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PICKERING — Kyle Reher competes in the Pickering skateboard competition Thursday night. The annual event is for Pickering teens and is held at the Pickering Skate Park. More than 50 kids attended the event.

No 'hole' in nuclear station: OPG

Former Pickering councillor says residents should be made aware of potential concerns, not informed after the fact

By Keith Gilligan
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DURHAM — Ontario Power Generation says there "never was a hole" in a duct system at the Pickering nuclear station.

A published story Thursday noted a hole in a pressurized duct system hadn't been repaired, even though it had been detected more than a month ago.

But, OPG spokesman John Earl says, "There wasn't a hole. There never was a hole. It was seepage of water."

The pressure relief duct, which runs between the reactors and the vacuum building, operates on negative pressure, meaning air is pulled in rather than out.

"It's a huge long duct. Along the length, there are joints. There's construction seal, a special seal that holds the concrete together," Mr. Earl says. "At one of the seals, an employee saw water on the floor. The seal allowed for some seepage."

"All the pressure is to pull inwards," he adds.

"There's no hole. We inspected it. We went so far as to test the joint. We even changed the pressure," he noted. "Our follow-up looked at the (duct's) performance. The duct performed well within its performance design specifications. I want to assure the community there was never a safety concern," Mr. Earl says.

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Rouge valley pitches in to help displaced patients

Lakeridge may not have enough beds when services ramp up this September

By Lesley Bovie
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DURHAM — Officials at Lakeridge Health say they could be faced with a bed shortage this fall because of the shutdown of Whitby hospital.

While the corporation has so far managed to accommodate the 71 Whitby patients at other sites, the hospital will soon be nearing the end of its summer slowdown.

"Our activity really increases starting in September. We have to be prepared that our patient population may not have enough beds," said Chris Kooy, VP of clinical programs and acting CEO.

To alleviate some of that pressure, Rouge Valley Health System has offered Lakeridge space at its Centenary site in Scarborough. The 20-bed unit would act as a satellite site of Lakeridge, with complex continuing patients from Whitby being relocated there some time in August.

"We would be keeping, as much as possible, the Lakeridge environment with the new unit," explained Ms. Kooy.

In the meantime, Lakeridge continues to have priority placement for patients awaiting nursing home spots in the hopes of freeing up more beds. The hospital's crisis designation continues until next week, said Ms. Kooy.

The fallout of the July 2 fire at Whitby hospital has been felt across the Region, according to one of Lakeridge Health's top surgeons.

"I'm not sure anyone recognizes the significance of the problem and the impact it has had on us," said Dr. Tom Morton, chief of urology and acting chief of surgery at Lakeridge Health Oshawa.

"This wasn't a minor deal," he added. "Our insurance company has told us this

- A July 2 fire at the hospital in Whitby forced the evacuation of the entire facility.

- To date, 71 patients have been accommodated elsewhere.

- Complex continuing care patients will be sent to the Rouge Valley Health System site in Scarborough, where a 20-bed unit will be set up.

is unprecedented for a facility this size to be completely evacuated."

His department has been affected in particular, with many of the 53 patients that were taken to Oshawa, now receiving care on surgical floors.

While Lakeridge Health Oshawa managed to perform all its emergency and cancer surgeries throughout the evacuation, it cancelled about 20 inpatient elective surgeries to make room for the influx.

Cancelled surgeries ranged from hip and knee replacements to procedures for incontinence and improving urinary retention. Some have been rescheduled and completed, while those that haven't should be done over the next few weeks.

Letters of apology for any inconvenience will be going out to all of those patients, said Ms. Kooy.

"In the past we've had to cancel elective surgeries if we have really bad backups in the ER," she explained. "But we never cancel surgery lightly. It has to be something discussed by both the administrative and clinical sides of Lakeridge."

Still, Dr. Morton said his staff have worked hard to minimize cancellations.

They recognize patients have already waited up to a year for a hip replacement or that some are dealing with the unpleasantness of wearing a catheter until they can get surgery.

To continue to get through what could be a very uncertain fall for Lakeridge, the corporation will need outside support, he said.

"We're out on an island on this," said Dr. Morton.

"There's only so much that can be done at the local level."

Lakeridge should have a much better picture of the damage at Whitby hospital and how much of it will be covered by insurance when its insurance company wraps up its investigation Monday, said Ms. Kooy. "We'll have better time-lines

then," she said, of Whitby hospital's return to service.

"We're still hoping for eight to 12 weeks from the date of the actual fire. But we're making plans if that can't happen."

Ms. Kooy said the corporation has been in contact with the Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) which co-ordinates health care funding for this area, on a regular basis since the fire.

"Once we've achieved a full picture we're going to sit down and review everything with them," she said.

"We'll look at what our situation is going to be in the next six or nine weeks and beyond that, and what is going to be our immediate deficit, as well as our patient (situation)."

"It's all very complex," Ms. Kooy added.

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Mr. Earl likens negative pressure to working at a higher altitude, where there is less pressure.

Mr. Earl notes every 10 years all the Pickering reactors are shutdown and the vacuum build-

ing and all the components are tested.

Former Pickering Regional Councillor Maurice Brenner questions OPG's handling of the situation, saying the City and its residents are being "kept in the dark."

"This is beginning to look like a repeat of 1997, at which time Pickering 'A' was up for re-licensing and there was a deliberate attempt by the former Ontario Hydro to keep the host community in the dark," Mr. Brenner says. "Today the silence is deafening and one cannot help but to draw the similarities, only this time Pickering 'B' is up for re-licensing."

