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[Briefly]

Armed bandit targets Toys R Us

PICKERING — Employees at a Pickering toy store were robbed by a gun-wielding thug as they closed up for the night Monday.

Durham police said two employees at the Toys R Us outlet on Brock Road were confronted by a man armed with a handgun around 10 p.m. The suspect forced the workers to hand over the day's receipts and fled the store on foot, police said.

The bandit is a black man who stands 5-feet-6 and weighs 180 pounds. He wore a balaclava on his face.

All alone at Christmas

DURHAM — Separated Anonymous is holding meetings for the separated or divorced now that the holiday season is coming.

The meetings will be held every Thursday from 7 to 10 p.m. The meetings will make separations and divorces easier to cope with thanks to the support of new friends and the advice of others. Professionals lecture on crucial topics like letting go, getting over grief and anger, children, intimacy, law, self-esteem, healthy relationships, and learning to trust again.

There will also be discussion groups for women and men and social activities with new friends to help you rebuild your life. Registration is required by Nov. 29 and the location will be given when you call 905-338-9879.

[What's on]

Call for musical participants

PICKERING — The City of Pickering invites musical groups to participate in Winterfest 2006.

As part of the annual winter-time celebrations, Pickering hosts its Make a Joyful Noise community concerts. It is looking for participants to entertain the community in two concerts: Dec. 12 and Dec. 14 from 7-9 p.m. The concerts take place in the council chambers at the Pickering Civic Complex, One The Esplanade. For more information or to apply, call Jody Morris at 905-683-2760 ext. 2064.

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Pickering firefighters set up to fight a blaze in an industrial plaza at Clements and Squires Beach roads Monday morning. Firefighters pulled a man from one of the units, who was rushed to a Toronto hospital suffering from smoke inhalation. An investigation has started into the cause of the blaze.

Erin Hatfield/ News Advertiser photo

Pickering firefighters pull man from burning building

*Fire travelled along the
roof of industrial plaza*

PICKERING — A 57-year-old Pickering man suffered non-life threatening injuries when fire blazed through a unit in an industrial plaza at Clements and Squires Beach roads Monday morning.

The man was taken to a Toronto hospital with smoke inhalation. He's since been transferred back to the Rouge Valley Ajax and Pickering hospital.

The blaze began just before 8 a.m. in a woodworking shop, Pickering Fire Chief Bill Douglas said.

Chief Douglas said on Tuesday morning the fire was still smouldering and the investigation into the cause hadn't started.

A damage estimate hadn't been established, he noted, "but it's going to be huge. Seven units had damage. There's a lot of smoke and water damage."

He didn't know what was in some

of the units, so that could increase the damage estimate.

The unit mostly affected was a woodworking shop, with some of it used for storage. The roof of the affected unit collapsed and a wall buckled during the fire.

"We have lot of work to do before we get around to the cause and damage," the chief stated.

The fire marshal's office has been

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Photo by Scott MacGregor
Firefighters work to revive a Pickering man who was pulled from a burning industrial building Monday morning.

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PICKERING — Members of the 8th Pickering Scout Group rolled a giant inflatable ball over one another as they participated in the Santa Claus Parade in Pickering on Saturday, Nov. 18. For more pictures see page 8.

Photo by Jennifer Roberts

Pipes of the future prove to be a bust

*Failing water
connections could cost
Region \$75 million*

By Erin Hatfield
Staff Writer

DURHAM — Failing water service connections across the Region could end up costing Durham \$75 million.

The problem is polybutylene pipes used to bring water into about 25,000 locations in the region.

"It is a big problem for us," said Cliff Curtis, the Region's commissioner of public works. Polybutylene piping systems, introduced in the late 1970s, were once viewed as the pipe of the future and were used as a substitute for traditional copper piping.

"It looked like a good product at the time," Mr. Curtis said. "Fairly quickly we realized we had some problems with it. They have been banned for quite some time now."

He explained the Region realized in the late 1980s the product was inferior and disallowed it in new construction.

"The plastic is a little flexible," Mr. Curtis said. "They will creep or pull apart."

The creeping occurs at the fitting that goes into the water main as well as at the property line at the front of the house where the shut off valve is, Mr. Curtis said. The first visible sign there is a leak is when water starts to bubble to the surface, he said.

To repair the problem they have to cut into the pavement, dig down six to eight feet and replace the fixture. According to Mr. Curtis, the Region is concentrating on replacing the pipes in the areas where there have been failures. Last year it targeted about 100 homes for replacement of the service connections, and they continue to fix, on an individual basis, any that break.

The Region contracted out the replacement of 100 service connections on three streets in south Ajax. However, Mr. Curtis said the contractor quickly realized he had underbid the project and after about 40 replacements they had a mutual parting of ways. Those 100 connections, however, are just a drop in the bucket, according to Mr. Curtis. It is estimated there are about 25,000 throughout the Region. Most of the problems the Region has been seeing are in south Ajax and parts of Oshawa, but the pipe has been used in clusters across Durham.

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Questions about car riled Pickering cop: witness

Probe revealed car was stolen

By Jeff Mitchell
Staff Writer

DURHAM — A Durham cop reacted angrily when a colleague questioned him about his flashy car and its unusual plates, a jury has heard.

Terrance "Ben" McColm overreacted when asked about the Mercedes Benz he drove and the dealer plates it bore, Sergeant Cindi Bradley said during testimony at the suspended officer's trial on charges of possessing stolen vehicles and insurance fraud.

Sgt. Bradley recalled an encounter she had with Mr. McColm as the two arrived for a shift at the 19 Division station in Pickering several years ago. She said she had noticed the gold Mercedes and its plates on a number of occasions and was curious when she saw Mr. McColm getting out of it.

"I said to him, 'What's up with the dealer plates?'" Sgt. Bradley, a Crown witness, said.

"He started yelling, 'I'm allowed to use dealer plates' and started rhyming off the Highway Traffic Act and how you could use dealer plates."

Sgt. Bradley said Mr. McColm's reaction to a seemingly innocuous inquiry struck her as odd: "The way he responded I found totally offside."

Mr. McColm was charged after an internal investigation into the Mercedes, which first attracted a 19 Division officer's attention because the validation tag on the plates had expired. The officer ran a check on the car and learned it had been stolen. Another stolen vehicle, a Toyota van, was found at Mr. McColm's Port Perry residence after the investigation began in April 2003.

Mr. McColm is also charged with fraud for allegedly filing a false report of the theft of another vehicle and its contents. Joselito Abad was

charged with possession of that vehicle when it was found at his Mississauga auto repair shop by Durham cops investigating Mr. McColm; he is also standing trial now in Superior Court in Whitby. The trial, in its early stages, has heard testimony from a number of Durham officers who were familiar with Mr. McColm and the car.

Constable Ryan Edgar, who worked with Mr. McColm in Pickering and became friends with him, said Mr. McColm had explained the Mercedes had been lent to him by a mechanic who was fixing his other car, a Volvo. He said he was "shocked" to learn the car and the Sienna van were stolen. Const. Edgar said he himself had driven the van while helping Mr. McColm with his move to Port Perry.

"It would be crazy for a police officer to drive a stolen vehicle, wouldn't it?" Mr. McColm's lawyer, Tom Balka, suggested.

"Correct," Const. Edgar replied.

The trial, presided over by Superior Court Justice David Salmers, continues.

Wellness talk focuses on supplements

AJAX — Experts from the Body and Mind Wellness Family Chiropractic Centre host an informative evening designed to help you create a healthier lifestyle on Nov. 29 at 7 p.m.

'Supplements: Fades, Facts or Fiction' takes place in the Rotary Room of the Ajax Public Library's main branch. All are welcome to attend and find out how to help your body respond better to the challenges of your life with proper supplementation.

