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'I want to get to work on the budget right away'

## Pickering Ward 2 picks Dickerson

Veteran former  
councillor elected  
in byelection

By Danielle Milley  
Staff Writer

**PICKERING** — Pickering's byelection came down to a two-man race, with veteran councillor Doug Dickerson taking the Ward 2 City seat by less than 250 votes.

The crowded race featured eight candidates, including former councillors, a school board trustee, and several very active community volunteers. In the end, it was Mr. Dickerson beating out first-time candidate Terry James.

As he gave his victory speech in the warehouse of his carpet store in Pickering, Mr. Dickerson was surrounded by friends, family and campaign volunteers.

"It's to you I owe my victory," he said. "To all of you I want to say thank you from the bottom of my heart."

One of his supporters shouted, "Are you happy?"

To which he replied, "happy, happy, happy," with a big smile.

Mr. Dickerson's win is his fifth in four decades; he was first elected in 1978. He has served at both the City and regional level.

He is eager to get to work immediately and cites fiscal accountability as his top priority.

The astronomical rise in our taxes — 40 per cent in four years — that to



me is obscene," he said in an interview. "I want to get to work on the budget right away."

He believes taxes can be lowered without cutting services and his goal is to get to a zero-per cent increase.

Mr. Dickerson took a different approach to campaigning this year.

He shied away from the campaign standard of door knocking and instead contacted thousands of homes by telephone and engaged voters in conversation.

Mr. Dickerson took 40 per cent of the vote,

while Mr. James captured 34 per cent. The remaining six candidates split the remaining 26.

At Mr. James's party the mood was anything but one of defeat. There were dozens of people drinking, eating, talking and laughing as music played.

Although he was disappointed, Mr. James was happy with his performance and campaign. His goal had been to capture 1,200 to 1,400 votes and he received 1,288.

"The voters of Ward 2 went for someone who has been in there before," he said.

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Terry James



A.J. Groen/News Advertiser photo  
Doug Dickerson celebrates with wife Joann after winning the City councillor byelection for Pickering Ward 2. Mr. Dickerson earned 40 per cent of the vote.

[ Briefly ]



## Pickering remembers tomorrow

**PICKERING** — The City of Pickering, in partnership with the Bay Ridges branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, holds a Remembrance Day ceremony tomorrow (Thursday) beginning at 10:30 at the cenotaph in Esplanade Park. For more Remembrance Day coverage, see Page A2, A3.

[ What's on ]

**Pickering Public Library**  
beefs up its French collection:  
The Pickering Public Library's French connection is getting a boost.

Donations from Canadian Parents for French have allowed for the expansion of fiction and homework resources at the library's central and Petticoat Creek branches.

The newest additions are also online at [www.picnet.org](http://www.picnet.org). The main branch is at 1 The Esplanade, while the Petticoat Creek branch is at 470 Kingston Rd.

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## BOWMANVILLE EXPLOSION LIGHTS UP THE NIGHT

Flames lit up the night sky in Bowmanville last night as numerous propane tanks exploded at Caledon Propane Storage Facility on Port Darlington Road. See the story page A2.

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# 400 Bowmanville residents forced from their homes

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CLARINGTON — The area a mile to the east and a mile to the west of Port Darlington Marina was evacuated last night, after an explosion at Caledon Propane Storage Facility on Port Darlington Road sent tanks of gas hurtling into the night sky.

The Municipality of Clarington reported the explosion occurred at approximately 7:45 p.m. As of 9:24 p.m., there had been no further explosions;

however two small fires were still burning and emergency crews were working to keep one propane tank cool in the wake of the fire.

"There are 15 pieces of equipment on the scene," said Clarington Mayor John Mutton shortly before 9:30 p.m., "and we're coordinating our efforts with fire and emergency services, and the Durham Regional Police."

Residents within the area ordered evacuated by Durham Regional Police were asked to gather at the Garnet B. Rickard Recreation Centre, if they had nowhere else to go. Sergeant Paul Malik

estimated 5,000 residents were asked to leave their homes.

There were no injuries reported at Lakeridge Health Bowmanville.

An orange glow in the sky could be seen from as far away as Ajax in the west and Mosport raceway northeast of Bowmanville. Bowmanville resident Mike Anderson heard the explosion from his home on Waverley Road. "Our power went off first. I looked out the window and saw the sky lit up... you could hear the boom of the propane tanks exploding." Mr. Anderson said the sky over Port Darlington Marina was illuminated and flames could be seen shooting more than 100 feet into the air.

Hwy. 401 was closed in both directions near Bowmanville, creating traffic snarls on alternate east-west routes.

The explosion also caused the Canadian National Railway to close its rail

line through the area.

"Our line has been shut down as of 8 p.m." said CN spokesman Mark Hallman shortly after 10:30 p.m. "At this time, it's affecting VIA as well as freight traffic. At this time we don't know when the line is going to reopen."

Asked whether CN had put in place a contingency plan to reroute the rail traffic, Mr. Hallman said the rail company would investigate that possibility "if it becomes a very lengthy ordeal. At the present time, we're just going to wait it out."

Witnesses reported seeing propane tanks flying into the air in the wake of the blast, which knocked out power to 4,384 homes in Bowmanville, Newcastle and surrounding rural areas. The area went dark at approximately 7:49 p.m. as a nearby transformer caught on fire, short-circuiting the entire system.

Veridian Connections, which distrib-

utes power to Newcastle and Bowmanville, reported as many as 4,200 customers affected. Electricity was restored to all but 100 homes within the vicinity of the explosion an hour later, said spokesman Imro Lieuw.

Hydro One, which feeds electricity to homes in more rural parts of Bowmanville, reported 184 of its customers were left without power. Electricity was restored around 9:27 p.m. to all of those homes, said spokesman Kim McLaren.

Jacquie McInnes, spokeswoman for Ontario Power Generation, reported at 9:15 p.m. that the explosion had had no impact on the Darlington Nuclear Generating Station.

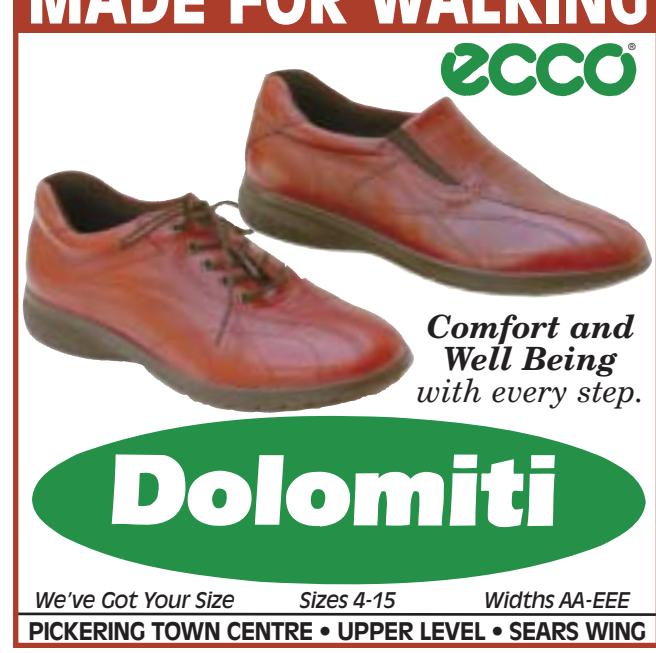
"We were given a request to assist and we have responded by providing a pumper truck and at this point one staff member," she said.



