

# Pets die in dense smoke

WHITCHURCH — A dog and cat died from asphyxiation Wednesday, when smoke filled the home of John Alden McCowan Road near Faulkner Avenue, Whitchurch-Stouffville.

"Tessi," a seven-year-old registered golden retriever and a cat called "Mittens" were found by firefighters when they entered the house through a rear door.

Volunteers from both Station I (Stouffville) and Station II (Ballantrae) attended the blaze.

Beverley Hollis feared something was wrong when she turned in the drive on her way home from work.

"The windows were black," she said. When she tried the door, the handle was warm. She ran to a neighbor's and called in the alarm.

Fire Chief Bill Brown said the fire had likely been smouldering most of the day. Because the house was closed, there was insufficient oxygen to fan the flames, he explained.

"It was ready to break out," he stated.

Chief Brown said it was good no one entered the home until firemen arrived.

The property, north of the Aurora Sideroad, is commonly known as Windquest Farm.

# Another house fire at Lake

MUSSELMAN'S LAKE — Another South Lake Road home has been damaged by fire.

The latest blaze occurred March 23 at the residence of Tom Stafford, R.R. 2, Stouffville.

Damage has been estimated at \$10,000.

Fortunately, Mrs. Stafford was home at the time. Brigade units from Station I (Stouffville) and Station II (Ballantrae) responded.

A short-circuit in the electrical system is believed responsible. The basement was knee-deep in water, Deputy Fire Chief Murray Emmerson told The Tribune. The seepage was believed caused by a heavy rain storm that hit the area Wednesday night.

# New look for SDSS Band

STOUFFVILLE — The word is quality — to the ear and to the eye. The 56-member Sr. Band at Stouffville Dist. Secondary will soon be outfitted with new uniforms.

The new-look orchestral group will make its first 'uniformed' debut when the Band travels to Olean, New York, April 17.

They'll be spotlighted at home when SDSS hosts its annual Spring Concert at the Markham Theatre on May 9.

The new outfits, black tops and skirts with wine bows for the girls; black suits, wine ties and cummerbunds for the boys, are the result of four years of fund-raising.

The Students' Council also gave us a substantial sum, Music Director Peter Samuelson told The Tribune.

Diane Saunders, a Stouffville parent, cut the patterns. She also helped with the sewing along with co-parents, Jean Yake and Barbara Lintner.

"They'd had their day," Mr. Samuelson said of the old uniforms. He described the new outfits as "tropical weight," making them comfortable in any season.

# Family show

CLAREMONT — Dr. Bandoli and his Travelling Goodtime Show is coming to the Claremont Community Hall.

The date is Saturday, April 9.

The time is 2 p.m.

The program, sponsored by the Pickering Public Library, is geared to an age range from five years to adult. Admission is free.

For additional information call Marean Ward at 649-2133.

# Sets pace

STOUFFVILLE — Sheer determination propelled Stouffville's Tracey Garbutt to two firsts; a second and a third at Region Six of the Ontario Special Olympics, Sunday, at Midland.

The meet was hosted by the Midland Civitan Club.

Although not feeling up to par, Tracey scored firsts in the 25-meter backstroke and the 50-meter freestyle.

She captured a second in the 25-meter freestyle and placed third in the 50-meter backstroke.

The York entry came in third in the fun relay.

The York South team had seven members entered. Altogether they collected eleven firsts.

Participants at the provincial level of the Special Olympics have not been announced.



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