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The proposed 2007 Water and Sewer User Rate By-law may change the various water and sewer rates and other related fees and charges effective January 1, 2007.

Comments from the public are welcome. To submit written or present oral comments to the Joint Committee meeting on December 13, 2006 and/or Regional Council meeting on December 20, 2006, please contact the Regional Clerk's Department at (905) 668-7711 or 1-800-372-1102, no later than noon on December 7, 2006 or December 14, 2006, respectively.

The Finance Department can provide the 2007 and four year forecast Water Supply and Sanitary Sewage User Fee Report, which will contain prescribed information required in Ontario Regulation 244/02, free of charge upon request on or after December 8, 2006 by contacting Finance Department staff at (905) 668-4113 or 1-800-372-1102 extension 2242. The report will also be available on the Region's web site at www.region.durham.on.ca on December 8, 2006.

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Pickering firefighters shoot water into an industrial building during a Monday morning fire. The cause of the blaze is still under investigation. One Pickering man was taken to hospital with smoke inhalation.

Each pipe replacement could cost \$3,000

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"Any subdivision built in that time frame could have issues with (the poly-butylene pipes)," Mr. Curtis said. "We are having quite a few failures."

At \$3,000 a pop, the replacement program could cost in the area of \$75 million. When the pipe breaks, how-

ever, and the work has to be done immediately, it costs the Region closer to \$5,000, noted Mr. Curtis. The money for the replacement program comes from the water portion of the Region's works budget, so everyone pays towards the cost, added Mr. Curtis.

He said the failures have not had an effect on property values.

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Damage expected to top '\$500,000'

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called in "because of the dollar loss. "If it's over half-a-million dollars, we feel it probably will be, we call them in," Chief Douglas said.

Also, with someone hurt, the fire marshal's office is called, he added.

When fire crews arrived, "it was a fully involved fire.

"Our men entered and found one person inside unconscious," Chief Douglas noted. "They pulled him out and got him breathing."

Fire crews were at the scene all day Monday, including overnight, as "small fires were still flaring up," he said.

As the investigation is just starting, firefighters wanted to "keep everything intact.

"We'll start clearing it out. It's still smouldering. The roof came down inside, so there's debris underneath," he stated. "The outside wall buckled. We're worried about that coming down on someone."

With the buckled wall, "we're not happy to send people in like that."

There were explosions inside the

unit, but what was causing them won't be known "until we get in there," the chief said, adding the cause of the wall buckling is also unknown at present.

"We're not sure if it was the explosions until the investigation is complete," he said.

Scott MacGregor may have been one of the first people to start work in the industrial park Monday morning.

The owner of Highwood Manufacturing arrived at work, in Unit 144, around 6:30 a.m. An hour later he started smelling smoke. Mr. MacGregor and other workers began checking their machinery to see if a device in their shop was the source.

"It was getting smoky," he stated. "We were trying to figure out what was smoking."

Just after 8 a.m., he went outside and saw smoke billowing out of nearby units. Mr. MacGregor noted the door of the unit next to his was broken down by emergency crews and his shop door "was next." The spread of the fire was halted, however, and his business suffered only minor smoke damage.

"It'll smell like a camp fire for a

while; I can live with that," he said.

Mr. MacGregor added workers saw an employee of another unit come out of the smoking building and go back in, but didn't see him exit again. Before long firefighters dragged the man out of the building and began working on him. Chief Douglas noted the fire travelled along the roof of the building. "There was a membrane that allowed it to go across."

Firefighters also had to ensure the blaze didn't spread to other units, he stated, noting a "felt membrane" went along the roof.

"It crept along and we had to make sure we got it," Chief Douglas said. "That's what took so long. We had to make sure after the main fire was out. That's why we had to check the roof all the way along. It's a creeping thing, so we had to stop it. We had to use the saws up there."

One car, a black Acura, was being towed away Monday afternoon after the heat from the blaze melted the rear-end of the car.

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Police investigate string of armed robberies

Pickering store one of three targeted

DURHAM — Police are on the lookout for suspects after a spate of armed robberies over a three-hour period Sunday night.

In all three robberies -- two in Oshawa and a third in Pickering -- two young men armed with a handgun robbed or attempted to rob convenience stores, making off with cash and cigarettes.

No one was hurt during the robberies, reported by Durham police Monday.

In the first incident at 7:30 p.m., a clerk working at Jug City on Ritson Road South in Oshawa grabbed a metal bar and chased away two suspects who produced a handgun and demanded cash. The suspects, two

black men in their early 20s who had their faces covered, fled and got into separate vehicles.

Less than an hour later at 8:15 p.m., the Super Variety store on Ritson Road South was robbed by two young black men, one of whom had a handgun, police said. They fled with cash and cigarettes.

And at 9:45 p.m. an armed holdup occurred at the Kitchen Food Fair store on Bayly Street in Pickering. The suspects, a black man between 18 and 25 and a white man of a similar age, escaped with cigarettes and money.

Police are probing the possibility the robberies are related. Anyone with information is asked to call 905-579-1520, ext. 5360 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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Pickering is looking for some good citizens

Residents can have a say in future plans

By Danielle Milley Staff Writer

PICKERING — The decision of who will lead Pickering through the next four years has been made, but there is still a chance for residents to have a say in what happens in their city.

Pickering is looking for people to get involved through its citizen committees and boards. There are 11 in total, with a deadline to apply by Friday, Nov. 24.

City Clerk Debi Bentley said while they welcome back experienced members, they are looking for new voices as well.

"We've done a new marketing approach this year," she said. "To try and get new residents and existing residents involved with the community."

The initiative has been successful as she's received many phone calls and applications. Any Pickering property owner or resident who is 18 or older is eligible to apply.

The committees range from the Accessibility Advisory Committee to the Committee of Adjustment to Heritage Pickering to the Public Library Board.

Ms. Bentley said the time commitment ranges from committee to committee with Heritage Pickering, the Pickering Museum Village Advisory Committee and the Public Library Board being a few of the busier ones. The positions are volunteer, although the members of the Committee of Adjustment receive a per diem.

Those who are interested must submit an application to be reviewed by council, and even members who would like to return must apply.

"Everyone is treated the same," Ms. Bentley said. The term of current committees ends Nov. 30, and council will make the appointments for the next term Jan. 15. This time around the term will be four years after the Province extended the term of council by one year.

The committees review applications or policies, as well as submitting recommendations and reports to council, such as the annual Accessibility Plan.

For more information or to apply, contact Ms. Bentley at 905-420-4660 ext. 2153 or visit www.cityofpickering.com.



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It's in the cards

AJAX — Myrtle Walmer contemplates her cards during the weekly Monday cribbage game put on by the Ajax Seniors Friendship Club held at the St. Andrew's Community Centre.

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SEND TO: Letters to Santa c/o The News Advertiser 130 Commercial Ave. Ajax, ON L1S 2H5 or email them to lmccai@durhamregion.com or fax them to 905-619-9068



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Join Council and staff after the parade, at Ajax Town Hall (65 Harwood Ave. S.) for 'Santa in the Square.'

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Sunday, December 3rd & 10th Christmas In The Village FREE Pickering Museum Village 12 noon to 3:30 pm Admission fees apply

Tuesday, December 12 & Thursday, December 14th Make A Joyful Noise FREE Pickering City Hall 7 pm to 9 pm

Wednesday, December 13th Mayor's Light Tour FREE Free event for Pickering Seniors Bus tour begins 7:15 pm

Saturday, December 16th Snow Much Fun FREE City Hall & Esplanade Park 10 am to 2 pm

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EDITORIAL

Energy direction needs serious attention

Scrubbers needed for coal-fired plants

The recent announcement by Premier Dalton McGuinty that Ontario's coal-fired power plants will continue to operate until at least 2014, should be cause for alarm, though not for surprise.

