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Developers knocking on Town door

STOUFFVILLE — When Town Council announced an anticipated increase in 1988 water and sewage capacities, it was the cue for developers to come knocking on the door.

Several applicants made their proposals known at a Planning Advisory Committee meeting Jan. 5.

Delegations included — Douglas Meharg of Arglass Corporation; Joe Nighswander of Parkview Village Retirement Community Association and Ken May of 667287 Ontario Limited.

Mr. Meharg requires 19 placements for a proposed residential subdivision south-west of the Stouffville Cemetery.

Mr. Nighswander is asking for 100 units to service both cluster

homes and Seniors' apartments on the Parkview Village site.

Mr. May wishes to proceed with a subdivision south of Millard Street and backing onto Manitoba. In the proposal, Park Drive would be extended northward to Millard with a loop street winding to the east.

Mr. Nighswander said nothing definite had been decided with respect to build-up at Parkview Village. At present, he said, there are 450 names on the Parkview waiting list, 100 of these having been added in the past two months.

Committee members wondered if the Association might consider accommodation for other age brackets. Glenn Brubacher of the Parkview Board of Directors said this hadn't been discussed. Director Carl Reesor suggested it would probably be best if the board remained committed to an area with which it is most familiar. Besides, he explained, by providing more accommodation for Seniors, additional homes would be freed up for younger families.

Mayor Fran Sainsbury explained the certificate for re-rated sewage capacity had been approved by the Ministry of the Environment and mailed to York Region Dec. 16. She said that as of Jan. 5, it had not been received.

With respect to the three applications, each was accorded the same response: "Your request will be held in abeyance and considered along with all others when sewage confirmation is received."

