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PICKERING -- Daniel Park, owner of the Claremont General Store, at a fundraiser held for fire victims at Claremont Park on July 18.

Claremont support 'overwhelming'

COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR FUNDRAISER TO HELP FIRE VICTIMS

BY KRISTEN CALIS
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PICKERING -- A single mother who lost everything she owns in a Claremont fire has gotten so much support and donations, she could open a furniture store, she joked.

"It's overwhelming," said Sara Pooler. "This community is amazing."

Ms. Pooler spoke Saturday during a fundrais-

er held for herself and fellow fire victims Daniel Park, the building owner, and Derek Budarick, another tenant. The community came together just six days after the Claremont General Store, which has been in operation for around 150 years, went up in flames July 12.

The Claremont and District Community Association and others quickly pulled together the event, which featured music, games, entertainment and food. About 200 people attended.

The funds raised were still being tallied at the time of print but all will go to the victims.

Reverend Rob Selby, of Claremont United Church, said at first, the feeling among the community was fear, danger and a sense of what would happen next.

"It's a hub," he said. "It really is."

But the community has proven stable and

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All aboard the York-Durham heritage train

Locomotive woes don't spoil day for riders

BY JEFF HAYWARD

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UXBRIDGE -- It was short but sweet.

The York-Durham Heritage Railway train departed from the historic Uxbridge train station on June 28 for a ride into Goodwood, shorter than the originally scheduled journey to Stouffville.

The railway, operated by volunteers from all over the GTA, has been thrown off track somewhat this season with locomotive troubles but a backup engine did the trick on the most recent journey. Riders from around Durham boarded the vintage coaches just after 10 a.m. while a light rain fell.

Also on board that day were a reporter and photographer from the Times-Journal.

The train took passengers through the north Durham greenery, with some of the windows wide open to afford a grand view.

"The scenery's really nice and it's just fun," said Angie Starr, up from south Durham with a group of friends calling themselves Ladies of the Knight.

"It gives us a chance to gossip," said another in the group.

An announcement came through the intercom for passengers poking their head out an open window to be wary, as tree branches whip across the side of the train at some points.

The train slowed for a big bend in the track as it neared Goodwood.

"When are we gonna go fast?" asked young Caroline Pretty, riding with her aunt, Alex Pretty.

"I've driven by (the train) so many times and I've never been on it, it's really nice," Ms. Pretty said, telling her niece to watch for animals along the route.

Kids on board were also entertained with books and a model train set in one of the coaches.

The train arrived at its destination in about a half an hour. Then, during a short stop, staff performed a "runaround", connecting the engine to the other side of the train for the journey back to Uxbridge.

While free horse and wagon rides are usually offered from the station, the service was cancelled that day as the rain picked up strength.

But despite the train woes and the rain, riders, including Justin McDonald, of Ajax, enjoyed the experience.

"It's like a little history lesson," he said. "I'm usually on the TTC subway (in Toronto), so it's a little different to be on a train like this.

I'd want to come here again."

YDHR officials advise those wishing to ride the train, which runs until October, to visit ydhr.on.ca or call 905-852-3696 first for updates.

“It's like a little history lesson.”
Justin McDonald



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UXBRIDGE -- In top photo, the train rounds a curve, heading toward Goodwood. In middle photo, Passengers 'Lady Sarah' Pat Dobson, of the Ladies of the Knight, left, and Jeannie Mosher, both of Oshawa, take in the sights. In bottom photo, Justin McDonald, of Ajax, left, and his family joined other passengers waiting to board.

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Lear Ajax ratifies deal to reopen plant

Two shifts will build seats for Chrysler

BY MELISSA MANCINI
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AJAX -- Workers from Lear Ajax have ratified a deal to bring new work to the empty plant in 2010.

The plant, which closed its doors in May because it was no longer supplying seats for the General Motors Oshawa truck plant, is poised to start building again, this time for Chrysler. As part of the deal, the plant will be working two shifts to supply seats for Chrysler models LX, LD and LC. The work is slated to start November 2010.

On July 20, 86 per cent of skilled trades members and 83 per cent of production workers voted to ratify the deal. The agreement is now subject to approval by regulatory authorities as part of Lear Corporation's restructuring plan.

Canadian Auto Workers Local 1090 president Steve Batchelor said it seems like the union has been negotiating the deal forever.

"It's an opportunity to bring 200 to 250 jobs (to the plant)," he said. "It will allow people to work towards retirement."

As part of the agreement, the union had to accept wage cuts and a reduction in benefit levels, Mr. Batchelor said.