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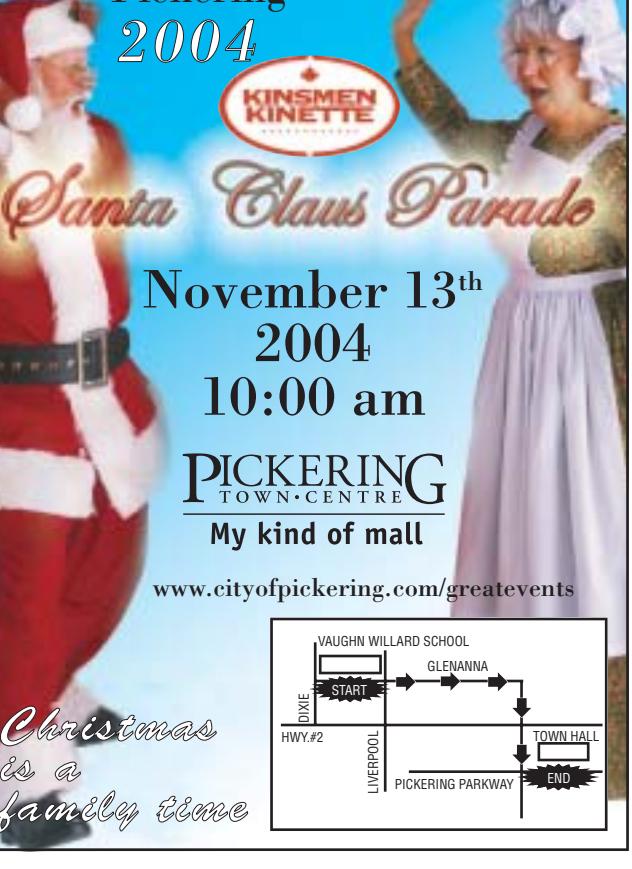
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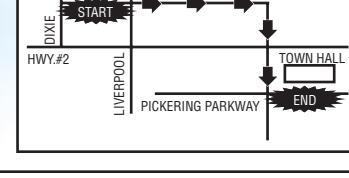
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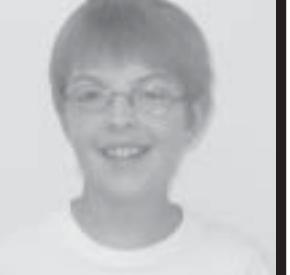


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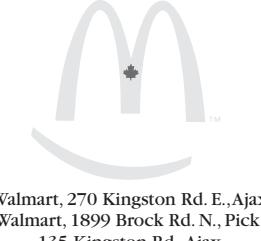
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# Ajax air force veteran figures it was fate

Crumb remembers aerial escapades

By Keith Gilligan

Staff Writer

AJAX — Fate.

There's no other explanation Don Crumb can come up with for being here.

In 1942, following final flight training in England, Mr. Crumb was assigned to a squadron in southeast Asia. If he had been assigned to one in Europe, he doesn't believe he would have lived through the war.

"I guess it was fate. I don't know why I was posted here or there. It had to be fate," the longtime Ajax resident says.

"Some of us were put in a squadron in England. Some were sent to southeast Asia. I probably wouldn't be here if I was sent to a squadron in England."

Mr. Crumb, who flew for the Royal Canadian Air Force during the Second World War, points to the 198 Typhoon Squadron to the losses that occurred in the European theatre. Of the 18 men assigned to the squadron, within weeks, 10 were killed and two taken captive.

"Our losses were much less. If I had joined 198 Squadron, I don't think I'd be here," he says. "It's a shock, but that's what was going on in Europe. We didn't have losses that bad."

A picture of Mr. Crumb with four buddies shows the terrible toll of war, but was also "par for the course. Three of five didn't come back," he notes.

The RCAF celebrates its 80th anniversary this year.

Mr. Crumb spent four years and two months in the air force, and was overseas for just over three years. He spent nearly two-and-a-half years in southeast Asia.

Prior to the war, he didn't fly and his decision to join the air force came about while he was on a date with his girl Georgina, or Jo.

They were in Niagara Falls and there was an aircraft factory in Buffalo and "that sure looked good to me. I saw one flying and that made up my mind," Mr. Crumb states. "Back in those days, they were innocent times. We were so naive really."

When he joined the air force, "We all met in Toronto and we trained together for just about a year. The Exhibition is where we trained," Mr. Crumb says.

He points out, "The sheep and swine division is where we bunked. There were hundreds, maybe thousands, of us there. That was just to join up."

They were then sent to the air force base in Trenton "for a guard duty. It was to get us used to the air force. There was nothing to guard, but day and night we were guarding Trenton."

The flyers were then sent back to To-



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Don and Georgina Crumb met just prior to Mr. Crumb enlisting in the Royal Canadian Air Force. Below, he is standing second from right with other members of his squadron in Burma.



ronto for Initial Training School, now Ryerson.

From there, they went to Mount Hope in Hamilton for Elementary Flying Training School. Then it was off to Dunnville for Service Flying Training School and "that's where we got our wings."

That was in July of '42. The pilots were sent to England and then Mr. Crumb was shipped to southeast Asia, spending time in India, Ceylon (now Sri Lanka) and Burma.

"A lot of work was close support to the British and Indian armies," he says.

He had some "minor hits from flak, but nothing really bad," he says, adding he did crash a Hurricane airplane once during a storm.

"The Hurricane was a great plane, but it was becoming obsolete. It was the main plane in the Battle of Britain. You hear about the Spitfire, but the Hurricane did most of the work."

After the Hurricane, he flew P-47 Thunderbolts.

What stands out the most about southeast Asia were the conditions. He lived through three monsoons and

"abominable weather. Heat, humidity, bugs, insects, scorpions, snakes," he says. Most of the men contracted malaria, but "I didn't get it. I got dengue fever. You got that or you got malaria. You got one or the other."

And, he points to the harsh conditions the soldiers had to deal with. "I feel sorry for those guys. Nobody can imagine what it's like fighting in the jungle."

He also jokes, "We didn't have a nice friendly village nearby and a pub to go to."

He returned in September 1945 and he and Jo were married in December of that year. They have three sons and six grandchildren. Jo's family "lived right across the road from us in Toronto," on Malvern Avenue, in the Victoria Park Avenue and Gerrard Street area.

"We started courting, going together in 1940. I went in the air force in '41. She waited all those long years," he says. The Crumbs moved to a home on Tudor Street in 1949, before moving to their present home on Parry Road in

1956.

Mr. Crumb worked in the sales division of Northern Electric, retiring in 1979. He was active with veterans' groups, but "it's really slowed down" as the veterans have passed away. "There's not many of us left."

After the war, he did some flying out

of Oshawa, as a member of the RCAF reserve, from May 1956 to March 1957. "The plan was to have instruction in case there was another outbreak," he states. "I was flying Chipmunks and getting paid. It was great until (Prime Minister John) Diefenbaker said 'no more.'"

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**Biosolids Management**

Incineration has been identified as the preferred option for providing additional biosolids management capacity in Durham Region. The preferred location for providing the additional incineration capacity is the existing incineration facility at the Duffin Creek Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) in south Pickering. Additional studies have recently been initiated to satisfy the requirements for implementing the additional incineration capacity. These studies are proceeding in accordance with the Schedule C provisions of the *Municipal Class EA*.

Biosolids management in Durham Region will also continue to include beneficial application of liquid biosolids on agricultural land, when weather conditions are favourable, in order to take advantage of the existing biosolids storage facilities in the Region and utilize the nutrient value of the biosolids. The long-term biosolids management strategy does not include additional facilities to expand the land application program.

**Septage Management**

The preferred option for managing all septage in Durham Region involves the construction of new septage receiving facilities at the Duffin Creek WPCP (in Pickering), Corbett Creek WPCP (in Whitby), Port Darlington WPCP (in Bowmanville), and Lake Simcoe WPCP (in Beaverton). Under the provisions of the *Municipal Class EA*, these facilities are considered Schedule A projects and may proceed to implementation.

**Public Review Period**

Draft reports have been prepared to document the development of the Biosolids Master Plan and Septage Management Strategy. A 30-day public review period is to commence for these reports on **Wednesday November 17, 2004**. During this period, copies of the reports will be available for public review at the Durham Region Works Department, local Municipal Offices (City or Town Halls) in Durham Region, and main library branches in Durham Region.

Further information on these studies, including an Executive Summary for each study report, is available on the project web site at [www.region.durham.on.ca/biosolids](http://www.region.durham.on.ca/biosolids).

If you have a question or comment about the study findings or reports during the 30-day public review period, we encourage you to contact:

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Comments on the Biosolids Master Plan and Septage Management Strategy should be received by **Friday December 17, 2004**.

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# Holland hopes bill will increase turnout

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they are in school, and often taking civic courses, we reinforce a pattern of voter participation that will stay with them through life," he said.

A pattern over time, he said, that will hopefully increase overall voter turnout.

"If we utilize the opportunity over time it would have a major impact on civics," he said.

If enacted, there would be a five-figure rise in the number of eligible voters in Durham. The Durham and Durham Catholic District school boards estimate they have a combined 13,000 16- and 17-year-olds in their systems this fall.

As someone who became involved and interested in politics at a young age, not being able to vote frustrated Mr. Holland.

"It's something that struck me when I was 16 and paying taxes to the federal government and really engaged in the political process at the party level, but I wasn't allowed to participate in electoral politics and that bothered me," he said.

He pointed out 16-year-olds can currently vote in party leadership selection votes, join a political party or join the army.

