

Ecker does house work

Extra duties for MPP

BY MIKE RUTA
Staff Writer

Pickering-Ajax-Uxbridge MPP was "very pleased" to remain the minister of education and is ready for the challenge of some new duties following a major cabinet shuffle by Ontario Premier Mike Harris Thursday.

"As you know, premiers and prime ministers never ask," quipped Janet Ecker, Pickering-Ajax-Uxbridge MPP. "If he had, I would have said very clearly 'I want to stay here'."

Mr. Harris did, however, increase Ms. Ecker's workload by appointing her government house leader.

She will be the lead person directing the government's legislative schedule and working with

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On frozen pond

Members of Ajax Fire and Emergency Services conducted full immersion water and ice rescue techniques Friday in a pond at the Carruthers Creek Golf Centre to keep their skills sharp.

Firefighters Dave McComb (in dinghy, from left) and Don Carrera help steady colleague Jason Hill as he floats in the bone-chilling water.

Durham chairman unmoved by merger flip-flop

Anderson says Harris government wants better service delivery

BY SUSAN O'NEILL
Staff Writer

The Region is committed to becoming more efficient and finding better ways to deliver services here, regardless of the government's stance on municipal amalgamations, says Durham Chairman Roger Anderson.

Premier Mike Harris told reporters last week if municipalities don't work together co-operatively they could be forced to amalgamate. But, in speaking with reporters Thursday, he declared future amalgamations won't be imposed, saying they will be done only at the request of local municipalities.

Mr. Anderson has repeatedly said amalgamation is not the answer when it comes to municipal restructuring in Durham.

"I don't think amalgamation was ever on the table in Durham Region," he said in an interview

Friday, noting there aren't two neighbouring municipalities here that would agree to a merger.

And, although he's heard reports regarding the provincial government's recent flip-flop on the issue, he said, "I have not heard the Province say (amalgamations won't be imposed)."

He added, "I have heard them say they want to see municipalities and regions continue to find efficiencies and services have to be delivered smarter."

Mr. Anderson believes there is an opportunity to save more money through improving the delivery of services here than there would be through a municipal restructuring.

"I don't think there's one penny to be saved by amalgamating municipalities," he says, adding local municipalities are working to find ways to improve service delivery through the Region's Who Does

What review.

"I think that's what the Province wants us to do," Mr. Anderson said.

He also said if the Province is sincere about not forcing amalgamations, it will help municipalities get back to business.

He noted the Region and other municipalities have been in a "hamstring" of sorts when it comes to hiring new staff because there has been a degree of uncertainty about what the governance model will look like down the road.

"That was a real drawback," he said, adding it "played havoc on the Region of Durham and the regions of York and Peel."

Councillors have a self-imposed June 30 deadline to deal with the governance issue and the Region is hosting a two-day retreat in May to ensure councillors meet that target.



ROGER ANDERSON

'I have heard them say they want to see municipalities and regions continue to find efficiencies.'

At A Glance Spin your talents at Museum Village

PICKERING — The Pickering Museum Village is searching for spinners interested in sharing their knowledge with the museum's volunteer team.

Volunteer application forms can be filled out and dropped off at the museum's interactive wool display at the Pickering Town Centre on Feb. 24.

The display, part of the City's Heritage Week celebrations, will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information about volunteering at the Pickering Museum Village, or for details about museum programs, call Katrina Pyke at 683-8401.

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Durham residents urged to mark Valentine's in the 'Right Spirit'

Health department urges responsible drinking on special day

The Durham Region Health Department is encouraging local residents to 'Celebrate in the Right Spirit' by practising responsible drinking habits.

The health department is presenting a 'Celebrate in the Right Spirit' display at the Pickering Town Centre

(PTC) from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Feb. 13 to remind community members to celebrate Valentine's Day responsibly.

"Responsible consuming and serving of alcohol is something we should all practise year-round," said public health nurse Heather

Tucker. "For instance, Valentine's Day is a very special reason for many of us to celebrate and this occasion may often involve a special dinner where alcohol might be consumed. We're encouraging everyone to remember that regardless of the reason, responsible drinking habits should always be a part of the celebration."

Visitors to the display will receive information on responsible and safe consumption of alcohol and

tips for serving alcohol at home parties or other functions.

Visitors will also receive a free gift and have a chance to enter a draw for a Valentine's gift basket from the PTC's Original Basket Kase.

According to statistics from the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, almost 80 per cent of people in Ontario drink alcohol.

"For most people this causes no problem. However, statistics from Mothers

Against Drunk Driving Canada indicate that drinking and driving is the leading killer of Canadians under the age of 40," the health department reported. "A report on family violence in Canada published last year by the Canadian Centre for Justice notes that 35 per cent of violence in relationships involves alcohol."

The health department encourages Durham residents to follow these tips provided by the Centre for

Addiction and Mental Health:

- Never drink and drive;
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- Drink no more than two drinks on any day;
- Drink slowly; and
- Wait at least an hour in between drinks and eat food when drinking alcohol.

For more information call the Durham Health Connection Line at (905) 723-8521 or 1-800-841-2729, ext. 2158.

Pickering woman senior of the year

Volunteer work earns Flo Mennie provincial award

PICKERING — A longtime Pickering volunteer was honoured at the Civic Complex recently in recognition of her service to the community.

Flo Mennie was presented with the 'Senior of the Year Award for the Year 2000' by Pickering Mayor Wayne Arthurs and Ward 3 Regional Councillor Rick Johnson, who is also her son-in-law.

The presentation was made on behalf of the Province.

"It's wonderful," the

71-year-old said. "I'm totally surprised. I feel very honoured."

Ms. Mennie regularly volunteers at the Pickering Museum Village where she puts on displays about life in the 1830s.

She has also spent time volunteering with the Children's Wish Foundation, the Uxbridge hospital and the Osteoporosis Society.

"She's been a great inspiration to our family and to the community as well," said Coun. Johnson.



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Flo Mennie, mother-in-law of Pickering Regional Councillor Rick Johnson, received a special provincial award as Ontario's Senior of the Year in recognition of her volunteer work. Ms. Mennie was honoured at a recent presentation at Pickering City Hall.

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Library association recognizes Pickering excellence

Local branch rewarded for 'thinking about what their users need'

PICKERING — The Pickering Public Library has received a provincial award for providing excellent service to the community through a Web site designed to help small businesses here.

The library received the Angus Mowat Award of Excellence from the Ontario Library Association during that organization's annual conference in Toronto last week. The award was in recognition of a Web site staff created, 'Starting and Growing a Business in Pickering'.

"We have long recognized the need for small business information," said the library's chief executive officer Linda Linton, noting in the past couple of years the library has expanded its collection to include a greater number of resources for entrepreneurs and small business owners as well as participating in trade shows and providing information on registering a business.

"We were trying to provide an all-around approach to small businesses starting up," she said. "One thing that was missing was a one-stop place to look for all of this information."

Developing a Web site seemed to be the obvious answer, she said.

"It was a partnership," Ms. Linton said of the project, which was completed in co-operation with the City of Pickering's Corporate Promotions and Economic Development Department.

However, she pointed out, "It was initiated by the library staff."

The Web site was officially launched to the public in March 2000 and Ms. Linton reports, "the response has been very positive. I think the community has appreciated the proactive approach the library has taken to help small busi-



JILL FOSTER
'Incredibly talented library staff.'

The library received the award of excellence in 1995 in recognition of a job and career centre which staff developed. In 1996, the library was honoured with an award for innovation for providing local residents with a link to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind's information database.

"Our staff are constantly thinking about what their users need,"

said Pickering Public Library board chairman Jill Foster, who credits the "phenomenal and incredibly talented library staff" with the award.

"Whenever we find a niche we think needs a little more in-depth approach, we take a look at it and see who we can partner with," Ms. Linton added. "We feel quite proud to have won."

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ness."

The content of the site covers everything from choosing the right business to a self-analysis program to help people determine whether they have what it takes to be an entrepreneur.

The site also includes information on financing, making your business legal, sales and marketing advice and the demographics of Pickering.

The Web site was one of two projects the library submitted for this year's awards," Ms. Linton reported. The other, which was not recognized, was the Internet training program the library set up at the Orchard Villa Retirement Residence.

"We're the first library in Ontario to have set up a site in a seniors' residence for Internet training," Ms. Linton said, noting the award is the third the library has received from the Ontario Library Association in the past five years.

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Pickering funeral services Tuesday for Ajax murder victim

BY STEPHEN SHAW
Staff Writer

A funeral service will be held Tuesday for Roy Jones, the Ajax man who was shot to death three days before his scheduled testimony in a home invasion case.

A private service for the slain Metro East Trade Centre security guard will be held at 11 a.m. at the Pickering Pentecostal Church on Oklahoma Drive.

