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Japanese firm gains ground through region

UXBRIDGE — Durham Regional Council has supported an application to rezone 77 acres of land to make way for a new Japanese firm — Tokai of Canada Limited.

There was little discussion by council members on the proposal, last Wednesday, except when Oshawa City Councillor, John DeHart, extended his congratulations to Uxbridge Mayor Bill Ballinger and Regional Councillor Gerri-Lynn O'Connor for trying to bring the Japanese industry to Uxbridge.

The land, known as the Lazy Lake Trailer Park, located at Regional Road 30 and Sdrd. 20 in Uxbridge Township, is presently zoned Major Open Space — Oak Ridges Moraine. This zoning allows for a trailer park, golf course, and a private recreational park.

The company's proposal is to bring industrial and re-

creational uses to the land. They are proposing a 20,000 square foot industrial building in connection with recreational facilities for employees.

The Commissioner's Report (84-1) stated Lazy Lake Trailer Park has "not been considered an asset due to noise, traffic, and overuse of the small lakes, particularly Island Lake."

The report also outlined the proposed site "would appear to be compatible with surrounding land uses."

Tokai of Canada Limited would produce five different models of disposable butane lighters and it would supply approximately 30 jobs.

The amendment to the official plan and a copy of the Commissioner's Report are being forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.



This farmhouse, which is owned by the federal government for the proposed Pickering Airport site, was the site of a two-year-old boy was killed last Thursday. An estimated \$60,000 damage was caused, to the house, from a fire which started in an upstairs bedroom.

Jim Thomas

Town won't increase permit fees

UXBRIDGE — The fees to purchase a permit to build, demolish or repair a structure in Uxbridge Township will not increase during 1984.

The decision to keep prices down came when members of the Planning and Development Committee voted in favor of leaving permit prices as they are outlined in a bylaw dated March 24, 1983.

"I was surprised we were giving building permits so cheaply," commented Mayor Bill Ballinger.

The present permit fee for the construction of a new building, structure alterations, additions, or repairs is \$25 or \$4 for every 1,000 square foot, whichever is greater.

To build a farm, the cost is also \$25 or \$2 per 1,000 square foot, whichever is greater.

The cost of a permit to demolish a structure is \$25 and \$5 for every 1,000 square foot extra.

It also cost \$25 to renew an old building permit.

Young child slain police charge uncle

CLAREMONT — A 36-year-old man, staying with relatives south of Claremont, has been charged with first-degree murder and arson following the death of his two-year-old nephew.

David Allen Phillips, also known as Jack, appeared in Ajax court Monday and was remanded to Penetanguishene Mental Health Centre said Durham Regional Police Inspector Bob Brown. Mr. Phillips is scheduled to re-appear at the Ajax court March 21 "if he's fit to stand trial," said Brown.

On Thursday, Jan. 19 at 1:54 a.m., five trucks and one emergency unit from the Pickering Fire Department arrived at the farmhouse, on Conc. 7 approximately two

miles south of Claremont. The blaze broke out in the upstairs south bedroom said Captain Ron Morgan. Shortly after, the body of Tomi Koskinen, 2, was found.

However, following an investigation, Brown said the child had died from asphyxiation. "There was a foreign object in his throat," he said.

There were eight people in the house when the fire started. The seven that escaped were the parents of the dead child, Chuck Phillips, 33, and his common-law wife Tina Koskinen; Phillips' brother Mike, his common-law wife Wendy Turner, 20, their children six-year-old Jessica and Chris, 4, and the third brother, David Allen.

Gospel group performs concert

UXBRIDGE — The sound of gospel music will ring throughout Stouffville Friday (Jan. 27) night when the Uxbridge Baptist Church group, Soul Foundation, performs their first show of 1984 at Emmanuel International from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

The ten member group, which includes nine singers and one soundman, aim their contemporary music at both young people and adults said group member Joan Wideman.

She said songs which will be played on Friday have not been decided on, but the free show will include group numbers, solo performances, a guitarist, and audience participation.

"We enjoy having a good time," said Mrs. Wideman. "It's something we enjoy together."

The group, which has been in existence for 11 years, has only one original member left. Members are from the Uxbridge, Stouff-

ville, and Gormley areas.

