

"Morko" is missing

STOUFFVILLE — Has anyone seen "Morko"? He's a cat, but not just any cat. The year old tiger-striped pet belongs to Andy Tereshyn of Toronto and he'd give just about anything to get him back.

When last seen, Morko was crouched atop a sign at Neil Patrick Motors, Main Street West. But that was over a week ago.

How it all happened, the puss was brought out to the Stouffville Veterinary Clinic for its shots. On being returned to the car, he scrambled free and high-tailed it in the general direction of Giulio's Pizza House to the west where he hid under a building at the rear.

Two hours of calling and searching failed to coax him out. And he's still on the loose.

Anyone seeing or catching a cat meeting this description, is asked to call the Veterinary Office at 640-1641 or one of two Toronto numbers, 654-1241 or 654-6377.

No plans for flood lands

STOUFFVILLE — The Conservation Area, north-east of the High School is a virtual "no man's land". No one uses it; few people can even get to it.

But that's the way it's likely to stay, says Town Mayor Eldred King, until such time as the 500-home Dulverton Development goes ahead.

Right now, the property belongs to the Metro Toronto and Region Conservation Authority. The management of it is in the hands of the Whitchurch Conservation Club but aside from planting a few trees, nothing has changed.

Mayor King points to the fact there's no easy access to the site; nor will there be until the subdivision proceeds.

Legal bill a "rip-off"

STOUFFVILLE — "A rip-off," that's Mayor Eldred King's opinion of a bill totalling \$1,132.50, submitted by the legal firm of Humphrey and Ecclestone, Toronto, for defending two police officers on charges of common assault that were eventually withdrawn.

The account was approved for payment at a meeting of York Regional Council, April 26.

Mayor King's main complaint was that solicitor Gordon Ecclestone charged a higher fee because he was defending two constables instead of one.

The rate worked out to \$60 an hour preparing the case and \$700 a day for the trial.

The account was initially received by the two officers, P.C. Paul Moore and P.C. Robert LaFreniere who in turn passed it on to the Board of Police Commissioners. They forwarded it on to Regional Council with a recommendation it be paid.

Officer assaulted

BALLANTRAE — A 33 year old Ballantrae man has been charged with criminal negligence in the operation of a motor vehicle, assault with intent to resist arrest, failing to identify himself and speeding following an altercation last week.

It all started on the 7th concession of Whitchurch-Stouffville when the accused was stopped by Constable Knapton of York Regional Police. After refusing to produce his driver's licence or give his name, he sped off with the officer still hanging onto the door.

According to the police report, the constable was able to jump clear, then gave chase, following him to his residence. There, a struggle ensued and P.C. Knapton was assaulted. The motorist was finally subdued and handcuffed. He will appear in Newmarket Court, May 29.

Anglican Church

"Homecoming"

STOUFFVILLE — The current year is a twelve-month celebration for the congregation of Christ Anglican Church in Stouffville. And while each event in their centennial calendar is important, the Homecoming Weekend, May 11 to 13, is certain to be a highlight.

Former parishioners, many from a distance, are expected to register on the Friday night, and again Saturday morning. A beef

barbecue dinner (\$3.50 per person), will follow Saturday afternoon from 5:30 to 7 p.m., with a dance in the evening from eight to midnight.

On the Sunday, at 9:30 a.m., Rev. John Ball, a former rector, will be the guest minister with a coffee hour to follow the service.

Those arriving Friday and Saturday, and wishing to stay over until Sunday, will be billeted in homes around town.

Permanent location

Establish teen drop-in centre

is still required

STOUFFVILLE — A teen Drop-In Centre will open in Stouffville's Masonic Hall, Ninth Line North at Second Street, Saturday night.

"The Ark", as it's called, will resume at the same location, June 2, then move to Latham Hall across from the Arena, July 7. Hours are 8 p.m. to midnight.

Music this Saturday will be provided by the band "Total Change". Coffee and Coke will be available.

Ward 2 councillor Becky Wedley, a main "push" behind this project, claims the time has come for the Town to take positive action with regard to providing some form of entertainment

for a segment of local young people in a good environment.

The real challenge, she says, is not so much reaching the teenagers, but finding a permanent place where they can meet. Such gatherings, she feels, should be held every week.

The Centre will be supervised by a committee that includes several young athletes, a journalist, a town councillor, a youth leader, a minister and several teen helpers.

"We want these young people to know there are folks in Town who care," she said.

On Sat., June 2, the rock band "O'Ryon" will be here.

