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## Briefly

### Now THAT was a contest!

The Auroran's "Birthday Contest" held two weeks ago, has produced wonderful results.

Several nailed the question bang-on, others were very close, and some were way off base.

Few believed there were ever parking meters on Wellington Street.

The answer we sought was "north side of Wellington Street East, between the TD Canada Trust Bank and the Mac's Milk store ON the existing bank parking lot".

We wanted to see Wellington Street mentioned.

To share some of the memories and the stories (how about the guy who hung himself in the back room of the hand laundry building?) we have cleared off Pages 6 and 7 to reprint the winning submissions and show you the entire original photo (which we cropped to make it more difficult) and a few other contributions readers sent us.

So, hurry to the centre of the paper and settle back for a true trip down memory lane...

### Make yourself a diabolo

Violet creams and diabolos - just two of the items which you could produce at pre-Christmas workshops at Hillary House.

In three sessions, adults will make gifts, decorations and sweet treats.

Sessions are scheduled Saturday mornings, November 9, 16, and 23 from 10 a.m. until noon.

Fee is \$10 a session, or all three for \$25. Pre-register by calling 905-727-8991.

Hillary House, Aurora's National Historic Site, is at 15372 Yonge Street, in the heart of Aurora.



'Twas the week to carve pumpkins in Aurora, and these two Aurora youngsters made the most of it. Shannon, 8, and Matthew, 11, Symington begin to get creative for the Thursday night event. Others were carving their own pumpkins as the Aurora Leisure Complex and the Aurora Legion hosted similar events. More pictures, Page 11. Photo by David Falconer



They weren't kidding when they said "mummy wrap" at the 6th annual Wells Street School fair Saturday. These two "mummies", are, indeed, mothers of Wells Street students. Lindsay Hartley, left, and Judy Norwell, get into the spirit of things as the successful event raised thousands of dollars through various functions during the day, including a silent auction. Weather forced some activities inside, including this one. "It's tough getting wrapped in wet toilet paper," a spokesperson said. Auroran photo by Naomi Tobin

## Business Person of the Year

### Award winner "speechless"

"My children wouldn't believe it," Marilyn Redvers said last Wednesday night. "I'm speechless."

The popular Aurora real estate agent had just been selected by the Aurora Chamber of Commerce as the Business Person of the Year.

She thanked a sell-out crowd on hand at Tuscany's Banquet Hall for the chamber's annual Celebration of Business awards night.

The Royal LePage agent was selected from four finalists, including Frank and Mario Giorgio and Omar Khamissa.

The New Venture Award was

won by KOR Innovations, Inc., with Curves for Women in Aurora as the runner-up.

Where Angels Gather won the Small Business of the Year Award, defeating finalists Flowers By Terry and Skaters First.

The Business of the Year Award went to Torcan Chemical Limited.

Finalists in that category included Almac Conveyor Co. Ltd., Commport Communications International Inc., and Whitehots, Inc., a library book supplier.

More than 70 applications for the awards had been received by the Chamber of Commerce.

Meanwhile, Mayor Tim Jones presented longevity awards to six Aurora firms, including Andrews Mailing Service Limited, celebrating 50 years in business.

Twenty-five year awards were presented to A. Tomasini Heating & Air-Conditioning, Aurora Electrolysis Clinic, Giampierre's Beauty Salon, Hair Scene, Martin Paivio and Associates, and Sandra Purdy School for Dance.

Beverly Thomson, who got her start in the now defunct CKAN radio station in Newmarket and is currently anchor on Global News, was the keynote speaker for the evening.

Aurora resident Gord James, of 104.5 CHUM.FM, acted as master of ceremonies.



Marilyn Redvers

### Thrill On The Hill

The annual Thrill on the Hill runathon on the weekend drew hundreds of participants. See the photos on Page 12.

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# Coming Events In Aurora

## NOVEMBER 1

Wesley United Church, Aurora Road (Wellington East) and Woodbine, presents "Musical Magic", a concert of instrumentals and vocals at 7.30 p.m. More information 905-888-1248.

## NOVEMBER 2

The Aurora Minor Hockey Association is holding a dinner and dance at the Tuscany Banquet Centre from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets are \$45 per person for dinner, dancing and wine. Group table reservations for groups of eight and 10 are available upon request. Tickets are now available from Janine Gabel (905-726-3580), Andrea Bentolilla (905-841-8610) or the AMHA Office (905-727-1480).

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Harmony Showcase 2002 presents "Broadway" at the Newmarket Theatre with two shows at 3 and 7:30 p.m. The concert features the talents of TKO, Ontario District Champion Quartet, Voices of Joy, "Elvis Priestley" and the sponsors, the Upper Canada Chordsmen, plus Henry Shannon as MC. Call 905-953-5122 for ticket information. Proceeds to assist the Ontario Harmonize for Speech Fund. Tickets now available at The Auroran, 75 Mary Street, Unit 3.

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Legion Branch 385 Ladies Auxiliary presents a Christmas Bazaar at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Table rentals \$15. Call 905-727-9232 for further information.

## NOVEMBER 2/3

Aurora artist Pat Barber opens her Cellar Studio at 1 Holman Crescent, Aurora, from 1 to 6 p.m. for her annual Christmas Art Show and Sale.

## NOVEMBER 3

Wesley United Church 121st anniversary at 11 a.m. Rev. Vicki Cousins conducts service with guest preacher Rev. John Houston and soloist Sara Kyle.

## NOVEMBER 5

The Aurora Public Library presents an evening of adventure and exploration from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in meeting room #3 with E. Tseretopoulos (Jim Stratt). Call the library at 905-737-9493 for details.

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General Committee meets at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. Committee meetings are open to the public but are not telecast by Aurora Cable Internet.

## NOVEMBER 7

The Town of Aurora Staff Together (TOAST) will hold their 3rd Annual Craft and Bake Sale from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Skylight Gallery of the Town Hall with proceeds going to the Children's Aid Society. Call 905-727-3123 extension 270 for details.

## NOVEMBER 8

The musical "Guys and Dolls" opens at the Factory Theatre Continues November 9, 13-17 and 20-23. Call 905-727-3669 for tickets.

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Aurora CODA (Codapendants Anonymous) 10-year anniversary celebration. 7.30 p.m. Aurora United Church, 15186 Yonge Street. Everyone is welcome.

## NOVEMBER 9

York Regional Police Male Chorus, will host their 10th Annual "In Harmony With The Community" fundraising concert at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 17955 Leslie St., Newmarket at 7:30 p.m. Police choruses from Ottawa, Halton, Niagara and York, as well as the Voices of Joy, a community choir, will provide an evening of familiar music. Tickets \$10.

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The Anglican Church Women hold their annual Christmas Bazaar at Trinity Church featuring a "Men's Best Decorated Cake Contest" open to all men of Trinity. Judging will be by ballot and ballots will be available at 50 cents or three for a dollar. Cakes will be sold during the bazaar. Call 905-727-7617 or 905-841-0716.

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Aurora Legion holds their Annual Remembrance Dinner and Dance at the Legion on Industrial Parkway North. Cocktails at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. Call 905-727-9932 for ticket information.

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Aurora Seniors hold their annual bazaar at the Seniors Centre on Victoria Street from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 905-727-2816 for further information.

