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## Low-rental apartment proposed

By RUTH BURKHOLDER  
STOUFFVILLE — The Whitchurch-Stouffville Ecumenical Committee on Affordable Housing is having an impact on the community.

Almost weekly, recommendations are coming before the Town's Planning Advisory Committee, all related to possible solutions to the problem.

The latest was received April 5. The applicant, Jordan Grant and Associates Ltd., owner of Success Square, Main Street East and Stouffer Street South, ex-

pressed the desire to build a two-storey addition to the Plaza's east side.

The ground floor would be commercial, Mr. Grant said, with ten 750 square foot one-bedroom apartments above.

Four of the ten apartment units would be reserved for low-rental accommodation, he explained, under the Provincial Ministry of Housing's 'Convert-To-Rent' program.

The proposal has been praised by Mayor Fran Sainsbury. She describes it as the first affordable housing plan to come before Council.

There's a question of sewage capacity, however.

Six units, now on reserve, would be required to service the ten apartments, Mr. Grant was told.

Because the cause is a worthy one, the applicants are confident permission will be forthcoming.

"We're optimistic. It's a start," architect Alan Maddocks of Stouffville told The Tribune.

At present, Success Square accommodates 17 apartment units with a gross floor area of 20,970.87 square feet.

The ten proposed units would increase this number to 27 units and an additional 7,570.5 square feet.

The gross floor area including commercial would be 55,168.41 square feet.

The Housing Ministry's Convert-To-Rent program "is designed to encourage the creation of moderate-cost market rental apartments, primarily through the conversion of non-residential buildings by offering interest-free loans," the statement reads.



## Westfield residents 'unhappy'

STOUFFVILLE — Incomplete and evasive.

This is the response by residents, (Phase D), of Westfield Estates, Stouffville, to the 22 questions placed before Town Council last month.

"We're not at all happy," Flora MacDonald of Cam Fella Boulevard told The Tribune. "we're very disappointed."

Mrs. MacDonald says most people she's talked to are sympathetic to the residents' problems and feel the Town should complete all work to home-owners' satisfaction.

Mrs. MacDonald claims residents are "astounded" their request to be placed on the agenda of an April 13 Council meeting had been denied.

Further discussions are scheduled for April 18 and April 26.

A committee representing the Westfield Ratepayers' Association has agreed to 'play along with the Town' at least until April 18, a recent newsletter said. However, some feel the situation's gone beyond this point, that more militant action is required even to public demonstrations and an application to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs for a Provincial Enquiry, the committee report concluded.

## Pet dog trapped

CLAREMONT — A valued dog, part husky, part German shepherd, missing since April 4, was found Friday, trapped by its chain that had wound around a clump of trees.

"Nothing short of a miracle," said Mrs. Patricia Flowers following Smokey's safe return. The pet was the property of her son Ted.

The family scoured the area. Poundkeepers and veterinarians were notified as far distant as Oshawa and Aurora.

It was a neighbor, Gerald Dawson, out walking his dog 'Mac' in the area of the Uxbridge-Pickering Townline and 24th Sideroad, who heard a barking sound in a nearby woods.

He found Smokey with his chain wrapped around several small shrubs. Fortunately, he was close to a stream, Mrs. Flowers said.

## Spotlight on skaters

The Stouffville Figure Skating Club will unveil its 1988 Ice Revue this week with performances Friday at 8 p.m., and Saturday, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.

The director is Julia Faggiani. The producer is Agnes Faggiani.

Theme for the first half is 'Mickey's Spring Barbecue', and for the second half, 'A Walk Down Hollywood Boulevard'.

The show's guest stars are Gia Guddat of Markham and Gary Beacom of Toronto. They skate both solo and in pairs.

Tickets, (adults \$5, children and Seniors \$3), are available at the Rec. Centre and Movies Plus, also from Gayle Lehman, (640-1304).

The show's MC is Steve Upton.