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For the past 10 years, OPG worked with the community and Pickering council to ensure open communication, he notes, adding he was part of the "formation of the task force put in place by council to ensure that both council and the community would be informed when potential concerns and issues arose, not after the fact."

"The people of Pickering are informed, educated and are entitled to know the facts, they do not deserve to be kept in the dark," says Mr. Brenner, now referring to himself as a community advocate.

Schools make read-a-thon honour roll

DURHAM — Reading for multiple sclerosis has brought three Ajax schools top honours.

For raising more than \$5,000, Southwood Park Public School made the silver level of the MS-Read-A-Thon's 2006/2007 honour roll, while St. Jude and St. Patrick Catholic schools reached bronze with \$2,000 plus. The read-a-thon is a pledge-based fundraising program to teach elementary school kids about MS, disability awareness and reading.

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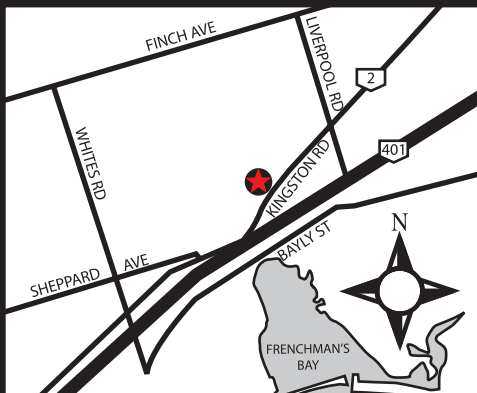


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Residents fired up to keep speeders in check

Community-based program continues to monitor speed in Pickering and Ajax neighbourhoods

By Kristen Calis
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PICKERING — As Pickering residents drove down Amberlea Road on Wednesday night, passing a board monitoring their speed, a number of them slowed down to ask what was going on.

Terry Pidlisny, Ajax-Pickering Road Watch treasurer and Pickering speed board co-ordinator, told them about the volunteer-driven campaign, in conjunction with Durham Regional Police Services (DRPS), to help control aggressive driving, including excessive speeding and tailgating. Road Watch was first developed in 1995 in Caledon, and launched its Ajax-Pickering chapter in 2002. The funding comes from corporate sponsors, the Town of Ajax and the City of Pickering.

Mr. Pidlisny said he chose to get involved when he saw too many drivers speeding through red lights and cutting off others.

"I saw too many speeders on Kingston Road, drunk ones, idiots," he said.

Mr. Pidlisny explained a "complainant" will usually call customer care at the City of Pickering (in Pickering's case), which is forwarded to DRPS.

Mike Pelzowski, traffic operations co-ordinator at the City of Pickering, said most of the complaints relate to collector roads, since residents expect them to be quiet.

"They serve local traffic as access to properties but also serve through traffic to arterial roads," he said.

After the hot spots are targeted, Mr. Pidlisny explained Constable Garth Moore, the DRPS traffic safety co-ordinator,



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Road Watch volunteers Sue Mitchell and Terry Pidlisny watch traffic on Amberlea Road in Pickering.



will direct him to certain streets containing "the worst records of driving." Residents can also call DRPS or fill out a customer complaint form, which is easily accessible online. Road Watch will then set up a radar message board to monitor speed, and also hand out letters and pamphlets to residents to raise awareness.

Volunteers track the speeds and copy the license plate, make and model of the car and record it. The information then goes into a database and police send letters to the owner on the first two occasions. The third time, a police officer visits their home.

Const. Moore explained that

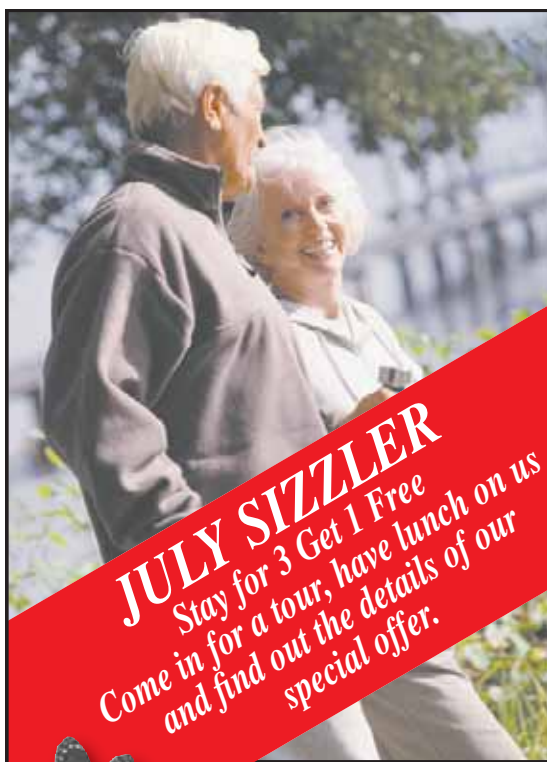
although it's simply a personal visit, "it does become problematic for that person.

"If it's a teenager, it can be quite effective," he said. He added monitoring traffic is important to DRPS, since injuries resulting from aggressive driving are mostly preventable.

Ward 3 City Councillor David Pickles said he hopes more people get involved in the program.

At the end of monitoring two hours of traffic on Wednesday night, between five and seven speeders were recorded, whereas around 40 were caught the last time. But Mr. Pelzowski said this is positive since it means drivers are slowing down.

