



**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK
WIDENING AND RECONSTRUCTION
WARDEN AVENUE (YR 65)**

THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK PROPOSES TO PASS A BY-LAW AUTHORIZING:

- (a) the widening and reconstruction of Warden Avenue (YR 65) in the Town of Markham from 14th Avenue to a point approximately 170 metres south of The King's Highway No. 7 to a basic width of 36 metres with additional widenings at cuts, fills and intersections to provide a basic four lane roadway, with additional turning lanes at a proposed future collector road to intersect Warden Avenue (YR 65) approximately 390 metres south of The King's Highway No. 7; the widening of Warden Avenue (YR 65) over the C.N.R. tracks at mileage 14.1 York Subdivision to accommodate a four lane roadway and the widening of the bridge carrying Warden Avenue (YR 65) over the Rouge River to accommodate a five lane roadway; and
- (b) in connection with all of the foregoing: the site preparation, fencing, grading, graveling and paving; the construction of concrete curbs and gutters, storm sewers, culverts and drainage works; the construction of all other related works and undertakings; and the acquisition of the necessary lands and interests in lands.

Pursuant to section 301 of the Municipal Act, the Engineering Committee of the Regional Council will, at its meeting to be held at 10:00 a.m. on the 16th day of June, 1987 in the Board Room of the Engineering Building located on the west side of Woodbine Avenue (YR 8) one and one-quarter miles north of Aurora Road (YR 15), hear any person who claims that his lands will be prejudicially affected by the by-law and who applies to be heard. Anyone wishing to be heard is requested to advise Robert Vernon, Regional Clerk, (Telephone 362-2464 or 895-1231 Extension 210). If any party entitled to be heard does not attend at the hearing the Committee may proceed in his absence and he will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

The proposed by-law and plans showing the proposed works may be inspected at the office of Ronald Gee, Planning and Design Engineer, at the Regional Engineering Building located on Woodbine Avenue (YR 8) one and one-quarter miles north of Aurora Road (YR 15) (Telephone 364-8731 or 895-2303).

DATED at Newmarket this 15th day of May, 1987.

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Hazel Wood
Poetry contest win
surprises writer, 78

By **CHRIS GARBUTT**

Hazel Wood is a well-rounded and successful artist. She spends her time writing poetry, short stories, and painting.

"If I'm not writing, I paint. I enjoy the painting," she said in an interview.

And the Stouffville senior citizen's pastime has just paid off. She recently received a letter saying that she had taken the grand prize in the World of Poetry's annual contest.

"I wasn't going to enter at first, but I thought, well, I might as well throw in a couple," the 78-year-old Mrs. Wood explained.

Last year, she earned a second prize in the competition, but only received a certificate. This year she didn't take it too seriously.

"To tell the truth, I'd forgotten I entered the contest," she said. "I guess it's a good thing I did

enter."

But last week, Mrs. Wood got word that her poem, *The Garden of Prayer*, had won her the Golden Poet Award and a cheque for \$1,000.

She'll travel to Las Vegas in August for the third Annual Poetry Convention to collect her prize.

Mrs. Wood said there is a history of writing in her family, and she began writing while she was teaching school near Georgian Bay.

"It was a 30-mile drive to school, and when I got an idea, I pulled over to the side of the road to write it down," she explained.

"Then after school I would expand on the idea."

Her poetry has appeared in newspapers in Midland, Pickering, and Toronto. She is also publishing a book of poetry for an art exhibition to be held at the Silver

Jubilee Club in September.

Mrs. Wood added that she has a novel on the way. "I have seven chapters done now. I hope I'll get it finished within three or four months."

She came to Stouffville three years ago, and is now living in an apartment on Winlane Drive. She joined the Silver Jubilee Club, and last year began taking part in an art class there.

Since taking up art, Mrs. Wood has painted about 30 pictures.

"I gave most of them to my family. They were so excited I was getting into art," the senior said.

She said when she used to teach, she'd tell her students to paint but never had the opportunity to do it herself.

"When I started painting, I soon found out when you put a brush down on canvas, it's something entirely different from what you see, or what you think you see."

Several pieces of her artwork will be displayed at the Silver Jubilee Club's September exhibition.

Last Christmas, she combined her writing and painting talents to make her own Christmas cards, "just for fun."

Mrs. Wood said one of the keys to successful writing is experience.

"You need experience ... and reading. I read four or five books a week."

In response to Mrs. Wood's success in the poetry contest her friends have encouraged her writing.

"They want me to write Pierre Berton and get an agent," she said.

Mrs. Wood has written to the famous Canadian author, but is unsure of his response.

"Who knows? After this (winning the contest), I could believe anything!"



A golden pen

Stouffville's Hazel Wood has turned a love for writing into a successful pastime as she recently claimed top prize in an international poetry contest.

— Chris Garbutt

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