## Local athletes

### Receive awards

Three residents of Whitchurch-Stouffville and two from Uxbridge will receive Athletic Achievement Awards at a ceremony Friday, hosted by the Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Recreation at the Sheraton Centre Hotel, Toronto.

Stouffville recipients are Ginnie Gayford (Equestrian), Cathy Gordon (Judo) and Marlene Streit (Golf).

Uxbridge winners are Jennifer Cook (Figure Skating) and Mark Zillman (Blind Sports, Track & Field).

The awards are given for "championship performance in amateur sports at national, international and world levels of competition."

## Town Office a tight fit

STOUFFVILLE — The Town's municipal building's bursting at the seams.

The seriousness of the problem came to light last week when Treasurer Ed Blackburn requested permission to (temporarily) expand his department into Council's committee room.

Mr. Blackburn said he requires space for two employees until room could be found elsewhere.

Councillor Wilf Morley was opposed. He said Council often requires a place to recess, discuss private business and 'cool off'. He suggested an office trailer be set up close to the building to accommodate additional treasury personnel.

Mr. Blackburn said furnishings for the committee room would be modular enabling them to be moved on short notice or be shifted to another setting.

The treasurer explained one staff member was presently working in extremely cramped quarters downstairs while another's to be hired shortly.

"This is only a temporary measure," he stressed, "over the next few months we can look for more permanent solutions — a trailer, an addition to the building, some other means."

Councillor Wayne Emmerson called the move 'band-aid treatment', admitting "we'll be in this building for awhile yet."

## Science finalist

STOUFFVILLE — A Stouffville student, enrolled in Grade 9 at King City Secondary School, has had his Science Fair project selected for presentation in the National Finals at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg.

Lawrence Puente, 14, of Manitoba Street, will have his entry "Tree Shapes, An Advantage To Survival" shipped out West in advance. The Grade 9 student and three others from York Region, will arrive in Winnipeg May 15 and remain through May 22.

Lawrence's project was a top winner at the Regional Finals for Public and Catholic schools last week at St. David's School, Maple. Harry Bowes of Whitchurch-Stouffville was a judge.

Lawrence received the Conservation Award.

Two other area students also did well. Justin Harding of Dickson's Hill placed second with his entry, entitled "Popcorn" and Samantha Wright of Summitview won a third with her project on "Cleaning With Electricity".

## PC candidate to visit town

STOUFFVILLE — Bill Attewell, MPP for the Riding of Don Valley East and currently seeking the PC nomination in the new Riding of Markham, (that includes Whitchurch-Stouffville), will visit Stouffville, Monday, April 18.

He and wife Sandy will attend a one-hour reception in Latham Hall, Park Drive South, from 8 to 9 p.m.

Two prime supporters of the Attewell nomination are Ted Topping, R.R. 4, Stouffville and Carolyn Collins, Preston Lake.

Says Mr. Topping: "Bill has a wealth of experience as a Member of Parliament and as a businessman for over 30 years. I'm working hard to help ensure he wins the nomination, June 1, at the Markham Centennial Arena. I believe we would be extremely well served with an experienced MP like Bill as our Member of Parliament."

Currently residing in North York, Mr. and Mrs. Attewell are moving shortly to Blue Spruce Estates, Vanderhof. They are the parents of two sons, Howard and Fraser; two daughters, Pamela and Leslie; one grandson and a granddaughter, born in February.

At present, the Riding's only other announced PC contender is Peter Atkins of Markham.



BILL ATTEWELL

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## Careless fires could bring fines

STOUFFVILLE — Thinking about lighting a grass fire?

Don't. That's the warning from Chief Bill Brown, especially where properties are small.

On larger acreages, owners or tenants must come to the fire hall

and fill out a form. Otherwise, if the blaze spreads out of control, someone's going to pay.

From Saturday through Monday, Chief Brown was called out seven times. Volunteers responded three times.