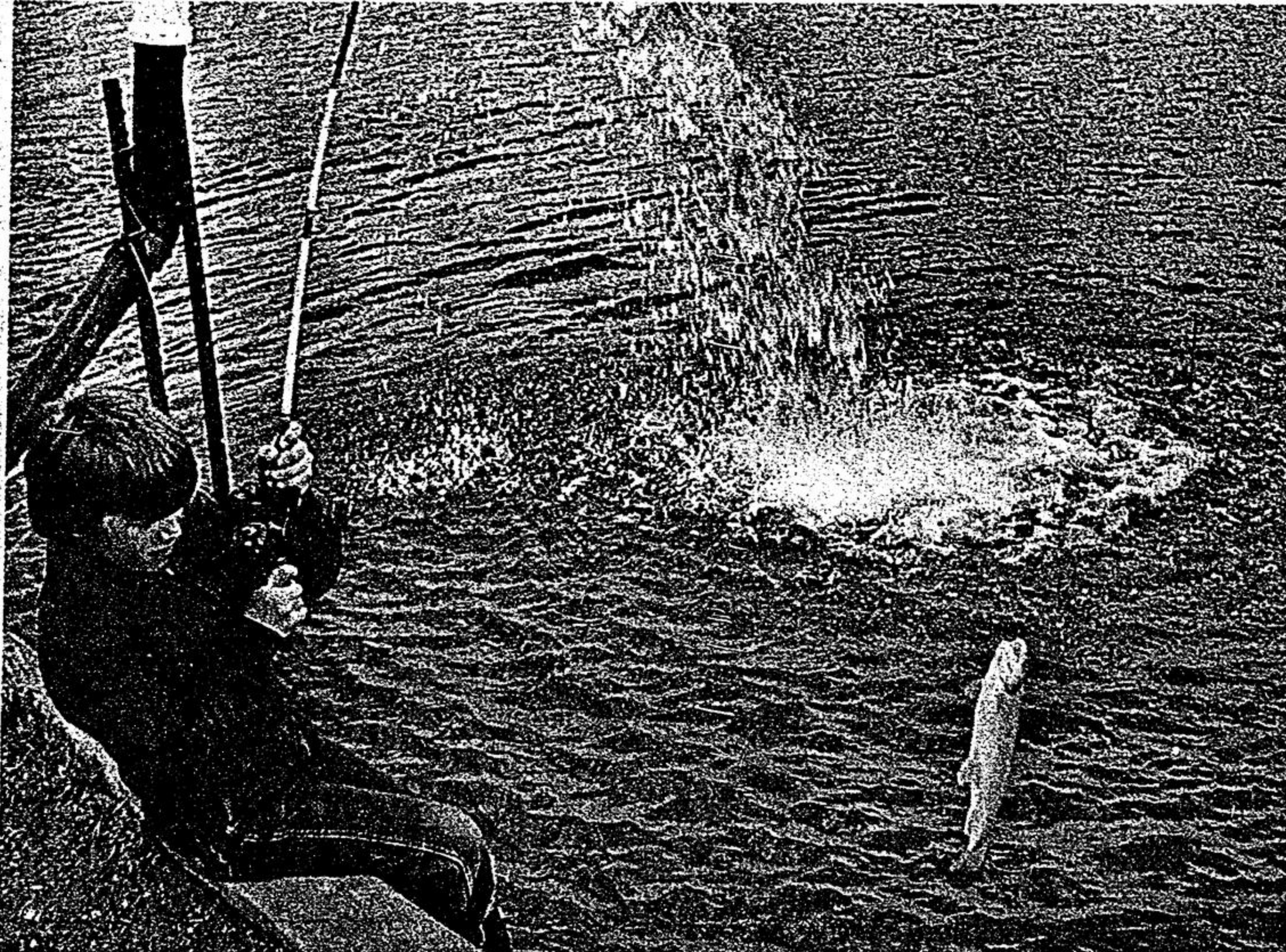
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Don Burd's Trout Pond where success is guaranteed

The fishing season's in full swing and there's no more popular place than Don Burd's Trout Pond, north of Ringwood on Hwy. 48,

where good catches are guaranteed. Here, nine-year-old Craig Thompson, Rupert Avenue, Stouffville, reels in a big one proving kids can do it too. —Jim Thomas

Opens May 28

Major pool overhaul

STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville's Community Swimming Pool will open earlier this year. However, except for the authorization of major repairs, it would not be opening at all.

Acting on requirements as laid down by the Ministry of Health, the Community Centre Board has moved to bring the facility up to standard, including replacement of the water filtration system.

The pool, a gift to the town from Arthur Latham, was built in 1957.

The new program director is Heather Glenn, Stouffville, RR 4. She succeeds Rick Mann. Others on staff include Marianne Mann, Debbie Foley, Jane Lowe, Chris McDermott, Mike McDermott, Sandy Ramer, Ingrid Assinck, Mary Jo Sutherland, Janice Bolton, Maureen O'Connor and Judy Ermen.

The opening date is May 28. Heather's enthusiastic about a new Special Aquatics Program that will work on a one-to-one basis with children and teens with a particular physical or mental need. Classes will be held daily with several instructors taking part.

Heather already knows of several boys and girls who will benefit from this type of instruction. She's hopeful more will apply once the word gets around.

A Keep-Fit and Businessmen's Swim Program is planned along with Parents,

Tots and Pre-Beginners' Classes in June.

With more and more people installing private backyard pools, public swimming will be affected, Heather told The Tribune. She points out, however, that the trend doesn't lessen the need for instruction,

regardless of where the knowledge is applied.

A season's pass for swimming only is \$40; for instruction \$50. Daily public swimming rates are: Adults, \$1, Students, 75 cents; Children, 50 cents and Waders, 25 cents.