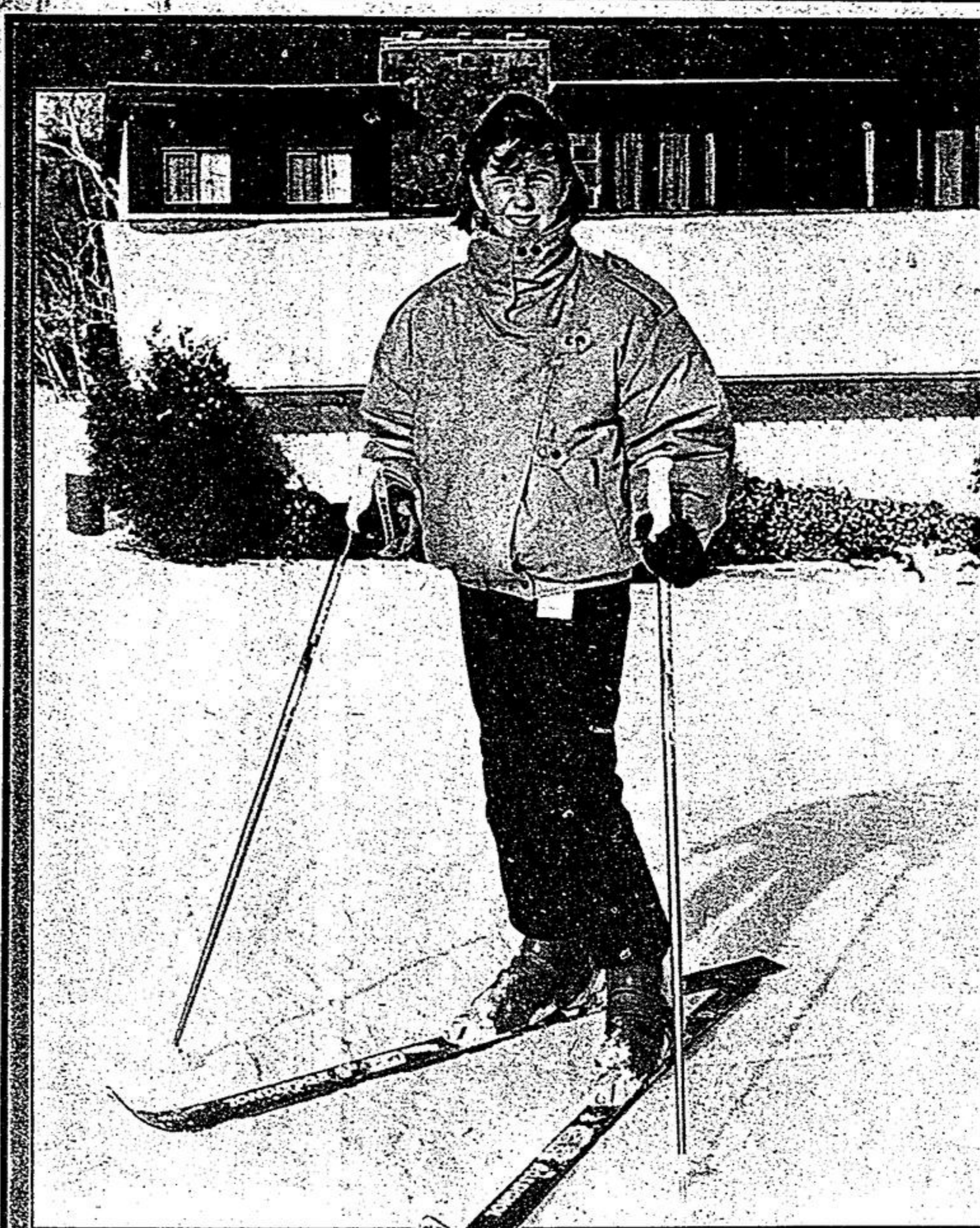
Our first

Shawn Alexander Alston didn't arrive Jan. 1 but he's the first New Year arrival in Whitchurch-Stouffville.

John and Linda Alston of 36 Alderwood Street, welcomed Shawn at 8:47 p.m., Jan. 2. He was born at Grace Hospital, Scarborough and weighed seven pounds, fourteen ounces.

Shawn has an older brother, Jamie, 6 and an older sister, Samantha, 4.

The proud parents have lived in Stouffville almost three years, coming here from Montreal.



Melissa skis in the fast lane

Eleven-year-old Melissa Austin, Commercial Street, Stouffville, skis in the fast lane. Melissa is a member of the Dargmar Alpine Racing Team, taking part in competitions almost every weekend. She's been skiing nine years. Her racing coach is Chris Anzili.

Tend to business

Whitchurch-Stouffville Council held 26 regular meetings in 1987. Mayor Fran Sainsbury and Councillor Wilf Morley had perfect attendance.

Councillors Ron Robb, Jim Rae, Wayne Emmerson and Jim Sanders missed only one. Councillor Margot Marshall was away for two.

There were 21 Planning Advisory Committee meetings last year. Council members also serve in this capacity.

Councillors Emmerson and Sanders attended all 21 sessions.

Mayor Sainsbury and Councillors Marshall, Morley and Rae were each absent on one occasion. Councillor Robb missed two meetings.

All members were present for 16 of the 21 dates.

In addition to Council and Planning, members also sit on several committees including the Library, the Museum, Community Centre and Business Improvement Area boards. These are not included in the year-end tabulation.

No plans to move

STOUFFVILLE — With each anticipated election, Mayor Fran Sainsbury's name comes to the fore.

It's happening again with Prime Minister Brian Mulroney hinting at a possible trek to the polls this fall.

What is Mayor Sainsbury's reaction? Complete surprise.

"I've never been formally asked," she responded. "There are many problems at the municipal level still to solve." "I haven't yet finished the job I set out to do."

Mrs. Sainsbury called the MPs responsibilities at the federal level "a monumental job."

"To be honest, I'd feel much more at home at Queen's Park than in Ottawa," she concluded.

Wheels turning

STOUFFVILLE — In response to requests from a church-associated group, Town Council is seeking ways and means of acquiring affordable housing in Whitchurch-Stouffville.

On Jan. 5, members asked Planning Director Michael Saunders to meet with York Region's Commissioner of Community Services for the purpose of accumu-

lating information on the problem.

According to the Region, an average of six families are seeking adequate shelter at any one time. Others, the official said, are presently living in inadequate accommodation.

Members agreed the accumulation of figures would constitute a first major step in solving the current crisis.

Spademan's sold

STOUFFVILLE — Spademan's Waste Removal, a firm established by Ralph Spademan 51 years ago, has been sold.

