



Year-old daughter rides piggy-back

When Helen Hartal, Iroquois Drive, Ballantrae, goes cross-country skiing, little one year old Susie is never far behind. She rides piggy-back in a carrier that's both safe and comfortable. Susie loves the great outdoors as much as her parents and will quickly adjust when the skiing season gives way to hiking. Jim Thomas

Christian School

Week of decision

STOUFFVILLE — A long-awaited decision on a Christian School for Stouffville, will likely be known Sunday.

Voting on the project began Feb. 11 and will conclude Feb. 18 — at the Missionary Church.

An affirmative majority will result in: The establishment of a Christian School which shall be a separate organization from the Stouffville Missionary Church; the establishment of an association, that will assume responsibility for the school, fiscal and otherwise; a vested interest in the school will be maintained by the church through reserving the privilege of appointing members to the school's board of directors.

The end result of an affirmative vote will be: The

Board of Management will launch such an organization. The church will provide its facility and caretaking services for the first three years of operation. The church will put the school on its budget for an amount to be specified by the Board of Management. The

church will make its facilities available for association and other such meetings and that church members be encouraged to join the school association.

A simple YES-NO ballot has been prepared with separate squares for members and adherents.

'Dead' flowers

MARKHAM — Saying it with flowers is a sure fire way of gaining the attention of a lady. However, for 30 year old Brian Hardacre of Markham, it prompted a look-see by police.

It seems the "light of his life" wasn't all that interested in Hardacre's matrimonial advances and said as much when the accused appeared previously in court.

He was placed on a bond to keep the peace and told to stay away from his old flame.

However, the approach of her birthday held too many memories for him to ignore. He

sent her a card and sixteen red roses, just for old time's sake.

Back in court again, Hardacre told Judge H.E. Zimmerman he never actually contacted the lady but merely sent her a bouquet.

"He simply sent flowers to the woman he loves and who once loved him," counsel for the accused explained.

Judge Zimmerman pointed to the seriousness of breaching one's recognizance. However (it being close to St. Valentine's Day and all), he agreed to extend the man's peace bond for an additional six months.

Celebration

STOUFFVILLE — Canada Day will be celebrated in Whitchurch-Stouffville and so will the four days that follow.

Preliminary plans were outlined at a committee meeting in the Town Library, Feb. 10. A full program of events will extend from July 1 through July 5. The chairman is Ged Stonehouse.

Attractions mentioned included - a Canada Day Run, a Giant People Parade, an An-

tique Car Display, a Pancake Breakfast, an International Soccer Match, a Softball Tournament, a Library-Sponsored Tea Garden, Crazy Olympics, a Band Concert, a Teen Dance and a Community Church Service.

More events will be added as organizations become involved. The next meeting is Tues., Feb. 24 in the Library at 7:30 p.m.

Keith Acton

A special day

STOUFFVILLE — Keith Acton, Stouffville's celebrated hockey star, who's made it to the N.H.L. with Montreal Canadiens, will be honored here, July 1.

The speedy centreman, a product of the local minor

hockey system, will head up a giant People Parade along Main Street and later join others as a platform guest at a ceremony in the Park.

Keith is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Acton, Burkholder Street.

Hydro Chairman

Praised by Town

STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville Hydro Chairman Ken Laushway, has been commended by Council "for service above and beyond the call of duty".

The spontaneous acclaim, last week, followed an explanation of Mr. Laushway's dedication to duty, by Acting Mayor Bill Kamps.

Kamps said that on the night of Jan. 17, a bizarre and as yet unexplained explosion occurred in the town's east end transformer. This produced a sudden 'surge of power' that burned out appliances in a number of homes and turned electrical elements white hot.

Mr. Laushway, Kamps said, took it on himself to visit every

householder in the affected area. Over a period of three days, he interviewed every owner, explaining the operation of Hydro's insurance plan in such cases.

Kamps considered this action commendable and recommended a letter be sent, expressing the members' feelings on the matter. The motion carried unanimously.



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Two killed in car crash

MT. ALBERT — On Friday, Colleen Oldham, RR 3, Mount Albert, set out by car, hoping to see boyfriend Bob Brandon at Peterborough.

Not knowing this, Bob drove down from Peterborough, wanting to surprise Colleen. But their reunion was not to be. Colleen and Bob's father, Murray Brandon, Kennedy Road, Scarborough, died in a two-vehicle crash at the intersection of the Epsom Road and Hwy. 12, north of Manchester. Mr. Brandon Sr., had agreed to accompany Colleen because he was familiar with the road and his son's place of residence. In travelling here, Bob chose a different route and didn't learn of the tragedy until the next morning.

A former student of Uxbridge Secondary School, Colleen was one of several young people to participate in a government-sponsored program, assisting underprivileged children. This work took her to Prince Edward Island, Quebec and Thompson, Manitoba.