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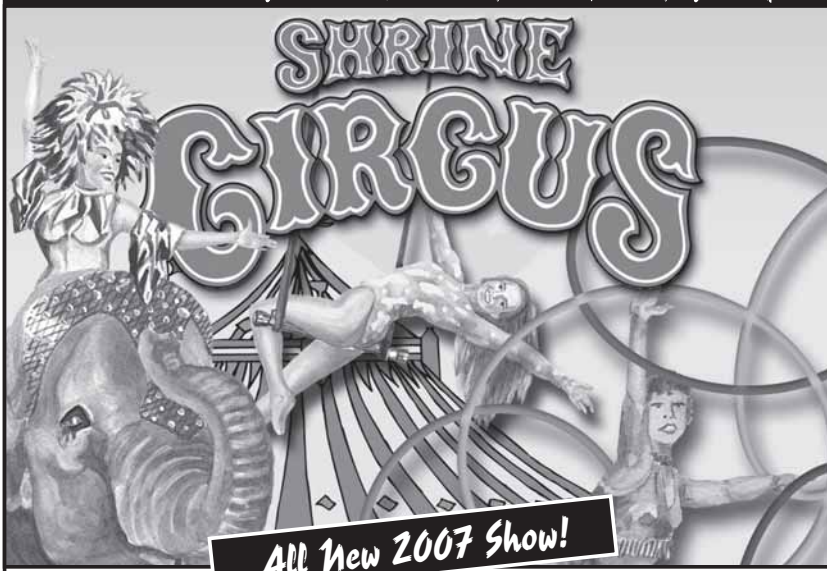
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We must have workers to fill job holes

There can be no denying it -- we're all getting older. The question for our very way of life is, will we be getting better?

Those are the key points to be gleaned by the latest Statistics Canada numbers from the 2006 census. A record 13.7 per cent of Canada's population is now made up of senior citizens, those 65-and-older. Just as grim, for future economic planning that is, is that the population of those 15-and-under fell to an all-time low of just 17.7 per cent.

Demographers have warned for years that we face a job shortage crunch brought on by a declining birth rate and the aging of Canada's largest ever demographic: the Baby Boom generation, those born between 1947-1964. With the oldest Boomers turning 60 this year, the wave of retirees will outnumber those entering the workforce within a decade. Experts suggest that will put a major strain on just about everything as there are fewer job-holders paying taxes for services and more seniors living on pensions.

So, should you sell those video-game stocks and invest in funeral homes? Maybe not quite yet. While the outlook, on the surface, appears grim -- and Canada, among the G8 countries actually has one of the younger populations -- there are many policies that governments and businesses can follow to deal with the trend.

Take, for example, Ontario's recent decision to outlaw mandatory retirement. Many older workers want to continue working -- some need to for economic reasons, other's just love to work -- and while they are earning a paycheque they are also contributing in a major way to tax revenues. Older workers may be able to offer experience and know-how younger employees simply haven't yet acquired. They can also act as mentors.

As well, there will be a shortage of skilled-trades workers and our education system, at both the secondary and post-secondary level, must work hand-in-hand with government and business to make young people aware of the opportunities available to them in the workforce. The ticket for the future may not lie as much in university as in skills development and apprenticeships.

Finally, it's necessary to streamline immigration policies so that those trained immigrants who can fill a perceived need in our economy get first crack at citizenship.

We can get older and better if we follow the proper plan.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Cyclists need to mind pedestrians on trail

To the editor:

Regarding the bikers along the waterfront in Ajax - very dangerous.

I was there last week and a lady with her dog almost got hit and my friend and I were there today and I almost got hit.

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I am 76 years old and I am very nervous walking down there. I am looking over my shoulder all the time.

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Erin Hatfield
staff writer

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Developer pays India celebration fees

Pickering denies request to waive fee for rental of recreation complex

PICKERING — When council wouldn't cover a fee for a cultural celebration, a major developer did.

Villerboit Holdings Inc. president Guery Goyo, developer of the upcoming Brookdale Centre Inc., was in attendance at a recent council meeting and watched the debate over waving fees for the celebration of India's 60th anniversary of independence. Shashi Bhatia, chairwoman of the Indo-Canadian Cultural Association of Durham (ICCAD), asked Council to wave the \$1,365 rental fee for the Pickering Recreation Complex (where the anniversary will be celebrated), but the vote was lost

4-3. Mr. Goyo then chose to cover the fee himself.

"I think it's a great celebration," he said. "I was disappointed when Council wouldn't cover it."

Mr. Goyo said, with an Italian background, he knows the significance of cultural groups, and mentioned the help the City of Toronto gave the CHIN Picnic when it took off.

"It's a nominal fee anyway," he added.

Ward 2 City Councillor Doug Dickerson said he's happy Mr. Goyo covered the cost since Council didn't.

"We have a long and proud tradition in Pickering with cultural organizations, or any other group, to waive a fee of rental," he said in an interview.

The event consists of a flag-raising ceremony at City Hall and the celebration will follow. In a delegation, Ms. Bhatia said

past celebrations have drawn many residents, and they're anticipating an even larger turnout this year because of the anniversary.

"We respectfully make this request in the knowledge that the City of Pickering leads Durham Region through the recognition of all its peoples and the celebration of multiculturalism by integrating diversity in all its plans," she wrote in a letter.

While council agreed on the celebration's importance, some were apprehensive of having to decide when to draw the line.

"As much as I'd love to do this for everyone, it wouldn't be fair to the next group that comes along and we say no," Ward 1 Regional Councillor Bonnie Littlely said.

But Ward 3 Regional Councillor Rick

Johnson saw things differently.

"We're either with the cultural movement or against it," he said.

He said India's 60th anniversary of independence is "a big deal," and said they're asking for something Pickering prides itself on: multiculturalism.