Stan Weathers of Whitby, a close friend of the victim's father, said Mr. Jones's devastated parents are struggling to cope in the wake of their son's slaying and remain overwhelmed with heartache and sadness. "I know they are having a rough time. It's pretty hard for them right now," Mr. Weathers said Friday. Mr. Jones's two younger brothers, approximately 10- and 25-years-old, are taking his death "very hard", but are holding up, Mr. Weathers said. "They were close-knit brothers. (Roy) would always take care of the younger brother."



ROY JONES
Family friend describes him as kind-hearted.

Mr. Jones, 28, a key prosecution witness in a Pickering home invasion case, was set to testify Wednesday at a preliminary hearing. He was gunned down at around 10:25 p.m. Sunday just steps from his Twilley Lane home.

Police, who have yet to make any arrests, said Mr. Jones was walking home from work when he was confronted by one or more people and repeatedly shot as he ran into Pickering Beach Road. His parents found him dying on the road.

The gunman, who fled south on foot, was described as black, five-feet-seven to five-feet-11 inches tall, with a slim to medium build. He wore a tuque and knee-length brown or black jacket.

Police won't say if they believe the killing is connected to the upcoming trial and note investigators are pursuing "all avenues". Homicide detectives refused to release any new details surrounding the region's first murder of the year, fearing it could jeopardize the investigation, police spokesman Sergeant Jim

Griepsma said Friday.

Police are appealing to any witnesses who have not yet come forward. Investigators especially want to speak with an unidentified woman who stopped at the scene following the shooting, spoke

with a distraught family member and drove away before police arrived.

Mr. Weathers described Mr. Jones as kind-hearted and mild-mannered. "He was a good-behaving kid, humble... He was always quiet from

day one," said Mr. Weathers, a longtime neighbour who watched Roy grow up while they were living in Oshawa.

He said Mr. Jones recently completed university, but didn't know in what field of study. The victim previously

talked of being a lawyer or police officer and was well liked by local officers who dealt with him in his role as a guard. "I just hope they catch the (killer) soon, and that it's the right person," Mr. Weathers said.

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Minister to work overtime

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house leaders from the Liberal and NDP parties.

"It is a daunting task to say the least," said Ms. Ecker, who appreciated the premier's confidence in her ability to handle the job.

"I'm prepared to work with my opposition colleagues as I always have been in getting legislation through."

Ms. Ecker said she would still be in her Pickering constituency office on Fridays to listen to the concerns of local residents.

"One of the things I find helps me

do a good job in the legislature is to meet and talk with people in the constituency," she said.

"Those are the people that employed me as an MPP and that I have to be accountable to."

The government remains committed to implementing legislation that will fulfil its promises to the electorate, such as fostering job growth and making investments in key areas such as health care and education, said Ms. Ecker.

She said it was "great news" for Durham Region that her colleague, Whitby-Ajax MPP Jim Flaherty, had been named minister of finance.

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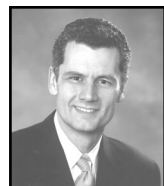
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EDITORIAL

Can Team Canada mission mix commerce and peace?

Pressure is on Jean Chretien to bring up human rights concerns

Your prime minister and premier are on a trade mission to the largest nation in the world, a country primed for investment opportunities but with grave questions about its treatment of its own people. What do you do? Do you hope your leaders can cut deals and establish contracts that will lead to jobs and an economic jolt for your economy? After all, every capitalist country on the planet is trying to make inroads in China, trying to feed a market of more than 1 billion people.

On the other hand, reports Chinese-Canadians are being threatened in Canada because they are Falun Gong practitioners is totally unacceptable. Our Charter of Rights and Freedoms is very specific in protecting freedom of religion and freedom of speech. We take these beliefs seriously and we must make it clear to Chinese leaders that anything done by Chinese nationals in Canada is subject to Canadian law.

There is considerable pressure from the hundreds of thousands of Chinese immigrants in Canada, who still have loved ones in the 'old country', that Canadian leaders take Chinese leaders to task on human rights violations.

Mr. Chretien has said on the issue, "We've always had a very frank dialogue with the Chinese on the subject of the problem of human rights. I intend to raise these problems again."

Just don't expect Mr. Chretien to

make human rights the major point of his trip. The large cast of business leaders travelling with him to cut trade deals wouldn't appreciate it.

The main place to raise human rights awareness remains the United Nations where diplomats from any number of countries can band together to pressure the Chinese and other nations on human rights abuses. Canada alone is going to have little sway with a country that is about 40 times our size. Combined with European and United States muscle, Canada stands a better chance of embarrassing China into reforms. It would help too if Beijing was denied the 2008 Summer Olympics as punishment for its lack of action in the decade since the Tiananmen Square massacre of 1989.

This trade trip is necessary to continue Canada's reach to expand markets beyond the United States where nearly 80 per cent of our exports now go. Improving our balance of trade around the world is vital to our economic future and a stronger Canada means a more influential player on the world stage with more power to demand an end to human rights abuses.

E-mail your comments on this opinion to steve.houston@durhamnews.net. Submissions that include a first and last name, or first and middle initials and last name, as well as the city of residence, will be considered for publication.

Long line of concerns needs support

With nothing to gain from water pipe, Durham must speak up

It's time for the Region of Durham to pipe up.

York Region has come under fire from local residents and councillors alike regarding its plan to build a water pipeline through west Pickering.

Hundreds of community members have attended meetings, written letters and spoken out in opposition to the proposal, which proved to be one of the biggest issues in Ward 1 in last fall's municipal election.

The City is on record in opposition to the project and Durham's two school boards are reportedly considering weighing in on the plan.

But, Durham's upper-tier municipality has yet to take a position.

And, with York's draft environmental assessment (EA) likely to be in the hands of Ontario's environment minister within the next few months, it's time now for Durham to speak up.

Pickering politicians voted unanimously Monday to ask the Region to support the City in its opposition to



Susan O'Neill
Staff Writer

the long-term water supply project, which would see a water pipeline tunnelled from Petticoat Creek Conservation Area north along Whites Road.

"The Region should be an agent of the lower-tier municipalities," said Ward 2 Regional Councillor Mark Holland, who pointed out it would be "completely inappropriate for the Region to do anything other than step forward and support Pickering."

That's especially true now that York's draft EA is available to the public for review and the Region is expecting a response from the Province this fall.

Residents have expressed concerns about the impact of the

pipeline's construction on their community and the safety of students in the area who walk to school each day.

The City, which learned about the proposal through a media report roughly three years ago, has fought the plan since then, claiming it doesn't want to be a utility corridor for other municipalities.

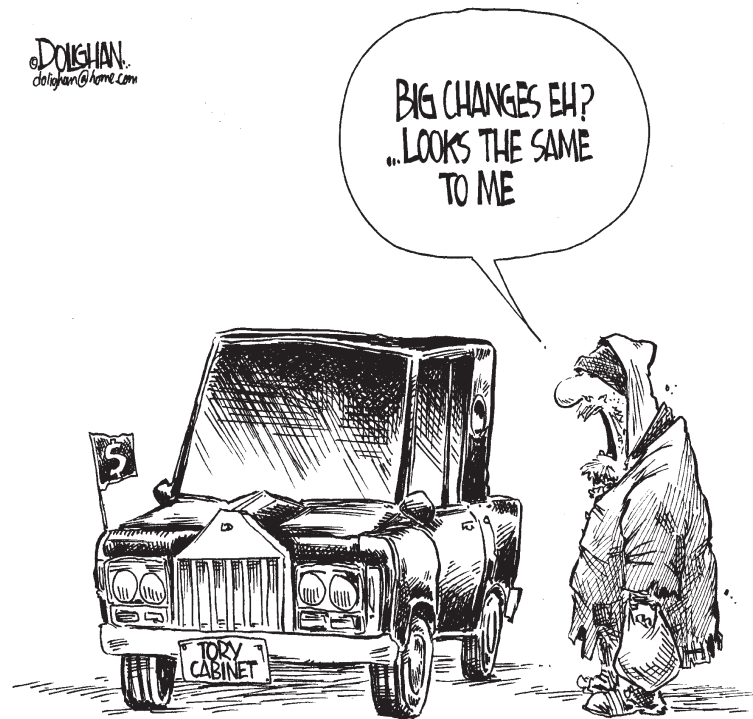
Still, Durham has remained silent.

The terms of reference for York's EA initially indicated the pipe had the potential to meet the long-term needs of Durham Region and the development of an airport on the federal lands in north Pickering.

However, York has modified the project to delete any reference to Durham and the federal lands.

Given the fact Durham has nothing to gain from this project, there's no reason it shouldn't support the efforts of local citizens and councillors by helping them in their fight.

