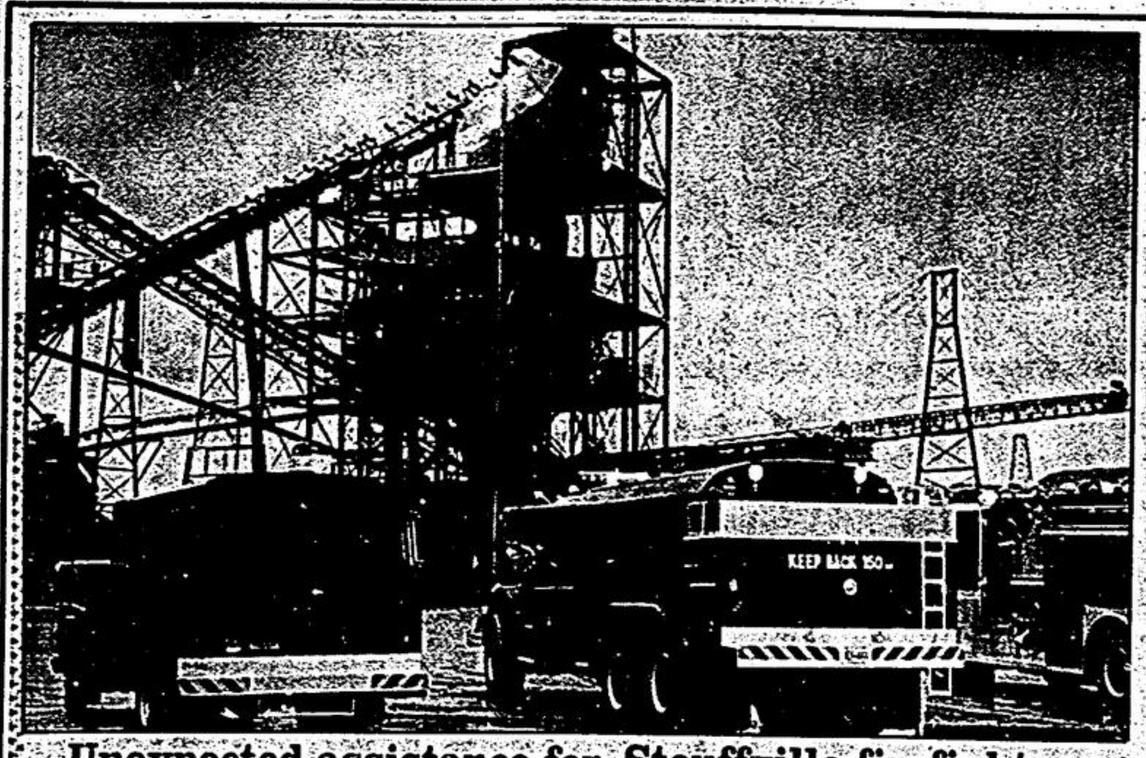


Unexpected assistance for Stouffville firefighters

Firefighters received unexpected assistance when they attended a blaze at Standard Aggregates on the Whitchurch-Stouffville townline, north of the Bloomington Road. Flames severed a high pressure hose resulting in the release of a torrent of water that eventually put out the fire. Damage to the 80-foot high hopper was estimated at $60,000.

—Jim Thomas

Editor's Mail

Please pity the poor country mail courier

Dear Editor:

In previous Letters to the Editor, I have knocked the 'service' provided by Canada Post in no uncertain terms. On this occasion, however, I'm taking to task those residents on rural routes who should and could do a lot to ease the burden of those whose task it is to deliver mail up and down the concession roads.

I personally have, from time to time over the last two winters, assisted on mail deliveries, so I consider myself competent and justified in offering criticisms.

There should be a standard shape and size for mailboxes and they should be large enough to hold moderate sized parcels. In many cases, the boxes are too small. Subsequently, parcels must be delivered to the houses. This is not the responsibility of the deliverer. The type and size of boxes should be the responsibility of Canada Post. Flags should be on every box and in working order.

Many boxes have no front flaps and are in a sad state of disrepair. The mail is often exposed to the weather and to the splashings of passing vehicles and snow plows. Consequently, when it's eventually picked up it's in terrible condition.

There should be a standard height for all mailboxes to facilitate delivery. Some cannot be reached from a truck or car. They're either too high, too low, too far back from the shoulder or leaning into the ditch.

In the winter, after the plow has been through, the snow and ice is often piled against the box and the deliverer cannot get near, let alone put anything in it. The resident, to the best of his/her ability should make the box accessible. There is no legal obligation for the mail carrier to deliver if he/she cannot reach the box without getting out of his or her vehicle. For the mail carrier to leave the vehicle is also forbidden.

Until recently, the rural resident has had an advantage over the town dweller. The mail is delivered to the edge of the property. They can also send mail out with the carrier, saving a trip to town.

Mail in winter often is delivered under very hazardous conditions such as icy roads and deep snow. Also, the load is especially heavy at Christmas time. So please give the men and women carriers a break and make a difficult job a little bit easier.

Sincerely,
Adam Johnstone,
R.R.1, Stouffville.

Seniors say thanks

Dear Editor:

Members of Stouffville's Silver Jubilee Seniors' Club wish to sincerely thank the organizers and supporters of the Stouffville Dist. Secondary School teacher-student hockey game at the Rec. Centre, Dec. 15.

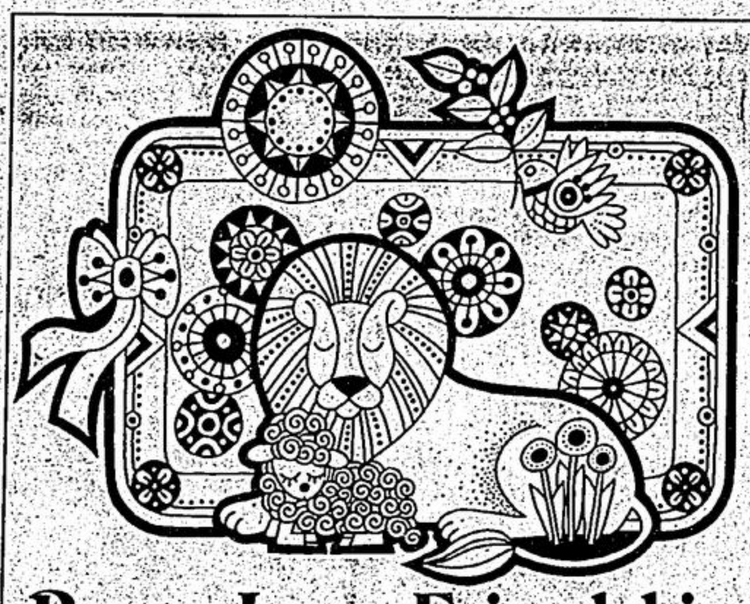
Proceeds totalled $500.

The donation will help cover expenses incurred because of a fire in the clubhouse lobby last summer.

The Silver Jubilee Club is also indebted to many others who gave freely of their time and skills in the renovation of the building.

Season's greetings to all.

Sincerely,
Syd Cooper,
Chairman



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THANK YOU & BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM ALL THE STAFF & MANAGEMENT

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