## NOVEMBER 10

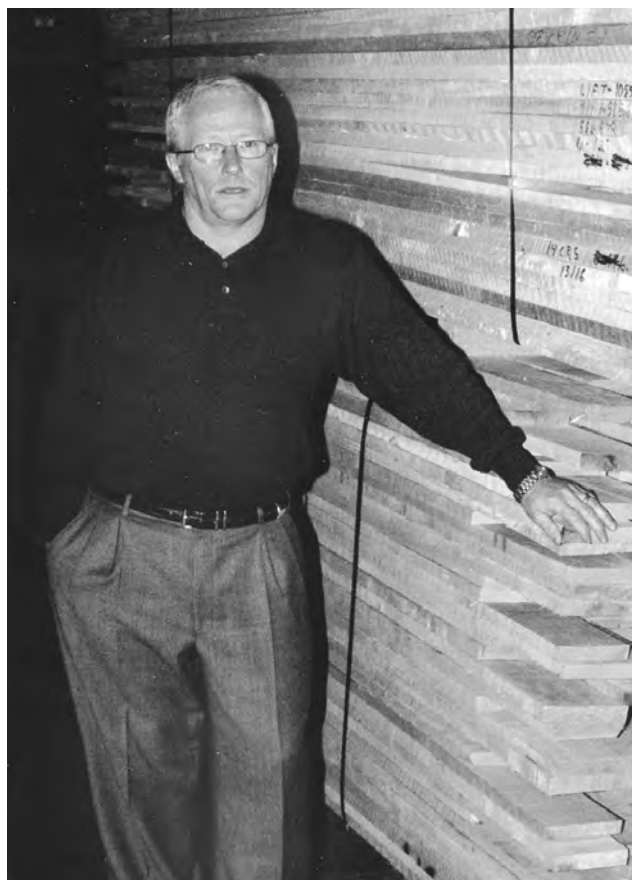
Aurora Legion holds their Annual Remembrance Day Service at 11 a.m. at the Aurora Cenotaph. Parade forms in at Canada Law Book parking lot at 10:30 a.m.

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Trinity Anglican Church will present "Jazz Vespers" at 7:30 p.m. at the church led by Tim Elliott. The evening is open to all with a free will offering.

## NOVEMBER 12

The Federal Electoral Commission will hold a public meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Aurora Room of the Sheraton Parkway Hotel on Highway 7 at Leslie Street in Richmond Hill to receive comment on proposed boundary changes.



TED ROWE

# Rowe named Second VP of association

An Aurora businessman has been named to the executive of a prestige lumber association.

Ted Rowe, president of Aurora Timberland Wholesale Hardwood Lumber, has been elected second Vice-President of the National Hardwood Lumber Association, headquartered in Memphis, Tennessee.

He is only the seventh Canadian in the 104-year history of the association to be named to the executive.

"It's pretty much an eight-year commitment," he said.

He will spend two years in this position, two as first vice, two as president, and two as past-president.

Rowe was elected at the recent annual NHLA convention held in Chicago.

"It's quite an honour," he said. "And quite a responsibility."

Timberland has offices and warehouses on Wellington Street and Industrial Parkway North in Aurora.

Established in 1898, the National Hardwood Lumber Association represents producers and users of North American hardwood lumber.

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Betty and Relph (his name is spelled with an "e") Mitchell of Aurora celebrated their 50th anniversary recently, and were taken to meet family and friends in the vintage Ford seen behind them. The couple has four children and six grandchildren.

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# Media debate erupts over an election year

The routine presentation of the proposed 2003 council and committee meeting schedule was finally approved last week but not until a rousing debate on censorship of the media occurred.

At the top of the issue was the fact next year is an election year.

Significant dates affecting the election were noted in the directory, including September 26th as Nomination Day and November 10th as Election Day.

Historically after Nomination Day the number of meetings is reduced, but due to the expanded time frame between Nomination and Election Days, council agreed to maintain the regular meeting schedule.

However meetings of the advisory committees and the public planning meetings are to be curtailed at the end of September.

During an election year, the town has traditionally obtained the cooperation of Aurora Cable Internet to discontinue televised broadcast of council meetings at the end of September in order to ensure equal exposure for all candidates seeking election.

It was proposed that staff meet with representatives of Aurora Cable in order to discuss the temporary discontinuance of televised broadcasts of council meetings.

Councillor Nigel Kean, a constant critic of a weekly column written by the

mayor for The Auroran, recommended it be temporarily discontinued for the period preceding the election.

"That's a given," said Councillor Ron Wallace, who also edits the mayor's column in this newspaper.

Councillor George Timpson pointed out that Letters to the Editor couldn't be banned.

Councillor Evelina MacEachern said council had no right to dictate to Aurora Cable as to what they should do. She added that a political body should not interfere with the media.


After further discussion the calendar was adopted as presented, with a decision to be made regarding tele-casting council meetings after staff had met with cable representatives.

Councillor Timpson suggested Open Forum be discontinued after Nomination Day to which Councillor John West presented a notice of motion that all meetings should be discontinued during the election period.

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Poor Richard

OMB overrules local councils

*Municipalities have many problems,  
For some there isn't an easy fix;  
They have lost control of planning,  
The OMB has the power to say nix!  
- Poor Richard's Scrapbook*

It's hard to believe that here in Ontario in the year 2002, local councils have literally lost control over land-use planning, as two non-elected people are empowered to make important planning decisions that can have a dramatic effect on the community and the lifestyle of the people.

They are members of the Ontario Municipal Board. Ontario is the only jurisdiction in North America that has a non-elected body with the power to make final rulings on local planning. There is no avenue of appeal against their decisions.

During the period 1996 to 2001 it is estimated that GTA municipalities, including Aurora, spent \$20 million in OMB hearings.

Based on recent OMB decisions, several councils are wondering if it's finally time to strip back the board's powers or to abolish it altogether.

During the mid-1990s the Progressive Conservative government amended the Planning Act to permit developers to appeal directly to the Ontario Municipal Board, if the municipality didn't respond to the application within 90 days of the filing of the application. It's called the 90-day rule.

With a complex subdivision application requiring traffic, servicing and other studies, public planning meetings, it is not always possible for a municipality to respond within 90 days.

This has happened in Aurora on several occasions. The latest was an appeal by Preserve Homes for council's failure to make a decision on an application to develop 128.4 acres of agricultural land located at the northeast corner of Bayview Avenue and Wellington Street East.

A public planning meeting was held March 27, but the developer had already filed an appeal with the OMB February 25.

The planning meeting couldn't be scheduled earlier as planning staff had not received all the required information to prepare a report and a recommendation.

Staff recommended outside legal counsel to represent the municipality at a cost estimated anywhere from \$25,000 to \$110,000 depending on the length of the hearing.

The town will request the OMB for a delay in the hearing to provide them with sufficient time to address several issues such as stormwater management, preparation of an environmental impact statement and a noise impact and traffic study.

The 90-day rule has increased the number of appeals to the OMB in the fast growing GTA, adding considerable costs to taxpayers, plus the loss of local planning control.

As a result, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario has established a Planning Task Force, to review the OMB process and how best to serve municipal interests in resolving planning conflicts.

AMO is encouraging member municipalities to adopt resolutions stating that developers are abusing the 90-day rule as the first step in the review process.

At a recent council meeting Aurora councillors gave unanimous consent to such a resolution petitioning the government to initiate a critical review of the OMB process and the requirements for an appeal.

Councillors also want to know why municipal taxpayers have to pay to defend decisions on official plans and zoning bylaws that have been approved through a public process.

The OMB should function as a watchdog. Citizens or developers, unhappy with a planning decision of the local council, should have the right to appeal to an impartial body.

But there should be an appeal process to an OMB decision, such as there was previously when an appeal could be made to cabinet.

Bob Rae's NDP government did away with appeals to cabinet, making the OMB the final planning authority.

OMB members used to be appointed for life and were completely independent from the government, but David Peterson's government changed that.

Now members are appointed for a three-year term, subject to re-appointment, making them an arm of the government.

The province would be wise to listen to the results of the AMO Task Force or invite a municipal rebellion.

Machell's Corners

by Scott Johnston



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

There is no place like Canada-reader

To the editor,

Having read the article, submitted by Doug Barcham, regarding multiculturalism, I am compelled to say "BRAVO".

Surely, we remember from our History books that Canada and the United States were places that people came to in order to escape persecution and free themselves from the restrictions and prejudices that were rampant in other parts of the world.