E-mail your comments on this opinion to soneill@durhamnews.net.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Vigilance needed to protect vulnerable

To the editor:

Re: 'Latimer sentence outrageous,' letter to the editor, Jan. 28.

Jo-Ann Lavery's letter is very disturbing as she credits no wisdom or insight to the couple who loved and cared for two children with disabilities, but credits Robert Latimer with the perception to understand his daughter who loved music, school, family and laughter up until the day he killed her,

would rather have been dead than disabled. I'm sorry, but Ms. Lavery identified with the coward rather than the courageous.

I spent the past eighteen years caring for my daughter Carolyn who had a disability similar to Tracy Latimer, and whose care needs were equally demanding. It was sometimes very difficult. It was often stressful. It was physically demanding and it was very expensive. The payback was an understanding of the beauty of the human spirit that is clearly as difficult to teach as it is to learn.

Possessions didn't matter to Carolyn, only people mattered. To love and be loved were her gifts, and she shared them with anyone who would take the time to sit with her and hear her voice. Though she could not speak, she was a girl who had a lot to say. She was deeply loved by her family and friends.

We cannot provide backbone to those who won't rise to the challenge of caring for a loved one. We cannot convince everyone that a child is equally delightful and beloved despite disability or disease. We can however insist that all Canadians will enjoy equal rights under the law. The demand for our vigilance is even greater for those whose vulnerability makes it difficult for them to protect themselves.

Dawn Roper
Ajax

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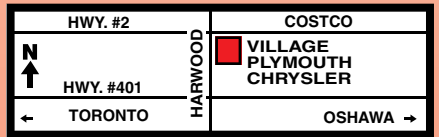
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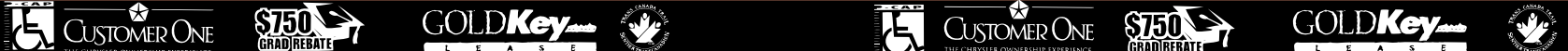
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BY JENNIFER STONE
Staff Writer

DURHAM - Everyone accepts it as a given — you turn on your tap and water comes out.

Clean water; safe water — at least that's been the experience with municipally-supplied water in Durham. But have you ever wondered what is done to ensure our water's safety, or where the water comes from in the first place?

In the wake of the Walkerton tragedy last spring, when seven people died and 2,300 became sick in an E. coli O157:H7 and campylobacter outbreak, municipal water supplies have been under extreme scrutiny.

But a trip to the local water supply plant shows a system of extensive monitoring, on-line, in-house and through the Regional Environmental Laboratory in Pickering, an accredited facility.

Since 1996, the Region has also taken part in the Ministry of the Environment's Drinking Water Surveillance program, where samples of both raw and treated water, including samples collected from residences from many parts of the region, go through about 180 different tests.

"The water we provide, we check it out and make sure it's safe," assures Ron Motum, supervisor of technical support with the Durham Region Works Department.

There are plenty of safeguards in place, agrees one of his colleagues.

"The Region has taken water treatment extremely seriously," says Dave West, of the Works Department's Water/Wastewater Operations Technical Support Division. Testing is done at virtually every step of the process, he adds.

"There is a ton of testing being done to look at this water daily ... to identify a problem before it becomes a concern," assures Mr. West.

Where does it come from?

The Region of Durham gets its water from three sources: Lake Ontario, Lake Simcoe, and 28 groundwater wells.

While the prospect of drinking water that originated in Lake Ontario may not thrill some residents,

Mr. West calls the lake a "good water source."

Intake pipes from the lake are a "considerable" distance from shore and deep within the water.

For example, at the Bowmanville Water Supply Plant, the intake pipe is 1.3 kilometres out into the lake, at a depth of 12 metres.

At other, newer plants, such as one recently opened in Ajax, Mr. West says the pipe is out even further.

"It's money well spent to get good water at the source.

"Then, treatment isn't nearly as critical or expensive," he notes.

That's not to say Durham's drinking water isn't treated and extensively monitored for safety, though.

Chlorine, one of the keys to water safety, first enters the water picture in the intake pipe.

That's due to zebra mussels, which can adhere to the inside of the intake pipe, making it difficult to get water through. In 1992, it was "decided by the Ministry (of the Environment) that they would inject chlorine into the pipe" to get rid of the zebra mussels, says Mr. West.

The system has been monitored, and "it's proved to be quite effective," he notes, adding divers are sent down occasionally to check on the zebra mussel situation.

The water enters the plant, and goes through a screen, which sometimes picks



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Chief Maintenance Officer Gerry Thompson shows off testing equipment that measures chlorine levels in water at the Bowmanville Water Supply Plant. Durham's water supply goes through an extensive monitoring system to ensure it's safe to drink, officials say.

Durham Region's liquid assets

Municipally-supplied water is rigorously tested to ensure its safety say officials

up fish, sticks and stones, says Mr. West.

At that point, tiny dosages of a chemical are added to the water.

"This chemical simply acts as glue, and brings particles (of things we don't want in the water) together," making a large particle called a "floc," which is filtered out, explains Mr. West.

The next stage is filtration, which Mr. West calls "a very natural process. We're trying to duplicate that, only much more efficiently and rapidly."

After filtration, chlorine is added to remove any disease-causing organisms. Some chlorine is left in the water to act as a disinfectant through the distribution system.

In areas served by groundwater wells, nature takes care of most of the filtration. In Durham, the works department sometimes adds sodium silicate to groundwater to deal with iron problems.

Then, chlorine is added, for the same reason it is added to water coming from the lake.

Chlorine: the good outweighs the bad

Chlorine may affect the taste of water somewhat, notes Mr. West.

"Some people don't like the taste of it, I know, but the down side (of not using chlorine) is the Walkerton issue," he says.

Associate medical officer of health for the region, Dr. Donna Reynolds, says "treatment of the water supply with chlorine has been a key public health intervention," which helps keep viruses and bacteria out of what we drink.

There have, over the years, been concerns raised about chlorine in the water system mixing with organic material in the water, causing trihalomethanes. Though there had been concerns about possible links between trihalomethanes and some forms of cancer, Dr. Reynolds says, "Health Canada has done a number

Your tap: A little cleaning job might be in order

Extensive testing has shown Durham's water to be safe, say Regional staff.

But a simple cleaning job can help ensure we aren't causing an in-home problem with the water, says Ron Motum, the Durham Region Works Department's supervisor of technical support. It's as simple as removing the aerator found at the end of the tap, he notes.

"It's a good idea to take them off periodically and disinfect them, because of splash-up from the sink," he says.

Immerse the aerator in regular household bleach, then rinse it thoroughly, and "that will disinfect it fairly quickly," advises Mr. Motum.

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of reviews and have concluded at this point that there is insufficient evidence" to say trihalomethanes have caused the cancers.

"The benefit of using chlorine to disinfect our water supply far outweighs" the risk, says Dr. Reynolds.

The real disadvantage of chlorine in the water is the taste, says Dr. Reynolds. To reduce it, Dr. Reynolds suggests aerating tap water in a blender, storing the water in the fridge, using a filter, or boiling it.

Taste can also become an issue when the temperature rises in the lake, causing decomposition of algae.

That causes a somewhat musty, earthy smell and taste to the water, usually in the late summer, which lasts for a couple of weeks.

"Some people are extremely sensitive to it; some don't notice it at all," says Mr. West.

The problem usually doesn't last very long, and is an aesthetic issue, the works department says.

"It's two weeks of the year that we wish we could avoid," Mr. West notes. "But it's not a health problem."

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Ajax doesn't want temporary road access to be permanent

AJAX — Town councillors have taken steps to ensure temporary motor vehicle access to a housing project here doesn't become permanent.

Members of Ajax council's community affairs and planning committee on Monday approved an 85-unit townhouse development in north Ajax. One of the stipulations is registering on title that a temporary access off Westney Road will eventually be removed.

Yorklyn Homes wants to build on a 2.4-hectare (six-acre) property

on the west side of Westney, just north of Rossland Road.

The traffic from the Yorklyn property will be channelled through adjacent subdivisions once those sites are built. No plans have been submitted to the Town to develop land next to the Yorklyn site. Durham Region, which is responsible for Westney, normally wouldn't allow vehicular access onto the road.

"I couldn't even guess how long (the temporary access) will be there," Town planner Ron Warne

told the committee. "We don't know when the lands to the west are to be developed."

Planning and development services manager Brian Bridgeman said, "I don't anticipate any future problem with closing up that (temporary) road when the time comes."

"I do," Wards 3 and 4 Regional Councillor Jim McMaster said.