RON PIETRONIRO / METROLAND

OSHAWA -- Lear employees, members of CAW Local 1090, checked out a proposed new deal presented to them at a ratification vote on July 20. Workers mulled over a concessionary deal now that the company has declared bankruptcy.

Some workers said they will be back to work, trying to complete 30 years of service so they can collect a pension. "How many times do factories close and get to come back?" Scott Bate said. Mr. Bate worked for the company for 20 years and said he feels like work-

ers have been raked over when it comes to contracts lately. But he said he is relieved he will have a chance to continue working for the company. "The main thing is your retirement, your pension," he said. "That is what you work towards."

Employees who chose not to return to the line next year can take a severance package.

Rodney Hargrove, CAW 1090 financial secretary, was succinct about his thoughts on the deal. "We're going to live to fight another day."



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Nick makes net gains at Pickering tennis camp

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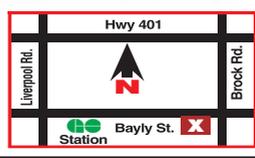
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Bridge tributes show how much our soldiers mean to us

The death last week of Private Sebastien Courcy, the 125th Canadian soldier to die in Afghanistan since 2002, is a grim reminder to all of us of the terrible toll war takes on our troops.

Pte. Courcy, 26, is just the latest in a long line of men and women who have paid the ultimate price to fight for freedom. Many more have been badly injured as they have tried to provide security in the attempt to rebuild a land battered and war-torn after decades of fighting. Our troops are there, of course, in the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on New York City and Washington which killed thousands of innocent people, including two

dozen Canadians.

Those attacks were, in part, organized by leadership from Afghanistan, the last known place where Osama bin Laden was seen alive. So we are paying the price and doing our brave duty in that far away place.

Here at home, on the bridges over the Highway of Heroes, local citizens have been diligent and regular in their support of our troops. They come out by the hundreds every single time another fallen soldier makes his sad final journey from Trenton to Toronto down the 401 to honour his service. It's a heartfelt salute to those who were taken from us far too

soon. Many of these troops leave behind young families. They were just starting out in life, with hopes and dreams. But they believed in what they were doing.

We would urge all those who come out to the bridges to take care and be safe. While it's very important to remember the sacrifices made by those who have been killed in battle, remember where the tributes are taking place.

Watch yourself near the 401 on and off ramps. Don't walk on the ramps and, when standing on the bridges, keep an eye on traffic crossing over them. Take care of any children you take along. The last thing we need is a needless tragedy

occurring at a bridge tribute while we are saluting our heroes.

While we are on the topic of bridge tributes, we should remember that they should be reserved strictly for those times when a soldier has been repatriated from overseas. While last Saturday's Highway of Heroes Salute Ride, which saw 200 motorcycle riders drive from Whitby to CFB Trenton in support of wounded soldiers, is an honourable idea and worthy of support, it doesn't merit a bridge tribute. Those should be left only for times when the bodies of soldiers return in order to maintain the solemnity and importance of such occasions.

WORK

Sick days should only be used when person is really sick

To the editor:

I've heard the advertisements by the Toronto workers regarding "sick days."

Sick days should only be used if a person is sick and then only in the fiscal period designated, certainly not banked so that one may retire early using sick days.

In the corporate world, this cost is passed on to the consumer and we can see how well that worked out by the example of General Motors.

This cost is passed on by way of taxes and I do not agree with that unless the taxpayer receives the same benefit as well.

Yes, I know they work hard, but they are compensated for by their labours with wages, just as you or I.

This is a benefit or perk and I look at it this way. As a taxpayer, my neighbour gets sick and I pay for it. I get sick and, because I don't have this benefit, I have two choices: tough it out and go to work or stay home and lose the pay.

Do I think it is fair that I pay for a benefit that I'm not entitled to? Absolutely not. Do I think we should all have this benefit? No, not in today's global economy.

Elizabeth Dixon Pickering

RELIGION

Cartoon showed poor taste, insensitivity

To the editor:

Re: Editorial page cartoon, July 16.



SABRINA BYRNES / METROLAND

AJAX -- Daniel Goncalves, of the 48th Highlanders, stood with a comrade on the Harwood Avenue bridge July 19, to pay his respects to the family of Pte. Sebastien Courcy, the 125th Canadian soldier to die in the Afghanistan mission. About 250 people were on the bridge to show their support during the repatriation ceremony.

I liked the letters that surrounded the cartoon on the editorial page. One touted multiculturalism and the value of the languages other than English and French that are spoken in this great land. The other spoke of patriotism and showing respect for the Canadian flag, our national symbol. Respect, multiculturalism and the value of

differences are wonderful themes.

