

Clubs often cliques

Morley Pitts, unsuccessful mayoralty candidate in the Twp. of Uxbridge, is contributing regular columns to The Tribune on issues of a local and sometimes controversial nature. The opinions expressed are those of the writer and not necessarily of this newspaper. Replies, in agreement or opposition, are welcome.

During the early 1970's, I had the pleasure of teaching at Sir Oliver Mowat Collegiate in West Hill. I say "pleasure" because with a staff of 53 teachers whose interests ranged from playing sports to playing the tuba, there was a comfortable respect of each of our differences and an acceptance of everyone as an important member of the staff. We had a group who liked to play pool at lunch break and twenty of us invested in a full-sized pool table for this purpose. Some met every Friday night to go drinking at the Penthouse Motel in Highland Creek while others preferred to go home. There was never an attempt to exclude anyone from joining nor was there any suggestion that not joining made one any less important. Sometimes I reflect on the three years I taught at Mowat and mar-

vel at the harmony that prevailed among a group with so many diversified interests.

A community is not unlike what I have just described. We have people who have the free time and inclination to join one of our many clubs. Some would rather spend their free time involved in a church with all its activities. Others are not able to join group as structured as a service club or congregation due to age, health or financial reasons. A club is voluntary and membership dues are not protection money from being labelled "unworthy" of individual merit. It is very unwise for anyone to suggest that meaningful contributions to a community only come from service clubs or committees.

It's healthy thing to gather together in small or large groups with people of like interests. It is unhealthy to label those who choose other groups or interests as candidates for running out of town at high noon. A community is strong because of its diversity. A club is strong because of its sameness. It takes many clubs to make a community not visa versa. A club which

tries to impose itself on others who have no interest in becoming members is called a "clique". It is at this point that organization becomes dangerous.

It is my belief that Uxbridge is still a "community". We still respect freedom of speech and varied opinions. We are not all clones here. Some of us shave every morning. Our community is thankful for people who come here only to shop at our stores, work at our places of employment and eat at our restaurants.

It's good that many people employed in Uxbridge, live in Sunderland or Newmarket. It's also good that many people who reside here work in Toronto. It's great to have service clubs but it's also great to have people who donate to service clubs. Making our community a "club" will sterilize this fine town. One of my cousins was a Mayor of Uxbridge and another was a councillor here. The person who has just moved here from Korea, Holland or Toronto isn't in my "club" but he or she is certainly welcome to my "community". May it never be any different.



Motorcyclist injured in crash

Markham's David Snowball, 25, is taken to hospital with minimal injuries after the motorcycle he was riding was struck by an oncoming car on Main St., Stouffville Friday. According to York Regional Police, Mr. Snowball, temporarily blinded by

the sun, was struck while attempting to make a left turn in front of the vehicle. Damage to the bike is estimated at \$2,000. The car received approximately \$1,500 damage.

— Jim Thomas

Seeks York North PC nomination

YORK NORTH — George Timson, 38, has declared himself a candidate for the Progressive Conservative nomination in the Provincial Riding of York North.

Timson's qualifications are that he served four years as an Aurora Councillor (1973-1976) before serving six years as Mayor of Aurora (1977-1982). He sees his entry into provincial politics as a natural progression of his political career.

Incumbent M.P.P. Bill Hodgson has done a good job, says Timson. Timson wants the opportunity to serve the people of York North and improve on that standard.

Timson recognizes that he has an uphill fight since the incumbent has represented the riding since 1987. However, he adds, "The time for change has come because York North Riding has become increasingly urbanized in the last 17 years." The former Mayor, regards his record in municipal politics as having been very successful, and he feels that he has a good understanding of the grass roots level of government.

Timson is critical of the timing of the nomination, for three reasons. First, the first public notice of the nomination meeting was a news item published just prior to the July 1st holiday weekend. The meeting itself is scheduled for July 18, a time when people are away on vacation or are planning their holidays.

Second, the report of the Electoral

Boundaries Commission is pending and York North Riding is certainly one of those which will be changed by that report. The report can likely be implemented by the spring of 1985, and if the election is after that date, another round of nomination meetings would be necessary in the newly formed ridings.