Mayor Steve Parish agreed there would be a problem in the future when the Town tries to close the access. "The original purchaser will get notification, but subsequent

owners won't," Mayor Parish said, adding the closure should be registered on title.

Yorklyn planning consultant John Bousfield noted one of the recommendations is the erection of a sign stating the access would be temporary. The registry office is "getting tough" about clauses being registered on title, he added.

"We think the operative thing here will be the sign," Mr. Bousfield said.

Ward 4 local Councillor Pat Brown noted a development in her

ward had a temporary access that was removed years ago, but she still is asked why it wasn't left in.

Councillors agreed a sign will be erected at the temporary access, letting motorists know it will eventually be removed.

Ward 3 local Councillor Randy Low wondered if the Town was "setting a precedent" by assuming the costs of maintaining the sign.

Coun. McMaster countered it "wouldn't be massive. It's not an awful lot different than signs we have up now."

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Crime Stoppers

Man sought in Brougham store robbery

Crime Stoppers and the Durham Regional Police need assistance in solving a robbery in Brougham.

On Wednesday Jan. 17 at around 11:20 p.m., a lone male entered the Beckers Store at 1688 Hwy. 7. An employee, who was at the rear of the store, came to the front to serve the individual.

As the clerk approached, the suspect lifted his sweater to show a handgun tucked in his pants.

The victim, who was ordered to empty the till, complied with the robber's demand, turning over a quantity of cash.

After an unsuccessful attempt to open the store safe, the culprit fled.

He was last seen running east on Hwy. 7, then north on Old Brougham Road.

The suspect is described as white, approximately 21 years of age. He was wearing a dark blue jacket with a hood over his head and black leather gloves.

Crime Stoppers will pay cash for any information that leads to an arrest in this incident. Callers never have to give their name or testify in court and Crime Stoppers does not use call display.

Remember, Crime Stoppers is interested in what you know, not who you are. Our numbers are 436-8477 or 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).



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Familiar face chairs police board

The Durham Police Services Board has appointed its chairman and vice-chairman for 2001.

Oshawa Regional Councillor Bob Boychyn has been reappointed board chairman for the fourth consecutive year.

Pickering resident Kevin Ashe,

Durham's citizen appointee to the police services board, is the new vice-chairman.

Both agree settling collective agreements and replacing retiring deputy chiefs Derek Denson and Jim Adams are the top priorities for the year, states a news release.

Dad makes his point

Two-year-old Cassandra Malandrino can barely contain her excitement as her father, Pasquale, and swans on the lakeshore at the foot of Liverpool Road in Pickering on Wednesday.

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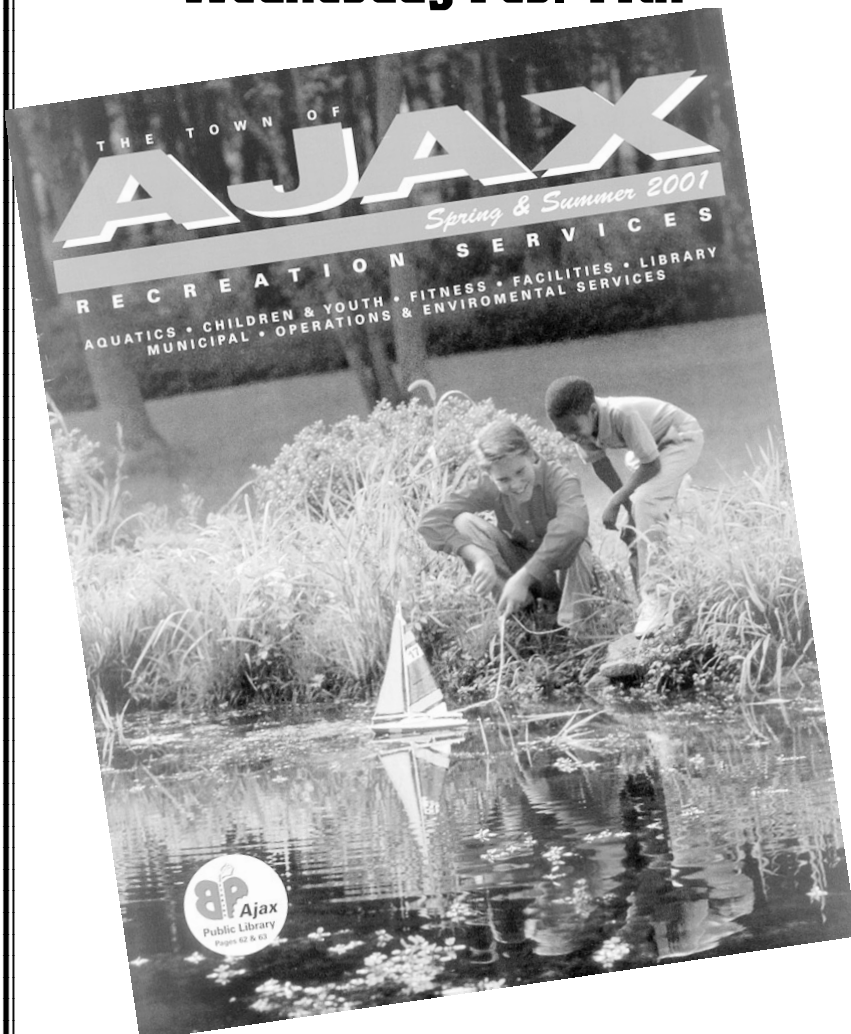
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Name Dropping

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Wedding

Michelle Linda La-Fontaine, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Robert La-Fontaine**, and **Andrew Nathan McConnell**, son of Mr. and Mrs. **Chester McConnell**, were married Dec. 16 at St. Paul's United Church in Ajax. The reception was held at the Ajax Royal Canadian Legion branch. Those who helped and did the planning are to be congratulated, as the wedding was 'first class' all the way. The happy couple live in Brampton. "We want to wish them a happy life together."



Birthday

Jan. 28 was a special day for **Brandon Stirling**, as he turned the 'Big One.' Best wishes for a special day with lots of hugs and kisses, came from **Mommy, Daddy, Grandma, MoMo, Papa**, his aunts, uncles and cousins.



Birthday

"Our beautiful and clever **Emma Faren Mahroo** turned four Feb. 10. **Mommy, Daddy, Julia, Maman, Fedra, Daie, Granny, Arthur, Khaleh Minoo, Shaded, Shhab, Shirin, Shadin, Baba**, your aunts, uncles and cousins all wish you a happy fourth birthday and a wonderful year. We love you very, very much darling one."



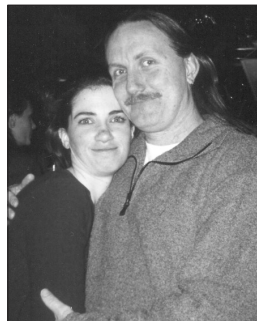
Birthday

Happy eighth birthday wishes went out Feb. 5 to "our sweet daughter **Sarah**. May all your wishes come true! Love **Timothy, Mom, Dad** and 'Guinea'."



Engagement

"Wow! Another engagement in the **Tait** family. **Betty** and **David Tait** are pleased to announce the engagement in December of their son **Steven** to **Charlotte Mills**, daughter of **Frances** and **John Mills** of King City. The big day will be Sept. 22, 2001."



Birthday

It's double digits for **Brandon Bouwmeister**, turned 10 on Feb. 5. "The whole household is now in double digits." The Bouwmeister house has been very busy with birthdays these past two weeks. Brandon celebrated his birthday with rock climbing and a party. "Have a great birthday Brandon. Love **Mom, Dad, Natasha** and **Tosha** (meow) too!"



Birthday

A message for **Matthew**, whose birthday was on Feb. 3. "To our favourite deputy on his fifth birthday! Hope your birthday is out of this world... to infinity and beyond. Love **Mom, Dad, Katie** and **Hershey**."



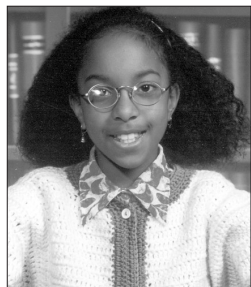
Engagement



June and **Peter Scribner** of Shediac, New Brunswick are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter **Jennifer** to **Derek Kerr**, son of **Judy** and **Robert Kerr** of Ajax. An October wedding is planned.

Birthdays

Happy birthday wishes went out to **Tracey Moore**, as she reached double digits Feb. 1. Wishing Tracey a happy 10th birthday, with lots of hugs, kisses and love were **Mom Donna, Dad Derrick** and sister **Raquel**.

