

# Fun for young and old

STOUFFVILLE — Plans are completed and only the weather must co-operate to make the Second Annual Mardi Gras a success.

The festivities begin at 2 p.m. in the Town Park with activities designed for both young and old. There will be sleigh and cutter rides for the children, with Gord Lewis, bringing along his work team to pull the sleigh.

Senior Citizens will be treated to free snowmobile rides in the park. Stouffville's volunteer firefighters will set up a teepee and build a bonfire to cook hot dogs. They will be given away to the first 300 children who come to the park.

In the evening a teen dance is planned for

Latham Hall from 8.30 - 11.30 p.m. As that goes on, the adults will be in the arena. At 8 p.m. there is a demonstration by members of the Stouffville Figure Skating Club. At 8.30, the adult skating party begins.

During intermission of the party, the Stouffville Lions Club will square off against the Kinsmen for a grudge broomball game. Costumes are optional for the skating party but prizes are offered for best costumes.

The Lions Club Bus will pick up senior citizens at three locations in town. The bus will pick up people at Parkview Home, Elm Rd. senior citizens apartments and Testa Villa around 1.30 p.m.

# The Tribune

## Ottawa trip postponed, cabinet refuses meeting

STOUFFVILLE — A planned motorcade to Ottawa to meet the Federal cabinet may be postponed, after Whitchurch-Stouffville Council learned this week that the cabinet will not meet with members of the public to discuss the proposed Pickering Airport.

At a special council meeting, called after 300 demonstrators paraded to the town square Monday afternoon, it was decided to go to Ottawa and meet with Urban Affairs Minister Barney Danson, to urge the cabinet not to approve the Pickering Airport.

The march, the first of its kind in Stouffville in recent memory, was made up of men, women and children, all opposing the airport. The opposition was aroused by a recommendation in the Inquiry Commission report that the government buy up properties in Stouffville and Clarendon.

The marchers carried placards and signs and a group of hockey players were shown carrying a coffin, symbolic of the death of Stouffville if the airport is built.

Organizer Gord Ness made an impassioned plea that the

council go to Ottawa to try and convince the government to stop the airport.

Mayor Gordon Ratcliff told the crowd that members of the council would go to Ottawa and urged local residents to go also.

"Let's have 300 cars go to Ottawa, and let's stop the airport," he said.

Council, a short time later approved a motion to request Mr. Danson to set up a meeting with Transport Minister, Jean Marchand and if possible the Prime Minister Trudeau himself.

Tuesday, Mayor Ratcliff told The Tribune that he had talked to one of Mr. Danson's assistants and, "with the inquiry report in the hands of the cabinet, they will not discuss it publicly."

A cabinet decision on the airport is expected later next week.

Meanwhile members of the local group opposed to the airport are urging people to send letters of protest to members of the cabinet and Ontario Premier William Davis. MPP Don Deacon, MPP Bill Newman and MPP William Hodgson.

### Fined \$250 or 60 days

## Hit three cars, youth can't drive for year

MARKHAM — A Stouffville youth was fined \$250 or 60 days in jail and has been prohibited from driving in Canada for a year, after he appeared in Richmond Hill court last week on a charge of impaired driving.

John Patrick Lindsay, 17, Main St., Stouffville, was apprehended by a citizen on Saturday, Sept. 28, 1974.

He was observed on Abercorn Rd. as he veered off the road and struck a parked car on that street, then drove on and struck another car on the street. He continued on to Highway 7 and collided with another vehicle southbound on Laidlaw.

He was apprehended a short time later by Robert Keenan of Abercorn Rd. who held him until York Regional Police arrived.

A breathalyzer test showed

a reading of 240 milligrams of alcohol in 100 ml of blood. The vehicle Lindsay was driving was registered to his mother and that car received extensive damage.

## Trustee to meet with parents

STOUFFVILLE — Colin Barrett, Stouffville's new representative on the York County Board of Education, is determined to listen to the concerns of people in this area.