The cartoon was interesting in that the "lousy wafer" that you refer to in the cartoon means more to a billion people around the world than the Canadian flag ever did or ever will. It means more to a lot of Catholics in this country too.

Catholics constitute close to 50 per cent

of our population.

Is that why multiculturalism doesn't apply to them and you won't extend even the slightest bit of sensitivity for their beliefs?

Do you have to be a minority to merit any respect? I'm just curious.

The last time a cartoon poked fun at a certain very peaceful religion that I won't name, violence and mayhem erupted all over the world.

I'm sure you wouldn't publish a cartoon insulting that level-headed group because you know you'd get more than a letter. Luckily, Catholics in this country won't do anything like that.

They are too civilized and too Christian which after all, sums up what makes being a Canadian a good thing. Too bad that's changing.

Paul Mundra Pickering

Like many of your readers, I enjoy a clever cartoon. The one, about our prime minister, was done in very poor taste. A wafer (host) given, during the Eucharist, to a Roman Catholic or to an Anglican represents the body of Christ and should not be the butt of any joke or cartoon.

I am surprised that Oshawa This Week would publish something that has the potential to offend so many members of our local community.

Thom Park Oshawa

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 CHRISTINE FREGONA -- 'Yeah. We don't want their garbage. Keep it in Toronto.'
 LISA RANKINE -- 'It would be tragic if this area was used as a dumping ground.'



Wendy Bear's spirit lives on in joyful song and dance

Well-loved mother and friend remembered for sense of joy

BY JOHN WIGGERS

My sister-in-law Wendy Forbes passed away this week, and I am writing this to share an amazing serendipity that happened last night which relates directly to her.

I've known Wendy for almost as long as I've known my wife Teresa, which is 26 years. Wendy was married to Teresa's oldest brother Mike, and given that Teresa has nine brothers and sisters, Wendy became somewhat of a matriarch early on to the Forbes family -- especially to the youngest siblings.

Wendy was blonde and petite and a restless bundle of energy -- with a disposition very much akin to the Energizer Bunny. She was always busy doing something, usually involving the organization of various family events. Whether it was Thanksgiving, Christmas dinners, Easter, weddings, birthdays, family picnics, parties or any other excuse for people to gather, you could always count on Wendy to be immersed in the thick of the workload to get things done and make sure everyone was having a good time.

Wendy also had more than her share of sadness and tragedy in life, including the passing of her dear mother-in-law Betty in 1995; followed by her own mother passing away unexpectedly shortly thereafter; the breakup of her marriage to Mike; meeting, then losing (to cancer) the love of her life Paul Farquharson a few years ago; plus raising her own children as a single mom while holding a full-time job and caring for a bed-ridden father who was himself injured in a car accident. Although Wendy's challenges would have crushed most lesser beings with greater ease, Wendy bravely continued onward as if undaunted.

Through it all, one of her greatest joys was dancing and one song in particular stood out amongst all others: namely *Rasputin* by the band Boney M. Regardless of where you were, once you heard that song begin to play all you had to do was look to the dance floor and you knew you would find Wendy dancing her Cossack dance in tune with the music. Invariably it became Wendy with the floor to herself, surrounded by friends and loved ones clapping in tune to the music while Wendy danced. There were times where her ability to dance and high kick (in heels, no less) would defy gravity.

Last year, Wendy was overjoyed to become a grandmother for the first time, to a baby girl named Ashleigh. Not long afterwards, a routine doctor's visit to check out an annoying cough resulted in a shocking diagnosis: Wendy had lung cancer. Even worse, the particular cancer Wendy was diagnosed with was especially aggressive with almost zero hope for recovery. Chemotherapy would buy time, but not a cure.

Wendy decided to undergo the treatments because she resolved herself to being on hand to witness her granddaughter's first birthday. And while Wendy's condition rapidly deteriorated in recent months, she did manage to achieve her goal. Then last Monday, less than a week later, Wendy passed away peacefully in her sleep. While the news was expected and somewhat inevitable, it still came as a shock. The remainder of the week became a flurry of activity to make the necessary phone calls, finalize arrangements, attend visitations and finally, on Thursday, lay Wendy to rest.

True to Wendy's organized and giving nature, she had already made arrangements to host a reception at her favourite restaurant following the funeral ceremony. She also made sure that a round of drinks on her was taken care of at the reception. Wendy was true to being Wendy, even after



SUBMITTED PHOTO

DURHAM -- Wendy Forbes is shown with granddaughter Ashleigh. Wendy, a real live wire, died of cancer recently. Her life was celebrated by friends and family.

she was gone.