Previous private members' bills on the same issue have been introduced over the years, but Mr. Holland said his is different because new rules for private members' bills make it likely the bill will be voted on in the House. Also, his bill retains 18 as the minimum age that a person could become a candidate for Parliament.

The bill is receiving support from across the House floor. So far Newmarket-Aurora MP Belinda Stronach (Conservative) is co-sponsoring the bill and members from both the Bloc Quebecois and NDP are going to co-sponsor it.

Mr. Holland said the next step is to go to high schools across the country and hear from 16- and 17-year-olds.

The bill should come before the House for second reading and debate in February, he said, and be voted on at the end of February.

In 1971, Canada's voting age was lowered to 18 from 21.



Ron Pietroniro/ News Advertiser photo

## Workers speak out

**PICKERING** — Support staff, including RPNs, unit clerks, and maintenance staff, hit the streets yesterday at Rouge Valley Ajax and Pickering and other hospitals across Ontario for an information protest. They are unhappy about the way contract negotiations are progressing.

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# Ward 2 voter turnout exceeds Pickering expectations

**PICKERING** — City of Pickering staff was happy with the number of people who voted in Monday's byelection.

"We were very pleased with the voter turnout," said Anne Greentree, deputy clerk. "The candidates are to be commended for their campaigning and generating interest."

Ward 2 has 16,865 eligible voters and 3,784 voted in the highly contested city councillor's race that featured eight candidates. The 22.4 per cent turnout was higher than City staff anticipated.

Ms. Greentree said the thinking was it would be between 18 and 20 per cent. Municipal elections historically have poor turnouts, usually between 30 and 40 per cent, and byelections tend to generate even less.

Ms. Greentree was also pleased with the voting equipment, which was new for this election.

Polls closed at 8 p.m. and the final results were in at 8:40 p.m.

## Runner-up pledges he'll be back for future campaigns

Runner-up from Page A1

Mr. James was surprised at the way the final numbers broke down.

"There were a number of the eight (candidates) that I thought could have done well," he said. "I was surprised it did come down to a two-man race. The voters made their choice and I'm fine."

He plans on running again.

"I'm going to keep working and volunteering in the community and I'll be back in two years with the same message," he said.

Mr. Dickerson is to be sworn in at the Nov. 15 council meeting.

The seat was vacated in July when Councillor Bill McLean was appointed to the regional seat after Mark Holland was elected MP for Ajax-Pickering.



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## Workers speak out

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# Crown urges jury to reject Hall's 'bigging up' defence

*Told truth about his role in murder to undercover cops, prosecutor says*

By Jeff Mitchell  
Staff Writer

**DURHAM** — Sean Hall's knowledge of the details surrounding the slaying of Roy Jones proves he was part of the plot to kill the Ajax man — and is therefore guilty of first-degree murder, the Crown counsel said in his final address to a jury this week.

Paul Murray said that Mr. Hall, 29, was indeed telling the truth when he bragged to undercover police officers about his key role in the murder of Mr. Jones. He urged the eight men and four women preparing to decide the former Pickering man's fate to deliver a guilty verdict based on the copious evidence that's been presented by the prosecution during the long-running trial.

Much of that evidence was in the form of secretly recorded tapes and videos made by Durham police officers in which Mr. Hall supplies details of the murder, disposal of the murder weapon, and a home invasion robbery that set in motion the chain of events that led to Mr. Jones's murder.

Mr. Murray urged the jury to reject Mr. Hall's defence: That he was "bigging up" — bragging — to the undercover cops, who had conned him into believing they were gangsters with biker gang connections.

Mr. Jones was murdered just days before he was to testify in court against

Mr. Hall's close friend, Cosmo Jacobson. Mr. Jones, a security guard at the Metro East Trade Centre, had seen Mr. Jacobson use credit cards stolen during a home invasion robbery in June

of 2000 at a bank machine at the mall and identified him to police.

Mr. Hall's defence team highlighted the many details Mr. Hall got wrong when he told the undercover officers about the murder, pointing to the errors as proof he was making it all up as he went along. Mr. Hall said he was relying on media reports and details provided by the actual killer — he said it was Mr. Jacobson, aided by Scarborough gang members — to create a convincing story.



Roy Jones

But Mr. Murray urged the jury to consider how many of those details Mr. Hall got right — especially details only someone who was present the night of the murder would know.

"If you find he was telling the truth to the undercover officers... you can convict Mr. Hall on his own words," Mr. Murray said.

Mr. Hall was able to relate exactly how the killing — Mr. Murray repeatedly labelled it "an execution" — occurred, the prosecutor said.

On the tapes, Mr. Hall tells how he sat in the getaway car while Mr. Jacobson waited for Mr. Jones to come home

from work on a cold winter night. He related how Mr. Jacobson came out of the darkness as Mr. Jones approached his family's home on Twilley Lane and fired two shots, then chased him down and fired three more shots into his back and head.

"He really describes the killing in intimate detail," Mr. Murray said.

And while he didn't pull the trigger, Mr. Hall is equally guilty of first-degree murder, the Crown asserted.

A finding of guilt on the first-degree murder charge would bring an automatic sentence of life in prison with no possibility of parole for 25 years.

Superior Court Justice Donald Ferguson was to begin today giving his charge to the jury, after which they will retire to start deliberations. The jury is to be sequestered until they arrive at a verdict.

Mr. Jacobson, who was being tried along with Mr. Hall when this case began with jury selection in March, had his case severed in early October; he faces retrial with a new jury in the new year.

Mr. Jacobson is scheduled to make a court appearance next week as the process of setting his new trial date begins.

## Senior safety the focus in Pickering and Ajax

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Throughout the month of November, SCOPA hosts presentations on fraud

and home safety for seniors. The guest speaker is Constable Joe Mitschang of the Durham Region Police.

The first presentation is to the Seniors Friendship Club, Tuesday, Nov. 16 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the St. Andrew's Community Centre, 46 Exeter Dr. For more information on the presentation, call 905-428-8297.

Later the same day at 2 p.m., a presentation is planned for the Pickering Village Seniors Centre. For more information on the presentation, call

905-683-8460.

The last presentation is Thursday, Nov. 18 from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. at Pickering Petticoat Creek Community Centre, 470 Kingston Rd. For more information on this presentation, call 905-420-2370.

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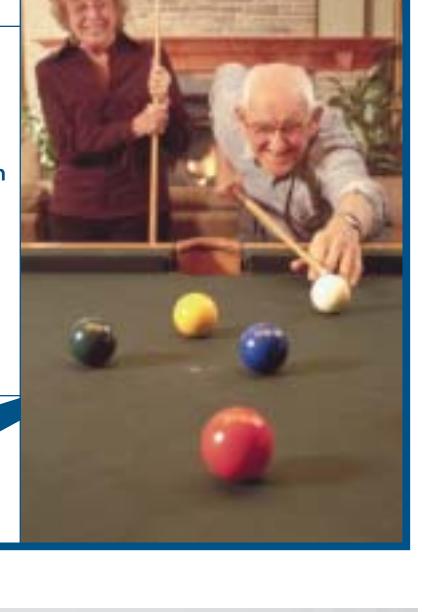
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# Honour our veterans in the best way possible

Remember their sacrifice always

**S**o much history and still so much being made. As Remembrance Day arrives tomorrow, it's a time to honour all who've fought so hard to help build the great country we are today, but it's also a time for intense pride. Pride in the leading role Canada has played in conflicts around the world through our history. Canada's veterans and track record in world affairs are second-to-none.

Our troops have done all Canadians proud over and over again, be it through our significant contributions to war efforts, or our ongoing peacekeeping work that continues to put so many Canadians in danger. We're recognized internationally as peacemakers. Remember, our military personnel are always involved somewhere in the world. The recent tragedy aboard the HMCS Chicoutimi served all too well to remind us of the real and ongoing danger.

Those who have served and those currently in the service know a danger greater than any of us could conceive.

So, as we stop tomorrow to reflect, to remember our war veterans and the many Canadians still stationed around the world, it's important we all make a conscious effort to ensure this isn't the only time in the coming year that we honour our soldiers for offering the ultimate sacrifice, themselves.

Pickering-Scarborough East MP Dan McTeague, is calling for Nov. 11 to become a national holiday so we can properly honour our heroes each November. The idea captures what many people feel.

The news comes at a time when recent polls show a troubling trend of Remembrance Day taking on less and less importance in the lives of Canadians.

The farther away in years we get from the world wars and the more detached many get from the reality that the spectre of war directly impacts us, despite it looming large around us, the more important it is that new generations remember.