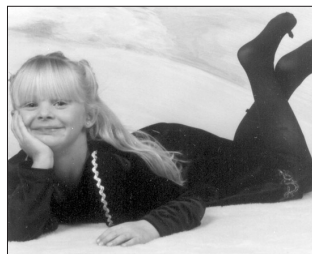


Happy birthday wishes and all the best in 2001 are going out to **Raquel Moore**, as she celebrated her ninth birthday. Lots of hugs, kisses and "we love you very much, from **Mom Donna, Dad Derrick** and sister **Tracey**."



Birthday

There are happy sixth birthday wishes for a special little girl. **Lauren McCarthy** turned six on Feb. 4. "Have a great time at your parties with your family and friends. Love and kisses from **Mommy, Daddy**, your grandparents, aunts, uncles, **Drew, Zachary, Steven** and all of your friends."



Birthday

On Feb. 8, **Rebecca** reached double digits, as she celebrated her 10th birthday. Rebecca celebrated her birthday with the Backstreet Boys the night before. "Have a very happy birthday honey! Love **Mommy, Nanny, Poppy, Bonkers, Sterling, Peppy, Aunt Nora, Uncle Billy**, sister **Joan** and all of your friends."



Birthday



"Our little angel, **Morgan Chornoboy**, turned seven Feb. 9. Have a wonderful birthday! Love from **Mom, Dad** and **Nicholas**."

Birthday



On Feb. 3, there were happy third birthday wishes for **Sabrina**, with lots of love from **Mum, Dad**, sisters **Olivia** and **Melissa**, and the pets.

Birthday

"Wishing our favourite guitar player a happy sixth birthday on Jan. 15! Keep singing **Joel!** Love **Mom, Dad, Mitchell, Grandma, Bubba** and **Omi**."



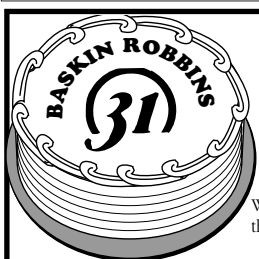
Birthday

Happy birthday wishes went out to "our precious young lady" **Sara Piemontese**, as she celebrated her 11th birthday Feb. 3. "Hoping all your wishes came true on your special day and always. With lots of love and kisses from **Mom, Dad** and brothers **Ben** and **Alex**."



Birthday

"Jan. 31 was double trouble, as **Rachel Ross** turned double digits, reaching 10. Does this mean that we now get double the attitude? **Mom** and **Dad** wished her a year filled with all the happiness and joy possible. Love ya Sweetie!"



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SUNDAY FEB. 11 BANQUET: The Agape Temple of Seventh-day Adventists holds a Valentine Banquet, at 4 p.m. at the Pickering Recreation Complex, 1867 Valley Farm Rd. Enjoy entertainment, vegetarian and non-vegetarian dishes, door prizes in formal dress. 665-9070, 427-0725 (Angie Saunders).

Stevenson roads), Oshawa. Support for all parties in the 'adoption triangle'. Call 433-1551, ext. 2334, 2261 or 2293.

PARENT SUPPORT: A parents' support group meets locally every Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. for parents of kids involved in drugs, alcohol, running away, dropping out of school, crimes and parental abuse. Call (416) 223-7444 or 1-800-488-5666 for location, information.

TUTORS NEEDED: Discover the satisfaction of helping adults improve their literacy skills by becoming a volunteer tutor. Tutors are needed Tuesday evenings in Ajax until the end of May. 440-4507 (Karen).

VALENTINE'S PARTY: The Ajax Public Library invites families to join in a Valentine's Party at the Main Branch from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Explore the origins of Valentine's Day with stories, crafts and activities. This is a free drop-in program. Space is limited by room capacity. 428-3564 (Sarah).

MONDAY, FEB. 12 BREASTFEEDING: The Ajax-Pickering La Leche League meets at 7:30 p.m. in the resource room of the Ajax YMCA (230 Westney Rd. S., at Bayly). Pregnant and breastfeeding moms welcome. 683-7547 (Yvette), 427-8063 (Donna).

TEA: St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 35 Church St. N., Ajax, holds its 13th annual Valentine Tea from 1 to 3 p.m. Door prizes. Tickets \$4 and available. 683-7311.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: The Pickering Township Historical Society celebrates Black History Month with a presentation at 7:30 p.m. at the East Shore Community Centre on Liverpool Road south of Bayly Street. Guest speaker Dr. Colin McFarquar will discuss The Black Experience in 19th Century Ontario. 839-1221 (Tom Mohr).

TUESDAY, FEB. 13 ADOPTION: The Durham Adoption Disclosure Support Group meets the second Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in the boardroom of the Durham Region Children's Aid Society, 555 Rossland Rd. W. (southwest corner of Rossland and

FRIENDSHIP CLUB: The Tuesday Morning Discussion Group meets at 9:30 a.m. at the St. Andrew's Seniors Centre, 46 Exeter Rd., Ajax. A Valentine's Day celebration will be held. Everyone welcome. 426-2048 (Moir).

HORTICULTURE: The Pickering Horticultural Society meets at 8 p.m. in meetings rooms 1 and 2 of the Pickering Recreation Complex, Valley Farm Rd. south of Hwy. 2. Stacey Hickman will speak on natural insect

control. Everyone welcome. 839-4604 (Sylvia), 839-7057 (Jill).

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14 A J A X - P I C K E R I N G TOASTMASTERS CLUB: Holds a regular meeting at the Pickering Nuclear Visitor's Centre beginning with a meet and greet at 7:15 p.m. followed by the meeting from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Anyone interested in improving public speaking, leadership and communication skills is invited to come out free of charge.

SINGLE PARENT SUPPORT: The One Parent Families Association, Ajax/Pickering Chapter, meets at 8:30 p.m. at the Ajax Cricket Club on Monarch Avenue, south of Bayly Street, for both custodial and non-custodial parents, whether your children are two or 42. All are welcome. 837-9670.

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BRIDGE: The Pickering and Village Seniors holds weekly bridge games at the seniors centre, 29 Linton Ave., Ajax. Sessions on Thursday are at 9:30 a.m. and on Saturday at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. 50 cents to play. 839-5494 (Honor).

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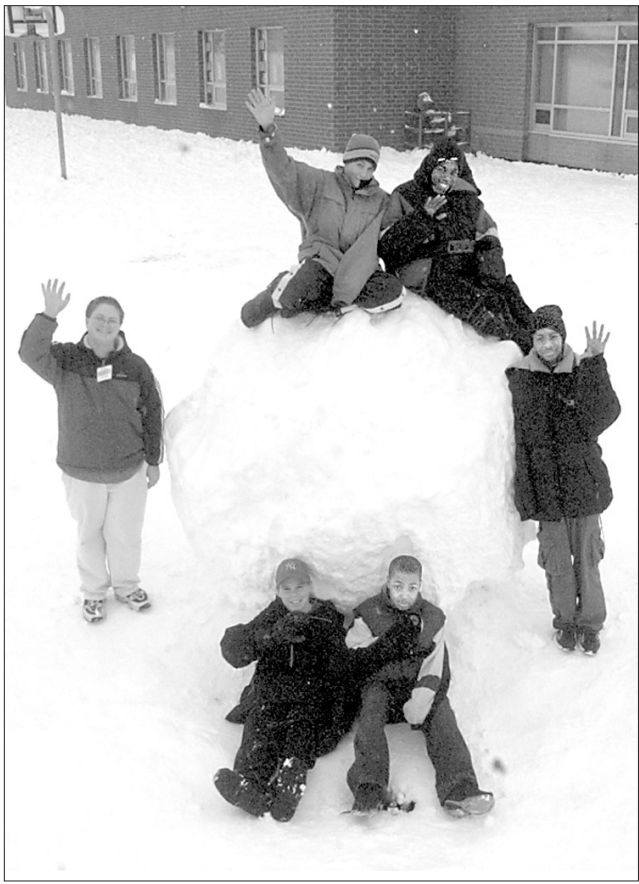
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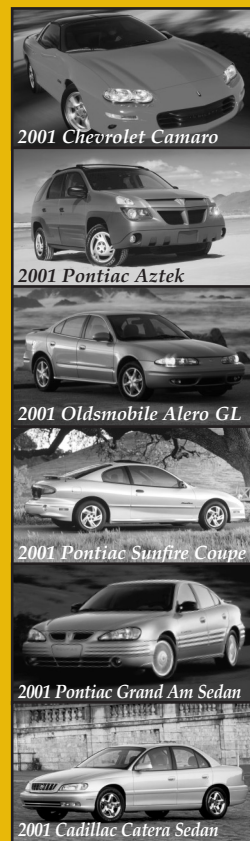
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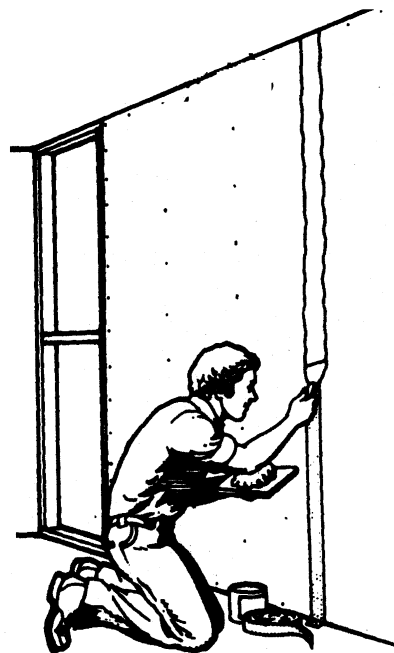
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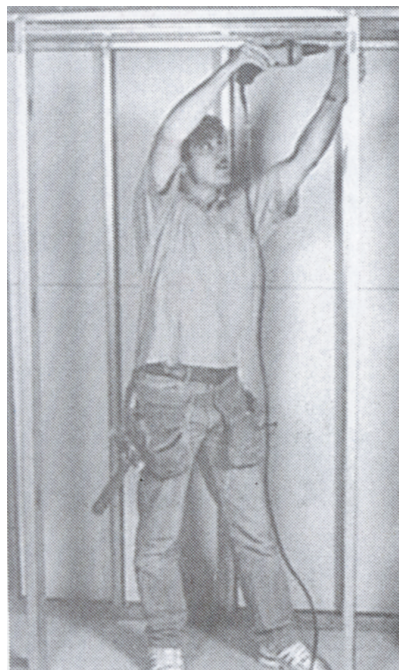
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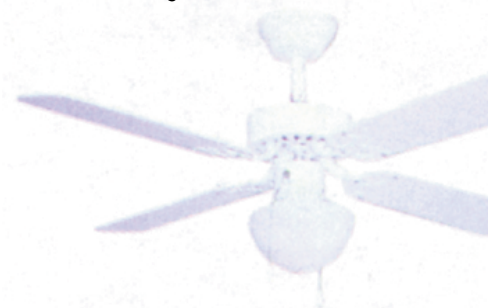
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Ajax resident Donna Hill joined thousands of others in Durham Region who had to dig out after being walloped by a winter storm Thursday. Approximately 25 centimetres fell in the region, followed by freezing rain, creating a wintry mess.