Anyone who has watched this province's energy sector closely over the past three years has long since concluded that Mr. McGuinty's brash claim during the 2003 election campaign that he would shut down Ontario's coal-fired plants by 2007 was unachievable. Mr. McGuinty later pushed the date back to 2009, again a bogus promise, and now 2014 is being targeted.

The need for action to try to limit the greenhouse gases produced in such high volume by the coal-fired plants is crucial. That's why, though it would cost about \$1 billion, Mr. McGuinty should order that scrubbers to reduce the greenhouse gases be immediately applied to the coal-fired plants. There has been no effort to take this action until now because the premier was intent on shutting down the plants. Now that they will be open for another seven years, and likely at least half-a-decade longer, the scrubbers are needed.

The reason the plants can't be shut down anytime soon is because Ontario has no new sources of energy supply in the near horizon. All of the studies and planning must be taken before a new set of nuclear reactors can be constructed. The best guess is that the reactors are 10-12 years away. There is a very good chance those reactors will be built next to the current Darlington facility.

The Province is also looking to increase alternate sources of power. There is a huge project now underway at Niagara Falls, for instance, to bolster our hydro-electric supply. In addition, plenty of work and investment is coming on solar and wind power. But nuclear will ultimately be the major new source. And it can't come soon enough.

To that end, Ontario Power Generation, which operates reactors in Pickering and Darlington in Durham Region, is having open houses in several locations over the next week. Tonight, OPG will speak about its plans for new nuclear build at the Royal Canadian Legion, 471 Simcoe St. S., Oshawa. On Thursday night, OPG makes its presentation at Newcastle Community Hall, 20 King Ave. W., Newcastle. On Wednesday, Nov. 29, OPG will be at the Orono Town Hall, 5315 Main St., Orono, and on Thursday, Nov. 30, the final presentation takes place at Courtice Community Complex, 2950 Courtice Rd. N., Courtice. All open houses are on from 7-9 p.m. with a formal presentation made at 7:30 p.m.

Come on out and ask the questions and seek the answers you want to know on the crucial issue of our energy supply.

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This Week's Question: Which of the following voting methods would you prefer to increase voting participation?

Mail-in voting Phone-in voting Internet In-person

Cast your vote online at
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Last Week's Question: Do we do enough to honour veterans and remember our war dead?

Total Votes: 351
No: 78.6 %
Yes: 21.4 %

IN THE COMMUNITY



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Alas, I'll never see Venice again

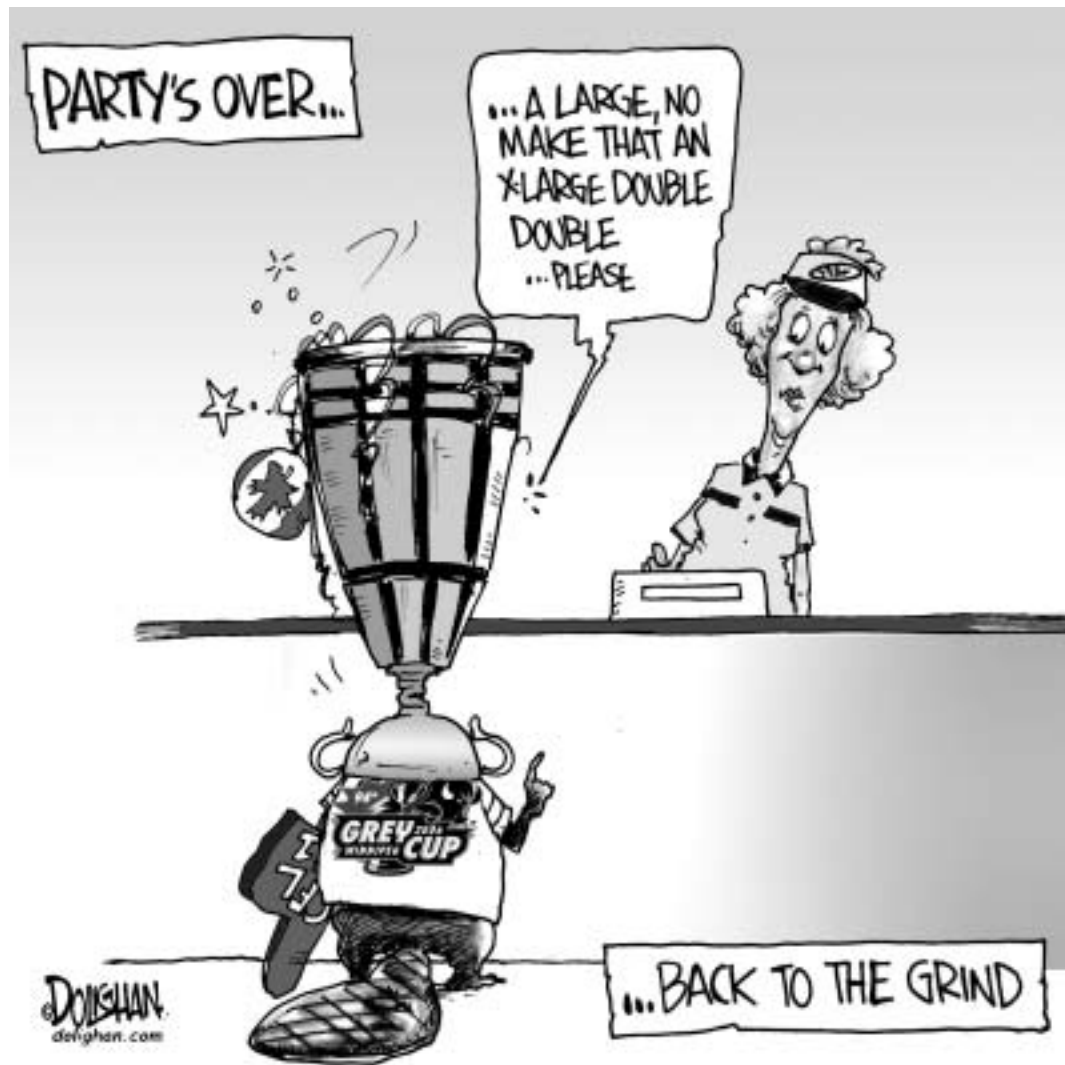
Krishna and Joyce Rajballe of Pickering had a great Italian vacation this past summer, but you wouldn't know it from Krishna's expression. He was just getting into character after seeing the famous Bridge of Sighs, over his left shoulder. The bridge received its name since prisoners were once led across it on the way to jail or death, a last opportunity to see their beloved city.



To see more photos from residents across Durham and to submit your own, visit citizenseye.com, the Metroland Durham Region Media Group's citizen submission website. The page is dedicated to the submissions and photos of readers from around Durham.

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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 mjohnston@durhamregion.com.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ward 1 electors voted for, not against, a candidate

To the editor:

In your informative editorial on the results of the Nov. 13 local elections, you gave a well-earned nod of recognition to the 21 years of civil service contributed by Ward 1 Regional Councillor Maurice Brenner.

You will find little dissent with this among the electorate of Ward 1. In my experience, this man was truly a servant of the people he represented—never failing to return a call or to take the time to listen and do his best for the constituents. Any fair assessment of his record by the electorate would allow him that. This includes many of the voters who chose Bonnie Littley on the strength of her clear no-waffling commitment to greenbelt protection.

Your statement that "it appears voters weren't willing to take a wait-and-see approach in terms of the fraud charges Mr. Brenner is facing" was questionable journalism by implying a vote driven by mean-spirited prejudice rather than the Canadian standard of judicial fair play—namely, innocent until proven guilty. I would give the Ward 1 voters

the credit of holding to a higher standard than you ascribe to them. I believe instead they voted for the protection of the greenbelt, not to convict a man who has not yet had his day in court.