Then last night, a group of us ended up attending a charity fundraising dinner/dance to raise money in support of Hearth Place, a local organization committed to supporting cancer patients. While plans to attend this event had been made months in advance, it just happened to take place a mere two days after we buried Wendy. In some way, all of us were relieved to go, because most of us were drained at the week's events and were happy to have an evening where someone else was looking after meals, cleaning up, etc.

The weather was a perfectly warm summer's evening, and the venue of an empty hangar at the local municipal airport could not have been better. The hangar doors were wide open, which made the space feel like a giant gazebo. A vintage Beaver Seaplane was parked outside, along with a number of vintage 1970s muscle cars -- in keeping with the retro 1970s theme of the evening.

There were raffles and live auctions planned for the evening, and around the perimeter of the space were countless tables holding items for Silent Auction. There were all the usual goods such as gift certificates, clothing etc., and I had my eye on a pair of field-level Toronto Blue Jays tickets, as well as a stainless steel Budweiser beer cooler.

As Teresa and I walked around the tables we came upon an anonymous donation of a hand-knit afghan, on top of which sat a white stuffed Teddy bear. Attached to the bear was a tag

that read: "The Wendy Bear." The inside of the tag read as follows:

"The Wendy Bear is being sold in memory of Wendy Sittler -- the very special late wife of hockey legend Darryl Sittler ... The money raised from the sale of The Wendy Bear will go towards helping terminally-ill patients spend time at home with their loved ones. Because Wendy was such a kind, caring and generous individual, we dedicate this bear in her memory."

Teresa and I looked at each other and we both had goosebumps. Not only did this bear share the same name as our Wendy, but Darryl Sittler was one of her heroes as captain of her beloved Toronto Maple Leafs. In addition, the description of Wendy Sittler was equally applicable to "our" Wendy. Teresa wasted no time in grabbing the pen to place the opening bid on this bear.

As the evening progressed, Teresa made an effort to keep tabs on how the bids were progressing. While she told me she didn't really care if she won it or not, I knew what she really meant was that she wanted the bear. And, so, I abandoned my bids for the tickets and cooler and focussed on winning the bear. Despite a flurry of activity near the end of the evening, we ended up with the winning bid.

After paying for this item, I brought the bear and afghan back to the table and Teresa was clearly overjoyed. She wrapped herself in the afghan while others in our group took turns checking out the stuffed bear.

And then, it happened. Whatever song had been playing came to a close, and the familiar drum riff that opened *Rasputin* began to play. All of us looked at each other with absolute shock, with one saying "O.M.G., I cannot believe this is happening." Needless to say with *The Wendy Bear* in our hands, and *Rasputin* beginning to play, there was no question we all had to get up to dance. And, yes, even I, who in 26 years had never danced once with our Wendy while she was alive (and for good reason, since I cannot dance,) I too got up to dance. Our whole table was on the floor.

We danced in a circle and the girls took turns dancing with *The Wendy Bear* -- invariably kicking this stuffed bear's legs high the way our Wendy used to do. My brother-in-law John took photos, and if he's reading this, I'll remind him that there are "Terms of Use" policies that prohibit him from publishing photos of me dancing, due to the offensive nature of such material.

Afterwards everyone talked about how "weird" it was for such a coincidence to happen, and there was speculation that one of us requested for the song to be played. All of us swore emphatically that this was not the case. The song just "happened", seemingly by chance.

While some might dismiss this as a mere coincidence, my feeling is that on some level, this was Wendy's way of saying good-bye. And rather than going out on a sad note, she did so by finding a way to express herself in the final act of dancing to the song that gave her the greatest joy.

To the anonymous donor of the knit afghan and *The Wendy Bear*, I would like to say thank you for your kind heart and warm generosity. Your efforts last night are measured in ways far greater than the dollars you raised for a worthy cause. You helped give closure to a number of people by enabling us to say good-bye to the tragic loss of a loved one in the best way possible.

And to Wendy, I say goodbye and we love you. While the pain of your passing may eventually be healed with time, you can never be replaced. You will be missed and always be dear to our hearts.

This is Durham resident John Wiggers's first submission to this space.