The nine singers are: Gord Simmonds; Steve Wilson; Mark Wideman; Dwight Wideman; Cathy Bacon; Linda Winder; Linda Vanderbent; Wendy Williams; and Mrs. Wideman. The soundman is Barry Wootton.

Mrs. Wideman said Soul Foundation is a part-time hobby for each member and they spend approximately one night a week practicing

Durham 4-H members prepare for auction

UXBRIDGE — The Durham West Junior Farmers are hosting an auction and bake sale at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28 at the Wilson's Sale Arena in Uxbridge to help raise money for delegates to attend the annual Provincial Junior Farmers Conference.

The Durham West group wants to send six representatives to the conference

held March 16, 17, and 18 in Thunder Bay.

Donations for the bake sale and auction are requested from anyone in the community. Such items include: baking, picture frames, furniture, books, appliances, cutlery, dishes, and any other used or new odds and ends. Also, some articles have been donated from local farm agencies.

For donations and further information contact Ron Smalley — 852-6679; Ron Herrema — 852-7249 or 852-5140; Beth Carson — 649-5434; Suzi Hilts — 852-3784; or Jim Mayberry at 1-705-426-9563.

The Wilson's Sales Arena is located on Beaver Road about two miles north of the town of Uxbridge.

Library starts no-fee system

PICKERING — In an attempt to save money for the year, the Town of Pickering Public Library has introduced a new "fineless" system for library customers.

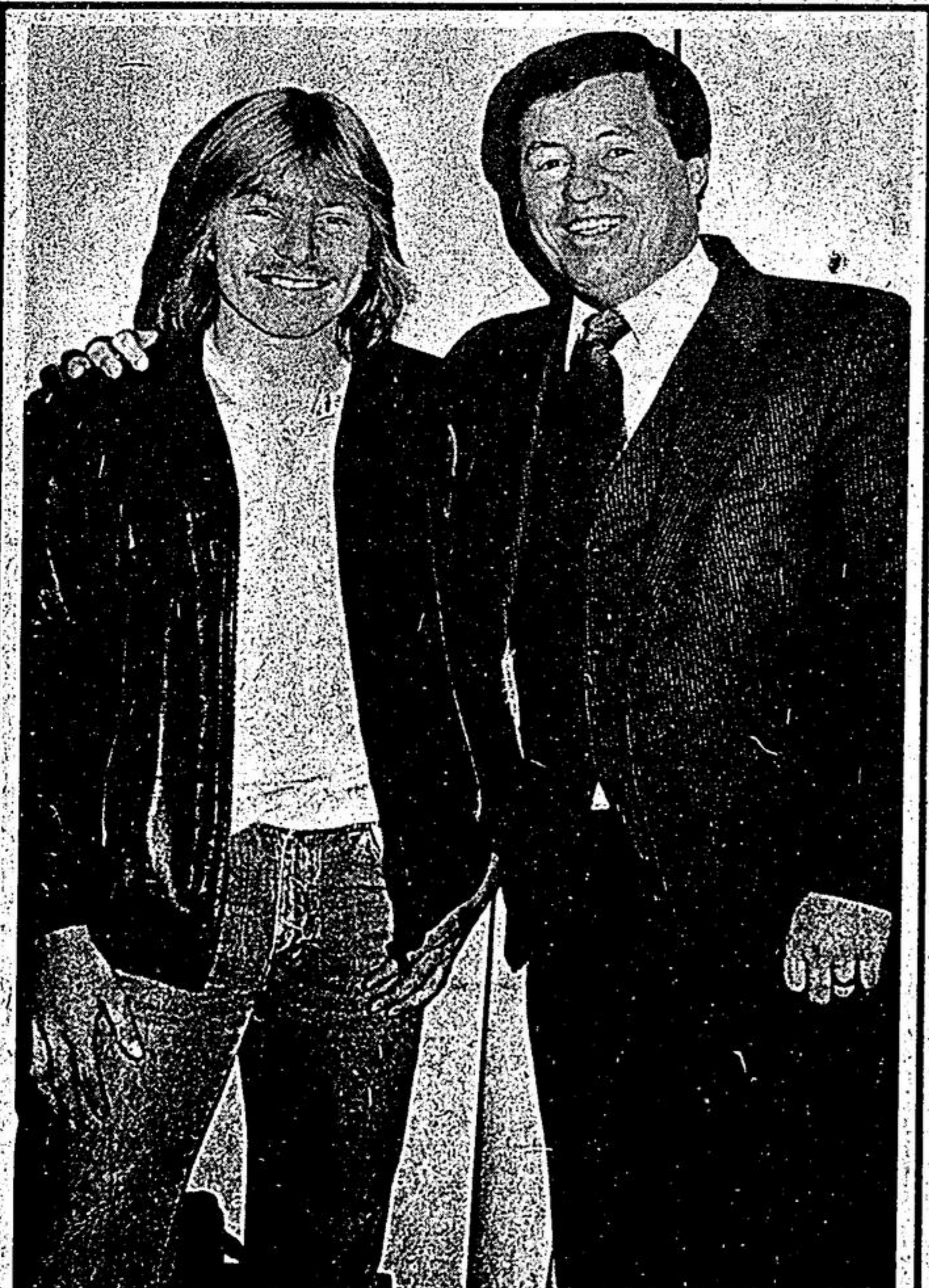
No fines will be charged on regular library material. However, fines will still be issued for audio visual equipment and short term loan books like those in great demand, for projects, or borrowed on inter-library loans.

