

# Neighborly Notes

BY JIM THOMAS

## Pedal not peddle

I'm the one who's continuously critical of elementary and secondary school graduates who can't spell. Last week, my ears were burning as dozens of teachers undoubtedly suggested I practice what I preach. In this column, I said Alfred Chippr Thomas of Maytree Avenue, Stouffville, would be peddling around England on his trusty bicycle during an upcoming holiday over some of the proper spelling of course - is pedaling or pedalling, but certainly not peddling. It's potted the error Wednesday, too late to make amends. So also did Bob Lewis, the Mayor of Bloomington. He drew my attention to it as a side note to a letter to the Editor. Whenever I speak to students, I refer to the dictionary as my office bible. And it is. In this instance, I strayed from that straight and narrow path, so ask forgiveness.

## That's politics

How can folks, with only one vote, support two parties? Since Bill Hodgson (Progressive Conservative) and Greg Sorbara (Liberal) opened up North York Riding headquarters on Main Street, Stouffville, I've seen many of the same people in both. How can that be? It's for this very reason, I find provincial and federal politics so phoney. Folks slap a candidate on the back with one hand and cuff him on the ear with the other. Fortunately, the ballot-marking process is all done in secret, otherwise there'd be some very red-faced voters.

## To Holland

Former Town Councillor, Charlie Warden and wife Ruth are planning a trip to Holland. Charlie, a former sergeant with the Canadian Army artillery, took part in the invasion of that country during World War II. He will visit a family he hasn't seen in 40 years, including children only ten and twelve years old at the time. It should be quite a reunion.

## Live dancers!

King's Restaurant at Ballantrae is advertising live dancers Wednesday and Thursday evenings. I'm wondering if these same gals were dead before or the current crop is new and a little livelier than the rest. Regardless, I found the ad so intriguing, I'm anxious to drop in and provide an on-the-spot report.

## A little late

The Tribune is publishing a Farm Section in its May 24 edition. Naturally, I'm anxious to pick up items of agricultural interest wherever I can find them. Recently, while in the Stouffville Branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia, I noticed a ten-page pamphlet entitled Agri-Trends. It dealt with such subjects as wheat, pigs, poultry, beef, dairy cattle, etc. I brought a copy back to the office and

begin reading it intently. Under the heading of Beef, there was reference to Federal Agriculture Minister Eugene Whelan. "Since when did he come back," I asked myself. That's when it turned to the front cover and noticed the date - Spring, 1984!

## Belated gift

Has Uxbridge Twp. Regional Councillor Gerri Lynn O'Connor a Green tooth? Seems so. Recently, she was the recipient of a belated Easter gift - a huge four-foot tall chocolate rabbit - a treat delivered personally by Councillor Don Jackson. Don's daughter, Gail, operates a specialty candy business on Robinson Street in Markham and that's where the big bunny originated. Said Don during an impromptu press conference prior to the presentation: "Gerri Lynn threw a temper tantrum at our meeting Monday, so we thought we'd sweeten her up a bit." Added Councillor Sandy Owen: "If you (Gerri Lynn) eat the whole thing, we'll have to widen the council chamber doors to get you in." After that, Councillor O'Connor declined all mouth-watering hints that sizeable samples would be much appreciated.

## A clean car

The Stouffville Volunteer Firefighters' Association is holding a car wash this Saturday (April 20) at the hall, Main Street East #115. The first of several projects aimed at raising \$5,000 for the Markham-Stouffville Hospital Fund. The cost is \$3.00 per vehicle and contrary to what was implied by The Tribune's March 10 cartoon, your car won't be washed away. Should the weather be unsatisfactory Saturday, a rain date of April 27 has been set.

## Trout season

Everyone has his/her favorite trout fishing spot. For most, it's a deep, dark secret. The Metro Toronto and Region Conservation Authority advertises theirs. It's at Bruce's Mill south of the Stouffville Road and east of Gormley. The trout there are said to be huge this year, snapping at anything and everything that moves. The season opens April 27. The gates open at 8 a.m. The catch limit is five.

## A sticky wicket

Does a department head charge a department head when he/she breaks a municipal bylaw? That's what Fire Chief Walter Smith is undoubtedly asking himself after a blaze occurred at the rear of the home of town building boss Bruce Arrowsmith, Tenth Line South Saturday. The fire burned over several acres of grass before being brought under control. It seems Mr. Arrowsmith neglected to obtain permission before striking the match, a no-no in Whitechurch, Stouffville. Perhaps the municipality's new chief administrative officer will want to cut his teeth on this one!

# Search on for family

Dear Sir:  
I've been re-searching the family of my husband and find some members died in the Markham-Stouffville area.

I am desirous of obtaining information concerning the following persons. Any assistance will be appreciated.

I'm interested in Abraham Burkholder, April 3, 1895 and Eve Storm Burkholder, Aug. 16, 1906. William Burkholder, July 6, 1944 and Sarah Chapman Burkholder, Nov. 10, 1948. Richard P. Chapman, April 26, 1905 and Hannah Hare Chapman, June 10, 1932.

Sincerely,  
Ruth (Mrs. H.C.) Burkholder,  
R.R. 3, Caledon East, Ont. (LON 1E0).