Third, there is no rush to hold a nomination. Timson's political senses tell him that Bill Davis is not likely to call an election this summer, or this fall (the Pope is coming and the likelihood of a federal election). Winter elections are usually held only when absolutely necessary. Thus Timson feels the next election will be in the Spring of '85, or possibly later. The present mandate expires in 1986.

Auction sale

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charm bracelet from Markham Mayor Carole Bell-\$45; a final issue of the Toronto Telegram-\$36; a typewriter from Dining Around columnist Cal Avery-\$50; a portable electric organ donated by John Lunau-\$70; two golf shirts, a hat, golf balls and tees from Marlene Stewart Street-\$16; a cut-away bathtub couch from Ged Stonehouse-\$10; dinner-for-two at the Monte Cristo Restaurant-\$42; an Ontario flag from M.P.P. Bill Hodgson-\$20; an antique lamp from M.P. Sinclair Stevens-\$30; a Cam Fella movie from Norm Faulkner-\$45; an autographed book donated by Brian Mulroney-\$9; and a sesquicentennial photo album donated by Toronto Mayor Art Eggleton-\$55.

Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

NOTICE RE MEETINGS

The meetings of Council, Planning Advisory Committee and Committees of Council are hereby cancelled the weeks of:

July 15th and July 22nd, 1984
August 12th and August 19th, 1984

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Mrs. P. Muir, A.M.C.T., Clerk.

ADVERTISING CORRECTION

EATON'S RECORD BREAKING SALE INSERT appearing in the Markham Economist and Sun Wednesday, July 4th, 1984.

Page 3 — Item 3B — Selected Summer Suits. Eaton reg. prices are incorrectly stated. They should read, Eaton reg. \$235.00 to \$295.00, 2- and 3-pcs.

Due to supplier delivery problems, the following item is not available for immediate delivery. However, orders will be accepted for delivery by July 25th.

Page 14 — Item 14Q — Make-up Brush Kit (12 pieces).

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DECISION

Classic Communications Ltd. Decision CRTC 84-505 Parts of the Towns of Vaughan, Richmond Hill, Markham and Whitchurch - Stouffville, Ont. Pursuant to public notice CRTC 1984-93 dated 16 April 1984, the Commission approves the application to amend the licence for the broadcasting receiving undertaking serving the communities noted above by increasing the maximum monthly subscriber fee from \$8.35 to \$8.68 effective 1 September 1984. The Commission considers that this increase is justified on economic grounds.

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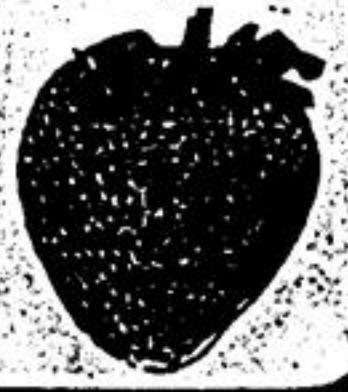
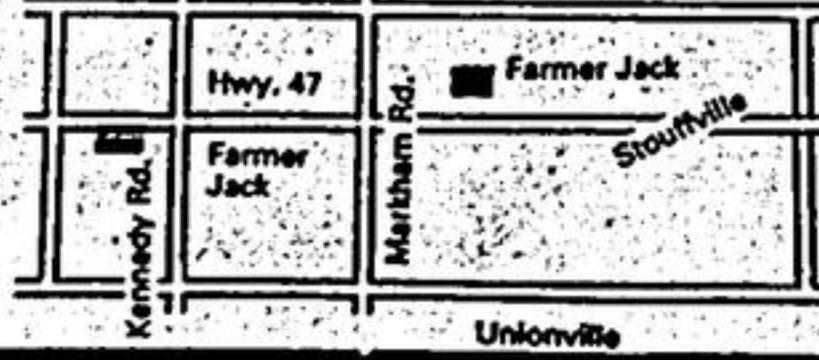
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