So visit a cenotaph tomorrow, or stop by your nearest Legion branch and ask to hear more about our history. Thank a veteran for giving so selflessly. Help our kids learn and understand too. You may be surprised by what you discover or forgot you knew.

Make a commitment this Remembrance Day to honour, on a regular basis, all Canadians who've fought for our freedom.

Remember.

## Now on to the job at hand for Dickerson

**T**he campaigning's over and the votes counted, so now comes the hard part for Doug Dickerson.

The residents of Pickering Ward 2 selected Mr. Dickerson as their choice in Monday's byelection, deciding his political experience will best serve them at the council table. As a former councillor, Mr. Dickerson won't have the learning curve for municipal policies and procedures, but he'll have to be up to speed on several key issues that matter to Ward 2 and the city as a whole.

With just over two years to go in the term, a quick and seamless transition is needed as the debate over nuclear alerting systems and traffic concerns rise to the surface in his ward, and the City and Province continue to spar over the Duffins Rouge Agricultural Preserve lands. And those issues are just at the top of the agenda.

However, given Mr. Dickerson's background, we expect the leap will be smooth. It's time to get to work.

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Last Week's Question: Do you think we do enough to honour our vets at this time of year?

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Yes: 15.2 %

## IN THE COMMUNITY



### Lest we forget

Lorraine Ramsay sent us this picture of herself with a Remembrance Day display she created at Lakeside Public School recently. An educational assistant at the school, she spoke to other school staff and decided to put together the display of Second World War memorabilia for students, staff and parents to see.

### Do you have a photo to share with our readers?

If you have an amusing, interesting, historic or scenic photo to share with the community we'd like to see it. Send your photo, along with a written description of the circumstances surrounding the photo (max. 80 words) identifying the people in the photo and when it was taken to: The News Advertiser, 130 Commercial Ave., Ajax, ON, L1S 2H5. Or, e-mail photos to [dstell@durhamregion.com](mailto:dstell@durhamregion.com).



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Eye-care funding decision shocking

#### To the editor:

I am an optometrist who has practised in the Pickering area for the last 20 years. I am writing to express my shock and concern with how the Ontario government has decided to deal with eye-care funding.

After 15 years with no funding increase, we have found ourselves barely able to provide the required level of care to our patients. With increases in overhead costs, and advances in technology, my profession is in crisis.

Along with many patients being de-insured, we are forced to accept no increase in funding for seniors and only a tiny change for health-related exams. This will further erode our ability to cover our overhead, leading to further deterioration in service and waiting times for care. The government has shown complete contempt for my profession, with no negotiation or consultation since the budget.

Meanwhile, medical doctors have been given a sub-

stantial raise.

This can only have a negative impact for all concerned.

**Susan Leet O.D.**

Toronto

### What goes around comes around

#### To the editor:

*Re: 'Pickering sits out' Nov. 5.*

It is with particular satisfaction that I read Pickering council has decided not to attend anymore meetings regarding Seaton.

Council has finally figured out that even though they are invited to the meetings, they are not part of the decision-making process. My satisfaction stems from the realization that council now knows how many constituents feel after being shuffled to ineffectual stakeholders' meetings. These meetings listen to and then ignore input.

Council now knows how frustrating it is to be locked out of the process. Mayor Dave Ryan now realizes how it feels to be ignored by those who should be listening to citizens' concerns.

Council should now know

why the voting public is so hardened to the political process and would rather go to the dentist than vote. At least at the dentist you accomplish something.

I represent Pickering on the Greater Toronto Airports Authorities' Pickering Advisory Council. For four years I have been attending monthly meetings, and never have I been called upon to report to council, even though I have offered to do so several times.

Why? Because the City, the GTAA, and I know that this is an exercise.

At the end of the process, the GTAA will be able to say it held public meetings. The fact it didn't listen does not matter.

Well, council got a dose of its own medicine and thankfully found it bitter. Hopefully it will reflect on this experience and adjust how it receives input into local issues. Perhaps this slap is what was needed to open its eyes and our system to true representative government.

Now that the shoe is on the other foot Mayor Ryan and council, how does it feel?

**Stephen Frederick**  
President, Voters Organized to Cancel the Airport Land

## Action figures reveal total idiocy



### Neil Crone enter laughing

in it. We won the war. We already know the outcome."

Would you not love just five minutes with this clown? It boggles the mind. How, in this day and age, does a person of such astonishing ignorance reach adulthood? With a brain so tiny, the odds are excellent that at some point in his earlier years he would have found a way to kill himself. A cereal spoon in his eye perhaps, or a giddy desire to play with those big white bears at the zoo. Or leaping off the condo balcony with a dishtowel cape on his back. Darwin is spinning in his grave I am sure.

The truly sad thing about this is that the Holocaust and the death camps are not ancient history. There are still many thousands living with tattooed arms and hands.

Can you imagine the pain, the unspeakable anguish of the Camp-surviving grandmother or grandfather who comes upon this atrocity while innocently shopping for a grandchild's birthday or Hanukkah gift? Do you expect that he or she will simply chuckle and wave a dismissive hand at the thing? "Oh gosh. I remember those kooky Nazis. Well, no harm done I suppose. We won the war, after all. Pity about those cool uniforms though."

There is an old adage that goes something like this: Those who forget their history are destined to repeat it. It has only been 60-odd years since the atrocities of Dachau, Auschwitz, Birkenau and the like. A very, very short span in the big picture. It saddens and terrifies me that there may be more like this simpleton toy manufacturer out there. What's next? 9/11 action figures? Al-Qaida martyrs that come with a box-cutter?

This Remembrance Day, please stop, sit, be still, remember and, for the sake of all of us on this beautiful green globe, learn.

*Sunderland resident Neil Crone, actor-comic-writer, saves some of his best lines for his columns.*

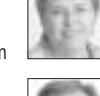
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Remembrance Day Service  
Thursday, November 11 at 10:45  
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ATTEND PUBLIC MEETINGS  
AT CITY HALL

DATE	MEETING	TIME
Nov. 10	Committee of Adjustment	7:00 pm
Nov. 11	Waterfront Coordinating Committee	7:00 pm
Nov. 11	Planning Committee & Committee of the Whole	7:30 pm
Nov. 15	Management Forum/Council Meeting	1:30 pm
Nov. 16	Heritage Pickering	7:00 pm

All meetings are open to the public.  
For meeting details call  
905.420.2222 or visit our website

## NOTICE OF MEETING

November 22, 2004 at 7:30 pm  
Pickering Civic Complex - Council Chambers  
One The Esplanade, Pickering Ontario L1V 6K7

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING ON  
OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT  
APPLICATION OPA 04-002/PCITY INITIATED: GROWTH  
MANAGEMENT STUDY IMPLEMENTATION

Official Plan Amendment: OPA 04-002/P

The Amendment affects an area generally bounded by the CP Rail line to the south, York-Durham Townline Road to the west, Highway 7 to the north, and Sideline 16/Pickering-Ajax boundary to the east (see location map below).

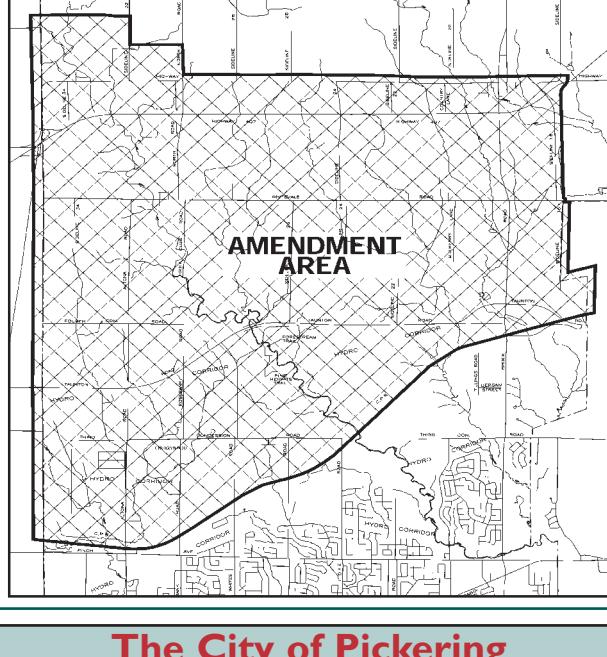
In June 2004, City Council endorsed the Structure Plan of the Growth Management Study as the basis for preparing official plan amendments. Subsequently, the City initiated amendments to the Pickering Official Plan to implement the Council endorsed Structure Plan. A Statutory Public Meeting about the proposed amendment was held on October 14, 2004.