As a step in this process, Mr. Barrett has called a meeting for Feb. 21, to be held in the auditorium of Orchard Park Public School. Parents of children attending the school, and parents of those at Summitview, are invited to attend.

The topics to be discussed will be the future of Summerview, and the whole question of putting Grade 8 students into a high school. Mr. Barrett is seeking the opinions of those directly concerned, so that he may report to the Board.

The meeting gets underway at 7:30.

## Council cautious on whole complex

STOUFFVILLE — Council is in agreement that a swimming pool could be built at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School, but is not prepared to back any other phase of the community complex proposal at this time, Mayor Gordon Ratcliff told The Tribune.

School board member Colin Barrett, however, finds the council's proposed location for a swimming pool interferes with the projected 1978 expansion of the school. "The board will donate any part of the land at all for the use of the swimming pool, as long as it doesn't interfere with expansion later on," he told The Tribune.

Council's position on the complex, according to the mayor, is that "the swimming pool could be considered as a first phase. We have not agreed to go any further at this time."

Councillor Eldred King said that council "hasn't said it was unfavorable" to the complex,

but sees it as "something that can be accomplished in the future."

Two factors that first must be settled, Mr. King said, is the possible purchase of the Stouffville arena by the town and the status of the land on the west side of Edward Street to be used in the proposed complex.

Mr. Barrett's contention however was that the 3.5 acres needed in the complex proposal would have to be "wrestled with" by the municipality and acquired by either purchase or by swapping. The 1978 school addition, he said, does not require any additional lands.

The mayor's feeling on the three million dollar figure suggested in the study for the cost of the complex "cannot be accepted on our present tax base."

The mayor also said he believed "the library should be put into a shopping area and not at the school."



Women with baby buggies and toddlers surged down Main St. Monday to the municipal building to protest the Pickering Airport. The mayor and council met the 300 demonstrators outside and promised to take the town's case to Ottawa. —John Montgomery.

### Alternative dump or not

## Expansion at stake

STOUFFVILLE — Whether Stouffville finds an alternate municipal dump or not will have no bearing on the Environmental Hearing Board's recommendations regarding the future of the York Sanitation dump No. 4.

"We completely divorce that problem from the hearing," commented Board Chairman David Calverly. "We are dealing with the expansion application."

He said that in his opinion the town would not get a site by March 31 when the town's disposal contract with York Sanitation expires, but added, "I don't want to get involved with that. We would get into an interminable mess."

Mr. Calverly told the assembled lawyers he wants to get the hearings completed in one more week of sittings so the board can get their report out

"by the first of April, because that is when the by-law (passed by the town and prohibiting dumping at the landfill site) comes into effect."

The recommendation will be based on the technical evidence as well as public acceptability of the dump, according to Mr. Calverly.

The board will prepare a report on the site and submit it with recommendations to the Director of the Ministry of the Environment who will make the final decision. The report will not be made public until it is released by the ministry.

## New councillor opposes subdivision

BALLANTRAE — Council's only new member, Becky Wedley, has asserted her independence.

Mrs. Wedley gave notice of her strong opposition to the proposed second phase of the Felray subdivision and asked to be put on record as being against the project.

Planning Board last week passed a by-law rezoning the Felray site for residential use, with Mrs. Wedley casting the only opposing vote.

And as yet unsigned subdivision agreement between the town and Felray is now being negotiated for the 60 home subdivision.

Mrs. Wedley based her objection on the Official Plan's requirement that a secondary plan be drawn up if a hamlet is going to expand to over 500 people.

Councillor Cathy Joice pointed out the Ministry of Housing has stated the development can be considered as part of the hamlet.

"The issue is we've reached

500 already," Mrs. Wedley commented, following the meeting.

She accused council of ignoring both the Official Plan and the Area Services Branch Study of the Ballantrae Area. The study, released last year, calls for a Secondary Plan before expansion over 500 is allowed in the hamlet and, according to Mrs. Wedley, calls for infilling before any new development is allowed.