It was a low blow to Mr. Brenner and to the electorate of Ward 1 to suggest otherwise.

Mr. Brenner has my gratitude for his past service and I wish him well. Ms. Littley has my congratulations and support in her new challenges in the service of the people and protection of our environment.

Tom Fitzpatrick
Pickering

Some solutions to address violence

To the editor:

It is with horror that I read of the recent shooting of five people in Ajax during Halloween festivities this year.

I am also saddened that this has become so commonplace these days that it caused hardly a blip of reaction in our community and across Canada. Too often in Canada now the attitude seems to be that we only react when it happens in our community and do nothing and take comfort when it is not in our community. If we were truly serious about fixing this

problem it would be one of the highest agenda items for each level of government. Sadly, it is more common for each level of government to point the blame and responsibility at every other level of government.

We need real solutions to this problem, NOW. We do not need political posturing and endless debate about what to do.

We need: an effective way to get illegal weapons off the street; an effective way to remove people who commit violent crime out of our communities (rehabilitated, if possible, but if not, they need to be kept out of our communities); an effective way to stop the brainwashing of our youth that violence is acceptable and an exciting way of life as displayed in the constant bombardment of our media (TV, movies, video games, Internet, etc.).

To date, the programs in place across this country have not been sufficient to make events like this one in Ajax the exception rather than the norm. I urge everyone to make this a top issue in every election. Write a letter to all levels of government. Ask all candidates what they plan to do and don't let them off the hook with pat answers. The next time it could very well happen next door to you.

Patrick Heron
Ajax

Do they even call it shaving anymore?

It's getting harder and harder, these days, to find any kind of meaningful rites of passage or ritual in our lives.

In olden times a young boy could look forward to his first rifle or his first time sleeping alone on the range with the herd or even his first nervous kiss as entry into manhood. In some southern states all three could happen in the same night, depending on how lonely the kid was.

But in this insular, overly protective era where it seems we are systematically removing any and all dangers and challenges from the paths of our offspring, how does a young boy know when he has become a man?

"Here son... I've been saving this for a day like today. I reckon you're man enough to have it."

"Gosh Pa! Your old X-Box controller!"

Doesn't quite cut it, does it? That's why I was more than a little excited and not a little proud the other day when I walked into a drug store to buy my oldest his first shaving kit. For all of society's modern neutering, shaving still survives as a passage into manhood.

I thought it would be a simple process, buying my son a razor and some blades. I couldn't have been more wrong. Have you looked at what passes for shaving



Neil Crone

enter laughing

ing supplies lately? NASA doesn't have that kind of technology. I wanted, both for nostalgia's sake and educational purposes, to start him off with something simple. You wouldn't, after all, put your newly permitted 16-year-old behind the wheel of a Ferrari Testarossa. Of course not. Similarly, I was looking for one of the old single-bladed safety razors to cut his teeth on, so to speak. Teach the lad the basics. Immerse him in the rich lore of shaving history. Maybe share a few "off-colour" shaving stories. Do they have those?

But no. The manufacturers of men's toiletries seem no longer interested in the lore of shaving. They're not even really that interested, as far as I can tell, in providing a clean, close shave, though they take every inch of ad space to tell you so. What they are interested in, appar-

ently, is getting you to fork over a handsome wad of cash every month or so for some ridiculous plastic gizmo while tossing your old plastic gizmo into the landfill.

So now, instead of a razor, young men stand in front of a mirror with a thing in their hand that sounds like it might be more at home in Werner Von Braun's laboratory. Mach 5, Fusion, M3 Power. Good lord. They have even, in their marketing delirium, managed to pull the lather so far over our eyes that we are buying a razor that vibrates.

What does it say about our generation when we can be induced to spend a fair chunk of change for the privilege of holding a shaky razor to our throats? And none of these, by the way, is a shaving kit. They are now shaving systems. No doubt tested at zero gravity.

At last, the best I could do that day was to come home with a dust-covered package containing a relic that held only three blades. Still, my son, bless him to pieces, couldn't have been happier.

He's a good man.
Durham resident Neil Crone, actor-comic-writer, saves some of his best lines for his columns.

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DATE	MEETING	TIME
Nov. 22	Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting	7:00 pm
Nov. 22	Committee of Adjustment	7:00 pm
Dec. 21	Statutory Public Information Meeting	7:00 pm

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

CULTURE & RECREATION DIVISION

The City of Pickering is hiring **Camp Staff for 2007 March Break and Summer Camps**

MARCH BREAK CAMP MARCH 12th – 16th
SUMMER CAMP JULY 3rd – AUGUST 31st

Camp staff will be required to plan, organize and implement specific activities & special events for the 2007 March Break and Summer Camp Programs.

Applicants must meet **all of the following criteria** to be considered for employment for camp positions:

- At the time of the interview, candidates must be enrolled in a secondary, post-secondary, or other educational program and be returning to school in a full-time capacity next year.
 - Age of 16 by March 12, 2007 to work at March Break Camp.
 - Age of 16 by July 3, 2007 to work at Summer Camp.
 - Current certification in Standard First Aid (issued within 2 years) and Basic Rescuer CPR – C (issued within 1 year) at the time of the interview will be considered.
 - A Criminal Reference check is a condition of employment.
 - Must be willing to work weekends and holidays as required.
- * Primary residency in City of Pickering *

Visit our website for important information regarding specific qualifications, required experience and mandatory training sessions.

Positions:

Camp Counsellor

Museum Camp Counsellor (Summer)

Camp Counsellor, Special Needs

Assistant Camp Director

Camp Director

Museum Camp Director (Summer)

Coordinator, Special Needs & Volunteers (Summer)

Museum Guide/Receptionist (Summer & Fall)

New applicants for **March Break Camp** must bring a Program Plan and be prepared to discuss and present it at the time of interview.

New applicants for **SUMMER CAMP** will be required to attend an Interview Screening Workshop on **Saturday, March 24, 2007**. Qualified applicants selected for further consideration will be required to prepare and present a Program Plan to be presented to a group of their peers (approximately 10 minutes). Job Interviews will then be conducted with successful candidates of this process.

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MUNICIPAL PROPERTY & ENGINEERING DIVISION

The City of Pickering is also hiring **Student Labourers for Summer 2007**

TERM OF EMPLOYMENT IS FROM APRIL 30th – AUGUST 24th

Will be responsible for performing maintenance duties in City owned parklands and property. Typical duties include cutting grass, assisting in the planting of flowerbeds, shrub beds, trees and inventory maintenance and assisting with maintenance and repairs of City owned buildings.

Applicants must meet **all of the following criteria** for employment as a Student Labourer:

- At the time of the interview, must be enrolled in a secondary, post-secondary, or other educational program and be returning to school in a full-time capacity next year.
- Primary residency in the City of Pickering*.
- A valid Ontario Class "G" driver's license and be prepared to provide a Driver's Abstract.

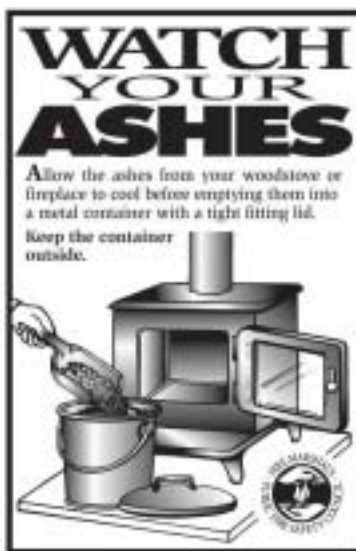
ALL POSITIONS

* Non-residents of Pickering will be considered if there are no suitable candidates from within the City.