Now, certain factions are demanding that their particular restrictions and prejudices be tolerated, and even accepted, by our society.

It's extremely doubtful that some of our practices would be so easily adopted by their native lands!

I, myself, was born outside of Canada...but I like the way things are done here, and there is no other place that I would choose for my home.

Okay, people who know me well will say, "big deal; you were 12 when you came here, and you were born in a country which largely influenced many facets of today's Canadian culture, anyway."

Yes, they have a point. But I have made enough trips back to "the old sod" (Scotland) over the years, to be able to make intelligent comparisons between the two countries; and, while I am immensely proud of my Scottish heritage, there is still no place like Canada.

Take "soccer hooliganism", for example.

I am appalled that this exists in the United Kingdom; and very proud that we, in Canada, are, for the most part, above such displays of ignorance and violence.

Sure, there is competition among fans of different teams; but, generally speaking, it's a matter of pride in the team you support...not a matter of loathing the fans of the opposition.

I also feel pretty strongly that Canadian/U.S. national institutions should remain as such...vis a vis the RCMP.

If you don't want to wear the funny hat, don't be a Mountie...be something else, where the choice of headgear doesn't matter!

The last axe that I have to grind is all this objection to "profiling" at Canada/U.S.

border crossings and airports.

This irritates me, no end. If a male Scot in a kilt had engineered September 11, I would have no objection whatsoever to being thoroughly checked out at the border when a perusal of my documents revealed my birthplace!

Lynda Lister  
Aurora

Peter is thanked by his customers

To the editor,

We would like to congratulate and give a big thank you to Peter Cellitti of Giampierre's Beauty Centre on Edward Street.

In November, Peter is celebrating 25 years of business in Aurora and we want to take this opportunity to tell him how very much we appreciate him.

It is due to his outstanding care for his clients that many have been with him for 25 years.

Peter has provided his services free of charge on various occasions: children's first haircut; 80th birthday; 50th wedding anniversary; clients who have had to deal with major surgery, illness and death of family members.

Peter, we appreciate your generous acts of kindness, your show of condolences, your hair styling talents and you, Frank and your wonderful staff.

All the best for the next 25 years.

- Mary Gibson
- Marilyn Munslow
- Gloria Sherrard
- Margaret Griffith
- Betty Pedersen
- Jean Shiner
- Bonnie Munslow
- Sandy Sheridan
- Shirley Tolley

ED. NOTE: Giampierre's was honoured for its 25-year business last Wednesday night at the Aurora Chamber of Commerce Celebration of Business Awards event.

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# Bouquets & Brickbats

By DICK ILLINGWORTH

**BOUQUETS** to any Aurora councillor who will initiate a tree preservation/protection bylaw to save the wanton destruction of trees, even if they are on private property. With the recent destruction of two trees at the LCBO store, some action is required. Get a copy of the draft Newmarket bylaw as a start.

**BOUQUETS** to Aurora dancers Donna Spiller, Shannon Murray and Paula Murray of the Kaye Spiller School of Highland Dancing in Aurora on being invited to dance for Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip at the Festival of Ontario in Toronto during the recent Royal Tour.

**BRICKBATS** to the careless and inconsiderate shoppers at Zellers on Bayview for leaving shopping carts all over the place restricting other motorists from using parking spaces. It only takes a moment to return the cart to the nearest buggy corral.

**BOUQUETS** to Councillor Betty Pedersen for complaining to council about the ongoing misspelling of her surname. The next time it happens, the responsible person or persons should be required to write "Pedersen" 500 times, not "Peterson". A street sign was even misspelled and had to be replaced. (Ah, we're not off the hook, either, Dick. The Auroran misspelled it a couple of weeks ago).

**BOUQUETS** to Councillor John West for trying to get answers as to why downspouts on four or five connecting townhouses in the Bayview-Wellington subdivision are funnelled into one, creating flooding problems for the poor unfortunate owner. It only proves once again that the developers are planning Aurora, not the council.

**BRICKBATS** to Aurora's flip-flopping council for once again changing their minds after a decision had been made. On March 5 council approved changing the location of the Aurora Art Show and Sale from the three floors of the Town Hall to the main floor of the Aurora Library during the June Street Sale. When SOYRA said they didn't approve the change, council rolled over and caved in. Why not change the name to the SOYRA Art Show, as they pull the strings!

**BOUQUETS** to all the Aurora homeowners who decorate their homes and front lawns for the ghosts and gremlins out trick or treating on Halloween. The ghostly decorations are almost as popular as Christmas decorating.

**BRICKBATS** to those at the York Region District School Board for sending about a dozen principals and vice-principals to China for a nine-day educational excursion, when students are not able to obtain text books and other needs to help them in their education. Even if they are paying their own way let them go on their own time, not on school time.

**BOUQUETS** to the Liberal Party's national executive for openly defying Prime Minister Jean Chretien by setting the date for the leadership convention on November 15, ignoring the PM's retirement plans. It's time somebody has the intestinal fortitude to stand up to autocratic King Jean. Here's your hat, get going!

**BOUQUETS** to Danielle Urquhart, of Aurora, who was runner-up in the recent Toronto Star short story contest. The entertaining piece was printed in the Star last month.



## Mayor's Report By Tim Jones

Much has been written about the disappointment emanating from Aurora Council's decision to turn down a proposal to give town owned land on Murray Drive to Habitat For Humanity.

This home would enable a family, chosen through Habitat, to have a place to live, on a mortgage basis like most of us, among all the community amenities and services as a full member in our community.

While attending the annual conference of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in Banff, Alberta, in June, 2001, Councillors George Timpson and Betty Pedersen and I all had an opportunity to speak with representatives of the Habitat organization, and to reflect on the value of the program with a view of introducing it to our council colleagues for consideration.

It might also be noted that, several years ago, former U.S. President Jimmy Carter visited in some Canadian communities to participate in the construction of Habitat homes at various sites, and to promote the understanding and acceptance of this worthwhile project which provides a 'hand-up' rather than a 'hand-out'.

The local process began when I attended a Regional kick off function to celebrate Habitat's first project in York Region located in Newmarket

A representative from Habitat approached me to educate me of the success story in Newmarket, land dedicated, volunteers committed and a family selected for a residence in that community.

I attended the opening ceremonies of the Newmarket site, met the family and from that experience, personally committed to finding a location for Habitat in Aurora.

To that end, I asked staff to identify potential Town owned lands that would address this type of activity and we found two sites for consideration.

The Murray Drive site was the best situated of those sites. The second site was in an industrially zoned area and was not conducive to community amenities.

As this was a property matter, I brought the item to Council's attention in a private session.

Since the site formerly had a building structure on it - a hydro substation - within a structure that resembled a house, it had a precedent of being a building lot and council was supportive to proceeding.

# Council still supports Habitat For Humanity

As is council's practice, a public meeting was held to receive community reaction to this proposal.

Several people attended, most from the immediate area, and the reaction was primarily supportive to the concept, but, in summary, concerned about loss of green space and the safety of the corner.

My view of Aurora, as a whole, is that we ARE a caring community - and part of that caring from council's perspective is that the selection of a suitable site MUST ensure that the chosen family would be made WELCOME.

It was my sense that the majority of those in attendance were opposed to this use for this space.

I recall the Habitat representative saying that Habitat did not want to build and locate where those in the area were not receptive.

When the issue returned to council, as we have all read, council did not support going forward at this location.

Please be reassured that this is not the end - indeed, I personally remain fully committed to find a site for Habitat in Aurora.

Council has also committed to this goal by directing staff to incorporate into the sale of Town owned lands for development infill on Wellington, a site for Habitat.

In speaking to representatives from Habitat, they remain positive about building in Aurora.

Further, I have personally communicated with a number of major developers in Aurora asking them to individually or collectively consider donating a lot for use by Habitat.