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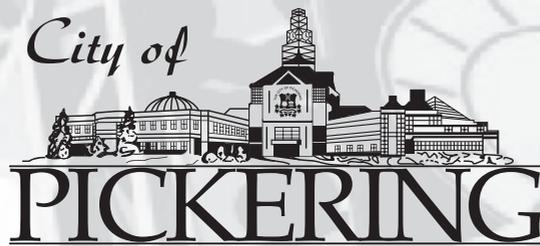
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July 29	Committee of Adjustment	7:00 pm

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Beverly Anne Stewart studied at the University of Toronto and has earned a degree in Fine Art. She also holds a diploma in Graphic Arts from George Brown College. Beverly's art has been on display at various shows in southern Ontario, including the prestigious 18th annual McMichael Art Sale in Kleinburg, Ontario. Her artwork may be viewed at www.bevsgallery.ca

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For detailed information on obtaining a building permit and what projects a permit is or is not required for please call us at 905.420.4631, or email us at plan&dev@cityofpickering.com or you can visit our website cityofpickering.com, select Planning & Development Department and choose 'Building Permits' from the menu.

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ACCESSIBILITY PART 1
One man's struggle for independence

An answer, that's all he wanted

“ I'm saying the same thing to each one of them – I want to work. I have never not worked in my entire life. Paul Feldman ”



When Paul Feldman lost the use of his arms, all he wanted was to work

BY IAN MCMILLAN
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DURHAM -- Paul Feldman is a man in motion.

He inputs upwards of 160 words per minute, runs his own business and is a member of numerous committees and boards across Durham Region.

While most other Durham Region entrepreneurs take mobility for granted, Mr. Feldman can't. He doesn't have the use of his arms and has limited use of his legs.

So how does he do it? That's a question not easily answered. It's something that took him three years to figure out.

The Ajax resident has a knack for business. It served him well in his years with McDonald's where he worked in a variety of managerial positions beginning in the 1970s and moved up the ranks of the fast-food corporation. His last position, as a trainer in the late 1980s, took him all over the country.

But, after starting a young family with his wife Gayle in the early 1990s, the hard-driving executive wanted a change of pace. He wanted to spend more time at home and less time flying around the country working long, crazy hours.

"They were growing up and I wasn't seeing them," he said of his two young kids.

A chance meeting with a couple at a course he was taking with his wife moved him out of the restaurant business and into the pic-

ture-framing business. Life was heading in a completely new direction for the couple. Picture framing was booming for the Feldmans after they landed two major accounts - with an exclusive Brampton art gallery and with the Palette Art Gallery in the Oshawa Centre. The Feldmans had enough work to keep them busy.

"We found out there was some pretty good money in it," he said.

Best of all, Mr. Feldman was close to home. Despite the fact he was working hard, he was alongside his wife and was close to his family.

But then tragedy struck. His wife was diagnosed with cancer and later died.

It was a troubling time for his family but one they worked through together. But it was about to get worse.

MR. Feldman looks up and moves his head to the right to adjust his wheelchair. The chair automatically moves backwards. Looking out the window, he turns back the clock to explain the series of events that occurred once he returned to work after his wife's death.

"It started with weakness in my arms. It was a funny sensation like your arms were going to collapse. The doctor at first thought it was carpal tunnel (syndrome)."

It wasn't.

A neurologist later diagnosed that the motor nerves in his arms were dying. Motor nerves move a person's body parts when the brain tells them to move. Mr. Feldman still had feelings in his arms and hands but he was slowly losing the ability to use them.

His right arm was the first to go but he still had the use of his left arm to help him get around, feed himself and do the everyday tasks.

"Then I got up one morning and went to grasp a spoon and it was gone," he said.

EXPRESSIONS of concern, puzzlement, resignation -- Mr. Feldman has seen them all on the faces of his various doctors, specialists and neurologists. Not one of them has been able to give him a diagnosis. He's only been told what he doesn't have.

"They call it a lower motor neuron disease."

A number of illnesses fall into the category of motor neuron disease. Among the most well-known is ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease. Another is spinal muscular atrophy. In most cases, doctors can't immediately diagnose the disease. The patient is forced to wait until other symptoms appear.

"When something like this takes place, you sort of have to sit back and wait and see what's going to happen in order to give it a final name," he said.

What gave him comfort was that he didn't have any muscle quivers in his arms. That's a classic sign of Lou Gehrig's Disease which typically has a two- to five-year life expectancy after diagnosis.

"To this date they (doctors) haven't been able to put a title to it (his disease) and I'm 14 years into it," he said.

ALL his life Mr. Feldman has worked. He's not happy unless he's busy. But in 2002, after he'd given up his business, he started

running out of money and needed a job. He visited Canada Manpower to find work and was quickly referred to various service providers. He shakes his head when he recalls the three years of frustration he had to endure.