More recently she was employed as a dispatcher in the office of Lee Sand and Gravel Limited, RR 2, Stouffville. She was highly regarded by staff employees and truckers alike,

as indicated through donations of beautiful floral tributes.

Colleen loved animals. She owned a white stallion and only recently acquired a Great Dane dog. She would have marked her 21st birthday, March 6.

Surviving are her parents, Denzil and Yvonne Oldham; a brother and sister-in-law, Dale and Marilyn Oldham of Stouffville; two sisters, Elaine Stacey of Duncan, British Columbia and Phyllis Carol of Calgary and her grandmother, Ethel Graham of Alliston. Service was held Tuesday from the

Lathague and Skwarchuk Funeral Home, Mount Albert with interment, Hartman Cemetery.

Service for Mr. Brandon was held earlier, Tuesday, from Ogden's Funeral Home, Agincourt with interment, St. Joseph's Cemetery, West Hill.

He is survived by his wife, the former Margaret McGriskin; two daughters, Linda Carr and Jean Hipgrave; one son Robert; one sister, Shirley Dixon; three brothers, Glenn, Richard and Edgar and three grandchildren.

Fire costs to increase

STOUFFVILLE — Like everything else, inflation has hit the Town Fire Department.

Following receipt of a letter from the brigade's secretary-treasurer, Council approved increases as follows:

Deputy-Chief George Wilson, Captain Bill Brown, Lieutenant Grant Turner, Secretary-Treasurer Don Lewis and maintenance officer, Ken Roberts will each receive \$300 more.

Fire calls, fire practices and false alarms were hiked from \$190 an hour to \$237.50. Tanker calls are up from \$40 an hour to fifty.

Standby time on summer weekends will be increased from \$30 per day per man to forty dollars.

Council approves

Death penalty

STOUFFVILLE — Over the objections of members Tom Wood and Jim Sanders, Town Council has come out in favor of capital punishment (without appeal to Cabinet) "if a criminal shoots and kills a policeman while taking part in a crime".

The Council also supported

a recommendation that "a sentence of not less than 20 years be imposed on anyone carrying a firearm while participating in a criminal act".

The resolution was placed before a meeting, Feb. 10 following its receipt from the Region of Hamilton-Wentworth Councillors Wood and

Sanders said they couldn't support the re-introduction of capital punishment. However, Sanders said he was willing to go a step farther and place a total ban on the possession of firearms.

Acting Mayor Bill Kamps ruled the amendment be set aside.

Quoting from a newspaper article, Kamps said "when the needs of horses become greater than the needs of people, then the world is in trouble". "We want law and order, yet we remove authority from the police". In like manner, he said, we try and remove the teacher's authority in the classroom.

"I don't know why we have police," he continued, "we protect the guilty — we create no deterrents".

Councillor Jim Rae spoke out against the Sanders' recommendation that would outlaw gun possession completely.

"How much more strict can we be?" he asked, "I have to go to the police now for a (gun) licence. I can't even shoot a groundhog without one".

Music honors

STOUFFVILLE — Twelve year old Debby Wise, a first time participant in the Kiwanis Music Festival, Toronto, tied for second place in the Accordion Solo Class (12 years and under), Feb. 11.

Debby, a resident at Windsor Drive, Musselman's Lake, scored 82 per cent, only one percentage point back of the winner. She hopes to enter again next year.

Other local results follow: Piano Solo-Bach: David Nelson, Gormley, third (87 per cent); Secondary School Bands 'A': Markham Dist. High School, third (86 per cent); Accordion Solo, 19 years and under: Caroline Csik, Unionville (82 per cent).

The Festival is in its final week, concluding Feb. 21.

Oppose fill expansion

STOUFFVILLE — While Town Council may be divided on the expansion proposals related to the controversial Hwy. 48 landfill site, a group of concerned citizens made its stand clear at a Hearing in Latham Hall, Tuesday.

Said one woman: "I can't believe the question of ex-

pansion is even open to discussion".

Purpose of the meeting, Chairman M.E. Lancaster explained, was to assess the amount of opposition to the application. The Environmental Assessment Board has scheduled April 27 at 10 a.m. as the date to hear a presentation from York Sanitation Co. Limited, users

of the site. Individual briefs will be received May 27.

In airing their objections, residents cited everything from soil and water contamination to fears of cancer.

Although fifteen complainants were allowed to speak, they weren't permitted to expand on personal opinions. These presentations will be heard in May.



Bank of Montreal opens branch in Stouffville

The Stouffville Branch of the Bank of Montreal was officially opened at a ribbon-cutting ceremony, Saturday. The location is Westlawn Crescent, west of the A & P Plaza. Participants in the ceremony were - Acting Mayor Bill Kamps

(left); Bank of Montreal Vice-President, Mr. Purcell (right); Sharon Kelly, wife of Branch Manager Dave Kelly and their two children, Dawn and Greg.

Jim Holt



GED STONEHOUSE
Canada Week Chairman