Children's clothing sought for Pickering church sale

PICKERING — Donations of children's clothing are needed for a used clothing sale at St. Martin's Anglican Church Fri-

day, Feb. 23. The 'New to You Sale' is at the church, 1201 St. Martin's Dr., from 7 to 9 p.m. Among the items are good

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A prominent biblical figure whose patience was legendary, who withstood pestilence and calamity, was heard to say one day that the only thing that got to him was "sore gums".

SORE SPOTS

The main reason for sore spots is ill-fitting dentures - it is a combination of shrinking gums and denture wear. See the person who makes your dentures.

NEW DENTURES

You can expect some adjustments the first month after getting your dentures. It takes time to settle into place. At the first sign of discomfort, do not be alarmed. If it lasts more than three or four days, contact your denturists.

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Lower dentures have become the "culprit" from much oral abuse. Lower dentures are much maligned. So much so, people tend to divorce them from their partner, the upper denture. The lower denture has



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become somewhat of a misfit, and seeks refuge in the most unlikely places. Bottom drawers, bottom of the bed, amongst lipsticks and combs in ladies' handbags, lunch pails, back pockets, and if they have

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You see the "lot" of a lower denture leaves "a lot" to be desired.

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OTHER REASONS

Medication can give you a "dry mouth". This can cause sore spots. Bone chips can appear many years after the initial insertion. As we get older, our body goes through change, tissue becomes more sensitive to pressure, which leads to sore spots. Poor oral hygiene can be the reason for denture discomfort. Dentures must be brushed thoroughly after every meal.

TO EASE DISCOMFORT

Rinse your mouth with baking soda or salt. Leave the offending

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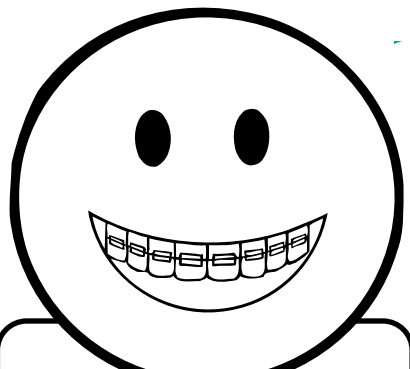
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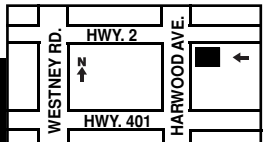
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Hearing research at The University of Western Ontario is breaking the sound barrier for newborns in Ontario and around the world.

Dr. Richard Seewald, a professor and researcher in Western's National Centre for Audiology (NCA), wants to help children hear better by improving congenital hearing impairments. For the last 20 years, he has worked to successfully develop a procedure that precisely fits children's hearing aids.

His computer software package, Desired Sensation Level (DSL), uses a mathematical model that improves the match between a person's individual hearing or amplification needs and their hearing aid.

"Before this type of software existed, audiologists used to say that fitting hearing aids was an art, not a science," says Dr. Seewald, who estimates that three out of every 1000 children are born with hearing impairments. "I want to move it closer to science, to a systematic practice, where people can describe exactly what they are doing."

Dr. Seewald's work in the NCA involved years of study to identify sources of error and variation in the hearing aid fitting process.

The resulting DSL software enhanced their own commercially available software. Information is entered into the program about a particular child, and the software helps a clinician select the best hearing aid for that person.

"Hearing impairment is a hidden handicap in children, especially when you consider the average age for identifying such a problem is between 12 and 18 months," says Dr. Seewald. "Because we learn primarily through the auditory channel, these children are not developing speech and language skills - all that time is lost to them. Now we have

the technology to identify the problem and to help these children earlier, to provide support to their families, and assist children in taking advantage of their full potential."

The DSL software pioneered by Dr. Seewald is currently used by more than 36 countries around the world. It has also been licensed to every major hearing aid company in North America, and more recently, will play a major role in early intervention for many children in Ontario.

Last month Health and Long-Term Care Minister Elizabeth Witmer announced Ontario is launching a province-wide Infant Hearing Screening Program - an initiative that ensures all newborns in Ontario are screened for hearing loss within their first month of life.

A team of Ontario audiologists, including Dr. Seewald, Andree Durieux Smith from the University of Ottawa, and Martin Hyde and Krista Riko from Mount Sinai Hospital in Toronto, were instrumental in bringing this strategy to life. The team will now consult with the ministry in developing guidelines and protocols for fitting infants with appropriate hearing devices.

"Ontario has really taken a role in this area," says Dr. Seewald. "It is a huge initiative, and a success story that I never could have imagined when I started all this."

The Ajax-Pickering Audiology Clinic and Whitby Hearing Centre have embraced this technology for over 5 years. Their audiologists can identify hearing loss in babies between the ages of 1 day to 3 months and they can rehabilitate babies by the age of six months.

"We are pleased to offer and continue to offer the Desired Sensation Level (DSL) method to fit babies and children who need hearing aids," says

Audiologist and Director, Lila O'Neill. "This is a dream come true. We have known for a very long time of the importance to identify hearing loss in the newborn."

Lila obtained her Master's Degree in Audiology in 1978 from Dalhousie University and was fortunate to have studied under one of the most renowned Canadian audiologists, leading in Newborn Screening Testing and Protocol.

"The Rubella epidemic of 1975

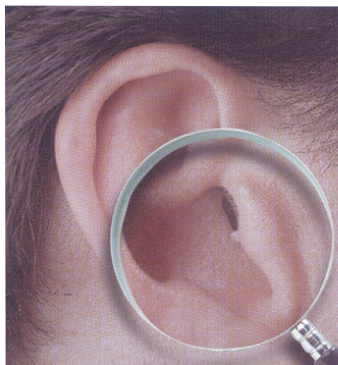
left hundreds of babies with hearing loss. We needed to detect hearing loss as early as possible," recalls Ms. O'Neill. "And we needed the tools. A huge newborn hearing screening program was initiated at the Grace Maternity Hospital, which I was lucky to participate in, and over the years the tools required to assess hearing loss in the very young became available.

And now, with the help of another famous Canadian audiologist, Dr.

Seewald, a procedure has been developed to rehabilitate using a software program whereby a hearing aid can be fit very precisely to the hearing loss.

"The government of Ontario can be commended for its belief and commitment that all children deserve a good start," says Ms. O'Neill. "And I can only encourage all other provinces to follow us in our mission of early identification of hearing loss and to early remediation."