The Executive Committee of Council will now be considering a Staff Report on the proposed amendment and related implementation matters at its meeting of **November 22, 2004, at 7:30 pm**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Council Chambers of the Pickering Civic Complex, One The Esplanade, Pickering, Ontario.

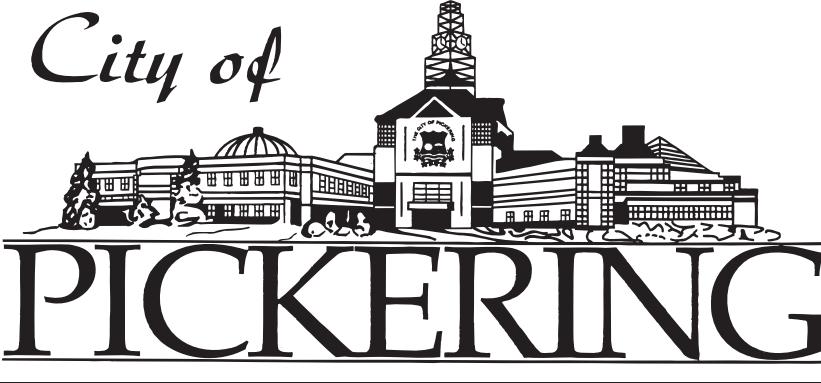
The Staff Report will include the recommended amendments to the Pickering Official Plan, which implement the Council endorsed Structure Plan. Copies of the Report will be available from the Office of the City Clerk on and after **November 16, 2004**. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting and address the Executive Committee when the item is presented for discussion.

It is anticipated that City Council will consider the recommendations of the Executive Committee at a special Council meeting on December 13, 2004. For further information, please contact Grant McGregor, Principal Planner - Policy, at 905.420.4660, extension 2032 or Catherine Rose, Manager, Policy, at extension 2038. Any person wishing to address City Council with respect to this item must contact the City Clerk's Office at 905.420.4660 or by email at [btaylor@city.pickering.on.ca](mailto:btaylor@city.pickering.on.ca) on or before Friday December 10, 2004.

Date of this Notice, November 1, 2004

The City of Pickering  
2004 Annual Accessibility Plan  
(September 2004 - August 2005)  
is now available

For a copy of the plan, visit our website at [cityofpickering.com](http://cityofpickering.com) or call 905.420.4666 or 905.683.7575 (for residents of North Pickering). Copies of the plan are also available at the Pickering Civic Complex (Customer Care Centre) and the Pickering Public Library located at One the Esplanade, Pickering.



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Reminder to All City of Pickering  
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For further information, please contact the Corporate Services Department at 905.420.4614 or visit our web site at [cityofpickering.com](http://cityofpickering.com)

Applications must be received by November 30, 2004.

NOTICE OF PASSING OF ZONING BY-LAWS  
RESPECTING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Pickering passed By-law Numbers 6395/04, 6396/04, 6397/04 and 6398/04 (A 19/02) on November 1, 2004.

AND TAKE NOTICE that the lands affected by these by-laws are subject to an amendment to the Pickering Official Plan under File Number OPA 02-003/P.

The purpose and effect of these by-laws is to permit accessory dwelling units in detached and semi-detached dwellings provided the dwelling can satisfy a parking performance and unit size standard.

These by-laws apply to all lands within the boundaries of the City of Pickering. The complete By-laws are available for inspection in the Office of the Clerk during regular office hours.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any individual, corporation or public body may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of By-law Numbers 6395/04, 6396/04, 6397/04 and 6398/04 by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Pickering no later than the 30th day of November, 2004 Notice of Appeal setting out the reasons for the appeal. The Notice of Appeal must be accompanied by the fee required by the Ontario Municipal Board which is \$125.00. Cheques must be made payable to the "Minister of Finance".

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

FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THIS MATTER MAY  
BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING THE CITY'S PLANNING  
AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AT 905.420.4617.

Dated at the City of Pickering this 10th day of November, 2004.

Bruce Taylor, AMCT, CMM  
City Clerk  
City of Pickering  
One The Esplanade  
Pickering, ON L1V 6K7

RFP-6-2004  
Prequalification of General Contractors  
Pickering Museum Village Program Centre

Prequalification submissions are invited from general contractors having proven expertise and demonstrated ability to successfully complete projects of similar scope and complexity as the work proposed. The project consists of moving two 1 1/2 storey wood frame heritage structures, material alterations, and construction of an addition to one of the buildings. The completed program centre will house general program space, kitchen facilities and public washrooms. Construction is scheduled to commence in December 2004 and be completed May 2005 and tendering packages will be issued in due course. A preliminary estimate of the contract value is \$500,000. Only contractors approved as pre-qualified contractors by the City will be invited to participate in the tendering process to submit bids for the project. A list of the approved pre-qualified contractors will be advertised.

**Project Architect:** Jurecka & Associates Architect, Toronto, ON  
Sealed submissions clearly marked as "RFP-6-2004, Prequalification of General Contractor for the Pickering Museum Village Program Centre will be received by the Department of Corporate Services, Supply & Services Section, no later than 2:00 pm, local time:

Friday, November 12, 2004

Facsimile submissions will not be considered. Submissions received after the closing deadline will not be considered.

*It is solely the contractor's responsibility to review the prequalification package for full submission requirements.*

Prequalification packages are available by contacting Supply & Services, 2nd Floor, Pickering Civic Complex, Facsimile No. 905.420.5313.

The Corporation of the City of Pickering, Corporate Services Department Supply & Services, 2nd Floor, One The Esplanade, Pickering, ON L1V 6K7  
Vera A. Feilgemacher, C.P.P., CPPO, CPPB, C.P.M., CMM III  
Manager, Supply & Services

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## A City of Opportunity

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**The City of Pickering is seeking energetic, enthusiastic Fitness Instructors to join our team.**

Under the general direction of the Supervisor, Facility Programs and the guidance and leadership of the Kinesiologist, the incumbent is responsible for the planning, coordinating and conducting of fitness programs, which provide exemplary customer service and participant safety in a professional and effective manner.

Successful candidates must meet the following minimum requirements:

- Successful completion of secondary school education.
- Current OFC, Standard First Aid and Basic Rescuer CPR certification.
- One year of work-related experience.
- Must be medically and physically fit to perform the duties of the position.
- Good interpersonal, leadership, organizational, communication (written and oral in English) and customer service skills.
- Must be willing to work irregular hours, on holidays and on weekends.
- Demonstrated ability to plan and develop short and long-range fitness class programs.

If you are interested in working somewhere fun and exciting, please submit a detailed resume on or before Friday, November 12, 2004.

**Drop off or mail to:**

Human Resources Division  
City of Pickering

One The Esplanade  
L1V 6K7

**By Fax:** 905.420.4638  
**By email:** [hr@city.pickering.on.ca](mailto:hr@city.pickering.on.ca)

**Directly online at** [cityofpickering.com](http://cityofpickering.com)

In accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, the information gathered is collected pursuant to the *Municipal Act*, R.S.O.1990, c.M.45, and will be used to select a candidate.

We thank all those individuals who apply; however, only those applicants granted an interview will be acknowledged.

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Award-winning volunteers from Pickering Museum Village. Pat Dunnill, MPP Wayne Arthurs, Jamie Crosmas, Evangeline Gelbard, Sara Barclay (absent, Bill Utton) were recognized at the 2004 Province of Ontario Volunteer Awards ceremony.



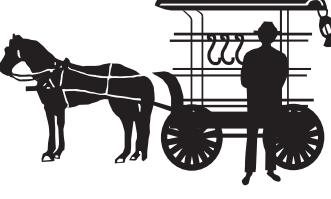
Carl Ferencz/ News Advertiser photo

## Gunning to make his point

PICKERING — Durham Regional Police officer Dave Morton displays a case of illegal weapons that are on display at the Pickering Town Centre as part of Crime Prevention Week activities being organized across Ontario. Officers are on hand until tomorrow (Thursday) to talk about how to prevent crimes and to help keep kids safe.

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### MAY WE ALSO REMEMBER THE WOMEN

Each year on November 11, we celebrate Remembrance Day. It's a special time to pay tribute to the thousands of Canadians who served overseas during various historical battles. It's also a time to honour the thousands of soldiers who lost their lives as well as those who returned home injured and scarred by the horrors of war for life.

