

Recreation Grants

Facilities get cash

TORONTO - Ontario Minister of Tourism and Recreation Ken Black announced \$7.3 million in grants for new and expanded recreation facilities across the province.

The Community Recreation Capital program has funded 123 projects: \$2,456,189 for 35 facilities in Central region, \$2,180,705 for 25 facilities in Eastern region, \$1,258,279 for 29 facilities in Southwestern region, \$705,327 for 26 facilities in Northeastern region and \$700,000 for 8 facilities in Northwestern region.

"Residents of Ontario will now have more opportunities for their recreation activities. Safe, accessible facilities will allow all Ontarians to pursue a more enjoyable, healthy lifestyle," Mr. Black said.

This funding represents the second phase of Community Capital grants for 1990. Including \$20.4 million awarded earlier this year which funded 244 projects, the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation has provided \$27.7 million for 367 new and expanded recreation facilities this year.

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The program gives priority to projects which meet the recreation needs of special groups such as the physically disabled and older adults.

COMMUNITY RECREATION CAPITAL PROGRAM

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Each project must enhance the sports, fitness or recreational pursuits in a community, creating safe, affordable and equal opportunities for all.

Priority is given to projects that improve recreation services for disadvantaged groups based on age, gender, income, education, ethnic background and physical and mental abilities.

Projects with greater coordinated planning at the local level will also receive priority. Cooperating partners include municipal governments, non-profit organizations and the private sector.

The program is designed to encourage communities to build new facilities, upgrade arenas, swimming pools and community centres, and promote the upgrading of outdoor facilities such as ball fields and playgrounds.

The Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Recreation, through the Community Recreation Capital program, helps the public to pursue their favorite recreational pastimes in well-planned, functional, accessible facilities. This contributes to improved and healthy lifestyles in cities, towns and villages across Ontario.



Pre-competitive gymnastics team

HALTON HILLS GYMNASTIC CLUB's Pre-Competitive team came home from virtually bushels of medals and ribbons from three recent competitions. Members include, from left to right:

McKee, Ashley Tabberer, Kristin Boyle, Jennifer Robertson, Katie Rowland, Kristin McDonald, Daniela Soria and Ashley Johnson. (Herald photo)

Bicycle safety prime concern

TORONTO - Ontario Transportation Minister William Wrye recently launched his Ministry's spring bicycle safety campaign at Joe's Bicycle Shop in Windsor.

Wrye presented Ron Ouellette, the bicycle store owner, with a kit of new bicycle safety promotional material for distribution to his customers.

Bicycle retailers will be the main target group of this year's bicycle campaign and all bicycle shops across the province will receive kits containing the materials.

This year, the Ministry is emphasizing the importance of helmet use by all cyclists, both adults and children.

"Head injuries are the leading cause of bicycle fatalities," Wrye said. "U.S. studies show that 75 per cent of bicycle fatalities are related to head trauma."

A bicycle handlebar tag has been produced by the Ministry to be placed on all new bicycles. It says, "Be Head Smart, Wear A Helmet - Your head is worth it!"

The campaign is also asking bicyclists not to be "road warriors" and motorists not to be "road hogs."

The Ministry together with the Toronto City Cycling Committee, has produced posters and pamphlets aimed at both cyclists and motorists.

They urge cyclists to follow the rules of the road, because those who don't give all bicyclists a bad reputation. Likewise, motorists should respect the rights of cyclists to use the road.

The Ministry will also distribute these materials to the cycling

public through their Drivers and Vehicles Licence Issuing Offices, educational institutions, community safety organizations, police forces and cycling groups.

"It is our hope that this year's bicycle safety campaign will encourage more cyclists to wear helmets, follow the rules of the road and drive in a proper manner," said Wrye. "We also hope to increase motorists' awareness of bicyclists."

"By urging both groups to 'share the road' we can help reduce the number of accidents involving bicyclists and other motorists," Wrye concluded.