"They (council) are letting the subdividers plan for us rather than the people we pay to do it," she said. "They are ignoring all the things in the studies." They've commissioned, she told The Tribune.

## Youth jailed after officer assaulted

STOUFFVILLE — An 18 year old Stouffville youth was sentenced to seven days in jail, after he pleaded guilty to common assault in Newmarket provincial court last week.

## Dance money, liquor taken

STOUFFVILLE — Proceeds from a dance and seven bottles of liquor were taken from Stouffville Legion early Saturday morning.

Police believe the thieves might have stayed behind after a dance concluded at 2 a.m., then broke into the office and made off with \$377 in cash and seven, 40 oz. bottles of liquor.

There was no evidence of a break-in and the theft was discovered at 10 a.m. Saturday morning. Police are investigating.

Maris Robert Paulens, R. R. 4, Stouffville, pleaded guilty after the crown reduced the charge from assaulting a police officer. He also pleaded guilty to a charge of impaired driving and was fined \$120 or 12 days.

Constable Alex Ryrie told the court that Paulens kicked him as he was attempting to get the youth into a police cruiser, following the arrest June 23, 1974.

The officer said that he was off work for several days following the incident and had to wear a surgical collar for several weeks.

"He let me know there was no way I was going to take him in," constable Ryrie told the court.

Judge Clare Morrison in handing down the jail sentence said that, "on the evidence before me, he would have been convicted of assaulting police."

## Free rabies clinic to protect household pets

By DON BERNARD  
STOUFFVILLE — A free rabies clinic will be held today (Feb. 13) in Stouffville, as part of a series throughout York Region, due to a large number of confirmed cases of the disease in the area.

Dr. C. H. Hyatt, district veterinarian of York Region, told The Tribune that the Department of Agriculture holds the clinics when rabies

outbreaks become serious in an area.

He said foxes and skunks are the most frequent carriers of the disease and household pets that come in contact with a rabid animal could give it to humans.

"The clinics are established to get pets inoculated, which is the first line of defense," Dr. Hyatt said.

Two local incidents

demonstrate the problem.

The whole family of Maurice MacFarlane of R. R. 4, Stouffville, received a series of rabies shots when their family cat went berserk and bit the youngest daughter and scratched other members of the family. Mr. MacFarlane, his wife Anne, son Stephen, and daughters Diane and Lorraine all have received the shots.

Not far from the Mac-

Farlane's, at the 5th Conc. and Bloomington Rd., Bruce Addison had a similar experience. One of his daughters went to pet their cat and it went wild and scratched members of the family. Mr. Addison and his daughters Lisa, 11 and Lori, 13 also received the shots.

An incident in Clarendon saw the death of one of four cows owned by Bill Evans. They were pastured east of Clarendon,

when one took sick and died. He and his sons Blair and Glen also had the series of shots.

Local Vet, Terry O'Connor said that the disease was reaching its peak this time of year.

The clinic in Stouffville is at the Works Department garage, behind the swimming pool from 3-7:30 p.m. today. There is another free clinic in Markham, Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Fairgrounds.



The villainous Oscar the Organ Grinder is turned back into a wooden doll during a performance of a dance troupe at Orchard Park Public School, Friday. For more pictures see Page 9.

## Dog dies but barks for fire

BETHESDA — A pet dog lost his life Sunday, but his barks saved someone's life, when fire gutted the basement section of a house on Bethesda Rd., between the 5th and the 6th conc.

The dog's bark aroused Judy Jones who was sleeping in the house and she fled to call the Stouffville Fire Department. The fire started early Sunday morning. The other occupant, Larry Van Dyke, also fled when he woke up.

The dog however was found by firefighters in a closet overcome by smoke. The house and garage, which served as snowmobile dealership is owned by Harold Van Dyke. Mr. and Mrs. Van Dyke were away in Arizona at the time of the fire.

Stouffville Fire Chief Walt Smith estimated damage at \$15,000 to the basement and \$15,000 to the garage. The basement was fixed up and contained a large number of trophies.