



Brad Wideman, 12 and Richard Harper, 12 complete the final few yards of last week's Claremont walk-a-thon in a dead run. The event was sponsored by the Claremont Lions and the late September date is being blamed for the poorest turnout to date. Only 21 walkers entered with total pledges amounting to \$1,200. Keith Bolender

Efforts to keep town's CN station continue

STOUFFVILLE — Efforts to save Stouffville's CN station have continued with a meeting held yesterday, Wednesday, at the town municipal offices.

The meeting was held after The Tribune's press deadline for this week so a complete report will appear in the next issue.

The movement to save the station is being spearheaded by Denis Sainsbury and Ivan Harris who arranged the meeting for last night.

A meeting was held Monday, Sept. 12 at Mr. Harris' main street home but although a good number of active local people were invited to attend the turnout was very poor.

The station, which is over 100 years old, was slated for demolition after the end of October but the Metropolitan Toronto Conservation Authority, which has given tentative approval to locate the station on authority property north of town, has requested a stay of execution.

Messrs. Harris and Sainsbury were to have gone on a tour of the prospective site Wednesday morning with an authority official, to determine a suitable location.

There are two options as the authority owns the land surrounding the flood control dam and a smaller piece of property east of the railway tracks and opposite the high

school. The small portion of land is located south of the laneway that runs off the north end of Church St.

The group interested in saving the station are hoping to see it transferred to the location nearer the former village. It was felt the building would then be more accessible and easier and cheaper to service.

For yesterday's meeting a large number of local people were invited and organizers were optimistic the response would be better.

The meeting was to be organizational in nature and a charter company was to have been formed. Once a legal organization exists it can then raise money, apply for grants

and make plans for the relocation of the structure.

"I feel we've got to save the thing," commented Mr. Harris. "With the station we are all connected."

The problem has been that nobody with real leadership ability has been willing to get involved. "I don't know which way to turn," admitted Mr. Harris.

"Eventually you can get all the money you desire," he feels, but the project is currently having some problems getting off the ground.

Tentative plans call for the building to be used as a natural history museum which would operate in conjunction with the conservation area.

Some dogs destroyed

Case to Supreme Court

STOUFFVILLE — Ethel Blaedow's lawyer will take her case to the Supreme Court Monday, although it appears the Ontario Humane Society has already sold or destroyed a number of the 31 dogs they seized from her.

The Toronto Star published a story Tuesday saying 28 of the animals had already been disposed of. The information came from Don Kimura, counsel for Miss Blaedow, who said a highly placed official of the Ontario Supreme Court had spoken to Chief Inspector Don Hepworth about the matter.

The Tribune contacted Mr. Hepworth Wednesday morning. He said the Star story "was inaccurate", adding, "The Star may be in court," as might any other paper that ran the information.

Mr. Hepworth acknowledged that some of the dogs have been destroyed and that others have been put out for adoption, but refused to give any figures, saying it would come out in court.

Inspector Richard Parry, who led the seizure and is in charge of the case, denied knowing the exact figures of dogs adopted or destroyed. He said the dogs had been sent to three different shelters, making it difficult to keep track of them.

Three people hurt by freak cycle mishap

A motorcyclist, his passenger and a roadside pedestrian were all seriously injured about 5 p.m. Friday afternoon when a motorcycle, eastbound on 14th Avenue in Markham was forced to veer and went out of control.

York Regional Police, 28 Division, said Donald Rodych, 25, of Kennedy Road, Milliken was eastbound on 14th Avenue about two-tenths of a mile west of the 7th concession when a car, driven by Robert MacDougall, 77, of 125 Parkway Forest Drive, Don Mills, allegedly pulled out into the road in his path.

The motorcycle swerved, went out of control, and hurled the passenger, Douglas Paterson, 16, of Lot 16, Conc. 7, Uxbridge, against pedestrian Donna Artymko, 19, of 14th Avenue.

