

York Region Auxiliary police

By Bruce Crawford
Chief of Police
Region of York

The York Regional Police Force is presently recruiting interested members of the community to form an Auxiliary Police Organization.

Members of the Auxiliary Police will be trained to perform such duties as crowd control, foot patrol, car patrol, traffic points, guarding crime scenes and assisting in searches. Although they will not be armed, Auxiliary members will undergo firearms training on various Force weapons.

The initial training for an Auxiliary Police Officer requires that he or she attend one evening per week for thirty-two weeks to receive training in First Aid, The Criminal Code of Canada, The Highway Traffic Act, the powers and duties of a police officer and other associated subjects. At the conclusion of that thirty-two week period, he or she is required to devote eight hours per month to field duties, in addition to attending two two-hour training sessions per month.

Members of the Auxiliary Force will be issued with regular police uniform with a distinguishing emblem, consisting of the word "AUXILIARY" sewn on each sleeve. In addition, an orange and black checkered hat band will be worn in order that they will not be mistakenly identified as regular Police Officers.

Members of the Auxiliary Force are not paid a salary but will be given a mileage allowance to special events. Auxiliary officers will be covered by Workmen's Compensation and insurance while on duty.

The selection process is similar to the one that exists for regular Force members and includes a complete character investigation and psychological test. Applicants must possess the following qualifications:

- 21 years to 50 years in age;
- Canadian Citizen, Naturalized Canadian or a British subject;
- Be of good moral character and habits;
- Male applicants must be a minimum 5'8" in

height, without shoes and weigh at least 160 lbs.; Female applicants must be a minimum of 5'4" in height, without shoes and weigh at least 110 lbs.

All applicants must be residents of The Regional Municipality of York. Persons who wish to serve their community by serving with the York Regional Police Force Auxiliary are invited to telephone the York Regional Police Force and ask for Staff Inspector Shields at local 285.

Properties called - "Disaster area"

WHITCHURCH — A disaster area. Such a description was attached to twenty-one properties served by a private road between the 6th and 7th concessions of Whitchurch-Stouffville when Barry Smith and a delegation of would-be home owners appeared before Planning Board, July 15.

Smith, the spokesman for at least seventeen of the investors, said the problem had been hanging fire for close to 15 years, mainly due to the fact the present entrance and exit does not conform to Town standards.

And all the while, the estimated cost of construction continues to

soar, Smith explained. The speaker said that to do the work properly could mean an expense of close to a quarter million dollars or between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars per owner over a period of ten years.

"A lot of these people are not in a financial position to proceed," Smith said. He noted, however, that most still want to live there.

One solution to the problem, he said, would be to split each of the seventeen properties into two 5-acre lots. He said the road could be built to within two lots of the sixth where a cul-de-sac could be constructed.

Councillor Jim Doble, in whose ward the

problem exists, said he wanted to see a proper road built but not at the expense of dividing the ten acre lots in half. "I fully appreciate the frustrations you people have endured," he said.

He pointed out that should it be necessary to construct a cul-de-sac, lot-owners would still have a right-of-way through to the 6th.

Herb Bell said he personally had waited more than 15 years for some solution, with no result. "I bought there in good faith but it's reached the point where I'd just as soon scrap the whole deal". He described the cost, at today's prices, as prohibitive.

Sidewalk construction

STOUFFVILLE — Close to \$6,500 is being spent on sidewalk construction in Stouffville, most of it on Main Street.

One area of major concern extends from Park Drive east to Baker Avenue.

Six old-style fire hydrants are also being replaced, works

superintendent Ron Gibson told The Tribune. The new ones will enable firefighters to pump water directly to the truck, which then becomes "the driving force," he explained.

Weather permitting, completion of these projects is expected this week.

Scrap stolen

STOUFFVILLE — Three suspects were scheduled to appear in court this week, charged in connection with the theft of scrap metal from a farm leased by Grant Wood, Main Street, Stouffville.

Police learned the goods had been sold to a dealer on Woodbine Avenue near Gormley for cash.

Arrested later were Joseph Prentice, of Stouffville; Douglas Gray and Floyd William Bateman, both of Musselman's Lake.



She shows and tells

The Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum at Vandorf will be a hive of activity this Sunday from 12 noon to 4:30 p.m. In addition to antique and classic cars, there'll be on-location demonstrations. Here, Regis Alcorn, Gormley R.R. 1, displays her skill at operating a century-old spinning wheel. Regis, a textile arts student at Georgian College, is serving as temporary curator at the museum in the absence of full-time manager, Mary Hopkins of Stouffville. Mrs. Hopkins was seriously injured in a motor vehicle accident several weeks ago.

Ed Schroeter

Home Support Service

Program aids sr. citizens

STOUFFVILLE — The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville's policy of slow but consistent growth, is being well maintained in other areas as well, it seems.

Helen Baatz, who retires next week as social services director of Parkview Home for Senior Citizens, and coordinator for Home Support Service for the latter, says the new service is coming along at a similar pace.

"We're starting slowly, but consistently," Mrs. Baatz said. "I'm quite encouraged by the way the word's spreading

throughout the community."