"This is the City of Pickering," he said. "We should support people who want to come here and celebrate their independence."

Ward 1 City Councillor Jennifer O'Connell said with the 8.79-per cent tax increase, it's not the best time to do this.

"We're talking about \$1,300 - not a lot of money, but it does add up," she said. "It's unfortunate if these organizations will feel it's them, but it has nothing to do with the cause."

Although Aug. 15 is India's anniversary, the celebration is on Aug. 18.

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Market for plastics just not there

Region investigates bag return

By Erin Hatfield
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DURHAM — Recycling is big business and plastics, like other post-consumer products, are a commodity.

But, here in Durham, the plastic collected in the blue box is limited to bottles, juice and drink cartons and tubs and lids for things like yogurt, margarine and ice cream, leaving out toys, make-up jars, fruit and vegetable containers, take-out food containers, moulded bakery and plant trays.

"There were 860,000 tonnes of blue box material sold across Ontario in 2005," said Glenda Gies. "We are approaching the million-tonne mark collected and sold in Ontario and that is significant."

Ms. Gies, the executive director of Waste Diversion Ontario, is the former general manager of Durham Recycling and had a hand in developing the blue box program.

She said blue box material generates \$80 million in revenue a year in Ontario, the bulk from aluminum.

In the 1970s and '80s there was a market for aluminum, but none for used beverage cans or food cans. But, like the market for newspapers, beverage containers and tin cans grew, and

Ms. Gies said she is confident plastics will find their place in the post-consumer world.

"I see that coming," she said. "It might take some years, but it definitely will happen."

According to Ms. Gies, work has been under way for the past 20 years to develop markets for plastic. The strongest market is for water and shampoo bottles, used to make carpets, CD covers, fleece and various types of

collected in the blue box.

She confirmed that the reason some plastics are not part of the blue box program is because there is no market for them, but the potential for expansion is always under investigation.

"The new MRF (material recovery facility) will create an opportunity for us to separate them and find a market for them," she said. "But, right now, we cannot handle them in the

'Returning plastic bags is much more effective than us collecting them and doing something with them. It is true producer responsibility.'

MIRKA JANUSZKIEWICZ

moulded products.

There is a gradually increasing market for plastic tubs, lids and plastic film but, according to Ms. Gies, it takes a while to create a demand.

"It is a bit of a chicken and egg because you need municipalities to start collecting those different plastics, but not faster than the market capacity," she said. Before Durham thinks about expanding its plastic collection it needs to assess both collection ability and all of the ramifications of adding and processing plastics.

Mirka Januszkiewicz, Durham's director of waste management services, explained there are no immediate plans to directly expand the plastic

blue box." The new MRF, currently under construction, will provide greater flexibility and the Region will be able to focus on other plastics markets.

"With plastics we are trying to focus on producer responsibility and that is the message I am getting from the plastics industry; they want to be responsible as well."

For the past 10 months, the Region has and will continue to meet with industry and different chain stores to sort out starting a plastic bag-recycling program. She is confident a bag return can be up and running by the end of September, but in order for the program to work it will require participation from industry and residents.



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Veridian wants customers to conserve during summer

By Keith Gilligan
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DURHAM — Tracy and Gavin Paterson hope to light their way to reduced energy use.

The Ajax family is taking part in Veridian's Summer Savings program, which could lead to a 10-per cent credit on their fall electricity bill.

When asked what her family could do to reduce power use by 10 per cent, Ms. Paterson said, "We can change the light bulbs, use power bars, I didn't realize how much power was on. With the air conditioning, we can set it to a higher temperature."

Her teenage daughters could "turn off the lights. That might be harder to do," she quipped.

The program is open to all Veridian customers, which serves both Ajax and Pickering. Other Durham communities serviced by Veridian include Uxbridge, Clarington, Port Perry and Brock Township.

Each customer is automatically eligible to participate in the Summer Savings program, Veridian president and CEO Michael Angemeer stated.

During July and August, cus-

tomers who reduce their electricity use by 10 per cent are eligible for the credit, he stated.

During the summer, "increased temperatures and increased energy use" put a strain on the electricity system. To meet demand, the Province sometimes has to import electricity from the United States or rely on coal-fired plants in Ontario. Those combine to "increase potential pollution and poor air quality," Mr. Angemeer stated.

Standing in the kitchen of the Paterson's Ajax home, Mr. Angemeer noted, "There are several opportunities to save right here in the kitchen. Turn off the lights with all the windows in this room, is a natural."

Energy-saving lightbulbs use 75 per cent less energy than a regular bulb, he added, also suggesting using "a ceiling fan rather than air conditioning."

"Computers use power even when they're not on. It's called phantom power," he said.

To deal with the phantom power, Mr. Angemeer suggested using a power bar to deal with phantom power from computers, printers and televisions.

Based on a \$100-a-month electricity bill, a 10 per cent reduction would result in a \$20 credit, Mr. Angemeer said.

"It's an automatic program. You don't have to sign up. If you meet the 10 per cent goal, you get an

automatic credit," he added.

The Patersons have two daughters, Kady, 17, and Lindsay, 13, and Ms. Paterson acknowledges, "There are no easy answers" on how to get the girls to turn off lights when they leave a room. "That's the first discussion we had."

Another program offered by Veridian is peaksaver, which will start later this month. With it, Veridian will be able to turn down the air conditioner in homes for a short time.

"It won't be off for a long time," Mr. Angemeer said.

With the peaksaver program, Veridian would temporarily cycle down the air conditioning to help reduce the strain on the electrical system during peak times.