Wouldn't it be a positive step if municipalities could incorporate a condition of development whereby in every major development site, the municipality could impose, or better still, the developer donate a lot for this purpose?

Perhaps even pour a foundation and possibly frame a structure for a charitable tax receipt.

I can assure you that Council is supportive of this wonderful opportunity and committed to finding a home for Habitat in an area that is supportive to the needs and goals of this organization.

If you see something in this column that you wish to respond to, I welcome your comments, either through the paper, to the Town Hall by mail - Box 1000, Aurora, Ontario, L4G 6J1 or e-mail at tjones@town.aurora.on.ca

## Abandoned?

# Civic park future concerns group

John Gallo, representing the Bayview-Wellington Ratepayers Association, appeared before council last week to express the association's concerns about future plans for the so-called Civic Park located on the east side of John West Way, north of the Town Hall.

He pointed out that the park had been abandoned for several years and other than a temporary soccer field, it was unfinished. He requested that its future uses be defined.

He added that Home Depot had contributed \$35,000 to be used for construction of the park

but no direction was given as to what will be done with the land.

Councillor Nigel Kean advised council that Gallo had met with the Leisure Services committee and that staff had met with the residents.

As the park was located adjacent to the Town Hall original plans included a band shell, an artificial skating rink and other uses as a replacement for the Town Park, but the plans were never implemented as residents objected to the loss of the Town Park.

Council agreed with a committee recommendation that staff meet

with residents to develop a plan for park improvements and to utilize the \$35,000 donation from Home Depot.

Council also agreed that if the projected cost were more than \$35,000, the proposals be forwarded for 2003 budget discussions.



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# On a Wellington St. parking lot, these two buildings stood for years

## Winner

### Man hung himself in room behind Chinese laundry

The photograph in your Auroran paper the week of October 15 of the two buildings dates back to the 1920s (the buildings, not the picture). I was just a young boy then and was going to the public school on Church Street. These two buildings were on the north side of Wellington Street East about half a block from Yonge Street.

The first building was "Frank Smith's Shoe Repair". The second building was "Law Hand Laundry". I was in school at that time and remembered that while playing in the school yard, we heard that "Law" had hung himself, so we - boys and girls - ran up to his shop. When we got back to school, we all got a talking to by our teachers. In those days, to us kids, that was really something big. The property in the photograph is now the parking lot between the TD bank and Mac's Milk. Behind the shoe store and the laundry was a horse shed where the people would tie up their horses and put some feed out for them, while the women would shop and the men would go in the hotel, play some pool, and have a drink. There was a laneway between the back end of the hotel and Frank Smith's Shoe Repair shop which ran off Wellington Street to Centre Street.

Al White  
Aurora



## Winner

### Stores didn't look as bad as they did in photograph

Happy second birthday and may your paper enjoy many more of them. The picture on the front page of your October 15 issue is on Wellington Street East, just up from Yonge Street on the north side. The white building was Smith's Shoe Repair shop and the other was the Chinese laundry. There were two Chinese (I believe) who ran it and I think one of them committed suicide by hanging in that building. Can't remember Mr. Smith's first name, but do remember taking shoes there as a very young person, and Mrs. Smith was a friend of my mother's. It is possible that this is now the site of the parking lot behind the bank and to the west of the Mac's Milk store. Neither store seemed to look so bad as they do now in the picture. Yours is a most interesting paper and is looked forward to every week. Best wishes.

Doris M. Pringle  
Aurora

## Winner

### Photo of two stores brought back plenty of memories

Re: the Auroran Birthday contest. The two little buildings shown in the photo were on Wellington Street, north side, just east of Yonge Street. To the left was the Queen's Hotel on the corner, and to their right was the IGA. Across the street was Ardill's, the clothing store, where Larter's Advertising is now located. The site of these two stores is now the parking lot between the bank and the Mac's Milk store. One of the stores was a tiny Chinese laundry, and I remember often stopping in with my dad, Robert Watson, as we walked uptown. We lived farther along on Wellington Street, the fourth house "over the tracks". Now it's the last house beside the new apartment building at Industrial Parkway and Wellington. It was great to see this old photo; it brings back a lot of memories of the way the downtown of Aurora looked in the fifties.

Thanks.  
Mary Ellen Taylor  
Aurora



### The whole truth...

The photograph used two weeks ago as a contest on our front page was cropped to make things tough, but it didn't fool 11 people, who came up with the right answer. The top photo is what we had to work with, complete with the IGA sign on the wall of the existing Mac's Milk store. In addition, we think the taillight on the vehicle in the garage at the extreme left of the top photo (arrow) is that of a 1958 Pontiac, which fits inside the parameters described by Jackie Stuart at the Aurora Museum - the photo was "not earlier than 1951, more likely closer to 1968 when IGA moved to Yonge Street". In the top photo, it's apparent the hand laundry used only half the building, and two separate businesses are drawn on the 1904 fire insurance plan for the town. Today, the parking meters are gone, and the two derelict buildings have been replaced by a parking lot (bottom photo). Mac's Milk is the chief tenant in the structure, which once housed a hardware store. The front part of the building was constructed in 1887. Three storey addition at the rear is recent. Dick Illingworth, former mayor of Aurora (twice), advises the parking meters were sold to Newmarket.

## Winner

### Queen's Hotel was owned by former Aurora mayor

In response to your birthday contest. The location of the buildings in the photo on Page One is the north side of Wellington Street East, just east of the Yonge and Wellington intersection. The white building was a shoe repair and the red building was a laundry. The property today is primarily a parking lot for the TD Canada Trust Bank and the stores in the former IGA building to the east. The TD Canada Trust Bank occupies the property where the Queen's Hotel stood. The hotel was owned by former Aurora Mayor Jim Murray.

John Morning  
Bathurst Street  
King Township

## Winner

The location of the buildings in your historic picture was on the north side of Wellington, just east of Yonge Street. There used to be an IGA there, and the buildings were in the parking lot of the old IGA, which is now the parking lot next to Mac's Milk. The building then became Home Hardware.

## Winner

The contest picture was taken from the south side of Wellington Street East looking north. The stores were Julius Smith Shoe Repair and Law Hand Laundry, which were west of (Fingold's grocery store) Rubin's IGA, east of the Queen's Hotel. So, today, it's a parking lot for TD Bank and Mac's Milk on Wellington.

## Winner

The picture in your contest is on Wellington Street, east of Yonge Street. The camera person was standing in front of the then Knowles Butcher Shop. The location of the shoe shop and laundry shop was across the street, on the north side of Wellington. The property at present is a parking lot, east of the TD bank.

## Winner

The photo was taken on Wellington Street East on the north side, just up from Yonge Street. The red building was a Chinese laundry. The white building was a shoe repair operated by Mr. Smith. The property is now a parking lot between Mac's 24-hour store and the TD bank.

Jolyne Bernardo  
Aurora

## Winner

### Meet my grandfather

The photograph of Smith's Shoe Repair and the Law Hand Laundry was located on the north side of Wellington Street, east of Yonge, between the Queen's Hotel and Rubin's Grocery and Department Store. There is a parking lot there today between the Toronto Dominion Bank and Mac's Milk store. I look forward to your paper each week so please keep up the good work.

Ken Elmer  
Aurora



Look carefully at the photo of the shoe store elsewhere on this page, then compare it with the above picture. Same building. Same windows. The photo shows Ken Elmer's grandfather, John Edward McClenny. There is no date on the photo, but a diagram of the building, labeled cobbler, shows up on the town's 1904 fire insurance plan, illustrated at left.

