Dear Sir: I recently read in The Tribune, the story of Henry and Lola Walsh of Ballantrae. I feel the true facts aren't being faced.

I know from experience that a German Shepherd makes a wonderful guard dog. I have one.

Previous to obtaining him, my house was entered on several occasions while I was out shopping or away for the weekend. I lost a great amount of valuable furniture and other articles that cannot be replaced.

Since I acquired the dog, no burglar has dared enter my home.

If a dog is well trained, it will not attack small children. However, it will often bark fiercely enough to frighten them, especially if the children have not been trained to handle them. My neighbor's children put their hands down so the dog can smell them. Once they recognize the scent, they understand they are friendly and will not

however, that a couple needs to have four dogs. One or at the most, two, should be sufficient. But I do agree with Mr. Walsh that if another dog comes onto his property, it is only natural for the owner's animal to attack

Perhaps the Humane Society should be asked to investigate the situation rather than taking the problem to legal authorities. Their attitude is not, as most people believe, totally on the side of the animals, but I'm sure they could assess the situation and come to some agreement regarding the situation.

I write this letter for two reasons. First, because I am experienced with dogs and second, because I feel elderly people living alone need an animal for protection.

My sympathies rest with Mr. and Mrs. Walsh. I hope the people who want the dogs destroyed will change their minds when they realize and understand the needs of others.

Margaret Robinson. RR 3, Mt. Albert.

#### Two dogs enough

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I agree with you 100 per cent - four dogs per household are two too many. Two dogs is the most any family needs and sometimes they can also be a nuisance.

The sooner legislation is passed to this effect, the better for everyone. Regardless of what people may say, two dogs are easier controlled than four. This is one of the worst problems we have today. Ask any sheep farmer.

Stan Phillips, RR 2 Stouffville.



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### -Calendar of Events-

Each week, The Tribune publishes a list of events scheduled for the days ahead. Organizations wishing to utilize this service should call 640-2100 not later than 5 p.m., Friday.

STOUFFVILLE - The Stouffville and 294-2294 or 294-0904. District Snowmobile Club is holding a Valentine's Dance, Fri., Feb. 16 at 8:30 p.m., in the Ballantrae Community Centre. The event will include a buffet and door prizes. For tickets, call Debbie Maye (640-5880) or Stu Turner (640-6318).

CLAREMONT - Claremont residents can take advantage of a new mail-in registration system re Town of Pickering recreation programs. For details, call 683-2760. The deadline to register is Feb. 5. Activities do not include swimming.

UXBRIDGE - The Ward 2 Ratepayers Association of Zephyr and district are hosting an exhibition hockey game in the Uxbridge Community Centre, Sat., March 24, featuring the Uxbridge "Black Hawks" against the CK-VR "no-Stars" of Barrie. The event begins at 7 p.m., with a dance to follow. For tickets and information call Cliff Stewart at 473-2872 or 473-2714.

STOUFFVILLE - The Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library is presenting the film "You're In Love Charlie Brown", Wed., Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. Admission is free.

CLAREMONT - Registrations for the Pickering Swim Program will be accepted on Tues., Feb. 13 from 6 to 7 p.m., in the Claremont Community Centre.

STOUFFVILLE - The Stouffville and District Snowmobile Club will meet on Thursday (to-night), Feb. 1 at 7:30 p.m., in the Silver Jubilee Hall, Main and Market Streets.

STOUFFVILLE - Young people of the community are invited to an "After Exams Bowling Night (Grade 7 and up), at the Stouffville Bowling Centre, Sat., Feb. 3 at 7:30 p.m. Later, a film and refreshments will be shared at St. James Presbyterian Church, Main Street.

STOUFFVILLE — The Stouffville Lions Club will host its annual mid-winter Mardi-Gras in the park on Sat., Feb. 10.

MARKHAM — The Markham O.E.S. is holding a dessert luncheon and card party, Sat., Feb. 17 in the Masonic Hall, Joseph and Albert Streets. Admission is \$1.50. For tickets call 294-2294 or 294-2544.

BALLANTRAE - Kindergarten registration for fall enrollment will be held at Ballantrae School, Tues., Feb. 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Children, five years old by Dec. 31, 1979 are eligible. Parents are asked to take note of this date.

STOUFFVILLE - The children of St. James Presbyterian Church and their parents, are invited to a Winter Picnic, Sat., Feb. 3 at the Wassenaar farm in Uxbridge Twp., beginning at 2 p.m. Transportation will be available from the church at 1:30 p.m.

STOUFFVILLE — A beef supper will be held on Sunday, Feb. 11 in the Stouffville United Church with sittings at 5 and 6:15 p.m. Tickets (\$4 and \$2) are available at Card's Hardware and Chas. Richards and Sons.

