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## Family rescued from fire

MUSSELMAN'S LAKE — A Musselman's Lake couple and their three children are alive and well but the family's dog is dead.

'Sheba', a year-old pet Husky was asphyxiated in a blaze that occurred late Thursday night at the home of Aaron and Jacqueline Brown, Balsam Boulevard.

The parents and children had time only to escape in their night-wear.

Mr. Brown said he was asleep on a downstairs couch when he heard a loud noise. The dog was also whining, he said.

The husband roused his wife and daughter Erin, three. Mr. Brown then found five-year-old Brandon and carried him to an adjacent porch. But he couldn't locate Adam, 7, the oldest boy.

Mrs. Brown left Erin in the front yard and returned to the smoke-filled house. She heard Adam crying and found him on a bedroom floor.

Oxygen was administered at the scene.

"He (Adam) was very sick," Mr. Brown told The Tribune. "We stayed up with him most of the night."

The loss of 'Sheba' is keenly felt. Mr. Brown described the pet as "a gorgeous dog". She was found in the basement by one of the firemen.

Damage, estimated at \$20,000, was confined mainly to the lower floor. Faulty wiring is blamed.

The Brown family are presently residing with his mother and stepfather, Mary and Grant Miller, Mill Street, Stouffville. They're looking for more permanent quarters until repairs are complete. This may take up to three months, Mr. Brown said.

Aaron praised assistance provided by friends and neighbors. "One couldn't ask for a better town," he said, "we have lots of clothing; the kids are pretty well looked after."

Firefighters from District I and II responded. They remained on location until 4 a.m.

## Lose again!

For a second straight year, Durham Region has lost out in its bid to host the 1991 International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Show.

Lambton County (Sarnia) won out over Durham following presentations made this week at the Ontario Plowmen's Association convention in Toronto's Constellation Hotel.

Durham Region spokesmen included Ted Smith, (chairman), Don Hadden and Norm Leigh.

"We're very disappointed," Mr. Leigh told The Tribune. He's confident a third attempt will be made next year.

## Missionary Church

### Strong stand on abortion

STOUFFVILLE — The Stouffville Missionary Church, through its Board of Elders, has voiced grave concerns over the recent decision on the abortion issue handed down by the Supreme Court of Canada.

"A statement circulated among the membership, Sunday, reads as follows:

"As Christians concerned for human life, we have been deeply grieved over the recent Supreme Court decision ruling Canada's Abortion Law unconstitutional.

It seems that what little protection for the unborn that our society did give, now is completely gone.

It is up to those who believe this to be wrong and a sin against a loving God who gives life to speak for themselves (e.g., the unborn).

Letters to your Member of Par-

liament, as well as your Member of Provincial Parliament is one small way your voice can be heard.

Since the old law was ruled unconstitutional, we must encourage our leaders now to make a new and better law in its place.

In your letters, express concern over the absence now of a law protecting the rights of the unborn and urge them to use their influence in supporting the drafting of new legislation making abortion a criminal offense except in situations where the life of the mother is in jeopardy.

You could also express further concern over having your tax dollars presently go towards paying for abortions through OHIP. Thanks for your interest and for taking time to write.

Correspondence will be directed to the following: Anthony Roman, M.P., North York Riding, Ottawa; Sinclair Stevens, M.P., York-Peel Riding, Ottawa; Scott Fennell, M.P., Ontario Riding, Ottawa; Bill Ballinger, M.P.P., Durham-York Riding, Queen's Park, Toronto and Don Cousens, M.P.P., Markham Riding, Queen's Park, Toronto.

## Illegal parkers censured

STOUFFVILLE — Parking space or not, shoppers at Stouffville's A&P Plaza are prohibited from utilizing areas reserved for handicapped people.

But some are. Town Council has learned.

The problem was discussed at a meeting Feb. 9.

Because, at certain times parking is limited, some drivers use stalls established for handicapped persons only.

"This is a municipal offense. Council is looking into ways of enforcing a bylaw that permits the fining of motorists and the towing away of offending vehicles."

The Town of Vaughan recently appointed three bylaw enforcement officers who issue tickets under Section 70 of the Police Act. The action supervisor, Joseph Chiarelli, told The Tribune, has been well received by residents.

According to Bruce Arrowsmith, Whitchurch-Stouffville's chief building official, legislation is under review here and should be in place by the fall of '88. At the same time, fines for illegal parking will be raised.



Honored

Mr. Arrowsmith will receive the honor of being named as the chief building official for the town of Stouffville. He will be receiving the honor from the town council on Feb. 22. Mr. Arrowsmith has been in the position since 1984. He is a member of the Ontario Building Officials and Code Administrators International. He is also a member of the Stouffville Chamber of Commerce. He is a past president of the Stouffville Lions Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Rotary Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Elks Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Moose Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Kiwanis Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Optimists Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Lions Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Rotary Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Elks Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Moose Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Kiwanis Club. He is a past president of the Stouffville Optimists Club.



Brenda Hachey, Elm Road, Stouffville, received not one, but two medals Saturday when the local Figure Skating Club hosted the 1988 Upper York Inter-Club competition at the Rec. Centre. This particular award, in Pre-Novice Girls, is presented by Town Councillor Wayne Emmerson.

## Cut fancy figures

Twelve-year-old Janine Jeffrey, a Grade 7 student at St. Mark's Separate School, brought Stouffville its only gold medal in the Upper York Inter-Club figure skating competitions Saturday.

