

# Delay Complex

At their meeting on June 9, Stouffville Parks and Recreation Board received the news that Council had cut their 1982 budget submission by \$36,000.

The original budget was submitted to Council at an all time high of \$247,866; 53 percent up on 1981. The substantial increase was due to a re-shuffling of local

community board budgets, now incorporated into one and submitted by the newly formed Parks and Recreation Board, who are now responsible for all expenditures in this area.

The cost-cutting will mainly affect baseball operations and minor hockey. Minor hockey will receive \$2,400 less, while the end of season project to overhaul the main ball diamond and erect new screens will be cancelled.

The proposal to move the Ballantyne ball diamond further north and install new lighting also came under the axe. However, the Ballantyne Tennis Club will get its courts resurfaced in time for the July 1 celebrations. The \$7,000 undertaking was thought to be in jeopardy when the cuts were first proposed.

After considerable discussion the Board accepted and passed a resolution by Chairman John Hutchinson, requesting Council to adopt a five year plan for the building of a new sports complex.

Kim Rogers, vice-chairman of finance, pointed out that to submit an acceptable application for a Wintario grant before mid-August - this year's

deadline - would not be feasible. However, he suggested that the committee get to work when they meet again in September. He also suggested that Board members be nominated to contact the various service clubs and organizations to find out what the public considers first priority in the way of facilities, and to get a commitment from them on fund-raising.

A sombre note entered the discussion when Hutchinson pointed out that in the central east region, which includes Stouffville, Wintario will have less than \$2 million to disburse this year - the Town will probably be looking for about \$500,000 from them, and that only 19 percent of all applications received a grant in 1981.

Daphne Goldman reported that the Stouffville Skating Club was "going it alone" to raise funds to install a new speaker system in the arena. "The club cannot fulfill its obligation to hold next year's inter-club meet with the present system," she said. The club has had innumerable complaints regarding the poor quality of sound reproduction, she reported. Committee members were invited to attend a meeting at the arena on June 15, when club members would discuss plans to raise \$7,500 to meet the cost of purchase and installation.

A recommendation by Cliff Dunkeld that the ball diamonds be restricted to ball use only. "Seeing as we are not intending to overhaul the diamonds this year, and considering the continual deterioration suffered, I think their use should be restricted until repairs are carried out," he said. The recommendation was carried.

## Unity office

STOUFFVILLE — The Canadian Unity Information Office, accommodated in a 45 foot long trailer, will be located in Stouffville for a period of two days, July 12 and 13.

The selected site is the A & P Plaza, Main Street West.

The exposition entitled "Self-Service" will be travelling across the province. Aim of the project is to provide residents of Ontario with information on programs and services available to them by the Government of Canada.

Displays will be of interest to young and old alike, a government representative told The Tribune. They will portray everything from agriculture to social services.

Admission is free.

# Refuse Lot split

STOUFFVILLE — A retired couple's "dream retirement home" looks as if it might turn out to be a nightmare, a resident of Cedar Valley told a meeting of planning board, last week.

James Reith said he had "put everything" into his five-acre Concession 7 dwelling after his retirement last year, but now, "because of economic conditions," he wished to divide it into two 2 1/2 acre parcels. He already had a buyer for the one half, he said, and was seeking a zoning amendment.

Heather West, the potential buyer, said she wasn't planning to build on the property right away; she wanted it as an investment. "Mr. and Mrs. Reith didn't buy with the intention of severing, but now they're in a position where they may lose their home," she said.

Planning board chairman, Jim Sanders, said the Cedar Valley area was in the midst of a study, and "one of the cautions is to avoid severing lots." Severing led to environmental problems.

Said Councillor Charles Warden: "If we set a precedent, others with the same size lots and frontage, would be in the position of coming to the planning board and asking the same."

Councillor Bill Kamps said approval would "start an avalanche in the country."

Councillor Tom Wood, councillor for the area, said the board would like to help, "but we can't make planning decisions on the economic necessities of owners."

Mayor Eldred King said that council supported development by plan of sub-division, but didn't support "strip development."

"Couldn't Mr. and Mrs. Reith be an exception to the rule?" asked buyer West.

Mayor King said that, "If we made decisions on personal situations, we'd have a very mixed municipality from the standpoint of municipal planning."

Councillor Wilf Morley's motion to not support the application, was approved by the board.

# Claremont news

CLAREMONT — Claremont Public School participants acquitted themselves well at Durham Region Track and Field Meet, last week, at Oshawa Civic Fields. Ribbon

winners from the all-girl team, were as follows: Lori Knapp, Sharon Craig, Cathy Craig, Kristin Graham, Donna Beer, Samantha Creet and Abby Craig. Also competing were: Fiona Robertson, Catherine Mooney and Leah Collett.

John and Karen Marks, and children Emily and Jackie, attended the wedding of Karen's brother, last week, at Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. Emily was flower girl.

A speedy recovery to Steve Wideman from his friends, after his recent accident.

Happy birthday to Lindsay Graham, who celebrated her fifth birthday, June 9.

"Due to the recent rainy week-end, there were no baseball games."

The evening unit of Claremont United Church Women, will be entertained by the afternoon unit at a luncheon, June 14, at 12:30, at the church. Note to the evening unit: please remember the house cleaning bee in the church kitchen at 9:30 a.m. Also, bring your used stamps, Canada Packer, energy conservation and Campbell Soup labels; used eyeglasses, too.

"When we forward the list of companies, it is not a recommendation or an endorsement of anyone; it is simply an indicator that they have all passed our scrutiny and are considered by the Bureau to be reputable," Tuz concluded.

Claremont Institute will meet June 16 at 1:30 p.m., at the home of Isabel Gregg, RR 1, Sunderland. Transportation will be provided and will leave at 1 p.m. Alice Peddie, Whitby, will be in charge of the program.



An imposter infiltrates fashion show

What's this—an imposter? More like a wolf in sheep's clothing. In reality, it's Chamber of Commerce President Graydon Card doing a solo promenade at the "Fun with Fashion" show, sponsored by the Concerned Citizens' Committee in the High School auditorium, Wednesday night. The event raised over \$1,400.

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**Removal of urea**  
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"We have already contacted firms by letter who are Better Business Bureau members, but we are willing to extend this to other contractors if they are willing to undergo the same scrutiny procedure applied to every member of the Bureau," Tuz said. Letters have been set to 260 so far. Companies accepted by the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs will be eligible for government approval for insulation grants.  
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