Note: You can print off the Employment Application or apply directly online. To be considered for a position, **please submit your application no later than Monday, January 15, 2007**. Please reference the specific position you wish to be considered for directly on the application. If you wish to be considered for multiple positions, please indicate so on your cover letter or press ctrl and click on each position for which you are applying on the online application form at cityofpickering.com.

For Student Labourer positions, preference will be given to applicants with related experience and/or Horticulture or Forestry related education.

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER AT SCHOOL IF YOU ARE OUT OF TOWN.



Pickering Fire Services reminds you to *watch your ashes* when cleaning them from your wood stove or fireplace. Many house fires have been caused by hot ashes placed into combustible containers. Ashes should be left to cool, then emptied into a metal container with a tight lid and stored outside. Don't give fire a place to start.

A message from the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council and Pickering Fire Services.

For more information contact Pickering Fire Services at phone: 905.420.4628 or email: fire@city.pickering.on.ca or visit our website at cityofpickering.com

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FRENCHMAN'S BAY STORMWATER MANAGEMENT MASTER PLAN

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE No. 2
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, November 30th, 2006
East Shore Community Centre, Room 4

The City of Pickering's Waterfront Coordinating Committee is committed to seeing the waterfront become a place that achieves a wide range of objectives including public use and recreation, environmental sustainability, enhanced tourism opportunities and commercial links. Pickering's Council has endorsed the development of a five-year implementation plan for Pickering's waterfront and Frenchman's Bay. One of the priority projects identified was the development of a *Stormwater Management Master Plan for Frenchman's Bay* and its contributing watersheds. This is to address long-standing concerns regarding the ongoing decline in the quality of the Frenchman's Bay ecosystem by seeking means to control the quantity and quality of storm runoff entering the local creeks and the Bay itself. The study area is shown on the map below and is available for viewing on the City website at cityofpickering.com.



The Plan is being developed by the City in cooperation with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority as a Class Environmental Assessment. We invite you to attend the 2nd Public Information Centre (PIC) to be held at the place and time noted above. The purpose of the PIC is to provide an update on the Plan's development, to review detailed objectives for the plan and to review a list of potential stormwater management options being considered. For further information, please contact either:

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FREE FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!

Friday, December 1st

Science of Snow

Pickering Central Library
 This event is for children ages 8 to 11. Please call 905.831.6265 ext. 6226 to register. **FREE**

Saturday, December 2nd

Rouge Hill Seniors' Club Christmas Tea & Craft Sale

Petticoat Creek Community Centre
 10 am to 2 pm **FREE**

Saturday, December 2nd & 9th

OPG Movies & Crafts

OPG Pickering Nuclear Information Centre
 1 pm to 4 pm **FREE**

Sunday, December 3rd & 10th

Christmas In The Village

Pickering Museum Village
 Visit the museum village as its fictional characters prepare for seasonal celebrations of Scottish Hogmanay, Welsh traditions and a Victorian Christmas. Step into Squire Jonathan's Christmas Ball. Backwoods Players presents *A Christmas Pageant*, free with admission. Admission is \$5.00 for adults, \$4.00 for seniors and students, \$3.00 for children or \$15 for a family. **12 noon to 3:30 pm**

Friday, December 8th

Tree Lighting

Council Chambers, City Hall & Esplanade Park, behind City Hall. Free family event including fireworks, a tree lighting, indoor entertainment provided by the Pickering Community Concert Band, Smudge Fundaas children's show at the gazebo and a visit from Santa! **7:30 pm FREE**

Saturday, December 9th

Family Story Time

Petticoat Creek Library
 10 am **FREE**

Saturday, December 16th

Family Story Time

Pickering Central Library
 1 pm **FREE**

Children ages 2 to 6 come cozy up to a flurry of books about snow!

Tuesday, December 12th & Thursday, December 14th

Make A Joyful Noise Music Night

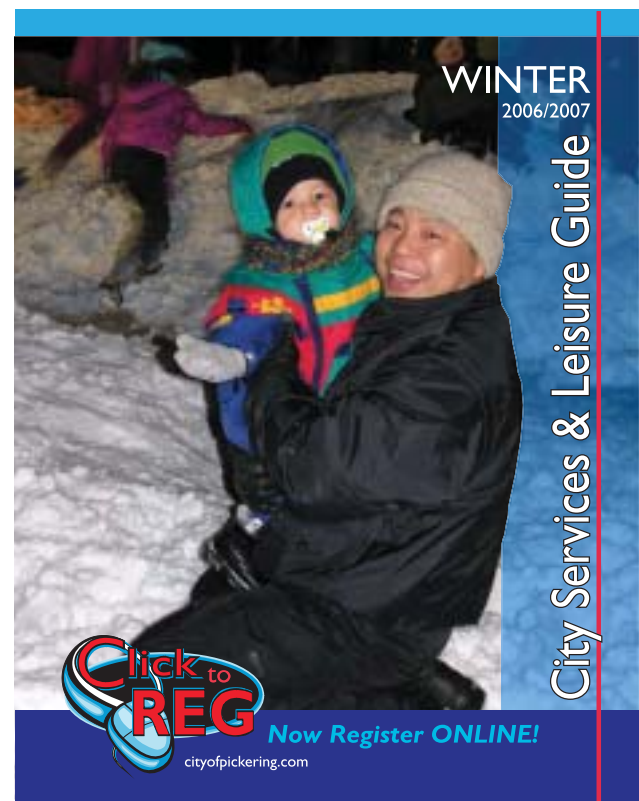
Council Chambers, City Hall
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Santa and the Mrs. make a stop in Pickering

PICKERING — Santa arrived Saturday, and he had a lot of help ushering in the Christmas season at the Pickering parade. Clockwise from top, the crowd cheered and waved when Santa and Mrs. Claus made their appearance. Six-year-old Leah Mendonca was decked out in antlers and a shiny red nose. Bethany Ash waves to the crowd as she rides on the Hope Community Church float. Meanwhile, Darren McLeary, eight, four-year-old Daelynn Tulloch, Paris Lewis, eight, and Donna McLeary were bundled up and in fine holiday form.



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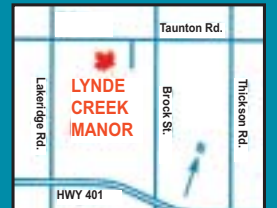
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Pickering powers past Wilson

Ajax school wins third straight LOSSA senior football title

By Brian McNair
Staff Editor

DURHAM — John Martini was a lot more generous to the Wilson Gators before and after Saturday's senior football championship, than he was during the game at Civic Stadium.

Praising the opposition both pre- and post-game, coach Martini spent the interim guiding his Pickering High School Trojans to a dominating 38-0 victory over Whitby's Gators in the Lake Ontario Secondary School Athletics 'A' final.

Nicoli Wellington provided all the necessary offence for the Ajax school, rushing for about 200 yards and three touchdowns, while the defence turned in another efficient effort, completing a playoff stretch in which they allowed only a point in three games.

"I thought it was going to be closer than it turned out to be," said Martini, who said last week he thought it would be a 'coin toss' as to who would win. "I guess our defence came up strong again and our offence played really well."

It was the third straight LOSSA title for the Trojans, who will now try to also defend the Metro Bowl championship they won last season. They will play either Huron Heights or Brother Andre from York Region in the semifinals Dec. 1.

"Whoever we play is going to be really difficult for us," Martini says, looking ahead. "We're not quite as strong as we were last year and the other teams have improved so it'll be a challenge. I think we're going to be the underdogs. And it's going to be nice to be the underdogs because we were the underdogs last year and we came up big."

They came up big on Saturday as well, although it took them a little while to hit full stride.

After two unsuccessful Wilson drives, Wellington put Pickering on the board with its second possession, scoring from three yards out with just over three minutes left in the first quarter. The play before that, he broke free for a 58 yard gain.

