



Collision course

These two motorists collided on Hwy. 7 and Jonguil Cres. recently. The early model Toyota Celica (right), driven by Thornhill resident Tommy Leung, was travelling westbound on Hwy. 7 when the accident occurred. The vehicle sustained \$1,500 damage. Damage to the Camaro was estimated at \$2,000. Markham resident Holly Purcell has been charged with failure to yield the right of way.
—Robert Donnelly

Jack Rettie dies at 64

One of the founding fathers of York Region's government system has died at age 64.

A.J. (Jack) Rettie died Monday at York County Hospital in Newmarket following a lengthy illness.

Mr. Rettie was York Regional Council's first Chief Administrative Officer and served in that capacity for 12 years until his retirement in 1983.

Following provincial acceptance of York County's request for creation of a regional government in 1970, Mr. Rettie was appointed "acting officer".

He had a mandate to set up administrative details of the new region prior to election of the first regional council.

"The people of the region are much better served by government today thanks to both the talents and support of service of Jack Rettie," said Regional Chairman Eldred King. "As both a creative and inspirational force he played a major role in developing the quality of services we all enjoy today."

Mr. Rettie was a University of Toronto class of 1944 graduate in civil engineering and served as a lieutenant in the Royal Corps of Engineers until 1946.

He then joined the Toronto and York Roads Commission as a construction engineer and served there until 1954. Mr. Rettie was subsequently appointed chief engineer and county engineer for York in 1954 when Metropolitan Toronto was formed.

In 1968 he became chairman of the Technical Advisory Committee which was formed to prepare recommendations for county council regarding the future regional government.

Mr. Rettie is survived by wife Gwen, two children Gail and Scott and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Trinity United Church in Newmarket.

Cigarettes, cash taken in break-in

Cigarettes and cash were stolen during a recent break-in at The Food Counter on Mintleaf Gate in Markham.

York Regional Police said the break-in occurred June 23 between 4 a.m. and 6 a.m. when a concrete block was thrown through the front glass door. Damage is estimated at \$500.

Value of the stolen goods is unknown.

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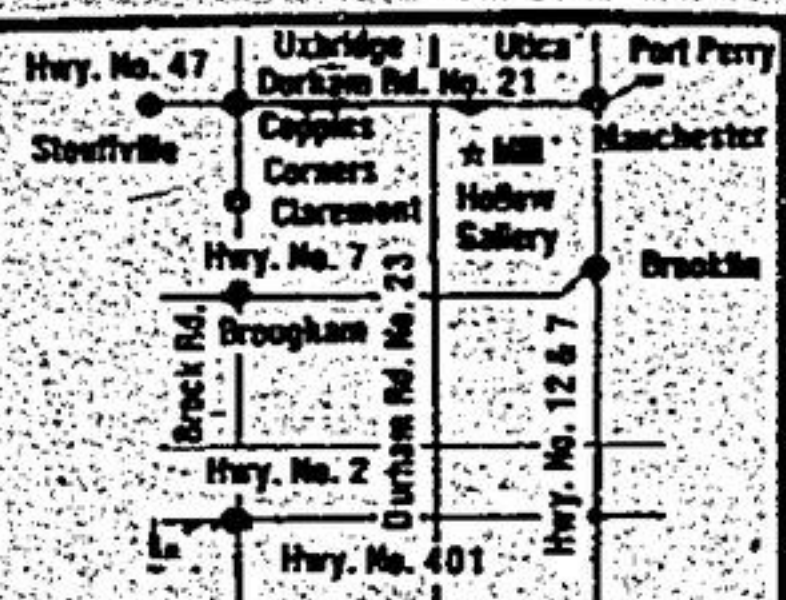
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