## Winner

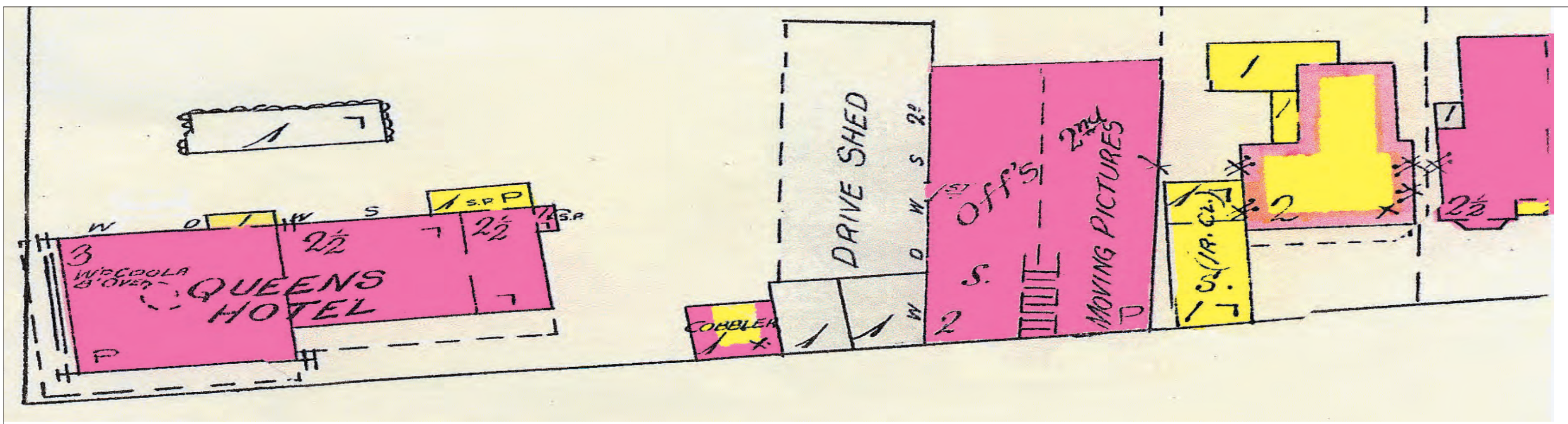
The picture on the front page of The Auroran, October 15, is of Smith's Shoe Repair and the Chinese hand laundry located on Wellington Street, between the Queen's Hotel and Fingold's General Store. The location is now the parking lot for the TD Bank.

Chris Wood  
Aurora

## Winner

The picture was taken on Wellington Street in Aurora. The TD Bank parking lot is there now (north east side of Wellington, just off Yonge).

Beth Case  
Aurora



Copied from the 1904 fire insurance plan of Aurora, this diagram gives some idea of the business on the north side of Wellington Street, just east of Yonge. At left is the famed Queen's Hotel which was demolished in the 1970s to make room for the Toronto Dominion Bank. Behind the Queen's was a laneway and east of that was a small "cobbler" shop, and it spent decades as a shoe repair shop. That was one of the two buildings shown in the contest picture. Next to it was a duplex building, half of which was used by a Chinese

laundry. In the building that still stands today was a set of offices on the west side, and a "moving pictures" theatre on the east. Colour code was important. Reddish pink meant the building was constructed of brick, yellow indicated a wooden building, while yellow edged by pink indicated brick veneer. The grey or white colouring indicated wooden sheds. Jackie Stuart at the Aurora Museum, temporarily located in Hillary House, provided the diagram.



## RUMOURS & RUMBLINGS

# Historic County of York now just a memory

There was a recent controversial debate at Aurora Council about a renaming policy of public facilities. It wasn't the first debate about renaming places with strong links to the area's history and heritage.

York County is such a name. It was one of the earliest counties to be surveyed and settled. It was the men of York County who fought for democratic government in the rebellion of 1837.

Down through the years, York County, as a geographical and political area, played a crucial role in the affairs of the nation.

In January, 1971, the province imposed regionalization and the County of York became the Region of York.

The public school board retained "county" in its name for many years, but eventually adopted "region".

York County Hospital was the last holdout, but now is the Southlake Regional Health Centre.

The historic name "County of York" is but a memory.

### MAPS WERE ASKEW

The editor of The Auroran is a perfectionist. Long before he became involved with Aurora's only community newspaper, he used to write letters to the editor of whatever paper would print his beefs.

At some date in the past, he objected to ads that appeared in the paper.

The first was one from Country House Restaurant, which invited guests to a pre-opening ceremony to a location on Yonge Street "opposite the Aurora Administrative Centre".

At that time the Aurora offices were located on Wellington Street West, nowhere near the advertised site on Yonge Street North, where the Orchid Thai is located today.

His second beef was the announcement of the opening of Parkers Cleaners, located just north of the Country House Restaurant, which according to the newspaper ad was located between Aurora Heights Drive and Mark Street.

According to Wallace the map, if it was correct, Mark Street would run right through Scott's Chicken Villa. The map also showed Aurora Heights planted right in the middle of Valhalla Heights.

"If these establishments want the community's business, they'd better learn where they're located," he wrote at the time.

His comments evidently got through to Scott's Chicken Villa as they are still in business, but Country House Restaurant is long gone.

### COST OF GASOLINE IN THE IMPERIAL SYSTEM

The actual cost of gasoline was masked by the switch from the imperial system of selling to the metric. Instead of paying by the gallon, motorists started to pay by the litre.

Motorists continue to beef about the high cost of a litre of gas, but just imagine if they knew what they were paying if the imperial gallons system was being used.

Believe it or not but back in April, 1982, gasoline was selling for about 41.9 cents a litre, or about \$1.90 a gallon.

With gasoline now selling for about 72 cents a litre, you can just imagine what a gallon of gas would cost.

At that time Ontario drivers were paying more in taxes on a gallon of gas than Americans were paying for gasoline plus taxes, and it's no doubt the same today. According to some reports 69 per cent of the cost is siphoned off in taxes.

### SOON A BUCK WON'T EVEN EXIST

Currently the Canadian dollar is worth about 63 cents in the United States and nobody seems to worry, except for the Snowbirds who head south every winter.

Back in December, 1982, there was a great deal of concern about the value of the dollar when it set a record low for the century.

The dollar's downhill roll started in June and set the new record when it dropped to 80.02 cents.

By June 18 it was down to 77 cents and on June 22 it was 76.86 cents and authorities spent \$2.26 million to defend the Canadian currency.

Opposition politicians and business leaders blamed the government for the loss of confidence in the dollar. Today, the 63 cent dollar is accepted as normal.

Remember when the old dollar bill used to say: "Will pay

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### TODAY'S WEATHERMEN DON'T MATCH PERCY!

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He started forecasting weather with CBC-TV in 1952 and continued until 1972 and his trademark was fast talk, flashy clothes and a toss of the chalk to signal the end of the forecast. He made weather forecasting interesting.

The use of chalk is also important to Devall whose gimmick is an ability to write backwards with either hand when he draws the weather map, a trick he learned while serving with the Royal Canadian Air Force from 1956 to 1959 as a meteorologist.

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## Retirement home

# Cobblestone Lodge issue going to OMB

A request to change the status of Aurora's historic Cobblestone Lodge at Yonge and Kennedy Streets will be decided by the Ontario Municipal Board.

Aurora Council was advised last week that the provincial body will make the final decision, removing the responsibility from the local level.

The building has been there for several years and operated as a nursing and retirement home, although efforts were made to turn it into Aurora's only hotel in the mid-1970s.

The property is officially zoned as an apartment site, but as it was used as a retirement home prior to the adoption of the zoning bylaw, it falls into the legal non-conforming category.

New owners John and Zuzana Gaspar submitted an application earlier in the year to include a boarding house category to the use of the facility, as some of the rooms on the second floor are not suitable for seniors.

A public planning meeting was held in June to hear the applicant's request to permit a boarding house within the existing building. The applicant also expressed a desire to include a group home as a permitted use.

It was the opinion of staff, several members of the pub-

lic and council that the term boarding house was too open-ended and the applicant's plans and future intentions for the property were unclear.