Twelve-year-old Denna Peak, R.R. 3, Stouffville, was one of 135 participants in the Lions-sponsored Bike-a-Thon Saturday. She talks with Constable Phillip Shrive of the O.P.P. Detachment, Oak Ridges at a point on the Bloomington Road near Hwy. 48. First to cover the 23 mile route was Glen Dobson, 14, of Elm Road. Second was Peter Foulds, Second Street. The first girl in was Jackie Armet, Pine Street.

Teachers threaten strike

STOUFFVILLE — "Like a bunch of sheep". That was trustee Harry Bowes' reaction to an affirmative strike vote registered by 626 of York County's Secondary School teachers last week.

Only 297 were opposed.

The Board's 'final' offer was rejected by a vote of 504 to 212.

Mr. Bowes, angered by the result, claimed many teachers were playing "follow the leader", totally unaware of what had been offered. "They don't seem to know what's going on," he said.

Harry Bowes said he had talked to a few of the teachers personally and concluded they were satisfied. "Then they vote negatively. It makes me mad".

Other teachers, he ad-

mitted, seemed unhappy but refused to say why.

"They (the teachers) know they're making more than most on the street, but that's not good enough," he stated. He and others on the Board, he said, had spent long hours in an attempt to come up with an acceptable contract without success.

What's ahead? Harry Bowes isn't sure. He fears that if the Federation decides on work-to-rule, the Board may invoke a "lock-out" and close down all high schools completely.

One Stouffville staff member, who would want to remain anonymous, said work-to-rule would hurt no one except those involved in athletics. And what about a strike? He was asked. "I guess we'd just pass everyone," he replied.

"Dream industry"

IBM soon a reality

MARKHAM — Markham's new "dream industry" moved a step closer to reality, this week, with the release by IBM Canada Ltd., of the design concept of its new headquarters (see Page 19), at a location on the north side of Steeles Avenue, between Victoria Park and Esna Park Drive.

Work on the site is expected to start this summer, Town Industrial Commissioner Alex Barton told The Tribune, with the building's construction likely to begin in 1979.

The total complex, when completed, will exceed one million square feet. Occupancy is projected for 1982.

The new facility will accommodate about 1,800 persons. It will serve as the company's headquarters and will include administrative, data processing and education functions.

The complex will comprise one rectangular and four triangular modules, all connected by a mall with elevated pedestrian walkways to parking

areas. The property surrounding the building will be landscaped in a park-like setting.

The architects are Neish Owen Rowland and Roy of Toronto.

Life-death chase

WHITCHURCH — Last week, an eagle. This week, a wolf. Next week, who knows.

The Tribune received a call from Jean Manchee, Sixth Line, Whitchurch-Stouffville, telling of seeing a deer bounding across their property, close by the barn. As she watched, she spotted a full-grown wolf in hot pursuit.

While the life and death race was different, wolves are not uncommon in the area, she said. In fact, neighbors have reported them only a few hundred yards from their homes.

Deer are numerous too, she said.

Unity blitz by students

STOUFFVILLE — On Monday, May 14, the Town is being asked to take part in a Unity Blitz, a project that's being promoted all across Canada.

A "People to People Petition for Canadian Unity" will be circulated by students of Stouffville Dist. Secondary School under the direction of staff teacher, Gary Harding.

Raise \$4,023

STOUFFVILLE — The Lions-sponsored Bikeathon, that attracted 135 participants, will raise \$4,023.00, when all pledges are in, chairman Bob Macklin reported this week.

The deadline for collections is May 28.

Stan Newmarch, Main Street East, was tops for pledges with \$360, followed by Howard Christie, Elm Road, with \$241.61. Stan rode for the Canadian Cancer Society and Howard for the Stouffville Lions Club.

The petition's introduction reads: "In a spirit of understanding and to better meet the ongoing needs and hopes of all our peoples, we the undersigned from British Columbia to Newfoundland invite Quebecois members of our Canadian family, to remain Canadian and to continue building with us this magnificent Canada."

"Many students have indicated a willingness to participate," said Mr. Harding, "they're going where the people are." By this, he means, the petitioners will concentrate mainly on areas of Main Street.

The teacher stressed the fact "there's nothing political about it". All parties have endorsed it, he said. It also has the support of Town Council.

The blitz will include most communities in York Region and has the backing of the Teachers' Federation. The target, coast-to-coast, is three million signatures by July 1.

Municipal Office

Room to grow

STOUFFVILLE — Has the Town municipal office, once a movie theatre, outlived its day?

No, says Mayor Eldred King. With interior changes now underway, he feels the facility should be adequate for at least ten years.

The main problem is storage. There's a little room to preserve old documents, but the staff, that now numbers fifteen, is operating quite efficiently, the mayor claims.

A ground-level section of the office at the rear is being remodelled and will accommodate the Building Department. This will provide more space upstairs.

Due to Whitchurch-Stouffville's proximity to Metro, development pressures will continue, Mayor King points out. Because of this, he's unwilling to predict what the staff complement will be in ten years' time.