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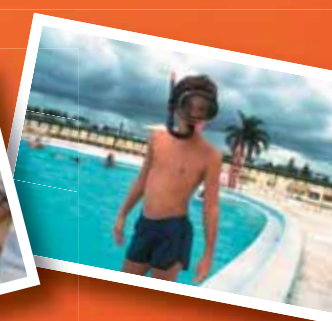
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Bike plan would benefit Durham: Parish

By Erin Hatfield
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DURHAM — It isn't a rarity to see the mayor of Ajax zipping around town on his bike. Steve Parish knows Durham's terrain well and said he thinks the cycling network here isn't what it could be.

An active cyclist, he's been doing it for more than 20 years and said he knows how much Durham has to offer avid bikers. From the waterfront of the lakeshore communities up to Port Perry, Durham has as much to offer as any place Mayor Parish has ridden, which happens to be all over the country.

"Durham has tremendous potential in terms of tourism and recreation with cycling. We have the waterfront, we have the Oak Ridges Moraine and we have a good network of fairly low volume, good roads," Mayor Parish said.

But, that potential is hampered because Durham's existing trails are not connected and there's no overall dedicated plan or money to develop a cycling trail network.

"The problem is that once you leave Ajax and go into Pickering or Whitby there's not going to be any continuation so there is a problem with connectivity," he said.

Durham isn't committed to cy-

cling yet, Mayor Parish said, but he thinks there is the opportunity for significant cycling infrastructure here.

"I think if we do it right it can become a significant player in tourism because it's kind of a well-kept secret among cyclists," Mayor Parish said.

'Durham has tremendous potential in terms of tourism and recreation with cycling.'

STEVE PARISH

Aside from attracting tourists, Mayor Parish said a cycling network can also help alleviate transportation problems.

"If you give people safe and connected routes people will use cycling to do commutes," Mayor Parish said.

"I think it will assist us in having more transportation options for people."

Durham's 2003 Transportation Master Plan provides for the development of a regional cycling plan that would connect the municipal bicycle systems.

But, in a recent report to council consultants estimated the cost of implementation at approximately

\$103 million.

The report, which went before Regional council on June 20, says that given the operating and capital infrastructure costs required for Regional roads and transit, Council needs to consider the financing challenges of a cycling initiative.

"It is quite a large initiative and once you inject this into your programs there is a cost there," explained Nestor Chornobay, the Region's director of strategic planning. "The major impediment is that the introduction of a program like this has significant financial impacts."

Mr. Chornobay said it is important to find a way of wading into building a network that is affordable and reasonable and it needs to be a co-ordinated effort among the Region and the local municipalities.

"It is a big step forward, but it is something we identified that we need to evolve and address from a broader Regional scale," he said.

The report was referred to the area municipalities for input in terms of priorities.

"Really (we need) to address the issue of how we can fund this thing in a sustainable way and make it happen," Mayor Parish said.

The report will be in by Oct. 15 and back before council before the end of the year.



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Mayor Steve Parish starts off a group of cyclists from Rotary Park on the third annual Ride Ajax with the Mayor. The mayor is pushing for a better cycling network. A recent report to regional council notes developing a cycling trail network could cost as much as \$103 million.

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Time for another Regional Council debate on meeting times

By Erin Hatfield
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DURHAM — The best time to start Regional Council meetings continues to be a question.

Council passed a bylaw at its May 30 meeting to change the start to 9 a.m. from 10 a.m.

The change went through without discussion, but now Pickering Councillor Rick Johnson has introduced a notice of motion to switch the time back.

"I wanted to give it a try. I thought it might have

worked," Coun. Johnson said.

"I start early in the morning every morning and I would like to get my day done earlier, but it isn't fair to the constituents."

Coun. Johnson said his constituents can't get their morning started, kids to school and to a 9 a.m. meeting.

"It gives people a chance to get their mornings out of the way," Coun. Johnson said. "After talking to constituents and fellow councillors I think it's something we need to revisit."

There were no public meetings on the issue and Coun. Johnson said there should have been.

He said if the public wants to speak to council it isn't fair to ask them to be there by 9 a.m. In addition, he said the 9 a.m. start means when committees need to run early morning meetings, members have to be there by 7 a.m.

Oshawa Councillor John Henry, at the May 9 meeting, motioned to have Regional Council start at 9 a.m.

"I think the political

model of business fails to function," Coun. Henry said. "We should be run as a revenue neutral business. There are very few businesses that allow you to come in and start at 10 a.m."

Staff is in the building at 8:30 a.m. and Coun. Henry said councillors should be in their chairs and ready to go at 9 a.m.

"I get my kids to school and run two businesses and I still can make it to the meetings on time," Coun. Henry said.

Regional Chairman

Roger Anderson wasn't willing to guess which way the vote will go, but he did say he was surprised the 9 a.m. start time passed in the first place.

"We'll see what happens at the September meeting," he said. "Maybe they will leave it for a while."

He feels the 10 a.m. start time is more appropriate. It allows the public ample time to get to council and helps staff that have

to have meetings prior to council.

"Now you are going to have people up north coming down to meetings at 7 a.m. in the morning," Mr. Anderson said. "For them to get down in the winter is going to be a bit of a problem."

The motion will be addressed at the first Regional Council meeting after the summer break on Sept. 19.

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DURHAM — The bulk of beaches in Durham are safe for summer swimmers this weekend.