Rodych, Paterson and Miss Artymko were all taken to Scarborough Centenary with major injuries. Robert MacDougall has been charged with failing to yield from a driveway.

Suspects get escort

Two teenagers who disappeared from Knob Hill Farms, Ltd. at Highway 7 and Woodbine Avenue Sept. 7, at the same time as \$1,290 from a cash register were arrested by Metro Police and escorted back to York Region September 19.

One of the suspects was employed as a cashier at the store. The pair met at lunchtime September 7 and disappeared, allegedly, with the cash from the cash drawer.

Ronald Hoinkes, 18, 63 Pittfield Drive, Scarborough and Loretta Markovitch, 16, of 1860 Queen St., E., Toronto, were ordered to appear at Newmarket Court September 27.

Aug. 9 the Humane Society raided a barn rented by Miss Blaedow on the 9th conc., directly south of the Stouffville Cemetery, and seized 31 dogs they found there. Society officials have laid criminal charges against Miss Blaedow for neglect and a court date has been set for Oct. 3, although the plaintiff has not been served with a summons.

Miss Blaedow, through her lawyer, local attorney Don Kimura, applied to the Animal Care Review Board to appeal the seizure of the animals.

The review board, which is part of the Ministry of Agriculture, ruled last Thursday the appeal was beyond their jurisdiction as the request for an appeal had been filed too late.

An appeal must be requested within five days of the seizure or order of seizure and Miss Blaedow's telegram was judged to be one day late.

Mr. Kimura argued to the board that the legislation is ambiguous and suggested since property had been seized the ambiguity should be decided in favour of his client.

The appeal was ruled one day late as it had been sent Sept. 16. Sunday was not counted as a day although Saturday was. Miss Blaedow received the order of seizure the day of the raid, Sept. 9.

There was also some discussion revolving around a modified order that was dated Sept. 12. Mr. Kimura said his client should have the right to answer the amended version.

Mr. Hepworth, who represented the Ontario Humane Society before the board, said the modified notice was necessary because two dogs escaped, one at point of capture and one at the society's shelter at Aurora. One of the dogs was reported re-captured.

Mr. Hepworth would not agree to the appeal, saying Miss Blaedow was "out of time."

He also complained about Sunday not being counted as a day. "Dogs don't recognize Sundays," he maintained.

Commenting on the disposal of some of the animals, Wednesday morning, Mr. Hepworth said the society had acted lawfully.

A supreme court injunction, (see Dog lady page 16)

Still another development proposal at Ringwood

STOUFFVILLE — At various times in the last year or two different plans have been brought forward for developing the south east corner in Ringwood.

At first developers proposed building a high class restaurant and tavern on the five acre site, but a few weeks later they changed their minds and suggested a fast food place would be more likely to show a profit.

A plaque commemorating the founding of Stouffville will be unveiled on Thursday, October 6 at 7 p.m. at the new library.

The event is sponsored by the Centennial Committee and Mayor Gord Ratcliff, Regional Chairman Garfield Wright, M.P.P. Bill Hodgson and M.P. Sinclair Stevens are expected to attend.

Planning board vetoed that proposal. Next a motel and go-cart complex was brought forward, but this also was voted down by planning board.

The latest idea for utilizing the land is to build a series of automotive service type shops.

Joseph Barna appeared before planning board last week to explain that the site would be an ideal one to cater to the motoring public. He suggested diverting the creek, which

bisects the land and building commercial space on one third of the available acreage.

Establishments might include an auto glass shop, parts shop, service centre, motor boat sales and perhaps a restaurant and steak house.

Council was something less than enthusiastic over this latest scheme.

"I'm very disappointed, I understand you've done away with our motel," exclaimed Mayor Gord Ratcliff.

Mr. Barna explained that a motel would prove impractical on the site. "It would be financial suicide to put a motel there," he said.

However, planning board did not arrive at a definite decision because the proposal was too vague.

"It's sort of acquiring a pig in a poke," commented planning board chairman Eldred King. He also felt that another gas station on that particular intersection was superfluous.

