

**Mayor Gordon Ratcliff**

# Local group moving to develop parkland

**STOUFFVILLE** — There is increasing pressure on the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville to maintain and develop the man-made reservoir and conservation site, north-east of the High School. Mayor Gordon Ratcliff was approached on this matter at press conference Friday.

**Question:** Has an agreement been finalized between the Town and Metro Conservation Authority re future development of the reservoir site, north-east of the High School?

**A n s w e r:** The agreement is in the hands of the Town solicitor and hasn't been finalized by Council. The Whitchurch-Stouffville Conservation Authority is interested in developing the property and making it a local wild-life sanctuary, the mayor said. He stated that Jim Doble, a representative on that

committee had spoken to Council recently about it and had introduced some excellent ideas. He suggested that the work could be done better by the local Authority than by Metro. "I feel it should be a place for people to go for a walk and enjoy nature," he said. The mayor said he was opposed to swimming at the site but felt two or three picnic tables in the area would prove a benefit.

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**Question:** Does Council favor concrete construction for the exterior of the new Stouffville Post Office?

**Answer:** Council has agreed to permit a concrete exterior rather than brick, the mayor said. A change at this time would set back the building's completion date several weeks since brick is in short supply. The mayor said cement block was now being used in many buildings of this type and should blend in with any future construction in that area.

*A tough stand*

## Council demands strong guarantee

**STOUFFVILLE** — Whitchurch-Stouffville Council is demanding absolute guarantees from the Region of York and Dept. of the Environment that the town's municipal water supply will not be endangered by the present land-fill operation, only one mile from its artesian wells.

Failure to comply will force a meeting with the Premier's members agreed.

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The resolution also demands the Ministry do one of three things: (1) Close the dump; (2) Guarantee an alternate water supply; (3). Provide written assurance that the present supply will not be affected.

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## Smiling face warms customers' hearts

**STOUFFVILLE** — If you're a regular patron at the new Regal Restaurant on Main Street, Stouffville, you've probably wanted to associate a name with the smiling face of a pretty part-time waitress there.

Wonder no longer. She's 15-year-old Melodie Ramer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Ramer, Hawthorne Avenue, and The Tribune's 'Teen Pick of the Week'.

Melodie has always lived in Stouffville, attending Summitview Public School, and now S.D.S.S. She's a student in Grade 10.

Her interests and activities are endless; in fact, one need only to name it and she's done it. Melodie enjoys cooking, sewing, skating, skiing, cycling, tennis, swimming, track and field—the list goes on and on.

This summer, she hopes to become proficient at water skiing and next winter, she plans to try out for the girl's hockey team.

Melodie enjoys her work as a waitress as much as the customers enjoy seeing her there. Many of the kids who come there are friends she knows at school.

Melodie is as proficient around her own home as in the restaurant. Her mother admits that should she be late in preparing the evening meal, it's not unusual to find everything ready and waiting, thanks to her daughter's culinary skills. She also makes many of her own clothes.

While Melodie appears to thrive on work,

she'll enjoy a little relief this summer when the family takes to the 'north country' for a 'trailer holiday' at Lake Koshog near Minden. They plan to erect a permanent cottage on the site.

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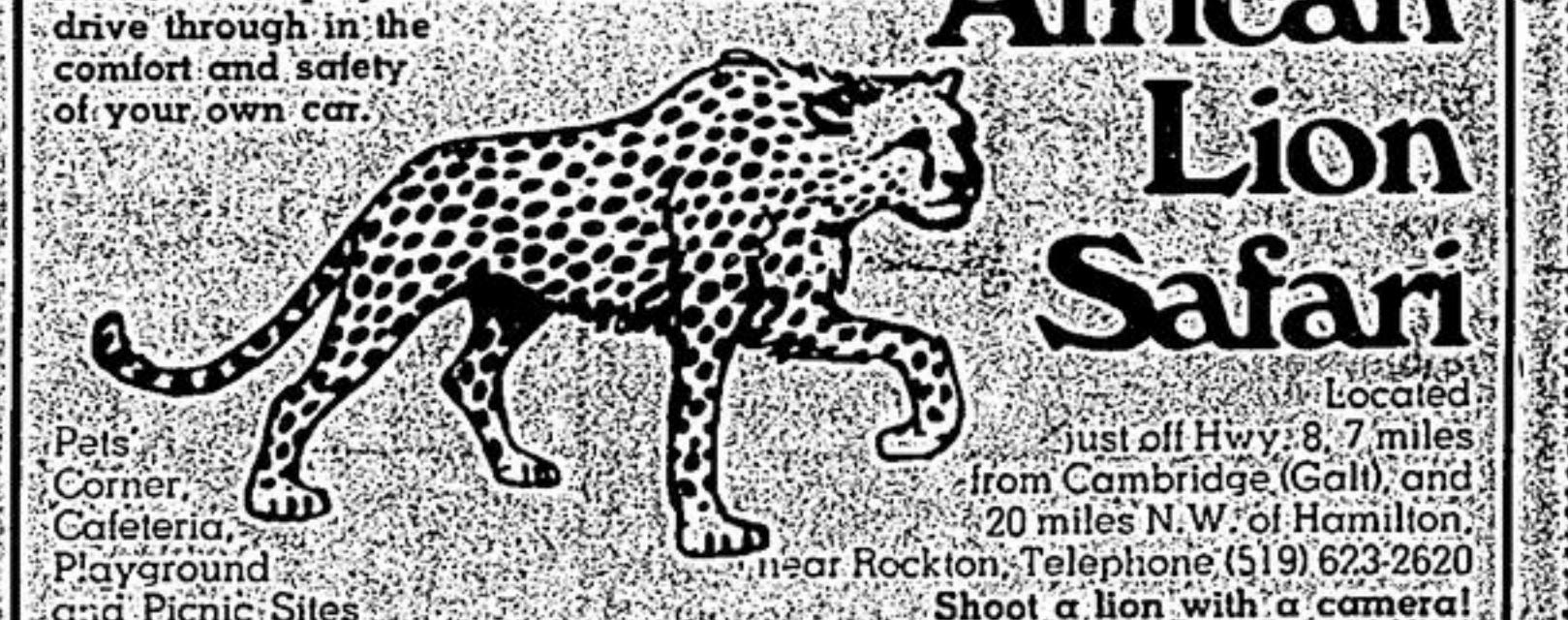
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