Staff was directed to work with the applicant in an attempt to resolve the issues raised in the staff report and by the public.

Staff was also requested to provide a clear definition of proposed uses for a future public meeting.

The applicant advised the intended uses included a retirement home, respite care, assisted living and special needs such as providing room and board for persons with mental illness, schizophrenia or persons who are developmentally delayed.

But, in September the applicant appealed to the OMB on the basis that the town did not make a decision on the application within 90 days.

Even though the final decision will be made by the OMB rather than council, it was decided to hold a public information last week to inform the public of the status of the application.

One resident said it was difficult to offer comments without knowing council's position. He said the definition of proposed uses was very broad and could include

anyone.

Later in the meeting Councillor Damir Vrancic expressed concern about the process as the staff report, which becomes a public document, may not be what council wants as being in the best interests of the community. He also asked that other jurisdictions be surveyed for boarding house policies.

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# Aurora Tigers win a pair of games at home

## FRIDAY

Friday night's Junior A hockey game between the Aurora Tigers and Vaughan Vipers was all about celebrations.

The Tigers defeated the Vipers handily 6-2, with Chris Whitley continuing to play superbly in net and the offense still putting up big numbers.

In the first period, both teams seemed tentative but with the help of poor Viper clearing attempts,

Aurora got off to an early lead. Simon Barq scored first with a two-on-one shorthanded goal assisted by Steve Mignardi.

Steve Downie ended the scoring in the first with a goal assisted by Rob Godfrey making the score 2-0.

During the first intermission, the Aurora Minor Atom AA and Peewee AA teams of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association celebrated their championship seasons with an unveiling of their championship

banners.

Even Tiger Jamie Minchella was impressed. "Keep up the good work," he said. "Championships will get you far".

After the intermission, the Tigers came out flying.

To start the period, Steve Christie scored after taking two hacks at a rebound. Adding to the Tiger lead, Barq scored his second of the night with assists from Christie and Minchella, and Mignardi tipped in a one timer from Justin Olden to make the score 5-0.

To end all Tiger scoring, Minchella scored after two chances on Derek Doucette's initial shot. The Vipers finally got on the board to end the period at 6-1.

When asked what caused the four-goal onslaught in the second period, Jamie Minchella replied that, "they (Vaughan) had a suspect defense, we have talented players on our team and talent plus hard work will equal success."

The only goal in the third period was from Vaughan.

Jamie Minchella ended up the Player of the Game with a goal and two assists, and he was also celebrating his 19th birthday that night.

All Minchella wants for his birthday though is free time.

"(I want to) go away for a week, just take some time off."

## SUNDAY

For the second time in two weeks, the Aurora Tigers have punished the Huntsville Wildcats with double-digit victories.

Sunday's game at the Aurora Community Centre saw the Tigers win 14-4 and match last week's 14 goal total against the same team.

The first period began with Lance King starting in net for Aurora and the Wildcats flying out of the gates.

They opened quickly and scored a shorthanded goal to take an early lead.

Huntsville seemed to want to avenge the 14-1 debacle they suffered at the hands of Aurora last week.

The Wildcats goalie started well and so did their defense but that wouldn't last.

Jamie Minchella tied the game for Aurora after numerous rebounds but Huntsville answered back on another shorthanded goal, to again take the lead.

Aurora clearly had the lead in time of possession but that did not add up on the scoreboard.

Huntsville managed only eight shots on goal in the first period but each shot was a very capable scoring chance.

Huntsville's goaltender bailed out their defense with phenomenal play as he dealt with 19 Aurora shots and let in only one.

Tiger centre Scott Goheen assessed Huntsville's first

period efforts.

"They came out stronger today, they wanted to prove a point, they wanted to show they're not a "14 to 1" team and they wanted to do it against the top team".

It may have been an intent, but it was not reality.

In the second period, the Tigers started with a power play goal by Matt Christie after a beautiful Jesse Olden stick fake. That tied the game at 2-2.

Minutes later, Goheen tipped in a Mark Poole point shot, but before the Tigers could enjoy their first lead of the game, the Wildcats knotted the score once more.

With the score tied, the intensity picked up on both teams. Then, Aurora broke the game wide open.

They scored three times in seven minutes; including a goal by Goheen with 18 seconds left. In that period they out shot the Wildcats 22-7, and going into the third period, Aurora had a comfortable 6-3 lead.

All year, the Tigers have seemed to blow games open in the second period, even Goheen wasn't sure why.

"I guess we just find our legs in the second and come out full of energy," he said.

Tigers owned the final frame.

Only 59 seconds into the period, they got on the board after Steve Mignardi tipped a Justin Olden shot. Aurora followed that with a power play goal by Minchella assisted by

Christie.

With 15 minutes left in the game, Huntsville had three players in the penalty box.

That allowed Aurora to score three times in the span of about a minute.

Goals were from Jesse Olden, Simon Barq and Corey Gault boosting the lead to 11-3.

Tigers added three more and Huntsville replied with one to end the lopsided 14-4 game.

Aurora finished the game with 55 shots on the Wildcats goaltender.

"We know we can dominate this team, we just came out (in the first period) flat-footed".

Flat-footed is exactly what the Aurora Tigers are not as they continue to lead their division.

# Our all-weather track that wasn't

With most school boards close to running a deficit and the province placing supervisors to eliminate deficits for three school boards, it's doubtful the all-weather track debate at the York Region Board of Education would have taken place.

It was 20 years ago when the board's finance committee approved an expenditure of \$220,000 for the all-weather track at Dr. G. W. Williams Secondary School in Aurora.

Some trustees pointed out that physical education was an important aspect of education and that as one of the largest school boards in the province, the York Region Board should have such a facility.

Other trustees balked at the expense, not only for the construction of the track but the bussing of students from all over the region to use it.

It was also noted that the board's obligation was to provide a level of service that was in line with what the board could afford.

At that time about two-thirds of the board's high schools and only one of 79 elementary schools in the region had a running track and enclosed infield suitable for track and field events. The remainder had field facilities only.

A political battle between Aurora Trustee Norm Weller and Newmarket Trustee Craig Cribar flared up over the proposed location of the track.

Trustees were divided as to whether the track should be located in Aurora or at Huron Heights Secondary School in Newmarket.

It was suggested the track go to the municipality willing to put up the most money to help the board pay for it, and

which school had the most room.

Finally, trustees voted in favour of the track but stopped short of ratifying the committee's recommendation that it be built in Aurora, pending discussions with both municipalities.

At a special meeting of Aurora Council on March 1, 1982, councillors voted to approve an expenditure of \$40,000 to help build the all-weather track.

Councillor Evelyn Buck opposed the action claiming that Aurora should not get involved in a bidding war.

On March 8, 1982, trustees voted 11-8 to locate the track in Aurora, as originally proposed, at a cost of \$180,000 for the board's share.

Planning was started to provide proper drainage and paving with construction to be completed by August of that year.

Later in March, when trustees were considering the 1982 budget, the expenditure for the track came up for discussion.

Georgina Trustee Bill Laird, who spoke against the track but voted for it, was able to bring back the item for reconsideration.

As three trustees who had voted in support of the track were absent from the meeting the re-introduced motion to build the track in Aurora was defeated on an 11-5 vote, and the project was dropped.

The issue of the track was back before the board in July, 1982, when Trustee Weller asked that staff investigate the possibility of a grant from Wintario to build the track but his suggestion was defeated 11-8 and the proposal was scrapped for good.

## Lawn bowlers return Dean as president

Popular Alan Dean was returned as president of the Aurora Lawn Bowling Club in recent elections.

Rounding out the executive committee are Bev White, vice president; Marion Badgery, treasurer, and Judy Salmon, secretary.

## Skating results

The following Aurora Skating Club members competed in "Octoberfest" competition in Barrie last weekend.