It was one of the lowest points of his life.

Service provider after service provider assessed his skills and were able to do nothing for him, he explained.

"They turned out to be a total joke and I wasted months and months trying to turn things around," he said.

"Don't bring me in, run me through your programs so you can make money and then sit there and tell me 'I'm sorry,'" he said.

As he speaks, his bright blue eyes well up as he relives the nightmare of being passed around. It appears he wants to smash his fist down on the arm of his wheelchair -- if only he could.

"I was so frustrated and angry and tired of the runaround."

Mr. Feldman even enlisted the help of his doctors but nobody could tell him what to do. One doctor told him to just go home and collect disability.

"I'm saying the same thing to each one of them -- I want to work. I have never not worked in my entire life," he said.

Finally he did the last thing he ever wanted to do and went on disability.

"It's not that you don't want to work but what do you do?" he said.

But a chance reading of a newspaper article was about to change Mr. Feldman's life forever. In it he found an answer, something he'd been denied for a very long time.

READ part 2 of this story Thursday.

Pickering woman hurt in Hwy. 401 rollover

PICKERING -- A Pickering woman and two young children have been taken to hospital after a car rolled over several times on the eastbound Hwy. 401 July 19.

The Ontario Provincial Police said that a 27-year-old woman from Pickering, the driver of the car, was thrown from her vehicle at around 3 p.m. on the eastbound collector lanes of the Hwy. 401 at Meadowvale Rd.

"The vehicle lost control and it rolled over,"

said OPP Sgt. Dave Woodford.

The woman was rushed to Sunnybrook hospital where she remains in serious, but non life-threatening condition.

Two young children in the car, a 2-year-old boy and an 8-year-old girl, were not ejected, and were taken to the Hospital for Sick Children as a precaution, said Sgt. Woodford.

Two of the three lanes of the eastbound collector lanes of Hwy. 401 were closed while the investigation took place.

Kids can find fun stuff to do during Pickering summer drop-in program

PICKERING -- Grade 7 and 8 Pickering students looking for something to do this summer should check out the drop-in program run by The Youth Centre.

On Aug. 4, it's movie night between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. On Aug. 18, again between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m., youth are invited to Sports Bonanza to play table-top soccer

and test their sports trivia knowledge.

Snack and refreshments will be provided at both events and it's all happening at the Pickering Library at One The Esplanade, upstairs in the auditorium.

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Pickering senior seriously injured in Hwy. 12 crash

BROCK -- A Pickering senior was hospitalized with severe injuries after her van was struck by a gravel truck Thursday in Brock Township.

Ontario Provincial Police said the 88-year-old woman, after stopping on the shoulder of Hwy. 12 near Hwy. 48 to consult a map, pulled her Plymouth Voyager van into the path of an oncoming truck towing tandem gravel trailers.

The crash, at about 11:25 a.m., resulted in the closure of Hwy. 12 for several hours as police

investigated. The Pickering woman, whose name was not released, was rushed to hospital in Orillia with life-threatening injuries before being transferred to Sunnybrook hospital in Toronto. The 43-year-old gravel truck driver wasn't hurt, police said.

Hwy. 12 was eventually re-opened at about 5 p.m. Thursday.

Whitby OPP continue to investigate. Witnesses to the crash are asked to call 905-668-3388



SCOTT HOWARD / METROLAND
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Claremont rallies support for fire victims

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strong and, although the situation is not healed, things have been looking brighter, he said.

"Everything takes time to heal," he said. "The rallying together and supporting one another has been wonderful."

Ms. Pooler's kids, Sydney Coleman, 12, and eight-year-old Hunter Coleman, were out of town when the fire broke out. Sydney was just happy everyone was safe.

"I was upset at first but I didn't have much to worry about because it's replaceable," she said.

But she added there's been no sign of her cat, Jessie. "We've got people keeping an eye out for her," her mother assured her.

Resident Karen Allan brought her son Jack to the event and wasn't surprised by the large turnout.

"The community rallies together for everything," she said.

Chris Card, who's lived in Claremont all of his life, said his two-year-old daughter, Lola, is devastated by the loss of the corner store. But she's hopeful the owner will open a new store in its place. Mr. Card him-

self misses the convenience factor already.

"I can't even go to the store for ... milk and bread," he said.

In fact, store owner, Mr. Park, is planning to fulfill Lola and others' wish. He's hopeful that within a year, the Claremont General Store will re-open in the same location. In the meantime, he's applying for a permit to operate a temporary store to serve the locals.

"Many people are trying to help me," he said. "I always appre-

ciate the community so I'd like to do what I can do for (them)."

