceiling. Formal dining room. Ceramic flooring in foyer and kitchen, hardwood in living room and dining room. In-law suite with separate entrance on the lower level. Close to schools and shopping.



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**JILL SMITH\***  
905-683-1790



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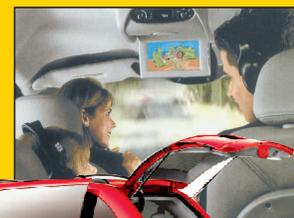
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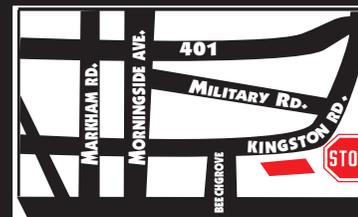
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