- Here are the results:
- PRE-JUVENILE LADIES B, FL.1 - Chelsea Kerr 8th
  - PRE-JUVENILE MEN B - Tavish Armstrong 4th
  - PRE-NOVICE LADIES, FL. 3 - Cassandre Van Bakel 6th
  - NOVICE LADIES, FL. 4 - Amy Thomas 8th
  - NOVICE LADIES, FL. 5 - Taylor Jenkins 5th
  - PRE-JUVENILE DANCE - Emma Hayzelden and Tavish Armstrong 1st

Committee chairs named include Elsie Jackson, tournaments; John Brown, club nights; Derek Turnbull, publicity; Anne White, social; Grace Mulholland, kitchen; and Derek Turnbull and Pat Herbert, building and grounds.

Among the priorities for the new executive will be the replacement of groundskeeper Alan Badgery, who retired after many years of volunteer

service.

The club was founded in 1900 and has provided local residents with the opportunity to participate in the sport of lawn bowling.

The club will host five district competitions and an open house weekend, all starting in May next year.

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### Bantam

TWIST MARKETING 7 (Ryan Thiffault 2G,1A Spencer Robinson 2G Agostino Bova 2G Brad Finch 2A Justin Dart 2A Sean Brennan 1A Nathan Vanderwigen 1A Nicholas Mikhaili 1G Alex Kane 1A) ASTECH 7 (Dan Abram 2G,1A Michael Parravano 1G,2A Robbie Buchner 2G Richard Comeau 1G Ryan Rozolowsky 1G Dennis Jarrett 1A Craig Cook 1A)

CHEVERIE COMMUNICATIONS 6 (Marc Quagliarini 2G,3A Lawrence Cheverie 1G,1A Kevin Moffatt 2G Jim Harrison 1G,2A) ASTECH 4 (Mike Bellamy 1G Spencer Phillips 2G,1A Dan Abram 1G,1A Richard Comeau 1A Ryan Rozalowsky 1A Craig Cook 1A)

## Select Teams

### Sponsors

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### League Games

**Minor Atom (13) vs Oshawa (0)**  
Kamran Karamchi 2G,1A Mitchell Sziraky 1G,1A Tyler Jensen 1G,4A Daylan Skelton 1G Jonathan Poulakos 2G Michael DiVincenzo 1G,1A Michael Nonnewitz 3G,2A Matthew Miller 2G,2A Daniel McConnell 1A Myles Blaser SO

### Minor Peewee (5) vs Pickering (0)

Curtis Hough 2G Adam Bloom 2G David Iwai 1G Graeme Smart 1A Greg Buchner 1A Matthew Scrimmes 1A Ryan Crockett 1A Andrew Mangialardi 1A Emilio Nafarrate 1A Ethan Shore 1A

### Minor Peewee (2) vs Vaughan (1)

Greg Buchner 1G David Iwai 1G Brandon Giniotis 1A

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### League Games

**Novice A (1) vs Barrie (1)**  
Matthew Roy 1G Jody Nonnewitz 1A

### Novice A (3) vs Newmarket (1)

Jody Nonnewitz 1G Dylan Woyslaw 1G Devin Watson 1G Eric Perrin 1A Matthew Roy 1A Marshall McGaffey 1A

### Novice AA (2) vs Uxbridge (7)

Chris Youtoff 1G Taylor Chick 1G Mitchell Harris 1A Ryan St Germain 1A

### Novice AA (0) vs Vaughan (2)

### Minor Atom A (8) vs Markham (1)

Stephen DeMarco 2G,1A Matthew Mears 2G,1A Jamie Hawkins 1G,3A Tristan Miller 1G,2A Steadman Dinning 1G,1A Brandon Pedersen 1G Spencer George 2A Patrick Jones 1A Cody Weese 1A Eleeza Cox 1A

### Minor Atom A (5) vs Georgina (1)

Josh Beaton 3G,1A Brandon Pedersen 1G,2A Stephen DeMarco 1G Tristan Miller 1A Jamie Hawkins 1A Eleeza Cox 1A

### Atom AE (1) vs East Gwillimbury (3)

Johnny Haralampopoulos 1G Matthew Pellegrini 1A Michael McGolrick 1A

### Atom A (1) vs East Gwillimbury (4)

Louis Lamanna 1G Evan Casselden 1A Derrick Hamner 1A

### Atom A (2) vs Nobleking (3)

Jeffery Sanderson 1G Dylan Cross 1G Evan Casselden 1A

### Atom AA (4) vs Peterborough (0)

Spencer Arkel 3G Andrew Whitley 1G,1A James Mildon 2A Kevin Zacharuk 2A Max Lerner 1A

### Atom AA (3) vs Pickering (5)

Max Lerner 2G Spencer Arkel 1G,1A Jesse Cappell 1A Andrew Whitley 1A

### Minor Peewee A (4) vs TNT (3)

Andrew McDonald 1G Michael Morson 1G,1A Carter Hassard 1G,1A Quenton Hunt 1G,1A Lucas Boyd 1A Darrell Evans 1A

### Minor Peewee A (2) vs Innisfil (1)

Darrell Evans 1G Brett Dutchyshen 1G Tyler Rundle 1A Ben Mulholland 1A Matthew Joynt 1A

### Minor Peewee AA (4) vs Whitby (2)

Brent Waites 2G Johnny Borsellino 1G Marcus Tocchet 1G Sean Fennell 1A Jimmy Lyons 1A Connor McQuestion 1A

### Minor Peewee AA (3) vs Markham (0)

Marcus Tocchet 1G,1A David Roper 1G Chris Stankiewicz G Johnny Borsellino 2A Jimmy Lyons 1A

### Minor Peewee AA (4) vs Newmarket (3)

Matthew Mikhaili 2G Sean Fennell 1G Johnny Borsellino 1G Tyler Hanlon 1A Connor McQuestion 1A Zach Giusti 1A

### Minor Peewee AA (4) vs Georgina (1)

Connor McQuestion 2G Matthew Mikhaili 1G David Roper 1G Tyler Hanlon 2A Brent Waites 2A

### Minor Peewee AA (6) vs Peterborough (1)

Tyler Hanlon 1G,3A Johnny Borsellino 1G,1A Brent Waites 1G Sean Fennell 1G Marcus Tocchet 1G David Roper 1G Connor McQuestion 1A Alex Denault 1A Matthew Mikhaili 1A

### Peewee A (2) vs Innisfil (6)

Jeremy Cohen 1G,1A Steven Keane 1G,1A Josh Meron 1A

### Peewee A (2) vs Orillia (4)

Ross Pizzurro 1G Ryan Finlay 1G,1A Ethan Davenport 1A Chris Finlay 1A

### Minor Bantam A (3) vs TNT (4)

Colin McCullough 1G,1A Damian McGovern 1G 1A Alex Fodey 1G Anthony Simone 2A Ryan Jones 1A Jonathan Adams 1A

### Minor Bantam A (4) vs Newmarket (4)

Colin McCullough 2G Jonathan Adams 1G Damian McGovern 1G,1A Anthony Simone 2A Robert Cote 1A Alex Fodey 1A Alex Rabindranath 1A

### Bantam AE (4) vs East Gwillimbury (1)

Sean Fody 2G Brandon Polsinello 1G,1A Jordan Williams 1G Zach Andrews 3A Mike Bentley 2A

### Bantam AE (10) vs Stouffville (3)

Scott Daley 5G,1A Mike Bentley 2G,1A Core Berube 1G,2A Zach Andrews 1G Brandon Polsinello 1G Sean Fodey 2A Matt Kerr 1A Tyler Fyfe 1A

### Bantam AE (9) vs Innisfil (1)

Mike Parkhill 1G Mike Bentley 2G,2A Sean Fodey 1G,1A Brandon Polsinello 1G Zach Andrews 1G,3A Corey Berube 1G Matt Kerr 1G Jordan Williams 1A Tyler Fyfe 1A Kyle Fitkin 1A Scott Daley 1A