# First estate home



## Establish initial home at Westfield Estates

The first of 88 homes in Westfield Estates, a subdivision being developed by Revenue Properties Limited, is nearing completion. The location is Hwy. 47 North and Main Street East, Stouffville. Occupancy has been promised by

April 30 with others to follow later this spring and summer. Many families are already living in Stouffville but chose to move to larger houses on larger lots. The properties are served by town water and septic fields. —Jim Thomas

# Bill Hodgson said, "There are no local issues in York North."

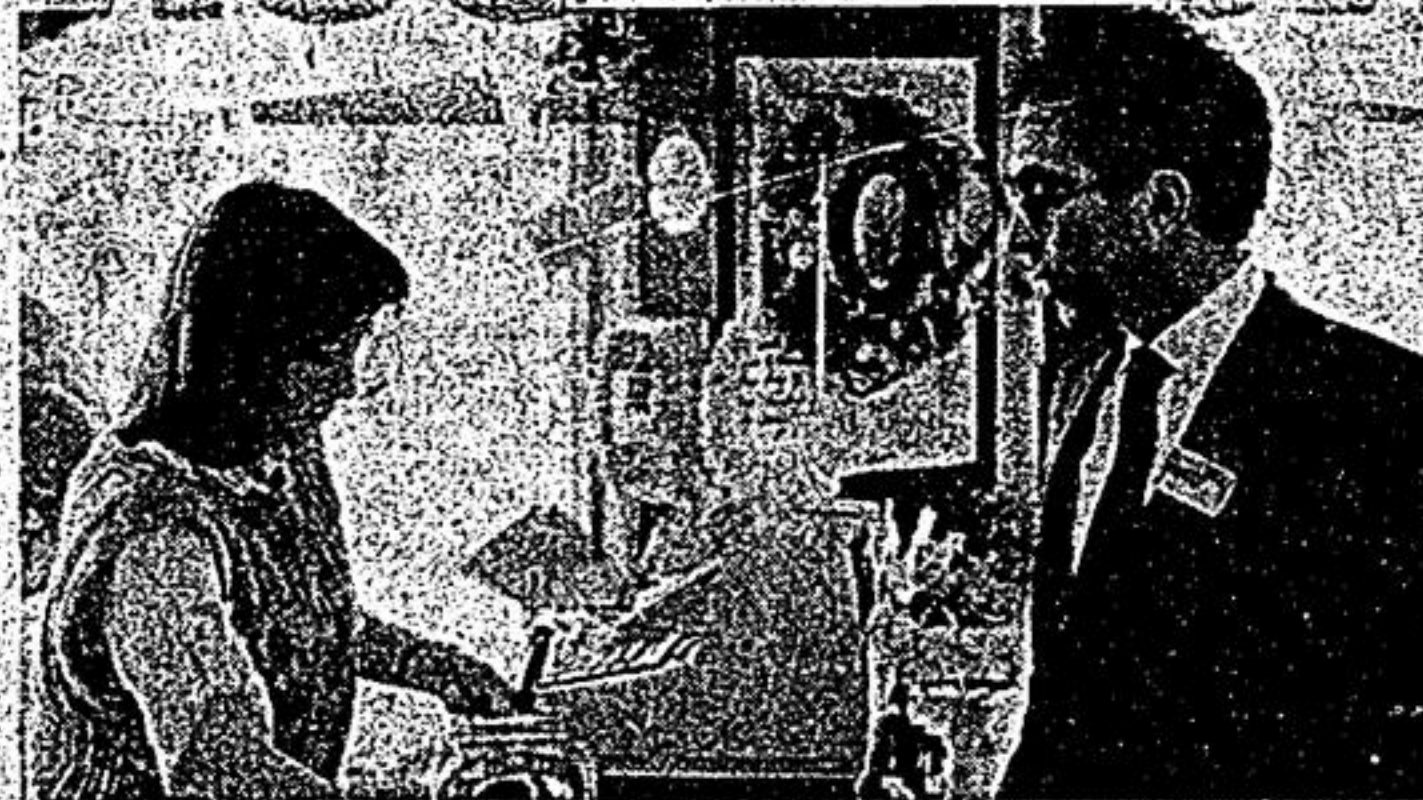
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The people are telling Greg Sorbara otherwise.



Almost 12,000 young people in York North can't find a job because there are no jobs.

What is the Miller-Hodgson team doing about this?



Over 600 small businesses have been forced to close in the last year in this area.

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Over 33,000 daily commuters in York North face rising gas taxes and incompleting highways.

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Too many children in York North are affected by a lack of proper education facilities.

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We need a strong voice at Queen's Park.

# Sorbara

## May 2, vote



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# MARKHAM NOTICE

Proposed By-laws to stop up and close and sell a walk-way being Block A, Registered Plan M-1838 between properties municipally known as 8 Pennock Crescent and 10 Pennock Crescent.

TAKE NOTICE THAT The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Markham intends to pass By-laws to stop up and close and to offer for sale to the abutting owners, a walkway between the properties municipally known as 8 Pennock Crescent and 10 Pennock Crescent, being all of Block A, Registered Plan M-1838.

The proposed By-laws and detailed plan showing the lands to be affected may be seen in my office in the Municipal Building at 8911 Woodbine Avenue, Buttonville, Ontario, during normal business hours.

The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Markham shall hear in person or by his/her Counsel, Solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his/her lands will be prejudicially affected by the By-laws and applies to be heard at a hearing to be held on Tuesday, May 14th, 1985, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 8911 Woodbine Avenue, Buttonville, at the hour of 2:00 p.m. or as soon as possible thereafter.

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