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AJAX — Jacque Lei puts his feet up under the shade in Ajax Waterfront Park. Jason Liebrechts/ News Advertiser photo



PICKERING — Harpist Moira Nelson, accompanied by Elena Jubinville, entertained the crowds at Esplanade park. It is part of the City of Pickering's 'Treble in the Park' outdoor concert series. AJ Groen/ News Advertiser photo



PICKERING — Naomi Woodbine thought the water was just a little chilly during a dash through a sprinkler in Pickering's Millennium Park. Photo by Rob Mitchell



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Hajnal named to Canadian Amateur Boxing Association's Hall of Fame

By Al Rivett
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DURHAM — Time is ticking away on his life and his time in the fight game.

But, whatever time Joseph Hajnal has remaining, he'll gladly devote it to the love of his life: boxing.

The 74-year-old long-time local coach and former Olympic boxer in his native Hungary has inoperable pancreatic cancer that has spread to other parts of his body. He's now stopped taking chemotherapy treatments. But, in his remaining time, Hajnal's determined to stay involved in boxing for as long as possible. "I do everything I did before, but not as extensively," says Hajnal, an Oshawa resident who's currently assisting at Tiller's Boxing Club in Ajax, aiding in the training of heavyweight boxer Brock Arthur, who recently turned pro.

"I have no complaints. I have a wonderful family and a lot of good friends through boxing. I know they all respect my knowledge and contribution to boxing."

Hajnal's peers respect his boxing acumen to such a degree that he was named to the Canadian Amateur Boxing Association Hall of Fame this summer. It was an honour that came out of the blue, but is nonetheless cherished.

"It was recognition I did not expect, but it feels good," says Hajnal, who was also named as a Boxing Ontario 'Legend' in the 'Builder' category earlier this year.

"I was overwhelmed. I didn't expect anything. I wasn't doing

it for the glory. It was a big surprise, but I'm proud of it."

Boxing has always been his lifeblood, with a career of competing and coaching that has spanned more than six decades. Currently, he's happy to be assisting at Tiller's, where he's been for the past one-and-a-half years. Before that, he helped out at the Oshawa-based Motor City Boxing Club.

(Head coach Chris) "Tiller asked me and I see the club had some potential, so I went over," he says.

"I like it; it's a good club. It's not a structured club, which gives me a bit of flexibility to work on a 1-on-1 basis. It's really appealing to me."

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eventually finding his way on to the Hungarian Olympic team in 1952 at the Summer Games in Helsinki. There, he won two bouts before losing in his light-welterweight class. He was Hungarian national champion in that division in 1954, representing his country in many international events before emigrating to Canada in 1957.

In Canada, he won the Canadian Athletic Union championship for his weight class in 1959 and was undefeated in eight pro fights until his retirement from the ring in 1965.

His coaching career included stints with the former Oshawa Olympic Boxing Club and with the Ajax Boxing Club, where he coached under long-time head

coach Don Ross. All the while, Hajnal has worked as an engineer in the mining and manufacturing sectors.

He's also proud of his six-year association with the Oshawa Olympic Boxing Club where, in 1975, the club sent seven fighters to the Ontario championships and returned with five gold medals and two silver.

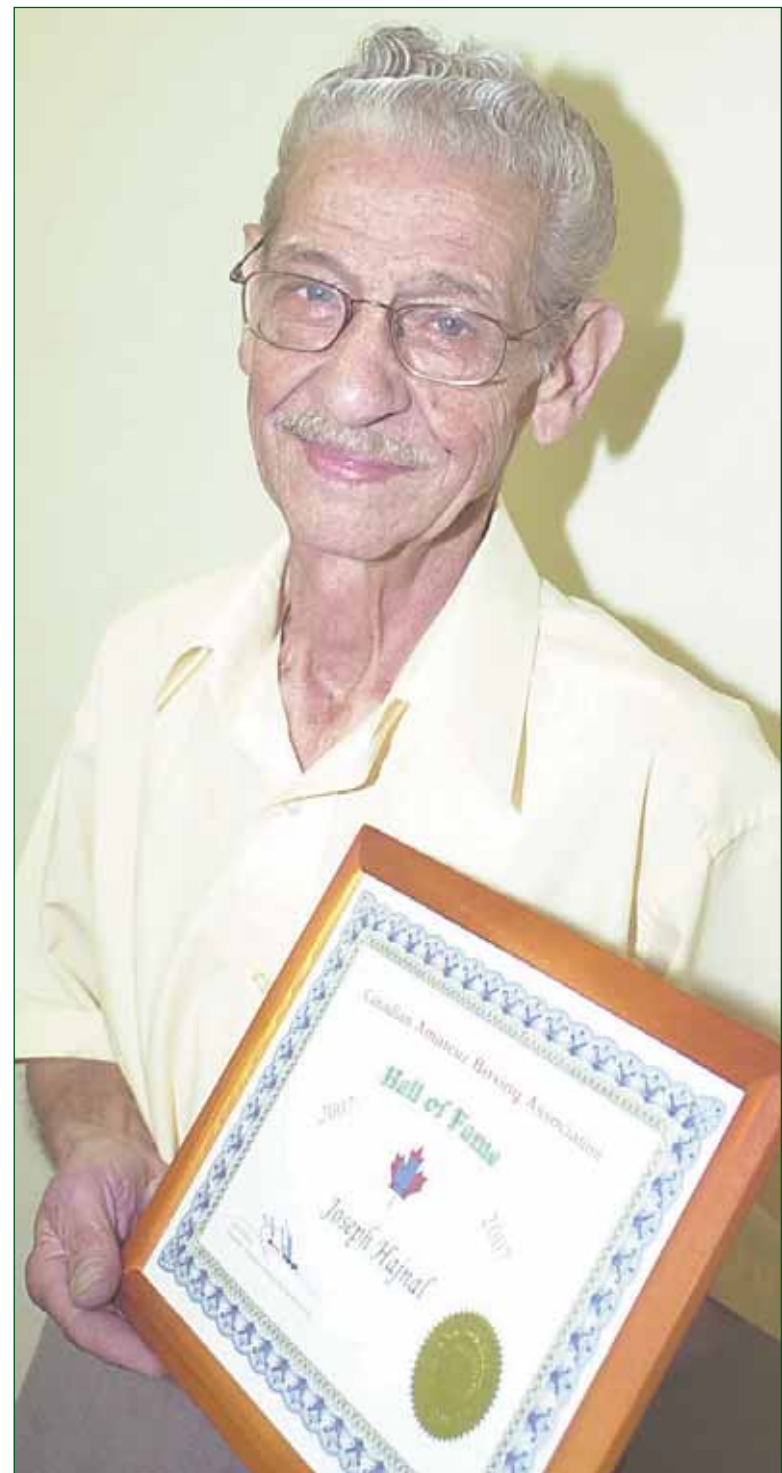
Over the years, Hajnal has worked with many of the very best Canadian boxers. During a stint at the Kitchener Boxing Club in the late '80s, he helped guide the pro boxing career of Fitz 'The Whip' Vanderpool, who won a world welterweight title in 1996 and a Canadian championship in 1998.