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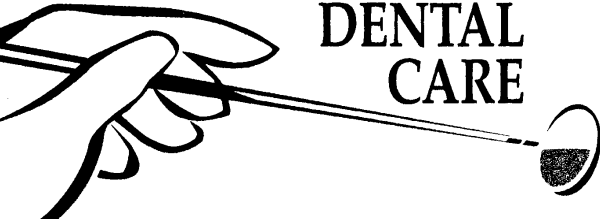
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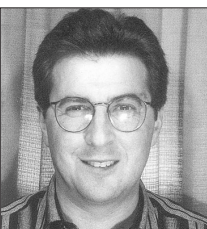
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DEAR READERS: Sometimes in my readings, I come across small, yet interesting tidbits of information that I know will keep your feet pain-free. Anticipating problems before they occur is the best way to maintain trouble free feet, for there is no truer statement than the one that says "when your feet hurt, you hurt all over".

Suffering from **ATHLETES FEET?** When getting dressed in the morning, make sure you put your socks on first, before your underwear. This will minimize the chance of spreading the infection to the groin and causing a jock itch.

When **BUYING NEW SHOES**, make sure you do so in the later part of the day to ensure a proper fit. Feet may swell as the day goes on, so that a shoe bought in the morning may feel snug as the day progresses.

Studies have shown that **CALCIUM** does not directly affect nail growth.

Greater attention should be paid to feet in the **WINTER** with respect to dry skin and the use of moisturizer creams. This is because winter is less humid than summer air. Women are also more apt to wear nylons in the winter.

JOGGERS should always

remember that the pitch of a road is always higher in the centre and lower at the curbs (for drainage purposes). This will affect the functional length of the legs of a person jogging, whereby the curb leg is forced to be the longer leg. Change the side of the road you are jogging on halfway through your run, in the same way you would change the direction of your run when jogging on a banked track.

DIABETICS should always take the time to dry their feet well especially between the toes, and should cream their feet regularly but **NEVER** between the toes.

Jogging with **HEADPHONES** is a danger, as you often hear what you cannot see.

Acute injuries should be treated by remembering the acronym **R.I.C.E.** which represents Rest, Ice, Compression and Elevation.

HEAT should never be applied to an injured area until the swelling has subsided. Heat will cause blood vessels to dilate, increasing blood flow

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FACT OR MYTH: Corns have roots. This is a MYTH as a corn is a build up of dead skin against a bony prominence because of shoe pressure. They will recur even after being pared down.

FACT OR MYTH: No pain no gain. This is a MYTH as pain is a signal sent out by your body to slow down or

pay attention to a specific part of the body. Continuing the activity will only worsen the problem, taking longer to recover.

FACT OR MYTH: Gout is a rich man's disease. This is a MYTH as gout can occur in anyone who has difficulty metabolizing uric acid. At one time it was thought to occur in people whose diets included red meats and alcohol.

FACT OR MYTH: An adult foot will never increase in size. This is a MYTH as feet can lengthen at least one shoe size when the longitudinal arch collapses. This is seen in people as they age, gain weight or in women during pregnancy.

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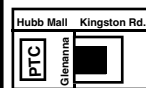
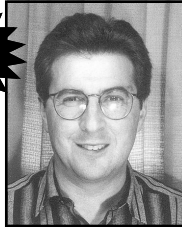
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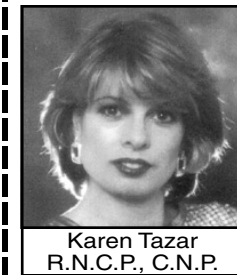
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PICKERING — Children between the ages of three and 12 are invited to take part in a variety of programs being hosted by the City of Pickering during the March break.

The City's culture and recreation division is offering an arts camp,

sports camp and a mini pidaca camp for youngsters during the week of March 12 to 16.

The sports camp will include activities such as soccer, floor hockey, basketball and indoor games while the arts camp will include drama, art, creative games, crafts and theme

days. Both camps are designed for children ages five to 12 and will operate from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The mini pidaca camp runs from 9:30 a.m. to noon for children between the ages of three and six. The pidaca includes arts, crafts, theme days, singalongs, indoor games and

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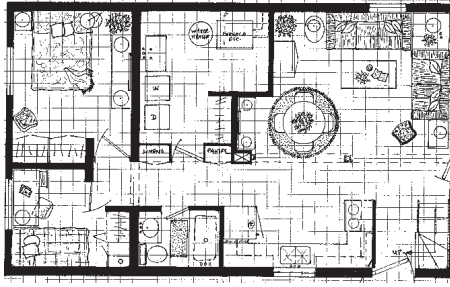
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The seminars are open to women of all ages. Participants are advised to wear loose-fitting clothing.

Classical Martial Arts Canada is located at 375 Kingston Rd., Suite 201, in Pickering.

For more information on the seminars, call 905-509-9444.

Sessions for parents focus on teen years Free workshops offered by Durham health unit


Parents of preteens are invited to attend a series of free community workshops being presented by the Durham Region Health Department in Ajax and Pickering. The three-part series, 'teentown', will focus on issues such as self-esteem and changes parents can expect when their children reach puberty. The series is being held Feb. 22, March 1 and March 8 in Ajax at the health department's office at 126 Commercial Ave.

The workshops will also be presented in Pickering March 28, April 4 and April 11. The location for the workshops is still to be announced.

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Perdita Felicien keeps beating up on hurdles record

PICKERING — Perdita Felicien has done it again — and again. The Pickering native and member of the University of Illinois women's track and field team broke her own school indoor hurdles record while competing in the annual Carle/Health Alliance Illini Classic at the Armory Track in Champaign, Ill. last weekend.



Running in her freshman indoor season with Illinois, Felicien's 60-metre hurdles time of 8.17 seconds in the preliminary heats bettered her former mark of 8.20. Felicien, however, wasn't done. She then broke her

record again in the final, running an 8.16 to win the gold medal in the event.

Her clocking automatically qualified her for the National Collegiate Athletic Association championships. Moreover, the time was a new Armory Track record and is also the fastest collegiate time in the U.S. this year.

"After the prelims, I tried not to let the time get to my head," said Felicien, in a story posted on the university's women's track and field Web site. "The goal was the 8.17, which is an automatic ticket to nationals. After getting that time, the pressure was off. I think that running on the home track really helped my performances because I train on that track."

The University of Illinois Fighting Illini women's track and field team will compete in the Iowa State Track Classic this weekend.



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Battling for the puck

Uxbridge Young Bruins' Lindsay Hambleton, left, attempts to shoot the puck away from Durham West Lightning's Kristina Brunet during the Young Bruins Bantam Hockey Tournament in Cannington recently.

Last chance for March break camp

PICKERING — Area youth can improve their athletic skills over the March break at the second annual 'SportsCamp' at St. Mary Catholic Secondary School.

The camp, which runs March 12 to 16, is for boys and girls ages six to 12. Four different sports will be featured daily at the camp between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Each participant will receive a camp T-shirt and a pizza lunch on Friday. The cost is \$135 per child. A discount will be offered for two or more members of a family.

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Tykes tough it out in Brantford

PICKERING — The PICKERING Panthers Lanatex-Spintex Super 7 tyke select hockey team overcame adversity and exacted some revenge to take the championship at the 16th annual Brantford Selects Tournament.

The tykes defeated a tough Cambridge team 3-2 in the final. Brennan Serville led the way with two goals, and Michael Wilkins, with overtime looming, scored the winner with 2:36 remaining. The game featured furious action throughout as both teams went end-to-end in this exciting and entertaining game. Assists went to Jordan Kotsopoulos, Patrick Simmonds, Alex Fortin and Kirk Thomas. Goaltender Grant Tamane was rock solid in net, stopping several Cambridge breakaways.

In addition to several players battling the flu, the seven-year-olds were without the services of top winger Michael Walker for both the semi-final and final games as he was hospitalized with a viral infection after the tournament's third game. The Panthers dedicated the championship win to Walker.

In the semis, the Panthers made short work of the Jordan Lions, winning by a convincing 8-1 score. Serville and Kotsopoulos registered hat tricks, with single goals to Taki Pantziris and Simmonds. Assisting were Wilkins, Dylan Morgan, C.J. Miller, Thomas, Pantziris and Kotsopoulos. Tamane and Dylan Higgins shared goaltending duties.

Pickering started the tourney with a decisive 5-1 win over Welland. Kotsopoulos and Wilkins each tallied twice and Walker added the other. Assisting were Wilkins, Morgan, Tyler Lyver, Michael McGarry and Serville.

game, the Panthers defeated the Ridgeway Blackhawks 6-0. Walker scored twice, while Wilkins, Lyver, Simmonds and Thomas notched one apiece. Drawing assists were Wilkins with two, Matt Callahan, Morgan, Lyver, Serville, Kotsopoulos and Joe Doherty. Goaltenders Tamane and Dylan Higgins shared the shutout.

