

Taxpayers pay for gala feast

Dear Sir: Once in awhile, an incident occurs that demonstrates a basic truth. A recent dinner, sponsored by the Ontario Government, showed that the Davis Tories have lost touch with the concerns of the ordinary citizens of this province. On June 16, over 600 MPPs, civil servants, minority group lobbyists and supporters of the Human Rights Commission, gathered in Toronto's posh Harbour Castle Hotel for a sumptuous dinner. The gala event marked the proclamation of Bill 7, the new Ontario Human Rights Code. The evening set Ontario taxpayers back \$20,000. There is something callous and arrogant about the Ontario Gov-

ernment, on the one hand, spending \$20,000 for a giant party, while on the other, slapping the hard-pressed people of this province with a seven per cent tax on even the most humble meal. The luxury dinner, speaks volumes about the unfeeling approach of the human rights bureaucrats and their political backers who feast while other Ontarians tighten their belts. What makes this dinner even more outrageous is that Bill 7 marks a major loss of rights for the majority. Its prohibition of "harassment", defined as persistent conduct or comment that annoys a member of a minority, may well be used by hypersensitive minorities to gag free speech. The

Bill permits non-judicial human rights boards of enquiry to require a defendant "to do ANYTHING that, in the opinion of the board, he ought to do, to achieve compliance with the Act". This power is frighteningly open-ended. Nero fiddled while Rome burned. One gets the same impression of the Davis Government. It feasts in conspicuous luxury and celebrates the passage of a piece of oppressive legislation while the rest of Ontario struggles with the worst unemployment and the highest inflation and interest rates in fifty years. Sincerely, Peter Tammisto, Committee Member, Canadian Association, For Free Expression.

Editor's Mail

Want it-grab it!

Dear Editor:

The 547-home development in the Bethesda area of (old) Whitchurch Twp., may indeed be difficult to service as Mayor Eldred King pointed out in The Tribune issue of Jan. 5. But is it impossible to service?

If so, the applicants can stop worrying about it; Council can stop talking about it and your paper can stop writing about it. If not, then the Town should endeavor to be more co-operative and adopt a more positive attitude.

If Council really and truly wants this development, they should push for it, particularly at the regional level where the mayor's thumbs up sign would go a long way towards gaining approval. If they don't, they should tell the Fire Fighters' Group to "get lost". From what I can see, the project is no closer to becoming a reality now than it was when first presented close to a year ago.

Sincerely,
Mel Jones,
R.R. 1, Gormley.

Summitview discussion

Computer topic

STOUFFVILLE — Classroom computers will be the subject of discussion when parents of Summitview School students meet Tues., Feb. 15 at 7:30 p.m. The computer age hasn't yet arrived at

Summitview but Principal Lorne Boadway admits it's not far off. The March meeting will be "general", with discussion on several topics. In April, it will be "Family Life and Sex Education" and in

May, "Child Abuse and the Law". Specific dates and times for March, April and May meetings will be revealed in newsletters to be sent home with the pupils, Principal Boadway said.

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Pizza Nova Restaurant
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Patio (Dining Lounge) Licence
Applicant: Pizza Nova Restaurants Limited

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that any person who is resident in the municipality and who wishes to make representation relative to the application, shall make their submission to the Board in writing prior to the date of the hearing, or in person at the time and place of the hearing. (Copies of written submissions will be forwarded to the applicant.)

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