

Editor's Mail

Opposes deer hunt

Dear Editor
 I agree wholeheartedly with your editorial related to the proposed deer hunt in the northern area of Uxbridge Township. Personally, I doubt very much if the Province can impose such a thing on any municipality. Regardless, Council's refusal to register opposition makes members an accessory to the fact.
 At our place, we feed the deer every winter. A pair of these beautiful animals have become quite tame. The thought of them being killed in a hunt authorized by the Ministry of Natural Resources, abetted by our Twp. Council, concerns me greatly.
 I hope others who feel the same will let their ward representatives know their concerns.

Sincerely,
 Jennifer Adams,
 R.R. 3, Mount Albert



To establish Rotary Club in Whitchurch-Stouffville

A Rotary Club will be established in Whitchurch-Stouffville with a Charter Night tentatively set for May or June. A minimum of 25 members are required. The Rotary 'green light' followed a meeting at the Deer Park Inn, Stouffville, Jan. 29. Markham and Scarborough are sponsoring clubs. Club representatives shown here are

(left to right) Mac Frost, Gerry Bradler, Bill Harris, Paul de Savage and Don Jackson. Several Rotarians already live in Whitchurch-Stouffville. The Tribune was told. Prospective members seeking additional information can call 884-5964; 888-1547 or 883-5300.
 —Jim Thomas

Lounge-a labor of love

By ERKKI POHJOLAINEN

STOUFFVILLE — The upstairs lounge at Whitchurch-Stouffville's new Recreation Centre is scheduled to open March 1, but its use has not been determined.

Parks and Recreation Director George Schlukbier told The Tribune this week, he wants the public to say what the lounge should be used for. He wants to know if it should be utilized as a means of making money or by various sport and recreational clubs for fund-raising events.

The lounge, similar in size to two tennis courts set end-to-end, will probably rent for \$150 per event plus a \$75 damage deposit. However, the Recreation and Cultural Services Committee has not established a rate, Mr. Schlukbier said.

In the original Complex plan, the lounge was estimated to cost \$67,000, Mr. Schlukbier explained. The committee decided not to proceed because of budget restraints. But last summer, the director got the go-ahead to begin a fund-raising drive. He received about \$40,000, with the help of hockey teams, the Figure Skating Club and other organizations, almost enough to complete construction. The amount still owing, after all work is completed, will be acquired through more fund-raising activities. "The lounge won't cost the taxpayers one penny," he stressed.

The Liquor Licence Board of Ontario will issue 'special' permits to serve alcohol to a maximum of 197 people. Parks and Recreation staff member Cathy Richardson explained the lounge cannot hold a permanent licence because the Board will not give its approval. Instead, the host of each event must make application for a special permit.

Entering the lounge, one comes face-to-face with a 15-foot-long bar equipped with a glass-door refrigerator and sink. Beside it, a corridor leads to the main auditorium. This space has four windows overlooking the ice. It is large enough to seat 200 people in addition to a sizeable dance floor.

The lounge will be equipped with video and pinball games so students from the High School can eat their lunch and enjoy this form of recreation," Cathy stated.

Mr. Schlukbier said he pressed for the lounge because he feels it fills a need in the community. "It's a great place for arena-users to raise funds and it will increase the overall revenue received by the Complex," he concluded.

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