But among these heroes are the many heroines who are often overlooked. We only need to think of all the military nurses who worked tirelessly with so much courage and compassion to soothe the misery of injured soldiers—often in extreme conditions that put their own lives in danger. Many of these women were killed, injured or assaulted during the war. We must also remember the

women who served in the Canadian Army. They had to fight against the extra battle of prejudice. Thousands of women served overseas providing essential services to ensure successful operations, such as range finding, tracking, vehicle maintenance, and office or kitchen duties. They served their country with as much dignity and courage as any other soldier. Of course, we must also remember all the women who stayed behind to work in the war factories here at home. History shows us that all mothers, widows and orphan girls sacrificed greatly during the war.

This Remembrance Day, let's also make room for these women in our thoughts and prayers.



### REVISITING THE PAST

It is difficult for those of us who have only known peace to truly understand the horrors of war and to appreciate the level of sacrifice that families have had to make during the armed conflicts in which Canada has participated. Yet every November 11, we have an opportunity to honour the memory of these courageous men and women who paid with their lives in their struggle for the peace we all enjoy today. Remembrance Day is a time for all of us to pay tribute to these men and women by observing a moment of silence and to learn from this painful past.



*Movies, books,  
monuments, museums...  
there are many sources of  
information available to  
help us remember those  
who gave their lives in the  
name of peace.*

fought, this memory will be all the more real. But since not all of us have access to such first-hand information, the next best thing could be taking your family to one of the nearly 3,500 commemorative monuments that are scattered across the country. The Organization of Military Museums of Canada also organizes many interesting exhibits to help us understand the countless challenges that surrounded the major wars. Visiting your municipal library or video library can also provide a wealth of historical information.

As you can see, there certainly is no lack of information. It's up to us to take the time to remember this part of our collective history. It is only by remembering the past that we can truly appreciate the present.

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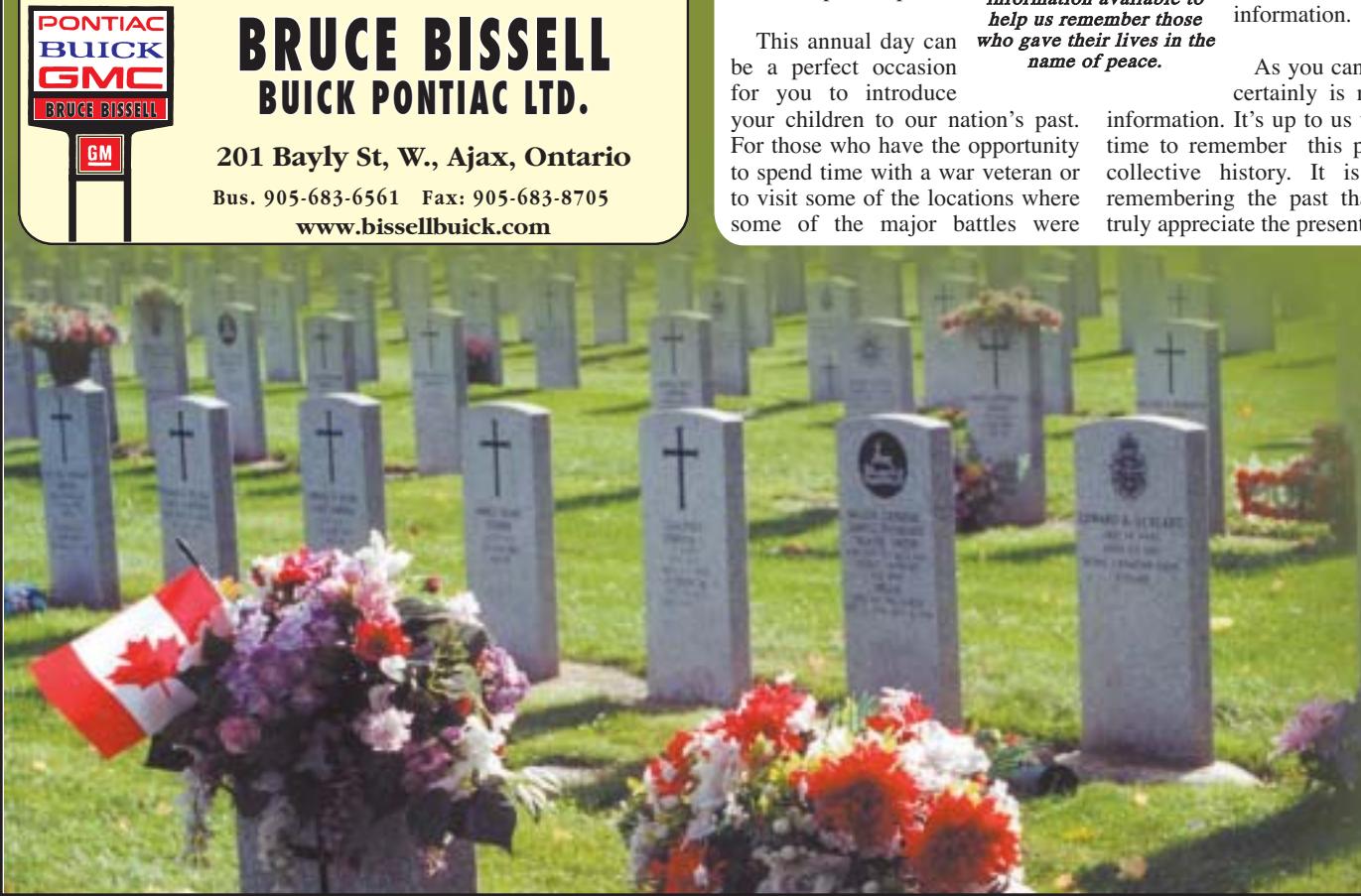
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# Durham submits \$440,250 GeoSmart application

## Durham Region in brief

NOVEMBER 10, 2004

**DURHAM** — The Region is asking for \$440,250 from the Province's GeoSmart program, which helps municipalities with land-related information technology projects that improve community services and support development.

The application is looking for funding for four projects, a report to a recent finance and administration meeting said. One is to automate systems to help with land approval, development tracking and growth management. A Geographic Information Systems mapping program will give the public access to land information, including commercial and investment opportunities.

A third application will help the health department better manage the safe drinking water program, while the last will create an enhanced data warehouse. GeoSmart will pay up to 50 per cent of the project cost, and require that the project be finished within one year. The Region will fund \$250,000,

with the balance coming from in-kind contributions such as staff time, marketing and strategy development from the private sector and the Region.

The proposal was submitted Sept. 17.

### Water and sewer rates to be set

**DURHAM** — Comments from the public are welcome as the Region sets the 2005 water and sewer user rates.

The rates will be discussed at a joint works-finance meeting on Dec. 8 at 9:30 a.m. in the regional operations centre, and again at regional council in

council chambers on Dec. 15 at 10 a.m. Both meetings are at Durham Region headquarters, 605 Rossland Rd. E.

### Durham's economic forecast 'not pretty'

**DURHAM** — Finance commissioner Jim Clapp will present the Region's five-year economic forecast at the next finance meeting.

"It's not pretty," Mr. Clapp said at a recent finance and administration meeting. The forecast will be presented on Wednesday, Nov. 24, in the regional operations centre at Durham Region headquarters, 605 Rossland Rd. E.



Jim Clapp

## Salvation Army appeals for help in Ajax, Pickering

**AJAX** — Christmas is meant to be a joyous occasion, however, it's anything but for some in the community.

To ensure everyone enjoys the yuletide, the Salvation Army is again running its Christmas Appeal Campaign in Ajax and Pickering. The army collects non-perishable food items and new, unwrapped gifts for children and youths.

Last year, almost 1,000 people locally received assistance from the Salvation Army, including 500 children

who had toys to open on Christmas.

Food items can include dry pasta and sauce, powdered milk, canned fruit, vegetables, meat or stew, jams or jellies, peanut butter, coffee, tea, meal extenders (Hamburger Helper), fruit juices, soup, rice or cookies.

Applications for assistance can be made at the Salvation Army's Family Services Centre, 37 Kings Cres., Ajax. During November, it's open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 4 p.m. Beginning

Dec. 1, the office is open every day, during the same hours.

Applicants need proof of address, an income statement, proof of rent or lease, and identification for every person living in the household.

Food and gift hampers are distributed between Dec. 20 and 24.

Volunteers and sponsors are also being sought for the campaign.

For more information, call the Salvation Army's Family Services Centre at 905-427-7123.

# Remembrance Day and Poppy Campaign

The Town of Ajax salutes all the Canadian men and women who gave their lives for the cause of freedom and peace. We shall never forget their heroism and all they sacrificed on behalf of our country.

On behalf of Mayor Steve Parish, Ajax Council and all the residents of the Town of Ajax, a solemn thank you to those who risked everything so that we could continue to know the blessings of freedom.