### Bantam AE (4) vs Schomberg (2)

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### Bantam AA (2) vs Whitby (4)

Adam Hankins 1G Patrick Bowie 1G Sean Mulroy 1A Vincent Davenport 1A Cal Simmonds 1A

### Bantam AA (5) vs Georgina (6)

Adam Hankins 2G,1A Mike White 1G,1A Sean Mulroy 1G,1A Cal Simmonds 1G,1A Patrick Bowie 2A

### Bantam AA (2) vs Whitby (5)

Cal Simmonds 1G Adam Hankins 1G,1A Taylor Dinner 1A

### Minor Midget A (3) vs Stouffville (5)

Jamie Marton 2G Corey Hopkins-Straker 2A Jeff Thom 1A Chris Statchuk 1G Bryan Osuszek 1A Craig Murphy 1A PJ Speciale-Plouffe 1A Craig Waites 1A Reed Neagle 1A

### Minor Midget A (3) vs Richmond Hill (3)

Craig Murphy 3A Reed Neagle 1G,1A Corey Hopkins-Straker 1G Chris Statchuk 1G Ryan Kines 1A

### Minor Midget A (3) vs Bradford (1)

Corey Hopkins-Straker 2G Jamie Marton 1G,1A Bryan Osuszek 1A Ryan Murphy 1A

### Midget A (6) vs Richmond Hill (4)

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### Midget A (6) vs Barrie (4)

Sean McCartney 2G,1A Chris Amato 1G,3A Tim Tutton 1G Steve Black 1A Gary Domanico 1G,1A Sam Battaglia 1G

### Midget AA (7) vs Oshawa (1)

Stephen Heikkila 3G,1A Justin Ffrench 2G,1A Mark Smith 1G,1A Mike Keon 1G Duncan Kluwak 2A Andrew Robertson 2A Mark Scriver 2A Peter Nykyforchyn 1A Marc Oppedisano 1A Ian Gabel 2A

### Midget AA (2) vs Pickering (4)

Mark Smith 1G,1A Mike Keon 1A Jared Pignataro 1G Will Porteous 1A Peter Nykyforchyn 1A

### Midget AA (2) vs Ajax (3)

Ian Gabel 1G Jared Pignataro 1G Mark Smith 1A Mike Keon 1A

### Tournaments

#### Atom A (2) vs Collingwood (5)

Louis Lamanna 1G Dylan Cross 1G Ryan Jones 1A Aaron Beally 1A Nathan Brown 1A

#### Atom A (3) vs Essa (1)

Geoffrey Gianopoulos 1G Evan Casselden 1G Jeffrey Sanderson 1G Dylan Cross 1A Derrick Hamner 1A

#### Atom A (2) vs Parry Sound (0)

Evan Casselden 1G Derrick Hamner 1G Justin Brown 1A Louis Lamanna 1A Kyle Marren SO

#### Atom A (2) vs Bradford (5)

Louis Lamanna 2G John-Caleb Ross 1A Jeffrey Sanderson 1A

## AMHA Information

### AMHA TV Auction

The Annual AMHA TV Auction will take place on Saturday February 22, 2003 on Cable 10. Each team is asked to donate a minimum of 3 items for the Auction. The team whose items raise the most money during the Auction will receive \$100 towards the cost of a Team Party. Please drop off your items at the AMHA Office. If you are willing to work for a minimum of 2 hours during the Auction please contact the AMHA Office at 905-727-1480.

### AMHA Dinner and Dance

The AMHA is holding a Dinner and Dance at the Tuscano Banquet Centre from 6PM to 1AM on Saturday November 2, 2002. Tickets are \$45 per person for dinner, dancing and wine. Group table reservations for groups of 8 and 10 are available upon request. Tickets are now available from Janine Gabel (905-726-3580), Andrea Bentolilla (905-841-8610) or the AMHA Office (905-727-1480).

### AMHA Office Hours

The AMHA Office is located in ACC1. Office hours are:  
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### Tigerwares

Tigerwares will be on sale in the Lobby of ACC2: from 8AM to 2PM on:  
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It's a messy job but the results are usually worth it. Pumpkin carving was the talk of the town Saturday as two locations hosted events. In the top photo, John Powell, Mitchell Cole and Dave Powell admire their creations, which they later named "Bimbo The Cat" and "Gomer". They were at the Aurora Legion. Meanwhile, in the bottom photo, Conner Lerullo gets right into the centre of things to hollow out his creation, while mom Lorianne handles the more intricate details, at the Aurora Leisure Complex. Auroran photos by Matt Haggerty

Washrooms in the park?

# Budget committee will make the final decision

After a long and sometime heated debate over the construction of public washrooms in town parks, Aurora Council has referred the whole issue to the 2003 budget committee.

The park that sparked the discussion is located at the west end of Birkshire Drive overlooking the Holland River Valley and Lambert Willson Park.

Several councillors and the mayor met with residents of the neighbourhood Saturday afternoon for a first hand look at the area where the washrooms would be constructed.

The park includes a baseball diamond and soccer field, both to be floodlit for night games, and is adjacent to proposed public and separate schools.

It was originally planned to construct public washrooms and a splash pad in the park.

But, residents of the Bayview Greens Ratepayers Association appeared before a recent meeting of the Leisure Services Advisory Committee to oppose construction of the washrooms.

Spokesmen said the association would continue to fight the issue until members were guaranteed the washrooms would not be constructed.

The committee agreed to recommend to council that the washroom plan be scrapped and that portable washrooms be used instead.

Representing the association, Michael Tough asked council last week to endorse

the committee report. He also requested that association members be consulted regarding the use of the park to reflect the wishes of the neighbourhood.

In response to questions from members of council, Tough said the association had no objections to the portables, but opposed a building for safety reasons.

Councillor John West said he was disturbed that the washrooms were not to be built and said Aurora has had washrooms in the Town Park, Fleury Park and Sheppard's Bush for several years with no record of any incidents.

"If we don't build it, then we should close every washroom in the parks," he said.

Councillor George Timpson said the location was a major community park being adjacent to the Lambert Willson Park and would accommodate out of town teams, who would require washroom facilities.

He said parents had

to assume some responsibility to accompany young children to the facility and that the washrooms were only available when a permit had been issued for the use of the field.

"I can't support the report," he said. Councillor Nigel Kean said the park differed from other parks, as it was a neighbourhood park surrounded by houses and that portable facilities were adequate, even for visiting teams.

This was disputed by West who pointed out that the Town Park was entirely surrounded by residences and it has had washroom facilities dating back to the mid 1950s.

After considerable discussion, the question of washrooms was referred to the 2003 budget committee.

It was also agreed the splash pad not be approved in the 2003 budget and that item was referred back to the Leisure Services Advisory Committee for more information.

# Home Depot to remove soil

If residents in the Bayview-Wellington area and motorists driving along Bayview Avenue see activity on the property south of Zellers, Home Depot is not jumping the gun and building ahead of schedule.

Brent Clarkson, representing Home Depot, appeared before council to seek

approval of a topsoil removal permit.

He said that even though the topsoil is removed, actual construction of the building will not start until March 1 next year.

In order to start construction on that date it was hoped to grade the property before-

hand. As all conditions outlined in the staff report had been met, council approved the topsoil removal.

Only Councillor Ron Wallace, an opponent of the Home Depot project since it was first introduced, voted against the request.

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Sherrard and Sheridan Family





The things you see at a run-a-thon. Eric Jackson of Aurora, left, got in a few warm up laps before the start of the Big Sisters of York annual Thrill on the Hill Sunday. The wildly successful event drew hundreds of walkers and runners to St. Andrew's College to participate in a five and ten kilometre run and a three-kilometre trail hike. Above, runners, as far as the eye can see, start out on the 5K run. Auroran photos by Matt Haggerty



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