Pickering dropped a heartbreaking 2-1 decision to Cambridge in the third game. The winning marker came with just 24 seconds remaining in the contest. Kotsopoulos scored the lone Panthers' goal, assisted by Walker and Wilkins. Higgins was outstanding in net to keep the score knotted at 1-1 until the dying seconds.

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To some it's unthinkable that a fabled Canadian institution could be purchased (for a tidy sum of \$190 million) by a Yank. Well you know what? I think it's great.

People get way too caught up in the business of sports. This is an opportunity for long-time suffering Habs' fans to rejoice; finally someone with an interest in winning, not to mention the capital resources to ensure it happens, is in control of the franchise.

Let's face it, the Canadiens in their current state are a mess bordering on an embarrassment. This, a team that has won more Stanley Cups - 23 to be exact - than any other team. But they haven't won the Cup since 1993 and they are on course for a third straight sideline seat at playoff time.

Never mind who's pulling the purse strings, fans should be concerned with on-ice performance. And if George Gillett Jr. follows through on his vow to honor the tradition of the team and the community, perhaps it is the first step on the road back to respectability. Heaven knows outgoing ownership had different motives.

For me, as a youngster growing up in Burlington, Ont., I used to

love the nights the Canadiens were on TV. I was indifferent toward the Leafs so the chance to watch Jean Beliveau skate with grace and presence. To watch Henri (The Pocket Rocket) Richard prove to anyone who doubted that great things come in small packages. To watch John Ferguson define the role of power forward. To watch J.C. Tremblay flip the puck high into the air and out of his own zone. To watch Gump Worlsey and Charlie Hodge defend the crease like it was their life savings.

You didn't have to be a fan of the Canadiens to appreciate their greatness and their legend. It simply took a passion for the sport.

And now the Canadiens have new life. NHL commissioner Gary Bettman has come out strong in his defence of the sale and has vowed the franchise will remain in Montreal.

"I have been advised that it is an expressed condition of the proposed transaction and the team will stay in Montreal," Bettman said, "and it is my pledge that the condition will be enforced explicitly. I could conceive of no condition under which a relocation of the franchise would even be considered."

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Pickering gymnasts flip past the competition

PICKERING — Pickering Aerials' gymnasts soared to good results at a provincial qualifier last weekend.

The Winstonette Gymnastic Association in Unionville hosted the second of three qualifiers for the Metro East team that will represent the area at the upcoming Provincial Gymnastics Championships. The final qualifier will be held in March.

In the novice Level 2 category, Felicia Bianchet captured the overall championship with gold medals on vault and balance beam, silver on uneven bars and a bronze on floor exercise. Teammate Emma Grant earned sixth-place finishes on vault and bars.

In the pre-junior Level 3 category, Kayla Chong earned gold medals on vault and bars en route to a fourth-place overall finish.

In the junior Level 2 bracket, Danyelle Sora finished fifth on vault and sixth on beam.

In the senior Level 2 age group, Alicia Wald earned a bronze on vault and fourth place on beam for a fourth overall finish.

Tara Swamy finished sixth all-around in the novice Level 1 category with a gold on bars and a bronze on floor.

In the pre-junior Level 1 category, Malvina Mana was the overall champion of the age group. She earned individual

gold medals on vault and floor and a bronze on beam.

In the senior Level 1 category, Katelyn Strezov finished fourth overall with a silver on floor and a bronze on bars. Brittany Lloyd placed fifth all-around with a silver on bars and a bronze on vault. Ashley Bianchet earned a bronze on bars and a fourth on vault.

Aerials' regional-stream athletes obtained equally impressive results in their respective divisions. In the pre-novice regional category, Mariko Reilly earned gold on floor and silver medals on vault, bars and beam to finish second overall.

In the regional novice bracket, Salisha Mohamed earned a silver medal on bars for a sixth overall finish. Teammate Stacey Mintsopoulos earned bronze on vault and Diana Cappa finished fourth on vault.

In the regional pre-junior category, Chelsea Hing earned a silver overall, with a gold on vault, silver on floor and a bronze on bars. In the same category, Katie Reeves earned a gold on bars and bronze on vault for a fifth-place finish overall. Keira Rainville achieved sixth-place efforts on vault, beam and floor.

Regional junior gymnast Nicole Wray achieved an all-around gold with personal-best performances in all events.

Bantams perfect in European exhibitions

Trip also included action at Switzerland tournament

PICKERING — The Pickering Panthers major bantam 'AA' rep hockey team returned home with fond memories recently after engaging in a two-week tour of Europe, playing against teams from Switzerland, France, Austria and Germany.

The bantams played in a tournament in Switzerland and engaged in five exhibition games during their European tour in which the players were accompanied by parents and siblings.

In all five exhibition games, the Panthers emerged victorious. The Pickering bantams bested the Austrian team 'VEU Feldkirch' 5-4. A major factor in the victory was the goaltending of Luke Chivers and Mike Fleming.

The Panthers suited up against EV Landsberg from Germany and emerged with a 6-4 win. Leading the scoring with a hat trick was Chris Lovering. Greg Garrett, Stephen Farmer and Cale Smith also scored. Assisting were Matt Fettes, Michael Watkins, Everett Hanna, Brian Wilkins, Gordie Brettell, Stephen Farmer, Derek Farmer and Matt Gartner. Chivers provided the team with solid goaltending.

The Panthers also defeated a strong German team, the 'Geretsried River Rats' by a 6-3 score. No scoring details were provided.

In France, the Panthers continued their winning ways by defeating CSG Strasbourg 7-0. Watkins, Lovering, Stephen Farmer, Wilkins, Derek Farmer, Hanna and Michael Tantsis scored. Drawing assists were Watkins, Brettell, Smith and Tyler Van Gijn. The



The Pickering Panthers bantam 'AA' rep hockey team took part in a tour of Europe recently. Team members are, in back row, from left, assistant coach Ken Campbell, assistant coach Carl Chivers, Mike Fleming, Michael Tantsis, Brian Campbell, Matt Gartner, Stephen Farmer, Evie Hanna, Derek Farmer, Tyler Van Gijn, Michael Watkins, head coach John Fleming and assistant coach Barry Fettes. In front row, from left, are Brian Wilkins, Cale Smith, Luke Chivers, Matt Fettes, Greg Garrett, Eric Neubauer, Gordie Brettell and Chris Lovering (in centre, on ice).

tough Panthers' defence of Brian Campbell, Gartner, Eric Neubauer, Garrett, Hanna and Smith played well in front of Fleming.

The Panthers played another German team from Freiburg, winning 6-4. Derek Farmer led the way with two goals. Tantsis, Lovering, Brettell and Watkins chipped in with singles. Watkins, Campbell, Tantsis, Fettes, Smith, Neubauer, Wilkins, Hanna and Lovering all drew assists.

Although the Panthers failed to earn a championship at the Switzerland tournament, they played exceptional hockey throughout. A highlight of the

tourney was a penalty shot awarded to Neubauer. The defenceman made no mistake on the shot against a tough Swiss opponent. Neubauer also demonstrated tough physical play as he delivered one of the biggest hits of the tourney.

The players acknowledge the work of head coach John Fleming, assistants Ken Campbell, Carl Chivers and Barry Fettes for their efforts; manager Susan Fleming for the extraordinary amount of time put into the organization of the international tour and for her fund-raising efforts; and the support and sponsorship of community businesses.

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JONES, Roy Dennis - Passed away on Sunday February 4, 2001. Beloved son of Carmen and Alty Jones. Cherished older brother to Keith and Andrew Jones. Lovingly remembered by his Aunts Barbara, Geraldine, Joyce, Olive, Venetta, Deidre, Maureen, and Jen. Uncles, Cliff, O'Neil, and Tony. Precious grandson to Septy Bailey, Austin Jones, and Mr. & Mrs. Welch. Roy will be deeply missed by his many cousins, friends and extended family. Relatives and friends will be received at **RONALD MARTINO & SON FUNERAL DIRECTORS**, 1057 Brock Road Pickering (just south of 401) on Sunday February 11th from 7-9 pm. Monday 2-4 & 7-9. Funeral service will be held at Pickering Pentecostal Church on Tuesday February 13th, at 11:00 am. Interment is at Pine Ridge Memorial Cemetery.

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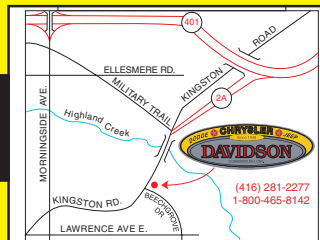
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