"He started with me as an amateur and I was the only coach with him as a pro," says Hajnal. "He's also a good friend of mine; he's a wonderful guy."

Hajnal also trained Canadian Olympic light-heavyweight boxer Chris Johnson while coaching in Kitchener. Johnson has now turned to coaching himself and is currently directing the pro career of Steve 'The Canadian Kid' Molitor, who will fight in defence of his IBF World Junior Featherweight title against South Africa's Takalani 'The Panther' Ndlovu at Casino Rama.

He's also been heavily involved over the years in the organizational side of boxing as one of the founding members of Boxing Ontario. He also serves as the organization's first coaching director, a role he held for 10 years. During his time with Boxing Ontario, he drafted many articles and coaching manuals meant to improve the calibre of coaching of boxing in the province and in Canada.

Hajnal was also one of the founding members of the Canadian Amateur Boxing Association, which came into being in 1969.



Al Rivett/ News Advertiser photo
Boxing coach Joseph Hajnal's career in the sport began more than 50 years ago in his native Hungary. A former fighter himself, Hajnal was undefeated in eight professional bouts.

Dolphins in first after win; could earn bye in final game

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round of the playoffs.

The Dolphins are in first following a 14-7 win over the Warriors in Mississauga on Saturday, July 14. The Dolphins and Warriors are two of the top teams in the division.

The game was played in Mississauga under soggy conditions and that limited the passing

game for both teams and produced several fumbles.

The first quarter ended with no score, as the squads had to adjust to the conditions and each other.

Late in the second quarter, following runs up the middle for some tough yards by fullback Taylor Wilenski, D'Shane Chung broke off a 65-yard romp into the

end zone. Demetrius McFarquhar booted the point after to give the Dolphins a 7-0 lead.

Chung's 168 yards rushing on the day pushed him over a 1,000 yards for the season.

The Warriors knotted the score midway through the third quarter on a run from three yards out.

The Dolphins' offence put to-

gether a 15-play march to use up the clock. The drive was capped by a 32-yard gallop by Chung.

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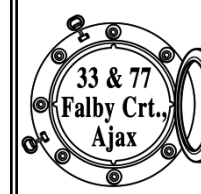
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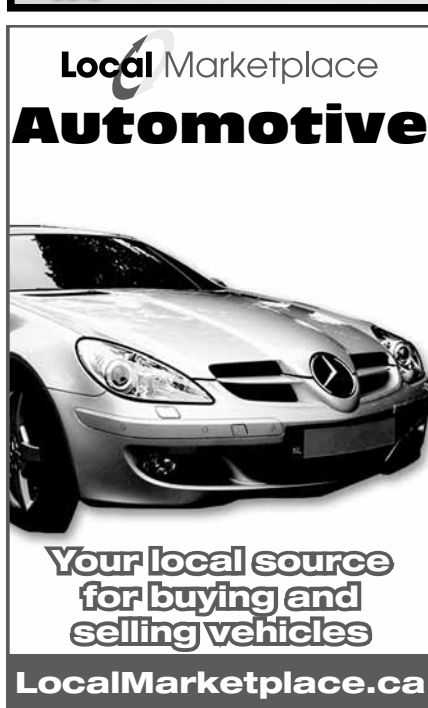
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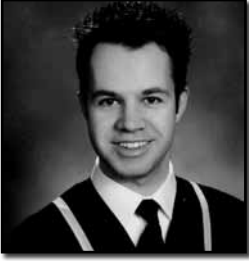
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Webb ready to begin collegiate soccer career in Midwest

Pine Ridge grad hopes to be leader on Iowa Central Community College squad

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PICKERING — Jordan Webb's never been to the Iowa college where he'll make his home for the next two years on the soccer pitch.

The Pine Ridge Secondary School grad says he's travelled to Iowa and has played at one of the state's colleges with his minor soccer team, but has yet to visit Iowa Central Community College, where he recently signed on for a two-year athletic scholarship in soccer.

"I haven't been there, but I've heard it's nice from the people who've been around that area and know the school," says Webb, 19, who'll check in for the Iowa Central Tritons' training camp on Aug. 9 at the Fort Dodge, IA campus.