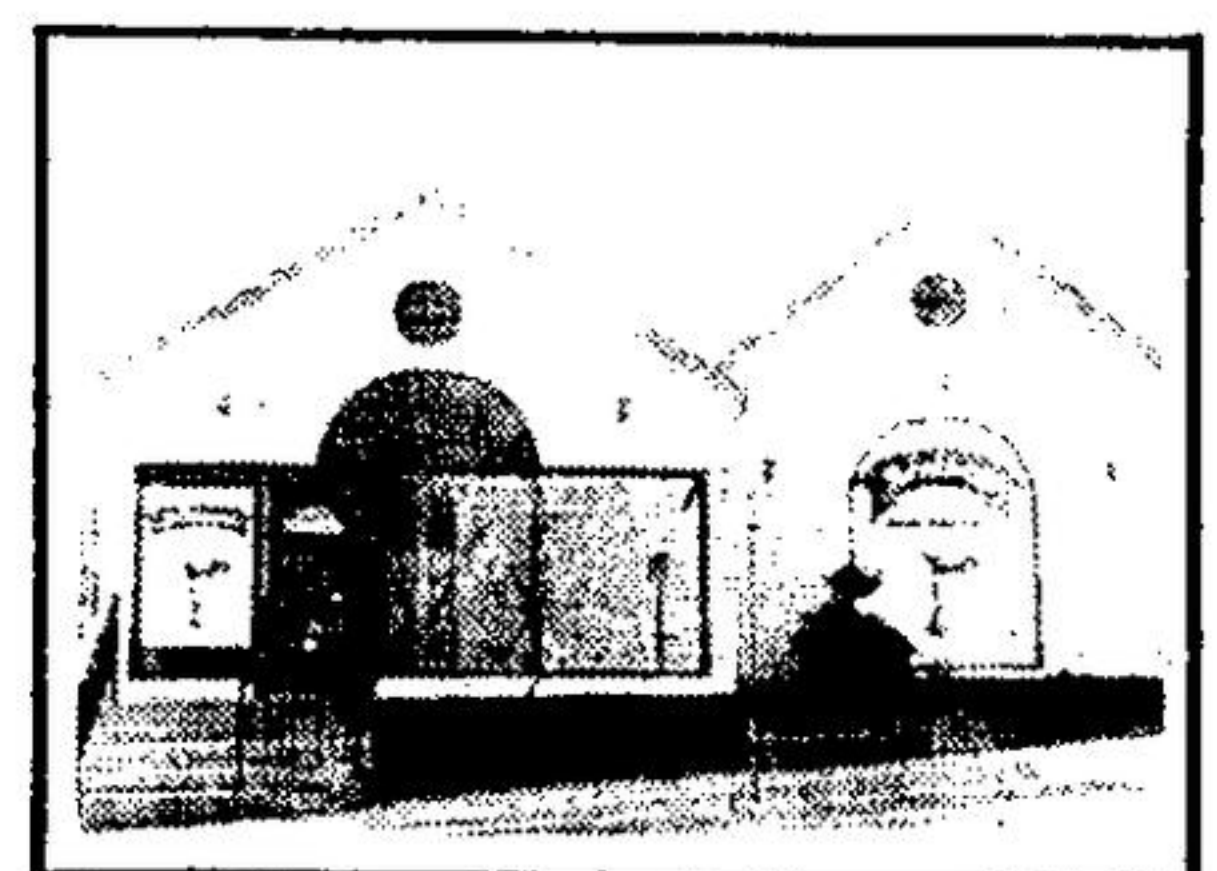
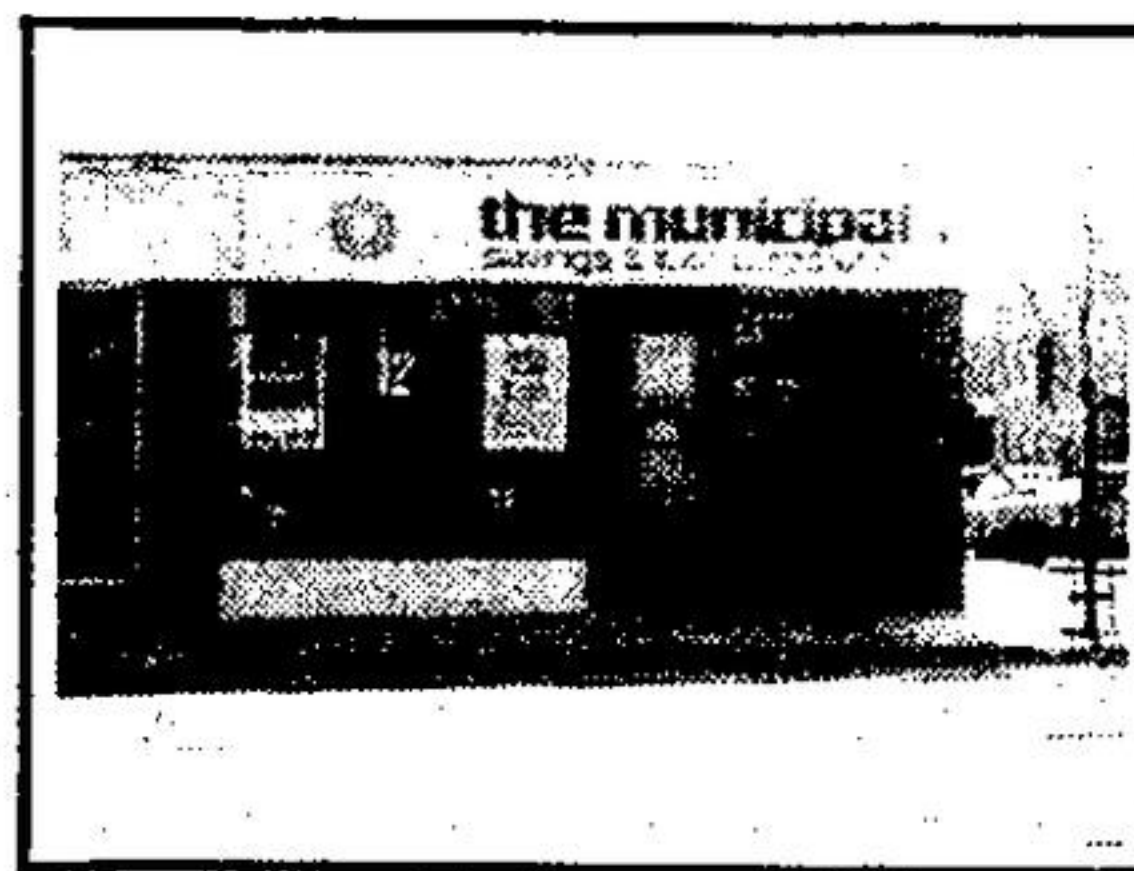
Getting Better?

Final 1989 vs. spring training 1990

Team	1989	1990	Gain
Padres	.549	.857	308
Phillies	.414	.667	253
Indians	.451	.667	216
Dodgers	.481	.667	186
Pirates	.457	.643	186
Expos	.500	.667	167
Braves	.394	.500	106
Reds	.463	.563	100
Mets	.537	.615	78
Tigers	.364	.429	65
Red Sox	.512	.529	17

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showed up here to help put out a fire, or donate to a local project?

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