The purchaser is Miller Paving Limited of Markham.

"There'll be no change in the service or the staff," Mr. Spademan told The Tribune.

The company's current head office is located on Hwy. 47,

Whitchurch-Stouffville. The Miller firm operates from a site on Miller Avenue, Markham.

Mr. Spademan says he's pleased the purchaser is an all-Canadian company. It's generally known an American-based firm was also bidding for the business.

The Spademan name will be retained.

Mail mess

STOUFFVILLE — We're bogged down, I hope the people will understand.

That is the lament of Stouffville Postmaster Gary Fisher as he and members of staff attempt to clear away a mountain of mail, some dating back to mid-December.

The problem, Fisher explained, started with the strike and worsened with the Christmas rush. With only three full-time sorters, the volume of mail was under-

standable, says Fisher, the load eventually passed from the sorters to the carriers and they got snowed under too.

Letters coming to the Stouffville Post Office are all pre-sorted. Unfortunately, a lot of first class mail comes mixed in with the magazines and is held up.

"We don't know what's first class and what isn't," he said.

Head office has promised magazines will also be pre-sorted and he's stated when this happens, the load locally will be lighter.

Mr. Fisher, aided by working Sunday, much of the backlog was cleared.

He explained many Stouffville households now include two families and mail for them must be separated. This also takes time, he said.

"Our town is growing," concluded Fisher, "but staff numbers haven't kept pace."

Two committed Candidates eye new Riding

After July 13, 1988, the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville will become part of the new federal Riding of Markham. The boundaries will extend from Steeles Avenue on the south to Davis Drive on the north.

In all likelihood, current MP Sinclair Stevens will choose to run in his 'home' constituency thus leaving the Town open to someone entirely new.

The rumor mill is turning. Committed PCs are John Gamble of Box Grove and Bill Attewell of Willowdale. Waiting in the

wings are Peter Atkins of Markham and incumbent Independent MP Tony Roman of Victoria Square. To date, both Mr. Atkins and Mr. Roman are non-committal as to their political plans.

A PC Founding Meeting is set for Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m., in Markham Dist. High School.

An interested Liberal standard-bearer is said to be Michael Kusner of R.R. 2, Gormley, (Victoria Square).

Mr. Attewell is definite. The current Don Valley East MP told The Tribune he's planning to buy a home in Blue Spruce Estates, Vaudorf, so he can't be accused of 'parachuting' into the Riding.

Mr. Attewell admits there's confusion within the ranks of the York North PC Party. He maintains, however, "it's a winnable Riding with the right organization."

The 55-year-old father of four, (and grandfather of one), was first elected to Parliament in 1984. His link with the federal PC Association dates back to the mid 60's.

Bill and Sandy Attewell say they're 'excited' over the prospects of living in Whitchurch-Stouffville. They hope to close the deal on their new Marjorie Drive home early in May.



Personal care will ease the pain

Trucking capital

STOUFFVILLE — If the current trend continues, Councillor Ron Robb sees Whitchurch-Stouffville becoming the 'Trucking Capital of Canada.'

Anderson Haulage, Rennie Transport, Apache Freight Lines and Lorne's Transport all have depots in Town.

A likely newcomer is G.M. Smith Ltd., Hwy. 7, Unionville. Gerald Smith is seeking permission to 'set up shop' near Gormley.

On Jan. 5, Planning Advisory Committee was told yet another firm, Skelton Truck Lines Ltd., McCowan Road, Markham, had purchased 27 acres near the corner of Bethesda Sideroad and Hwy. 47. The Skelton firm wishes to vacate its rented premises north of Hwy. 7, planners were informed.

If approval is granted, the company will erect two buildings and employ up to 40 people, spokesman Randy Alcorn of Alcorn & Associates Ltd., Thornhill, told the meeting.

The CNR, Mr. Alcorn said, has agreed to construct two spur lines onto the site and provide one train a day to service the business.

It's estimated 25 trucks would operate out of the property daily, using the Bloomington Road route from Hwy. 47 to Hwy. 404.

Larry Skelton, the firm's owner, described the company as a 'family operation' with his wife and two children as partners.



BILL ATTEWELL

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