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# Ajax, Pickering shoppers can warm up winter

**PICKERING** — West 49 is teaming up with punk rock band Rise Against in this year's Annual Coats for Kids Campaign.

The campaign is running in all West 49 stores, with the local outlet in the Pickering Town Centre, and continues until Nov. 29.

Anyone bringing in a clean, insulated coat to a West 49 store will receive \$30 off the purchase of a youth or adult coat in the store. The traded-in coats will then be given to youth

shelters.

"We're hoping to collect over 2,000 coats nationally," said Cindy Mielke, director of marketing for West 49. "We are hoping that our collaboration with such a socially responsible band like Rise Against will encourage youth to get out and give this holiday season. We expect the chance to win a trip to see the band will also be a big incentive to donate."

People can enter the contest in-store while donating coats.

## Conference fights breast cancer

**DURHAM** — The Power of Women conference, which takes place at the Oshawa Golf Club on Nov. 13, will involve a day of speeches and some fundraising help to battle breast cancer.

Speakers Dini Petty, Theresa Flint, Lia Bandloa and Tricia Hasenclever will be on hand to empower and inspire through presentations such as Stress is Funny and Overcoming the Super-woman Syndrome. Participants will learn to balance their personal and professional lives, while bringing harmony to the body, mind and spirit.

In addition to the speakers, this all-day event will feature musical entertainment, breakfast and lunch, a fashion show by Jones New York and door prizes. Breast cancer pins and friendship pins will be on sale, with all proceeds going to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation.

Tickets are \$100 plus GST, and include course materials, breakfast, lunch and a goody bag. Tickets can be purchased by visiting 112 Athol St., Suite 204B in Whitby, online at [www.itsyourlife.ca](http://www.itsyourlife.ca) or by calling 905-666-3145.



## Planted firmly in town

**AJAX** — The Pickering Village Seniors Club celebrated an important milestone this year, its 40th anniversary. The Town of Ajax donated a Turkish Hazel tree and Duffins Meadow Cemetery donated a plaque to commemorate the anniversary. The club meets in the Pickering Village arena. On hand for a recent ceremony were, from left, club president Laura Scott, Maria Deragon from Duffins Meadows, and club secretary-treasurer Bill Love.

## Early Years offers early present ideas

**AJAX** — The YMCA Ajax Ontario Early Years Centre is holding its first holiday shopping night event this month.

The evening will be filled with holiday music, coffee and lots of shopping. A number of consultants will

be on hand to display their products, including consultants from Jocus Toys, Discovery Toys, and Avon.

It's Tuesday, Nov. 16 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Early Years Centre, 230 Westney Rd. S.

For more information, call 905-619-4565 ext. 310.

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Lance Poole looks on dejectedly as the final seconds tick off on what was a season of highs, and some lows, for the Notre Dame Cougars. The end came with a 25-0 loss to the Pickering High Trojans, although Notre Dame put up a solid fight, playing to a scoreless draw through one half.

## THIS WEEKEND

Pickering Panthers junior 'A' hockey team hosts the Thornhill Thunderbirds at the Pickering Recreation Complex Friday at 7:30 p.m.

## Sports Briefs

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### [ Broomball ]

#### Durham Angels on top of the broomball world

**DURHAM** — The Durham Angels are the world champions of women's broomball.

The Angels, which includes four players from Ajax and Pickering, returned last weekend from the 2004 World Broomball Championships in Corner Brook, Newfoundland as the gold medalists.

The Durham Angels edged the Halifax Jaguars in the women's division gold-medal final 1-0 to remain undefeated throughout the tournament.

Four teams, all from Canada, competed in the women's division.

Sharon Topolinski, of Pickering, says the Durham Region entry was the same team that competes in the Cannington league each season. The Cannington team, however, did pick up three players for the worlds: one from Burlington and two others from Ottawa.

Topolinski says it was an incredible feeling to win gold in their first-ever trip to the worlds.

"It felt great. We never lost a game the whole time at the tournament," says Topolinski, who also plays in the longtime non-contact broomball league that is run out of Pickering's Don Beer Arena. "The people of Newfoundland were just great to us."

In the semifinals, the Angels defeated Ladies' Rock 6-1.

The Durham Angels finished 5-0-1 in round-robin play, defeating the Jaguars 3-0, the Atlantic Waves 2-1, Ladies Rock 2-1, Atlantic Waves 3-0, Ladies Rock 1-0, while playing to a scoreless tie with the Jaguars.

The 16-member Angels squad also included Karen Dyer, of Pickering, and Carla Barker and Heather Pankratz, both of Ajax.

### [ Ringette ]

#### Pickering petites power past Whitby

**PICKERING** — The Pickering Power CIBC petite 'C' ringette team skated past Whitby in league action last Sunday.

Pickering posted a decisive 8-3 win, powered by player-of-the-game Lindsey Shaver's two goals.

Other Pickering goal scorers were Bethany Porter, Rachel Jewson, Samantha Rogers, Krista Smith and Jessica Brown.

Gaolender Emily Jesson was superb, making several big saves.

Pickering's record now stands at 2-1-0.

### [ Hockey ]

#### Panthers midgets earn three wins in league play

**PICKERING** — The Pickering Panthers midget 'AE' rep hockey team posted a 3-1 record in recent league play.

Although one of the wins against the Georgina Blaze came via forfeit, the Panthers continue to generate solid on-ice performances.

The Panthers clipped the wings of the visiting Innisfil Winterhawks 7-4 recently.

Brian Austin led the scoring with a hat trick, while Matt Evans, Damon Pavlidis, Derek Savoie and Scott Waters added singles.

Kyle Fredericks and Mike O'Sullivan recorded two assists apiece. Pavlidis, Evans, Dan Sullivan, Matt Raymond, Phil Pett and Adam Turi chipped in with singles.

David Tomei was stellar between the pipes.

In a battle with Pickering's other midget 'AE' entry in the league, the Panthers number-one squad fell 4-3 to Pickering number-two.

Although outshooting their rivals and taking a 3-1 lead into third period, Pickering number-one could not thwart the third-period comeback.

Bulging the twine for Pickering number-one were Shane Boyd, Pett, and Waters. Austin, Fredericks, Pavlidis, and Turi earned assists.

Gaolender Robert Morra faced 22 shots in net.

Pickering scored three first-period goals and then held on for a 4-2 victory over the Orillia Terriers.

O'Sullivan netted two goals, while Brandon Cleary and Turi added one each.

Tomei backstopped the club to the win.

Also contributing to the team's success are Michael Accettone, Zack Milovich and Ryan Richard.

Ron Cleary and Craig Sullivan coach the team. Tom O'Sullivan is the trainer and Margo Sullivan the manager.

"They came out to play, they gave us a great first half. Our offence could not do anything against them," said Martini, the longtime Trojans' coach.

As well, game timer Stan Tzogas, a teacher at PHS and longtime wrestling coach, was impressed with the discipline exhibited by the Cougars and their coaching staff.

"They're a well-coached team," he said, following the contest.

Notre Dame's fate in the contest

hinged on one play, one big play,

breaking things wide open for the Trojans, but ultimately breaking the hearts

of the Cougars.

Notre Dame's season ended with a

valiant battle waged, but a loss none-

theless. It was their second loss of the season to the Trojans, both times unable to manage a single point.

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defence did yeoman's work, keeping a top-drawer Trojans' offence parked in neutral and the game scoreless. Meanwhile, the Trojans did

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But, alas, it was a bridge too far. The

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scored 25 unanswered second-half

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The Trojans march on; the Cougars

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upstarts on this day.

The battle may have been lost, but a

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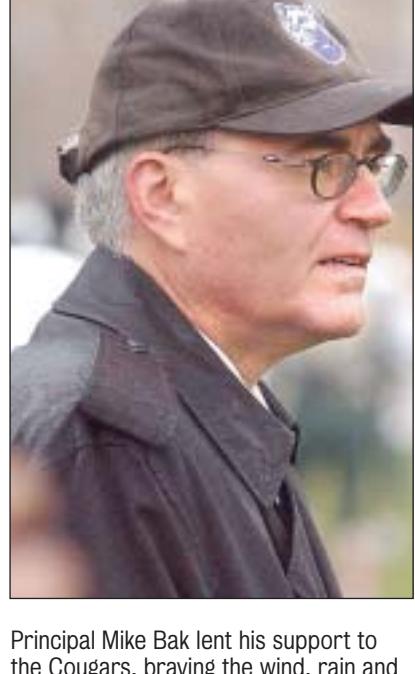
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Principal Mike Bak lent his support to the Cougars, braving the wind, rain and cold to cheer on his students.