Wellington was virtually untouchable before getting a breather late in the game, also scoring on a five yard rush five minutes before halftime and from 29 yards out early in the third. With no official stats being kept, Wellington estimated he gained 175 yards, while Martini had him pegged for about 250.

"I think God blessed me with the ability, with some amazing talent," said Wellington, 18, who will graduate this season. "It all starts off with my O-line,



Donald A. Wilson Gators quarterback Leith Fiske is tackled by a Pickering High Trojan during the Lake Ontario Secondary School Athletics (LOSSA) senior 'A' football championship at Civic Stadium. The Trojans won 38-0. The Trojans will now represent Durham Region in the Metro Bowl semifinal game against the York Region champ in Toronto on Dec. 1.

I'd like to thank them a lot. At the beginning of the year I was skeptical but every game it improved. I'm pretty happy with my O-line."

In fact, both lines were strong for Pickering, as was just about every player on the field, particularly on defence. The size, athleticism and depth of the Pickering roster was simply too much for the Gators, who are playing in just their second year at the senior level and had only 29 players on their roster.

"They're a great football team, a tremendous defence," Wilson head coach Adam Papadakos said of Pickering, where he once coached alongside Martini. "They've got a great program and this is what we hope to aspire to. This is our goal for next year now, starting tomorrow."

Wilson nearly made things interesting on the final play of the first half, but a missed pass attempt from Leith Fiske to Dan Shepherd from the five yard line left the score 17-0.

After Wellington's third touchdown

early in the second half, Andrew Spence and Mike Wynters added long touchdown runs to close out the scoring. Kicker Jordan McLaughlin had a 22-yard field goal and four extra points in the game.

It wasn't all bad for the Gators Saturday, as they claimed their second straight LOSSA junior championship with a 41-12 victory over Brock High School. Quarterback Josh Smith had three touchdowns passes and another on the ground as Wilson built a 35-0 halftime lead before easing up on the pedal.

The success of both Wilson teams left both Papadakos and Martini optimistic about the future of football at the Whitby school, which has been in existence just three years now.

"This is a phenomenal accomplishment this year for our kids. We can't say enough about the commitment they've given us year-round," said Papadakos. "We have a great junior program, champions again. We're certainly going to

have more players as we build this program, without a doubt."

"Where else can you see such an improvement in three years," added Martini. "That's going to be a strong program, a program for the future."

NOTES: Pickering linebacker **Dylan Lock** was named MVP for the senior season. **Nicoli Wellington** of the Trojans and **Jamal Darius** of the Gators were named championship game MVPs for their teams... Wilson's **Austin Giuntoli** and Brock's **Jesse Sale** were named co-league MVPs in junior. Defensive back **Jason Hatzes** was named championship game MVP for Wilson... The Wilson juniors play at noon today against **Peterborough's Crestwood** in the Ontario Bowl quarterfinal at St. Michael's College in Toronto. If they win, they will play at St. Mike's again on Saturday at noon... Pickering's **Metro Bowl** senior semifinal is scheduled for 11 a.m. on Dec. 1 at Esther Shiner Stadium in North York. The winner advances to the Metro Bowl final at the Rogers Centre Dec. 7.

Sports briefs

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[Basketball]

Rookie's big game leads Top Shelf past Michael's

AJAX — Rookie Bill Manos was the man in Top Shelf's victory over Michael's Eatery in Ajax Men's Basketball League action last Wednesday night.

Manos had a superb effort, scoring 19 points to lead Top Shelf to a 58-46 victory. Manos was assisted by Antonio Krupl with 16 points.

Captain Luke Luukkonen had the hot hand for Michael's with 14 points; wily veteran Pat Roach added 12.

In Game 2, Sherwin James put on a show scoring 26 points as the Burgundy team downed North Alliance Press 60-52. James had some help from Claude Whitfield with 15 points and Gregg McGuire with 12.

Big man Claude Feig was the only standout for NAP, scoring 24 points and assisting on several others.

A well-rounded team effort pushed Dickson Printing past ESN Packaging by a score of 50-44. Captain Roger Young led the way for Dickson with 14 points; Gord Brown and Eric Spriel chipped in with nine and eight points, respectively.

David Jackson and Ken Daniel had 13 points apiece for ESN.

[Volleyball]

Pickering Trojans capture Durham junior boys' crown

DURHAM — The Pickering High School Trojans junior boys' volleyball team emerged victorious at the Durham Region championships last Thursday.

The Trojans captured the 'AAAA' crown after upending the Uxbridge Secondary School Tigers 2-0 (25-19, 25-16) in the Lake Ontario Secondary School Athletics (LOSSA) championship game, hosted at Ajax High School.

Caleb Downey-Brown was the Trojans' most valuable player of the final, while Travis Horgan was Uxbridge's MVP.

The other LOSSA volleyball crowns went exclusively to east Durham schools.

The senior boys' 'AAAA' title went to the Eastdale CVI Eagles of Oshawa, which defeated the Sinclair Celtics 3-2 (16-25, 25-23, 22-25, 25-19, 15-8) in the final. Ben White was the Eagles' MVP, while Remy Samanski was the game MVP for the Celtics.

In the senior boys' 'AAA' final, the McLaughlin CVI Trojans of Oshawa defeated the Anderson Raiders of Whitby 3-0 (25-21, 25-19, 25-10). Mike Goulding was the MVP for McLaughlin; John Harris was Anderson's MVP.

In the junior boys' 'AAA' final, McLaughlin defeated Anderson 2-0 (25-18, 25-14). Jordan Holt was named the MVP of the final for McLaughlin; Andrain Denony was the MVP for Anderson.

[Hockey]

Silver Stick set for 18th go-round

DURHAM — It may not be bigger, but organizers are hoping the 18th annual Gloria Rints Memorial International Silver Stick hockey tournament is better than ever before.

It's no bigger for a good enough reason: it's difficult to grow upon 112 teams playing 217 games on eight ice surfaces in Whitby over a four-day stretch.

As for better, that too will be difficult to accomplish since it has run so smoothly under the guidance of Del Rints. The tournament is named in honour of his wife, Gloria, a long-time community volunteer who passed away in 1994.

One thing is for certain, the tournament will get underway in earnest beginning tomorrow at 2 p.m., when the first two games begin at the Iroquois Park Sports Centre.

From then until the final championship game is decided Sunday evening, games will be played in seven different divisions: Minor Atom, Minor Peewee and Minor Bantam teams at both the AA and AAA levels, as well as Minor Midget AAA. In addition to Iroquois Park being busy with games all weekend long, the McKinney Centre will also be used for games on Thursday and Friday.

Eighty of the top teams in North America will participate in the International Silver Stick AAA Minor Finals, while 32 others will take part in the AA Minor Silver Stick Regional Tournament, looking to advance to the North American finals in Newmarket Jan. 18-21, 2007.

In addition to Whitby teams playing in all seven divisions, there are local entries from Oshawa, Clarington, Pickering, Ajax and Uxbridge.

Admission to the tournament is free. For more information and a full schedule, see www.whitbysilverstick.com.

Notre Dame Cougars advance to Durham girls' basketball title game

Meet Sinclair Celtics in senior 'AAAA' final in Whitby tonight

AJAX — The Notre Dame Cougars senior girls' basketball team will play for the Durham Region title tonight (Wednesday).

The Cougars suit up against the top-seeded Sinclair Secondary School Celtics for the Lake Ontario Secondary School Athletics (LOSSA) 'AAAA' championship at the Whitby school at 8 p.m.

Notre Dame booked its ticket for the LOSSA final after scoring a 55-48 semifinal victory over the Dunbarton High School Spartans at Dunbarton Monday afternoon.

Cougars' head coach Rose Booker says the goal from the outset of the season was to play for an Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) title, and now her Cougars are one game away from that goal.