Webb says he and Iowa Central became a match after he sent a tape of his play at the Ontario Cup game, where he led his East York Komets under-18 team to victory, scoring two goals in the final. During the season, Webb was the leading scorer in the Ontario Youth Soccer League's under-18 division with 19 goals in 16 games.

"They liked it, I guess, and they got in contact with me," says Webb.

Although other schools recruited his services, including Garden City (Kansas), Southern Maryland College, South Georgia College and Graceland University, Webb says he saw his greatest opportunity to contribute and thrive was at Iowa Cen-

tral. "I chose them because I had been in Iowa before and I know what it's like. They think I could be the star of the team, so that's why I chose them," he explains, adding that he'll study communications and sports management at the campus.

The Iowa Central Tritons, which compete in the Iowa Community College Athletic Conference, finished just below the .500 mark in its overall and just above .500 in its conference record, ending up at 7-10-1 overall and 5-4-1 in conference. Webb believes he can be a catalyst to provide for more Tritons' wins during his freshman season.

"They weren't that good last year, so I hope I'm the one to make them a better squad," he says.

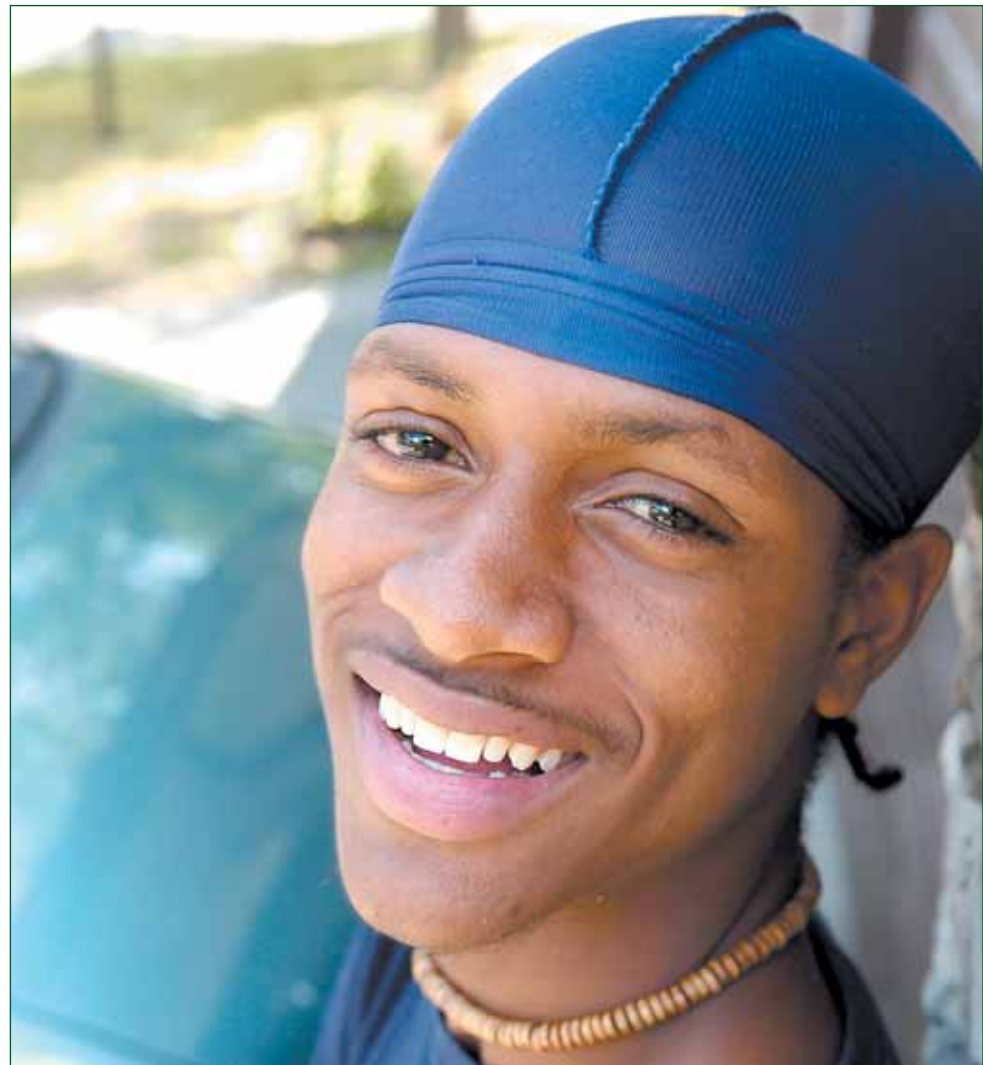
As a club soccer player and a high school athlete, Webb is used to winning. In addition to capturing an Ontario Cup title in soccer last year, Webb served as the captain of Pine Ridge's soccer and basketball teams and was named the 2006 male athlete of the year at the school.

This year, he was named most valuable player of the Pine Ridge senior boys' soccer team.

In addition to soccer, he also played basketball, where he was a regional all-star, and ran track and field.

Following training camp, the Tritons embark on a two-game exhibition schedule, starting off with a friendly against the Morningside College Mustangs in Sioux City, IA on Aug. 17.

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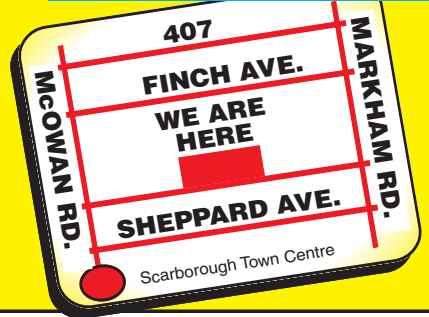
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