Mr. Greenspan has appeared before the board in the past charging that the Dulverton subdivision, which is taking up most of the sewage capacity allocated for new development, should not have been approved.

The matter is presently before the OMB since Alliance Developments alleged that there was a conflict of interest when the town's previous planner approved the Dulverton subdivision. The planner, Max Sherman, who has since resigned, worked for Alliance Building Corp. Ltd., a company which had a part interest in Dulverton Holdings.

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Town plaque in library

The plaque reads: In 1805-06 Abraham Stouffer (1780-1851), a Pennsylvania Mennonite, acquired 400 acres of land in this area. By 1824 he had built a saw and grist-mill on Duffin's Creek, near which a hamlet developed, and in 1832 a post-office named Stouffville was established. The community grew steadily and in 1852 a village plot was laid out. By 1864 Stouffville, with a

population of about 700 inhabitants, contained several prosperous industries, including carriage-works, harness-works, and the mills of Edward Wheeler, a prominent merchant. The construction of the Toronto and Nipissing Railway, completed in 1871, and growing agricultural prosperity stimulated the community's growth as an important milling and commercial centre. Stouffville was incorporated as a Village by a County by-law of 1876.

Erected by the Ontario Heritage Foundation, Ministry of Culture and Recreation.

Other upcoming centennial activities include a gospel sing on October 22, bridal fashions on October 24, skating club bursary dance on November 19 and the centennial Christmas dinner on December 4.

The ministry also released the following historical background on the town:

"The Stouffville area (lot 1, concession 9, Whitchurch and lot 35, concession 9, Markham) was first settled in 1803, when Russell Hoag, a spirited New York Quaker recommended by the colonizer, Timothy Rogers, located on lot 1. Hoag leased adjoining lot 2, a clergy reserve, and probably sublet it in late 1804 to Abraham Stouffer. A Mennonite farmer from near Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, Stouffer (1780-1851) came to York County with some 55 other Pennsylvania Mennonite families. He took the oath of allegiance on 28 December 1804 at York. Stouffer affirmed Hoag's settlement certificate for lot 1 on 13 February 1805, by which time Hoag had cleared a

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Sexy Terry Salb (a boy) was far and away the biggest hit at the SDSS' initiation. For more pictures, see page 13.