In the semifinal, the Cougars continued to receive strong play at the

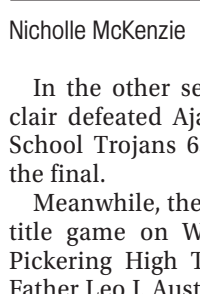
point guard position from Catherine Bougoulis, notes Booker.

"She was just phenomenal. She's really come into her own and they couldn't stop her. She was dribbling through everybody," says Booker.

In addition, the Notre Dame Cougars received another big-time performance from forward Nicholle McKenzie who scored a game-high 26 points.



Catherine Bougoulis



Nicholle McKenzie

Kim Slack and Rhea Pascal supplied the Cougars with strong rebounding and defensive play.

Simone Thomas was the leading point getter for the Dunbarton Spartans with 13.

In the other semifinal game, Sinclair defeated Ajax's Pickering High School Trojans 63-39 to advance to the final.

Meanwhile, the junior girls' 'AAAA' title game on Wednesday pits the Pickering High Trojans against the Father Leo J. Austin Wildcats.

The Wildcats defeated the Pine Ridge Secondary School Pumas 35-27 in one semifinal, while Pickering High prevailed over Notre Dame juniors in the other.



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En route to the hoop

PICKERING — Pine Ridge Pumas' Karlie Robinson drives through Sinclair Celtic defenders Katie Fitzgerald, left, and Karelynn McConnell during senior playoff action.

Panthers look for tough challenge against Hurricanes

First game between teams since six-player blockbuster trade last month

By Al Rivett
Sports Editor

PICKERING — The Pickering Panthers game in Newmarket tomorrow (Thursday) will have a little extra on the line for players on both benches.

Thursday's OHA Ontario Provincial Junior 'A' Hockey League game marks the first time the two teams have met since the six-player trade in mid-October that sent veteran forwards Todd Hosmer, Justin Fox and goaltender Marc Stuart to the Hurricanes in exchange for veteran goaltender Brad Fogal, veteran defenceman Kory Helowka and veteran forward Greg Payne.

Panthers head coach Pat Curcio notes when pride is factored into the proceedings, the conditions are ripe for a solid exhibition of hockey.

"I'm sure they're excited to play us. I think you should see a hell of a hockey game with that pride on the line. I think we're in for a tough game," says Curcio.

Although he notes it was tough to part with the trio that was sent to Newmarket, Curcio notes the trade was one the Panthers had to make in order to achieve a number of intangibles the transaction has brought to the ice for the Panthers.

"It's so true -- you have to give up

something to get something, but I would never turn my back on a trade like that. From leadership, to goaltending to defence -- every aspect of the trade was crucial to our team," he says.

Since the trade, the Panthers are a sterling 8-3-1, including going on a nine-game unbeaten streak during that span. Mostly, the goaltending supplied by Fogal has been nothing short of stellar, recording a 7-2-1 record since joining Pickering while compiling a 2.37 goals against average and a .936 save percentage.

On the other hand, the Hurricanes haven't exactly prospered since the trade, winning only one game -- their first game after the trade, a 6-3 win over Orangeville -- then proceeded to drop nine straight games and reside in last place in the league's North Conference standings. Hosmer and Fox, however, continue to lead the Hurricanes in scoring.

The Panthers hope to put together a modest two-game winning streak after earning a split last weekend. They finished the weekend on the road in Orangeville against the Crushers of the North Conference, winning 7-2. The Panthers were comfortably in front 5-1 after two periods, then outscored the Crushers 2-1 in the final frame for the thorough victory.

For Curcio, the win -- which followed on the heels of a 5-3 loss to the Vaughan Vipers in Pickering Friday night -- was one of the team's best games this season.



Pickering Panthers goalie Brad Fogal covers the puck as Vaughan Vipers Anthony Metallo is upended as he tries to score during first period action in the Ontario Provincial Junior 'A' Hockey League game at the Pickering Recreation Complex. The Vipers won 5-3.

"We knew they were a good hockey team and we knew we had to step up to beat them," says Curcio. "I thought it was one of our better games of the season in terms of moving the puck, playing together and playing with discipline. We played very well."

Friday's tilt with Vaughan represented a chance for the Panthers to move

closer to the second-place Vipers in the league's South Conference standings. The loss, however, coupled with the Vipers win over North York on Monday puts the third-place Panthers (15-9-2) five points in arrears of Vaughan.

Curcio remarks a barrage of penalties, 65 minutes to be exact, didn't allow the Panthers to manufacture any momen-

tum in the contest. Mostly, though, the Vipers burned the hosts for three of their five goals on the power play. The Panthers also had two power play markers.

"I hate to put the onus on the referee, but there were just so many penalties. I usually wouldn't say the calls were good or bad, but some of them were so ridiculous," he notes.

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Three Durham Synchro Club swimmers headed to Yukon

Ajax's Julia Maclean named to Ontario's Canada Games team

DURHAM — Three Durham Synchro Club swimmers have been named to the final nine to compete at the Canada Winter Games in Whitehorse, Yukon, in February.

Katie LePage, of Whitby, Julia Maclean, of Ajax, and

Chelsey Matthews, of Uxbridge, were three of 48 Ontario athletes vying for spots on Team Ontario. All three girls were selected to the original 12-member 2006 Provincial Junior Team last April. Following several months of preparation for the Games, the final nine were named at Etobicoke Olympium on Sunday, Nov. 19.

LePage, Maclean and Matthews are also members of Durham Synchro's Tier 7 ju-

nior team, coached by Holley Lundmark. Durham Synchro will send several competitive teams to the first meet of their 2006/2007 season, the Lisa Alexander Figures Meet, at the Etobicoke Olympium on Dec. 3.

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DRVC under-14 girls capture volleyball gold in Kingston

DURHAM — The Durham Region Volleyball Club's under-14 girls' squad got its season off to a roaring start with gold at the first Provincial Cup Zone Tournament in Kingston recently.

In the gold-medal match, the DRVC girls beat the Durham Attack 25-20, 25-18. After winning their pool, the DRVC girls headed into the crossover playoffs where they met and defeated the Ganaraska Wolves 25-12, 25-13.

In pool play, DRVC defeated the Northumberland Breakers 25-7, 25-8; Durham Attack 13U Red 25-2, 25-11 and Gold Dig-

gers 25-8, 25-11. Team members are Amanda Sexton, Shannon Davidson, Alex Whyte, Lauren Stirling, Danielle Jones,

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Death Notices

van BUUREN, Angela With great sadness, Angela passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Saturday, November 18, 2006. Beloved wife and best friend to Frederick, cherished mother of Rosanne (Henry), Phaedra (Robert), and Desirée (Gordon). Devoted Grandma to Talaira, Atisha, Rhiannon, Jahnya, Gabriel and grandson on the way. Dearest darling sister to Tony Jansz (Daphne), Bernadette (Patrick Martini), Mignonne (Melvyn Dezilva), Beverley Jansz (Eunice) and Yvonne (Winston Decker). Loving sister-in-law to Dorothy Philips, Gladys van Buuren (Harvey), Marlene (Luis Cabral), Rosemary van Buuren, Maureen van Buuren, Celine Jansz, Melrose Jansz and Fatima Jansz. Predeceased by brothers and brother-in-laws, Roderick Jansz, Desmond Jansz, Denver van Buuren, Oswin van Buuren, Trevor van Buuren (Rona), and Brian van Buuren. She will be remembered by nieces and nephews, cousins and all that knew her. The family will receive family and friends at the **MCEACHNIE FUNERAL HOME**, 28 Old Kingston Road, Ajax (Pickering Village) 905-428-8488 on Tuesday, November 21, 2006 from 3-5 & 7-9 p.m. A funeral mass will be held on Wednesday, November 22, at **St. Issac Jogues Roman Catholic Church** at 10:30 a.m. Burial to follow at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery. Should family and friends so desire, donations to the Covenant House would be greatly appreciated. A Book of Condolence may be signed at www.mceachnie-funeral.ca