Janine won the Silver Intermediate Class with a flawless performance. Beth Palmer of Aurora was second and Marjane Davis, Newmarket, third.

"The biggest thrill ever," Janine told The Tribune.

At figure skating since age seven, Janine was a member of Markham when her parents, Ken and Chris Jeffrey, lived on Judy Court. She joined the Stouffville Club when the family moved to St. John's Side Road, R.R. 3, Stouffville. She has a sister, Nicole, 9, also a figure skater.

Janine spends about five hours a week at the arena. She also plans to take this summer her goal in the Olympics.

"It sure was happy when I saw my name at the top of the list," Janine said enthusiastically. She was also pleased her parents and sister were on hand to watch.

The coveted gold medal, accompanied by a bronze will hang in her room.

While figure skating is her favorite sport, Janine also enjoys ballet and Highland classes at the Dance and Drama Workshop, Markham. She's reached a Grade A level.

Other Stouffville entries finishing in medal positions were Brenda Hachey (silver) and Bronzy Andrea



Janine Jeffrey, St. John's Side Road, Stouffville, was the Club's lone gold medal winner in the class. She also won a bronze in Jr. Silver Dance.

Boyd (bronze), Holly Hamden (silver) and Stephanie Barclay (silver).

Newmarket won the bronze award with Holly Boyd. Richmond Hill won the silver award with Holly Hamden.

## Additional build-up

STOUFFVILLE — Expanded accommodation within the Stouffville sewage disposal plant will allow for additional residential, commercial and industrial growth up to 132 units. This premium space is in demand.

On Feb. 9, Council revealed the designations as follows:

Douglas Meharg, 19 units; Gerald Acton, 15 units; Pairgreen-Southwick, 14 units; and Don Shaw, six units.

The remaining 78 units have

been reserved for future industrial growth with a staff report on this to come in June, 1988.

## Commended

ALTONA — A well-known Altona area magician has been praised by District Court Judge Douglas Coo for tipping police to a three-former murder request that led to the arrest of a 39-year-old Scarborough man.

It was back in 1985 that David Houston, who goes by the stage name of 'Shakespeare', was contacted by Deodat Parmanand of Victoria Park Avenue following a Christmas magic show. Parmanand told Houston "he might have a job for him."

The job, Mr. Houston later learned, was to arrange an accident to the accused man's wife. A sum of \$5,000 was mentioned.

Houston called police.

In the court case that followed, Parmanand was convicted and subsequently sent to penitentiary for three years.

Mr. Houston said he spoke to the accused's mother after sentencing and expressed his sympathy. "Through her tears, she thanked me for preventing Bobby from not doing something worse."

Judge Coo commented that had it not been for the courage and quick thinking of the Crown witness, "we could be attending a murder trial here today."

"This country needs more people like him," he concluded. Mr. Houston told The Tribune he's glad it's all over. "I want to forget about it," he stated.

## Little girl big winner at show

STOUFFVILLE — Ten-year-old Lawnie Wallace has done it again.

Following up her crowd-captivating performance at 'Timmy Day' in the Stouffville Legion Hall, Feb. 7, Lawnie returned to win the grand championship in the Winter Carnival Talent Contest at The Greens Restaurant, Stouffville, Sunday.

The competition concluded the annual Sno-Pitch Weekend, Feb. 12-14.

The packed house gave Lawnie a long and loud ovation following each selection; even called for encores. The Grade 5 student at Balantrae Public School is the daughter of William and Kathy Wallace, High Point Drive, Balantrae.

Second place went to Kathy Irvine of Pickering and third to Pauline Gaudet of Scarborough.

Other finalists were — Jason Wallace (Lawnie's brother); Marsha Taylor; Nancy Brownberger; Mark Bowman and Jerry Shields.

Organizers were pleased to welcome talented vocalist Pam Morrison on stage for a guest spot. The show's MC was Mike Straughan.

Judges were — Vic Wilson, David Nelson and Keith Coppins.

## Samaritan appalled at neglect

MUSSELMAN'S LAKE — While Margaret MacLaren tended to a body on the travelled portion of Lakeshore Road, motorists passed by in both directions.

"I couldn't believe it," Mrs. MacLaren said.

The man, thought to be about 19, had suffered a diabetic collapse. He was unconscious face-down in the snow.

"I blew the horn," Mrs. MacLaren recalled, "but he didn't move." She stopped to investigate.

Other drivers drove past but one lady offered aid.

"We shook him, but there wasn't a sound. His face was turning blue," she said.

Finally, he began to respond. Mrs. MacLaren ran to a phone and called police and an ambulance.

"It took at least 20 minutes for an officer to arrive," she stated. "I can't understand the delay." The ambulance arrived first, she said. The victim, still unidentified but known to reside in the Musselman's Lake area, was taken to hospital.

## Marketing award

UXBRIDGE — Gerry Ryan of Gerry Ryan Designs, Toronto, is the recipient of a national award for the on-site sales and marketing of Quaker Village, a unique residential development created by Foxbridge Corporation.

Presentation of an engraved plaque was made Tuesday to Mr. Ryan by the Canadian Home Builders Association.

Quaker Village is being developed in three phases. Phase I, containing 83 homes, is completely sold out. Twelve homes have now been pre-sold in Phase II.

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