That word, of course, is that the program offers aid to senior citizens, who are still living at their homes. Should they need a little help with the lawn, transportation downtown, or perhaps would just like someone to talk to for awhile, they can arrange it all by calling the home support program. The latter, which grew out of the Parkview Home, operates out of the Silver Jubilee Club, 50 Main St. W. The phone number is 640-6554.

Mrs. Baatz said that, although they don't have

a "large nucleus of volunteers," they have been able to handle all requests so far.

She said, also, that a meeting of the community board of directors would be held in September; anyone interested in taking part was welcome.

"We need more senior representatives on the board," Mrs. Baatz said, stressing the fact that the latter was still open for members.

She said that, if the seniors didn't want to sit there, there would be room for them on various committees.

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Events

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

BALLANTRAE — Steer roast, Sat., Aug. 9 at the Ballantrae Recreation Centre, sponsored by the Ballantrae and District Lions Club. Dinner served from 5 to 7 p.m. Admission - adults \$4; children \$2.50. Activities for children beginning at 12 noon with evening entertainment indoors from 7 to 9 p.m.

YORK REGION — The W & W Club (widows and widowers), will meet, Thurs., Aug. 14 in the Victorian and Grey Building, Crosby and Yonge Streets, Richmond Hill at 8 p.m. For additional information call 889-1623 or 832-1484.

STOUFFVILLE — Young people interested in theatrical and video production, are invited to three 1-week workshops in the Town Library beginning Aug. 5 and continuing Aug. 12 and Aug. 19. For additional information contact the head librarian.

UNIONVILLE — The Unionville Horticultural Society is sponsoring a Best Flower and Vegetable Garden Contest with judging to take place, Sept. 11. For additional information call 297-2461.

YORK REGION — Beef barbecue and dance, Sat., Aug. 30 in the East Gwillimbury Arena, Sharon. Dinner at 7 p.m., dance at 9 p.m. Admission - \$7.50 per person. For additional information call 895-6443.

STOUFFVILLE — The Stouffville Rugby Football Club is holding a dance, Fri., Aug. 8 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., in the Legion Hall. Tickets are available from club members or at The Tribune Office.

STOUFFVILLE — First annual golfers and duffers tournament, sponsored by the Whitchurch-Stouffville Chamber of Commerce, Wed., Aug. 13 at John Evelyn Golf Centre, Tenth Line South. Tee-off time, 1 p.m. Price - \$17 for golf and steak dinner; \$11 for dinner only. For additional information call 640-5454.

GLEN MAJOR — The Ladies Auxiliary of Glen Major Church are holding a bazaar, Sat., Aug. 9 at 2:30 p.m., on the lawn at the home of Isabelle Dixon, Dagmar Station.

STOUFFVILLE — A film entitled "The Great Dinosaur Mystery" will be shown at the Stouffville Missionary Church, Sunday, Aug. 10 at 7 p.m.

BALLANTRAE — The 1st Ballantrae Venturers are holding a paper drive, Sat., Sept. 20 with pick-ups from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information call 895-3720 or 640-3704.

UXBRIDGE — The Uxbridge-Scott Historical Society is holding its 9th annual Steam Threshing Days, Sat., Aug. 23 and Sun., Aug. 24 from 1 to 5 p.m., at the Quaker Hill Museum, Conc. 6, Uxbridge, north of Regional Road No. 8.

STOUFFVILLE — The Central Ontario Regional Library System's puppeteers will perform at the Town Library, Wed., Aug. 6 at 1:30 p.m.

MARKHAM — Amateur country and western singing program, Sat., Aug. 23 at 1 p.m., at Markham Fairgrounds, 18th Avenue and Markham Road. For entry forms and information contact Ken Snowball, 294-1016.

WHITCHURCH — The 7th annual Antique and Classic Car Show will be held on Sunday, Aug. 10 from noon to 4:30 p.m., at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum, Woodbine Avenue at Vandorf. Admission - adults \$1; students - .75 cents; children - .25 cents.

STOUFFVILLE — The movie "Heaven's Heroes" will be shown at Emmanuel International (former Parkside Youth Centre), Fri., Aug. 8 at 7:30 p.m.

MOUNT ALBERT — Men's and ladies' horseshoe tournament, Aug. 16 (ladies) and Aug. 17 (men), at the Ponderosa Campground, Hwy. 48, Mount Albert with all proceeds going to the Ontario March of Dimes. Entry deadline is Aug. 15. Register at the site or send your name, address and five dollar entry fee to Ponderosa Campground, Box 53, Mount Albert, Ont.

WHITCHURCH — Springvale Baptist Church is holding backyard Bible Clubs, August 18 to 22 in the park at the Ballantrae Subdivision from 10 to 11:30 a.m., and from 1:30 to 3 p.m., at the home of Floyd and Doris Ratcliff, 85 Manitoba Street, Stouffville. From August 25 to 29, children in the Bethesda Sideroad area are invited to attend gatherings at the Springvale Church from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. A special bus will provide transportation to the church and home again. From 1:30 to 3 p.m., a club will be held at the home of John and Pat Montgomery, 73 Stuart Street, Stouffville. For additional information call 887-5651.

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