STOUFFVILLE - A. Sock Hop for students of Grades 6, 7, 8 and 9, will be held Fri., Feb. 2 at 7 p.m., in the gymnasium at Summitview Public School. Admission is

\$1.50. CEDAR GROVE - Cedarena at Cedar Grove is open for skating during the winter season. For information on hours call 294-6479.

YORK REGION - The York Region Chapter for Children with Learning Disabilities is holding a meeting, Tues., Feb. 6 at 8 p.m., in the Resource Centre of Crosby Heights Public School, 305 Crosby Avenue, Richmond Hill. For additional information call 294-5917 or 884-3056.

STOUFFVILLE - The Kinsmen Club of Stouffville is holding a Variety Gong Show, Sat., Feb. 24 at 8 p.m., in the High School. For auditions call Ted Coward at 640-1076 after 6 p.m. All amateur acts are welcome.

AURORA — The Aurora Shrine Club will meet on Mon., Feb. 5 in the Legion Hall, Industry Street, Aurora at 6:30 p.m.

MARKHAM - Markham O.E.S. is holding a dance, Sat., Feb. 17 in the Masonie Hall, Joseph and Albert Streets at 8 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person including buffet lunch and prizes. For more information call

STOUFFVILLE - The public is invited to view the exhibition of landscape paintings by artist Fred Savard in the Public Library, Tuesday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The

WHITEVALE - The play "Norman Is That You" is on stage at Herongate Barn Theatre, Altona Road, Pickering (Whitevale), Feb. 2 and 3; 9 and 10; 16 and 17; 22, 23 and 24.

Pavilion, Oshawa. For tickets call 839-4363.

registration at Orchard Park School, Stoufftember classes. Proof of age and vaccination records required. Parents unable to attend at these times are asked to call 640-3552.

STOUFFVILLE - The Silver Jubilee Club of Whitchurch-Stouffville, will hold their annual Valentine Party on Wed., Feb. 14 at 8 p.m. Members and friends are invited. Lunch will be provided. The location is the corner of Main and Market Streets.

BALLANTRAE - The Ballantrae Sr. Citizens Opportunity Club meets every Tuesday at 1:30 p.m., in the Ballantrae Community Centre. Ladies and gentlemen over 50 years of age are welcome.

MT. ZION - The Adult Club of Greenwood and Mt. Zion, will meet on Sat., Feb. 3 at 8 p.m., in Mt. Zion United Church.

UNIONVILLE - La Leche League (Unionville Branch), will meet on Thurs., Feb. 8 at 8:15 p.m., at 5 Shadbolt Court, Unionville. The topic for discussion is "The Family And The Breast-Fed Baby". For additional information call 297-1897.

Age Club will meet on Thursday (to-night) at 8 next Golden Age Club euchre is Thurs., Feb. 8.

Theatre : Centre is presenting . "Sergeant Musgrave's Dance", March 9, 10 and 11; 16, 17 and 18 in the Old Town Hall, Botsford Street. Admission is \$3.50. For tickets call 895-9961.

supper at 6:15 p.m.

GOODWOOD - Community euchre, Wed., Feb. 7 at 8 p.m., in the Goodwood Hall.

UNIONVILLE -The winter carnival, sponsored by the Unionville Ratepayers Association, will be held on Sat., Feb. 24. Events will include cross-country ski race, dog races, snow golf and a snowmobile obstacle course.

BUTTONVILLE - The Buttonville Women's Institute is sponsoring a euchre, Fri., Feb. 2'at 8 p.m. in the Buttonville Hall. Admission is \$1.50.

YORK REGION - The annual Whipper Watson Snowerama will be held on Sunday, Feb. 4 at Bradford.

UNIONVILLE - The Unionville Skating Club and the Unionville Minor Hockey Association are co-sponsoring a skateathon, Sat., Feb. 3 at Crosby Arena.

# exhibit concludes Feb. 16.

For reservations call 294-0426.

STOUFFVILLE - The Stouffville Minor Hockey Association is holding a dance with hot and cold buffet. Fri., Feb. 2 in the Ballantrae Community Centre. Tickets (\$12 a couple) are available from Ed Grimshaw, phone 640-2021.

DURHAM-YORK - The Durham-York P.C. Association will honor Premier Wm. Davis at a dinner, March 30 in the Jubilee

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CLAREMONT — The Claremont Golden p.m., in the Bowling Green Clubhouse. The

NEWMARKET - The Newmarket

GORMLEY - The first Family Night Program will be held Wed., Feb. 7 in the Gormley Missionary Church, beginning with a

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