But he's still devastated by the loss of the general store, which he has operated for more than six-and-a-half years.

"Still I am in shock," he said. "I'm crying. I can't sleep very well."

For more articles on the Claremont General Store fire, visit newsdurhamregion.com.



SABRINA BYRNES / METROLAND

PICKERING -- Sara Pooler and her two kids, Sydney and Hunter Coleman, lost everything in the recent fire at the Claremont General Store. The family was helped by the community through a fundraiser at Claremont Park on July 18.

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Stoneburgh invited to women's U18 hockey selection camp in Calgary

DURHAM -- Pickering's Shannon Stoneburgh and Whitby's Kelly Terry have been invited to the National Women's Under-18 Team selection camp, July 23-30 at Father David Bauer Olympic Arena in Calgary.

All 42 of the athletes selected to take part in camp also participated in the National Women's Under-18 Team strength and conditioning/skating camp in May in Calgary. Invitations to the May strength and conditioning/skating camp were based on evaluations done by Hockey Canada regional scouts during the 2008-09 season. These evaluations included players' performances with their club teams, along with the 2008 National Women's Under-18 Championship in Napanee.

Both players are defencemen, with Stoneburgh playing last year with Durham West, while Terry was with Whitby, both in the Provincial Women's Hockey League.

Hockey Canada will use the July camp to select 22 players for a three-game series against the United States' women's Under-18 Select Team in Calgary, August 24-27.

Following the three-game series, Hockey Canada's regional scouts, along with the under-18 coaching staff, will evaluate players at the 2009 National Women's Under-18 Championship and with their club teams, with the goal of selecting a team for the 2010 IIHF World Women's Under-18 Championship, March 27 to April 3, 2010 in the United States.

"The upcoming camp is the first step in our journey toward winning a world championship in 2010," says Dan Church, head coach of Canada's Under-18 Team.

SOCCER

Ajax U16 soccer teams advance

AJAX -- A couple of Ajax soccer teams are advancing to the next round in Ontario Cup play.

The Ajax United U16 girls and the Ajax Gunners U16 boys hosted side-by-side Ontario Cup tournament rounds at Ajax Sportsplex. Hosting teams from Ottawa, Mississauga, Caledon, Hamilton, London and Woodbridge, both Ajax teams emerged as winners of their respective rounds and will move on to the Ontario Cup quarterfinal rounds to be held next month.



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BOWMANVILLE -- Graeme Hossack (18) of the West Durham Patriots kept a close watch on Andrew Kerr of the Clarington Shamrox during Game 4 of their Jr. C playoff series Monday night in Bowmanville. West Durham clinched the best-of-five series with a 10-4 victory, and will now move on to the East final against Peterborough.

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Patriots are moving on

West Durham eliminates Clarington Shamrox in game four of series

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BOWMANVILLE -- In the end, it was the team that executed the best that prevailed, and in this case, it was the West Durham Patriots.

In the playoff battle featuring a pair of Durham Region Jr. C teams, West Durham closed out the East Division semifinal in Bowmanville on Monday night, handing the Clarington Shamrox a 10-4 setback in Game 4 of the best-of-five series.

West Durham coach Jimmy Cox praised his club for getting better as the series progressed, culminating with wins in games three and four after the opening two games of the series were split.

"Tonight we executed a lot better than we did earlier in the series," he said. "It was a tough series. We tried to give it away to (Clar-

ington) Friday night, up three goals with a minute to go and ended up winning by one. At no time is that team out of it. You have to play right to the end."

On the other side of the ledger, Clarington coach Randy Richards pointed to some missed opportunities early in the game that ultimately cost his club in the end.

"This game, we didn't put the ball in the net early and that really cost us," he said. "They got some fast break goals that really killed us."

"The guys just needed to work a little harder. They looked a little tired. Maybe they should have been in a little better shape, I'm not sure. Certainly we can work on things for next year."

West Durham jumped out to a 3-0 lead and was never tied at any point, although Clarington did close to within one on two occasions at 3-2 and again at 4-3. But by the end of the second period, West Durham was up 6-4, closing out the series with four unanswered goals in the third.

Blake Fraser made a big contribution for West Durham, scoring four times and adding an assist before being forced out of the game with a serious shoulder injury following a fight with under seven minutes to go. Todd

Nakasuji led the Patriots with 14 points in the four games, including a goal and four helpers in Monday's win. Gareth Gibson scored twice, with singles to Spencer Takeda, Dakota Watson and Conner Sargeant.