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Despite the sting of losing and the fact

it's his last season in a Cougars' purple-

and-white uniform, the 17-year-old is

far from disconsolate after the game.

"It was disappointing. There were

lots of turnovers and that changed the

whole game. I'm really proud of my

team; I thought we played very well,"

says Collymore, a punishing hitter on

defence who's also lined up in the

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# Trojans' defence grounds Eagles in Durham football semifinal

St. Mary Monarchs trim Dwyer in other LOSSA senior semi

By Al Rivett  
Staff Writer

**AJAX** — The Pickering High School Trojans' defence proved far too formidable for the visiting Eastdale Collegiate Eagles in Durham Region senior football semifinal action on Tuesday afternoon.

The Trojans rode a rock-solid defensive performance to a decisive 30-0 victory over the Eagles, who were simply overmatched by the Trojans, who remain undefeated thus far at 6-0. In fact, the Pickering High defence allowed only two Eastdale first downs the entire game.

The Trojans move on for a rematch against their main LOSSA nemesis, five-time Lake Ontario Secondary School Athletics (LOSSA) champion St. Mary Catholic Secondary School Monarchs of Pickering in the senior football final at the Oshawa Civic Stadium on Saturday at 1 p.m.

The Monarchs earned an opportunity to compete for an unprecedented sixth LOSSA senior football crown after upending the undefeated Monsignor Paul Dwyer Catholic High School Saints of Oshawa (5-0), 24-8, in the other semifinal contest in Oshawa, also on Tuesday afternoon.

The Trojans received another in a long line of outstanding defensive performances that completely shut down any semblance of offence from the visiting Eagles. The defence picked off several passes and caused fumbles to give the offence good field position throughout the game.

"Our defence was really aggressive.

We had them scouted fairly well. I thought our team defence was the difference. We had pretty good pursuit," said Trojans head coach John Martini.

Eastdale head coach Tim Wortman concurred that the Trojans' defence dictated the outcome of the contest.

"By far, we've played the best football teams in LOSSA, we've played Dwyer, we've played (St.) Mary, and they're by far the best team," said Wortman. "This is a physical football team."

The Trojans had some initial trouble on offence, allowing a 50-yard gallop by running back Adrian Charles to go for naught. Pickering High failed to punch the ball into the end zone from the 10-yard line, allowing the Eagles to take over on downs.

On the next defensive series, Dylan Lock picked off an errant Eagles' pass, putting the Trojans' offence back on the field at Eastdale's 30-yard line. The Trojans would make no mistakes this time, as Charles carried 27 yards for the major. Kicker Mohammed Khawaja was good on the convert for a 7-0 Trojans lead.

Also in the first quarter, Trojans' Adam Brown picked up an Eastdale fumble at the Eagles' 25-yard line and rumbled down to the eight-yard line. Two plays later, running back Romel Reid took it in from the one-yard line. A Khawaja convert put Pickering High ahead 14-0.

The Trojans' first-half lead was quickly added to early in the third quarter. The Pickering High defence caused another fumble, taking over at the Eagles' 15-yard line. From there, Trojans' quarterback Darren McCloy floated a pass to Shawn Walker in the middle of the end zone for the third Pickering High major. Khawaja nailed his third convert of the game for a 21-0 lead.

On Pickering High's next offensive series, McCloy hooked up with Troy Seivwright-Adams on a pass-and-run play covering 50 yards for the score. Khawaja added his fourth point-after for a 28-0 Trojan advantage.

The final Pickering High points were put on the board, courtesy of a conceded safety by the Eagles late in the third quarter.

Meanwhile, in the St. Mary-Dwyer semifinal, the Monarchs led 3-0 after the first quarter on a field goal by Erik Glavic. The Monarchs would extend their lead to 10-0 in the second quarter after Glavic picked off a Dwyer pass and ran it back for the touchdown. Aaron Racioppa booted the convert. Racioppa would later score St. Mary's second touchdown of the game to put them ahead 17-0.

In the third quarter, St. Mary linebacker Ben Schembri recovered a fumble in the Dwyer end zone to give his team a 24-0 lead.

The lone Dwyer touchdown came in the fourth quarter on a quarterback keeper play by Kyle Amorim. Albert Ng added a two-point convert to end the scoring.

St. Mary head coach Enzo Antonucci noted the key to the victory was making several adjustments during the course of the game.

"We put in a few new plays, a few new defences. We just made the adjustments to their offence and it worked," said Antonucci.

**NOTES:** In their only other meeting this year, the Trojans blasted the St. Mary Monarchs 41-7 late last month... Trojans' running back Adrian Charles didn't play much beyond the first quarter of Tuesday's semifinal against Eastdale, owing to the lingering effects of a leg injury suffered last month against Dunbarton...



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Pickering High Trojans' Gharone McLean tries to avoid the clutches of Eastdale Eagles' Allistair Dick during Durham Region senior football semifinal action in Ajax on Tuesday afternoon. The Trojans advanced to the final with a 30-0 win. They'll meet St. Mary in the championship game in Oshawa on Saturday afternoon.

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Stephanie Banning, left, tries to reason with Paul Love, who has Gwen O'Regan as his hostage, during a rehearsal for the StoneCircle Theatre production of 'Rita Taylor', which opens tomorrow night.

## A Taylor made debut

StoneCircle Theatre bursts onto the stage for the first time tomorrow night

By David Stell  
News Editor

**AJAX** — When it comes to 'Rita Taylor,' it's a question of whether art is imitating life, or vice versa.

One thing's for sure though, the play, a story Ken Bond began writing back in the mid-1990s, was ahead of its time. One of the founders of the StoneCircle Theatre, as well as director for the play, Bond laughs at the irony of all the make-over cosmetic surgery shows on TV today that share so much of the same underlying themes his story portrays.

Chosen as the first production of Durham's newest theatre group, the play centres around its lead character and a life-changing moment when her hand develops webbing. However, that's not as strange a circumstance as what Rita encounters when she goes to a plastic surgeon and finds a cast of misfits in the waiting room, each with their own strange idiosyncrasies.

"It's an ensemble piece," Bond says. "Each character has their secrets we learn as the play goes on."

And with demanding character roles, it was crucial Bond says to find the right cast. In the case of the lead, he knew fairly quickly he had his woman.

"When I saw Gillian (Woodhouse) audition, it was 30 seconds and I knew," he says.

He explains the role is very demanding.

"It was crucial to have the right actor to portray the central character, plus an alter ego and have them as two distinct entities."

Bond's play has been produced two times previously, the first in 2002 and again last year in Tottenham, but he didn't get to see that show. He's happy he didn't now, because it may have af-

fected his view and vision of the play, he says.

And now in rehearsals for the StoneCircle production, which opens tomorrow night, he says it's come together to be what he originally envisioned it could be.

The secret ingredient has been the actors, he admits. That's been the most rewarding part of getting the first show off the drawing table and onto the stage, despite a lot of work behind the scenes with Woodhouse and Dave Edwards in the past year, creating the StoneCircle Theatre. The cast is outstanding, he says, and has led to a rewarding experience.

"The character development has been great," he explains. "They're all very supportive of each other. Theatre is very much about trust."

The play's cast is rounded out by actors from all over Durham Region, with those from Oshawa, Whitby, Ajax and Pickering involved. They are Woodhouse, Edwards, Carol Smith, Nancy Palumbo, Gwen O'Regan, Stephanie Banning and Paul Love.

Now that they've come this far, his wish is that the actors he's assembled get the audience they deserve. He points to how much a show can be elevated when the audience is into the performance. Actors feed off that and it can create a special atmosphere between the two.

The experience hasn't been without challenges, however. Sharing the venue with the Ajax Creative Arts has meant living with a roommate in a way and the group was unable to set up too

far in advance because of an art show this past weekend that took up the entire building.

Still, that hasn't dampened the mood at StoneCircle.

They have adapted and created the set off-site for the most part and had everything ready to go once the art show was complete.

Rita Taylor runs Nov. 11 to 13, 18 to 20, and 25 to 27 at 8 p.m., along with Sunday matinees Nov. 14 and 21 at 2 p.m.

StoneCircle Theatre is at 22 Sherwood Rd. in Pickering Village, Ajax. Tickets are \$18 each and can be ordered by calling 647-895-2015.



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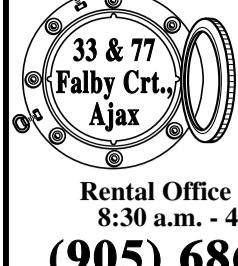
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