

From Around the Region

(by Brian Groot)

First Community School opens

Mayor Allan Pilkey and Board Chairman Ruth Lafarge cut the ribbon to open Mary Street Community School in Oshawa which has been in the works for 10 years. The Mary Street School is the first of its kind in Durham Region. Lafarge said in 1974 the city received funds to improve buildings in the area, and in 1975 parents of the children who went to the old school decided it had to be replaced.

Whitby man raises money for paralyzed girl

Greg Barton, 20, of Whitby, will hold a benefit dance to raise money for Barbara Turnbull. Turnbull, 18, of Toronto, is paralyzed after being shot in a milk store robbery. The money Barton is raising is to pay for equipment needed for Turnbull. Barton doesn't know Turnbull but he says, "I just don't worry about that. Somebody's got to do it. Somebody out here's got to start."

Seminars for farmers

Management for Profit Seminars sponsored by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food for Durham East farmers will be held November 23rd at the Rock Haven Motor Hotel, Peterborough, at 9 a.m. The seminars are planned for farmers to improve their financial management skills, the topics are: budgeting, record-keeping, analysis of the farm business and profitable marketing ideas. Tickets are available at the Bowmanville Agricultural Office.

More increases

In Durham Region's Homes for the Aged the full-paying patients who are able to walk will be paying \$31 a day as compared to the previous \$29.40 a day.

Are Brooklin plans dead?

Whitby councillors won't comment on the massive Brooklin housing plan until developers make their plans known in writing. Durham Region Chairman, Gary Herrera, said that the planned development is dead. Herrera said he has been told by agents of the firm that their company will not proceed with the Brooklin plans. The development would mean an increase from 1,600 to 10,000 in the north Whitby area over 10 years. The developers deposited a \$2 million letter of credit which can be drawn out by the region if work on the project hasn't started in 4 years.

May not be gambling and booze

The decision to allow adult community groups to hold bingo and serve alcohol in Durham Board of Education Schools may never go through said Linda Carder at a recent board meeting.

There are few community schools for the groups to use and permits are needed for gambling and liquor. All opposition, so far, has come from Oshawa, Pickering and Claremont residents.

Beer on wheels

Mike Hookway has started a new business in Oshawa, delivering beer or liquor to any part of the city for a charge of \$4.75. The same service is available in Ottawa and Toronto. Hookway expects 1,000 calls a week which he said is the break even point. Hookway guarantees delivery within 15 minutes of the call.

Coke bust

On Monday 24 Durham Regional Police and the R.C.M.P. stopped a suspicious looking car which contained half a pound of cocaine worth \$300,000. The car was at a gas station on the 401 near Newtonville. Both passengers have been charged with possession of narcotics for the purpose of trafficking.

One or the other

The Balycliffe Nursing Home in Ajax plans to lay off 32 Health Care workers and replace them with less expensive help. Local 204 of the Service Employees International Union said that the union will fight them in court. Vice-president of Balycliffe, John Newton, said either they cut costs or we don't have a nursing home.

\$3,000 down the drain

Plastic Plating Co. Ltd., Hopkins Street, Whitby, was fined \$3,000 for discharging sewage containing large amounts of chromium into the regional sewer system. The company pleaded guilty to 15 counts of permitting high levels of chromium in the sewer and was fined \$200 for each count. The company was permitted 5 mg. per litre, but levels at the sewage plant measured as high as 7.580 mg. per litre. Chromium destroys bacteria used to break down sewage.

Hospital fund in final stages

Organizers for the drive to raise money for the J.O. Ruddy Hospital in Whitby say it's almost over. A \$6,500 donation by the Whitby Kiwanis Club has increased the second floor fund to \$253,000. Less than \$100,000 is needed now says organizer Don Frise. Originally the cost was thought to be \$640,000 but organizers expect the cost to be less.

Strike in 18th week

Union workers at Federal Packaging and Partition Co. Ltd. are in their 18th week of striking. A demand for an increase of \$1 an hour each year in a two-year contract was opposed by the company. The company offered 85 cents and 75 cents per hour over two years. Some workers earn about \$6.94 an hour or \$210 a week with deductions, strike pay is only

\$55 a week. Some workers have gone back to work with replacements and must cross the picket line in a protected bus.

Airport proposals

Transport Minister Lloyd Axworthy told the House of Commons that he is still examining proposals for a Pickering Airport. In the 70's the project was shelved and corporate farmers have been cropping the lands. Interest in the Pickering Airport is showing up from time to time.

Centerbury Tales

The Whitby Theatre Company presents Canterbury Tales, a musical based on the stories by Geoffrey Chaucer. The three act play opens on November 10th and runs on the 11, 12, 17, 18, 19.

Safety Officer

Students and staff of the Durham Board of Education will soon have its first health and safety officer. The person will ensure that students

and staff will have a safe working environment. Nelson says that most of the accidents happen in the Gym. The safety officer will check lighting, shop equipment, noise in shops, fumes, dust, dirt, switches and wiring.

Receive for information

Newcastle council received for information a request for support from the U.A.W. of the Federal Task Force Report on the Canadian auto industry. The main theme of the report was to demand 60 percent Canadian content in foreign cars. Councillor Diane Hamre said council should receive the report for information, because they hadn't seen the Task Force Report.

\$83,614 deficit

At a recent general government meeting of Port Hope council it was concluded that the town would have a deficit of \$83,614 for 1983. Town Treasurer, Dave Pearson, said that figure will likely change by the end of the year.

More retubing?

Ontario Hydro is removing fuel from another 5 fuel tubes at Pickering reactor 2. This brings the number to 13 in which fuel has been extracted from the tubes. This action is being taken after a 76" crack was found in one of the tubes. The tubing with the crack has been sent to the Atomic Energy Commission for testing to determine if the rest of the tubing should be replaced by the 1990's. To retube the whole plant it would cost \$300 million.

Five area newspapers sold

The Port Hope Evening Guide, the Cobourg Daily Star, the Campbellcroft Herald, the Colborne Chronicle, and the Newcastle Reporter have all been sold by their owner-publisher Dr. James Johnston, Cobourg, to the St. Catherine's Standard Ltd. Johnston said he is happy that the Standard bought his papers since he has known the publisher and his family for a long time. The new publisher, Henry Burgoyne owns 11 Ontario newspapers.

Supports United Way

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cy is doing within our own community. I hope that during this year and in future years, you will support the United Way and the valuable services it provides.

Some of the twenty-four services funded by the United Way for the Town of Newcastle includes:

Association for Mentally Retarded

Mental Health/Durham

Multiple Sclerosis Society

St. John's Ambulance Service

Victorian Order of Nurses

Block Parent Association and eighteen additional agencies.

Keep your kids in their place.



It's always been a good idea. Now it's the law.

On Nov. 1, 1983 toddlers come under the law which requires everyone from newborns to senior citizens to be properly restrained when travelling in a car.

For children this means:

- Infants, up to 9 kilograms (20 pounds) must be properly secured in a rear-facing car seat;
- Toddlers, 9-18 kilograms (20 to 40 pounds), must be in a front-facing car seat in their parents' or guardian's car; otherwise they must be secured by a lap belt;
- Preschoolers, 18-23 kilograms (40 to 50 pounds), must be secured by a lap belt.
- Older children must use the full seat belt assembly.

Buckle them in.

Ministry of Transportation and Communications



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