For Clarington, Spencer Cole netted two, with one each to Luke Calberry and Zach Holub for the expansion team that may have come up a little short on the experience side of the post season.

"A little bit I think," agreed Richards. "There were some guys who were giving it everything and some others who weren't quite there. Experience is everything."

"Hopefully they will learn from it and make the jump next year."

As for West Durham, it makes the jump into the East final against Peterborough, a team Cox called the class of the league after a 14-1 regular season.

"That is going to be a very tough series," admitted Cox. "The last two games we played them we were close and one of them went to overtime and the last game we only lost by one goal. We have proven in my mind that we can play with them."

Details for the Peterborough series weren't available at press time.

SOCCER

Stars shine brightly

Ajax U8 soccer team wins championship

AJAX -- The Ajax U8 Sklar Peeper Stars from the Ajax Soccer Club once again did not disappoint their fans at the 2009 Ajax Mini Tournament and became the U8 girls tournament champions.

The Stars won against all three of their early opponents, beating Pickering Power Gold 2-0, Peterborough 8-0 and Grimsby 12-0 to clinch a spot in the semifinals against Markham.

The Ajax Stars proved too much for Markham in the semifinals and took a firm 3-1 victory to advance to the finals. With Pickering Power Gold also winning their semifinals against Pickering Power Green, the finals promised to be an interesting rematch game against the Ajax Stars.

The emotional final came complete with determined players, extremely loud cheering and some great coaching, but in the end, the



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AJAX -- The Ajax Stars U8 soccer team won the championship of the Ajax Mini Tournament on July 11-12 with a 2-0 win over the Pickering Power Gold in the final game.

Ajax Stars duplicated their earlier efforts against Pickering Power Gold and won the game 2-0. This very exciting game was the best performance given by these two teams, by far, this year.

Team members include coach Samantha Gauvreau, assistant

coach Darren Pagliaroli, team manager Jennifer Knight-Aguas, Claudia Aguas, Alexandria Blake, Lena Dennis, Chloe Ferreira, Jahmoia Henderson, Faith Holmes, Valerie Lantaigne, Anna Miller, Alyssa Pagliaroli, Rhys Peterkin, Nailah Rowe, Natalia Snow, Kaliee Vitalis, Kaelin Wright.



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Doing the drills

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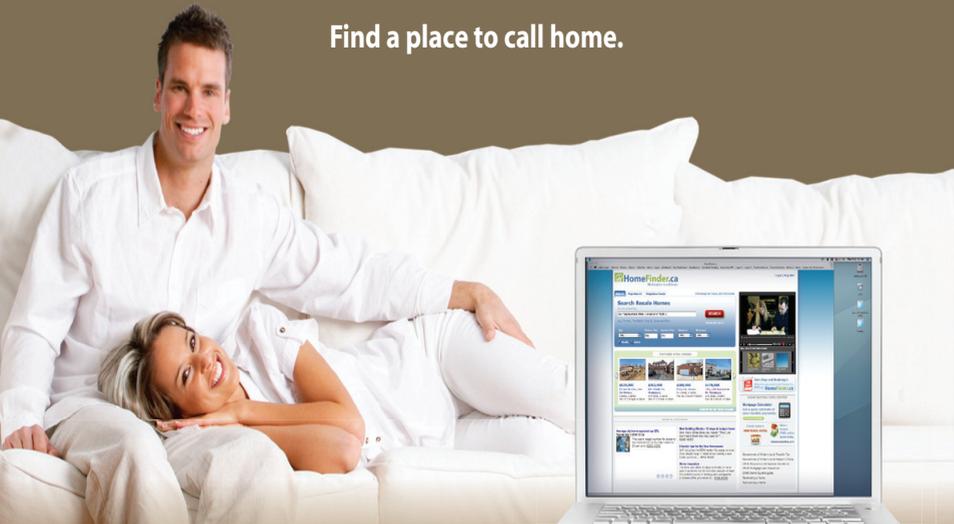
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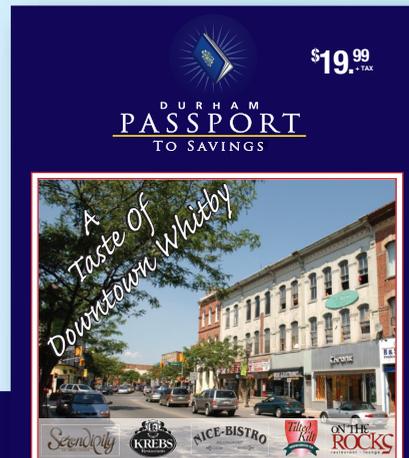


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