The library board has found that book depositories open daily 24 hours have helped to decrease the amount of overdue notices issued by approximately 27 per cent. The four

Pickering libraries with these book deposits are Greenwood, Rouge Hill, Bay Ridges, and Liverpool Community Branch.

Although the 'no fine' policy is geared to assist all customers, those who are "seriously delinquent borrowers" will be penalized.

The board has set a target date of Dec. 31, 1984 to monitor how the system works. If it goes well and library benefits the 'no fines' policy may continue.



Township recognition

Steve Dunkeld (left) was awarded a pin of recognition from Uxbridge Mayor Bill Ballinger (right) during Thursday's planning meeting. Mr. Dunkeld received the pin to acknowledge his recent achievements and awards in plowing. He competed at a plowing match in Prince Edward Island last year and this summer will travel to Alberta.

Audrey Green

Skating contest hosted

UXBRIDGE — More than 400 amateur skaters are gearing up for the fifth annual Uxbridge Skating Invitational Competition held February 4 and 5 from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Uxbridge Arena.

The Uxbridge Figure Skating Club is hosting the two-day event along with a bake sale and raffle. The funds raised will be used by the skating club for year-round expenses said Heather Somerville, committee organizer.

She said some skaters had to be turned away from this year's competition because there were so many applications. "The response factor was a plus... we had over 500 entries, but it was on a first come first serve basis."

"It's a lot of hard work... and it's exciting," claimed Mrs. Somerville.

The figure skating club has been working since last summer to organize the event she told the Tribune. And, success has come with many volunteers and local businesses pitching in a helpful hand. This year there are approximately 130 sponsors for the show.

The weekend will include many different skating activities like juvenile dance, novice dance, competitive, open ladies, interpretative events and more.

There will be 24 participants from the Uxbridge Figure Skating Club and others from clubs in Ajax, Pickering, Stouffville, Markham, Unionville, Newmarket, Port Perry, Sunderland, Toronto, Keswick, Richmond Hill, Thornhill, Peterborough, Mississauga, Huntsville, Bracebridge, Bolton, and Brampton.

"There's a lot of good skaters out there," said Mrs. Somerville.

Saturday, Feb. 4 award presentations take place from 3 to 10 p.m. while Sunday, Feb. 5 they run from 3 to 9 p.m.

A weekend pass costs \$3.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Daily admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

Mayor won't run

UXBRIDGE — Uxbridge Mayor Bill Ballinger will not seek re-election in the 1985 municipal elections.

The decision was announced during the Durham Regional Council meeting last Wednesday by Regional Chairman Gary Herrema.

He's now a private entrepreneur," said Herrema. "We wish you well in your new business, and it has been a pleasure knowing you," he told Ballinger.

Ballinger is entering a partnership in the business Dawson Wholesale of Port Perry. He will operate the business out of an office located on Main Street, Uxbridge. Dawson Wholesale deals with various merchandise like greeting cards, small items, and novelties.

Ballinger will continue his position as mayor until the next election.