Alliance continues development push

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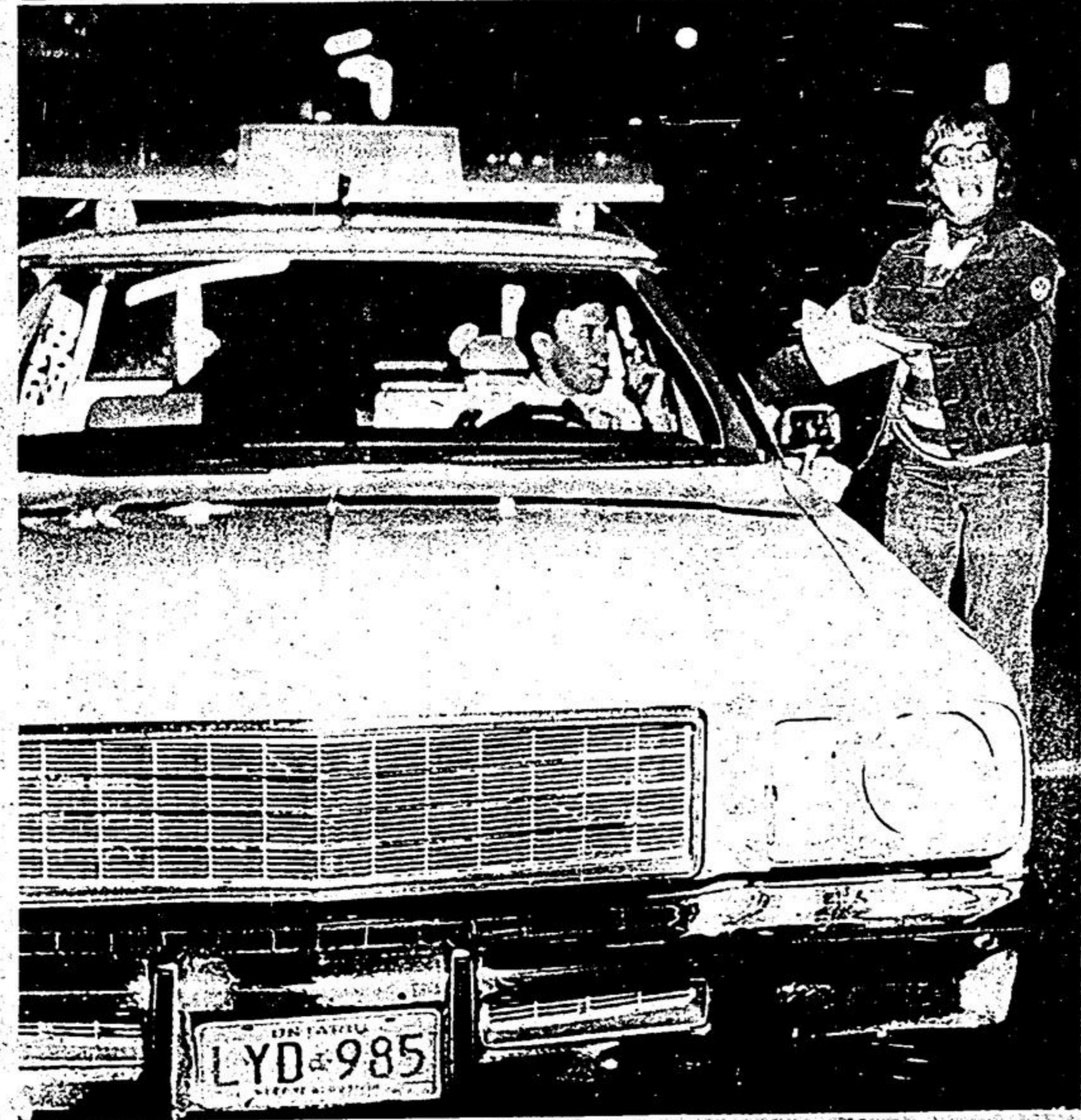
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Safecrackers unsuccessful

An attempt to rob the safe at the Co-op General Store, Edward St., Stouffville, last weekend failed, according to a York Regional Police report. The store was entered sometime between 5 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. Sunday, and an unsuccessful attempt was made to open the safe. Authorities are investigating to discover whether anything else was missing.

Area fair underway

Today marks the start of a new era for the Markham Fair, as they unveil their new location to the awaiting public. The Fair, on 18th Ave. and the 7th concession, offers both a wide range of new activities and sights along with many of the old exhibits the fair is known for. The activities got underway this morning and will continue till late Sunday afternoon. The fairgrounds features a new racetrack, general exhibit and livestock buildings and three smaller buildings for poultry, commercial and women's exhibits. The grounds also sport much more parking facilities, more outdoor concessions and 30 per cent more exhibiting room. Quarter horse racing will be featured for the first time this year, running on Thursday and Saturday nights. For a complete list of fair activities see last week's Tribune.



Jane Hachey of the United Church Couples Club discovered Friday night that when you want a policeman's signature you can't get it although conversely most of us do get a policeman's signature, usually on a summons, when we don't want it. Mrs. Hachey flagged the officer down as he drove along Main St. in order to fulfill a stipulation of the club's second annual scavenger hunt. When the picture was taken Mrs. Hachey was berating the photographer as the officer refused to give the signature on the grounds he

didn't like having his picture taken. As well as the signature the teams in the hunt were required to accumulate such items as a live worm, a flower from Jim Sanders' front garden, count the number of bleachers in the park and last but not least return with a lock of Dr. Bill Murphy's hair (a reasonably scarce commodity.). After the hunt the club members adjourned for hot dogs and corn on the cob.

John Montgomery