256 deaths **256** deaths

LUNNIE, Florence Emily (Past member of the Scarborough Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star). It is with profound sadness we announce the passing of Florence at home, on Sunday, November 19, 2006. Beloved wife of the late James. Cherished mother of Sandie and her husband Mark Harman. Devoted and much loved grandmother of Greg, Robert and his wife Sandra-Lee. Dear sister to Doreen Boyes, Richard Anderson, Claude Anderson, Gail Stevens, and pre-deceased by her brother George Anderson and her sister, Sissy. A private family service was held on Tuesday, November 21, 2006. Arrangements entrusted to the **MCEACHNIE FUNERAL HOME**, 28 Old Kingston Road, Ajax (Pickering Village) 905-428-8488. In lieu of flowers, donations to Rouge Valley Ajax-Pickering Hospital would be appreciated. Book of Condolence may be signed at www.mceachnie-funeral.ca

MCCARRON, Geraldine "Geri" - Passed away peacefully after a short but courageous battle with cancer on Tuesday November 21, 2006 in her 61st year. Loving mother of Ken (Cara) and Mike (Susan). Devoted grandmother of Amanda, Stephanie, Sydney and Olivia. Beloved daughter of John and Betty, Sister of John, and niece of Sheila. Geri will also be sadly missed by many other family members and friends. The family will receive friends at the **MCEACHNIE FUNERAL HOME**, 28 Old Kingston Road, Ajax (Pickering Village) 905-428-8488 from 2-4 and 7-9 pm on Friday. A memorial mass will be celebrated at 11 am on Saturday November 25, 2006 at St. Bernadette's Roman Catholic Church (corner of Bayly and Harwood, Ajax). Should family and friends so desire, donations to the Children's Wish Foundation would be greatly appreciated. A Book of Condolence may be signed at www.mceachnie-funeral.ca

HEASLEY, William Ernest "Ernie" Passed away peacefully after a very valiant struggle on November 20, 2006 at Lakeridge Health Oshawa in his 65th year. He will be sadly missed by his wife Agnes, and also his mother Grace in Northern Ireland. He will be fondly remembered by his sisters Janet (Mervyn) and Anne (Rodney) as well as Christine (Davie) of Northern Ireland. Ernie will also be remembered by his nieces, nephews and extended family. Memorial Service to take place on Thursday November 23, 2006 at 7:00 pm at the **MCEACHNIE FUNERAL HOME** (28 Old Kingston Rd., Pickering Village, Ajax) 905-428-8488. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Kidney Foundation would be greatly appreciated.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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Meet the artists this fall at Durham's Native Focus

DURHAM — The artists are coming to Native Focus in downtown Port Perry this fall.

A series of meet-the-artist shows is lined up, said owner Jeremy Le Page.

"The artists will be here and they'll have all their new works," he said. "I try to have our regular artists here at least once in a year."

One of those featured is Cathy Mark, who lives on the north side of Lake Scugog.

"Cathy's become one of the most prominent artists in the area," Le Page said.

She'll be at the Queen Street store Dec. 2 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Other artists coming in are wildlife artist Eddie Le Page, of Peterbor-

ough, on Nov. 30 from 5 to 9 p.m., and David Johnson, on Dec. 5 from 5 to 9 p.m.

Mark works in media including steel and stone, producing sculptures and mixed media works. All of them reflect her love of nature.

"I would say the majority are reflections of my surroundings," she said, adding she finds inspiration in the environment around her.

"I have a heron at the end of my dock everyday."

And you can find herons in her work. Also wolves, trees, rocks and more.

She also finds inspiration in Native artists.

"My work has always reflected that," she said, adding she appreci-

ates the symbolic, designed aspect of Native art.

"It's a designed image and it's always of nature. It's not a real-life reflection. It's designed."

With an interest in young as a child, she went on to study fine art in university and over the years has produced a variety of works.

"It's continuously changing and evolving," she said of her art.

She produces works on slate and creates sculptures with scrap steel and stones, many stones picked from the fields of the family farm over the generations, she said. She raids the fencerows for stones.

She uses a plasma cutter to cut out forms from the rusty, unwanted pieces of steel, then cements them in

the stone.

During a summer tour of Lake Superior, she was surprised to see some of her sculptures of trees coming out of rocks echoed in formations.

"It was amazing. We would see these trees growing just like my sculptures," spreading their roots on the rocks.

Recently, her work was part of the Showcase of the Arts by the Scugog Council for the Arts. And she's been part of the Lake Scugog Studio Tour. She generally has one or two shows at Native Focus each year.

Another popular artist at Native Focus is Johnson.

"He always picks the full moon," Le Page said, of the artist who is Ojibwa. "He's a storyteller with his

works."

In his latest works, Johnson explores the ancient drawings and petroglyphs known as the Teaching Rocks.

He exhibits year round at the Wheetung Ojibwa Crafts and Art Gallery in Curve Lake.

Eddie Le Page, of Peterborough, father of Jeremy, is known throughout North America for his wildlife and portraits.

A self-taught artist, he works in acrylic, producing paintings and also collector plates which can be found throughout the world. He stresses the bond between people and nature in his works.

Native Focus is located at 191 Queen St.

Entertainment in brief

NOVEMBER 22, 2006

Top-notch directors leading bands

AJAX — The Durham Senior Honour Band and the Durham Senior Honour Jazz Band perform in Ajax Saturday.

Comprised of the best senior-level musicians from Durham secondary schools, the band includes students from the Durham and Durham Catholic district school boards and pupils from Durham Christian schools.

Jeff Reynolds, assistant co-ordinator of performance and conductor of the Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble at the University of Toronto, will direct the concert band.

Meanwhile, one of Canada's foremost saxophonists, Kelly Jefferson, will lead the jazz band.

All are welcome. The concert is in the J. Clarke Richardson Collegiate/Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School theatre on Nov. 25 at 7 p.m.

Reserved seating tickets are \$8 per person and available by calling Mrs. Bellinger at J. Clarke Richardson at 905-619-9571.

Tickets are \$10 at the door.

Artist Jones opens his doors Saturday

PICKERING — Artist Alpheus Jones is opening his home/studio to the public for a show and sale this Saturday, Nov. 25.

Mr. Jones doesn't have to go far to find inspiration for his landscapes: south Pickering, and the Frenchman's Bay area where he lives, are the subjects for many of his works.

"My move to the Frenchman's Bay area in October of 2003 was driven in no small way by the natural beauty of the area," he says.

"Growing up in an area surrounded by water and lush vegetation, I am very much at home here."

To learn more about Mr. Jones' work, visit www.alpheusjones.com, e-mail alpheusjones@rogers.com or call 905-837-5116.

The showing is between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. at 849 Sanok Dr. (near Whites Road and Bayly Street).

Local bands in concert

PICKERING — Bang Jam Fooy is set to take over Heights City Church Saturday night.

Organized by students at St. Mary Catholic Secondary School, responsible for last February's well-received Romance Bloody Romance show, the Nov. 25 event features local bands 'Big Stereo', 'Hero Down', 'Sound the Fire Alarm', 'Braebrook', 'Freedom 35' and many more.

Tickets are \$10 from a band member and \$15 at the door.

Heights City Church is at 477 Kingston Rd. (at Rosebank Road) in Pickering.

Jump-start the holiday season with the Pickering Community Concert Band

AJAX — Celebrate the holiday season with the Pickering Community Concert Band.

Led by musical director Andrew Locker, the band performs on Nov. 26 at 2:30 p.m. at Forest Brook Community Church, at 60 Kearney Dr. in Ajax.

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