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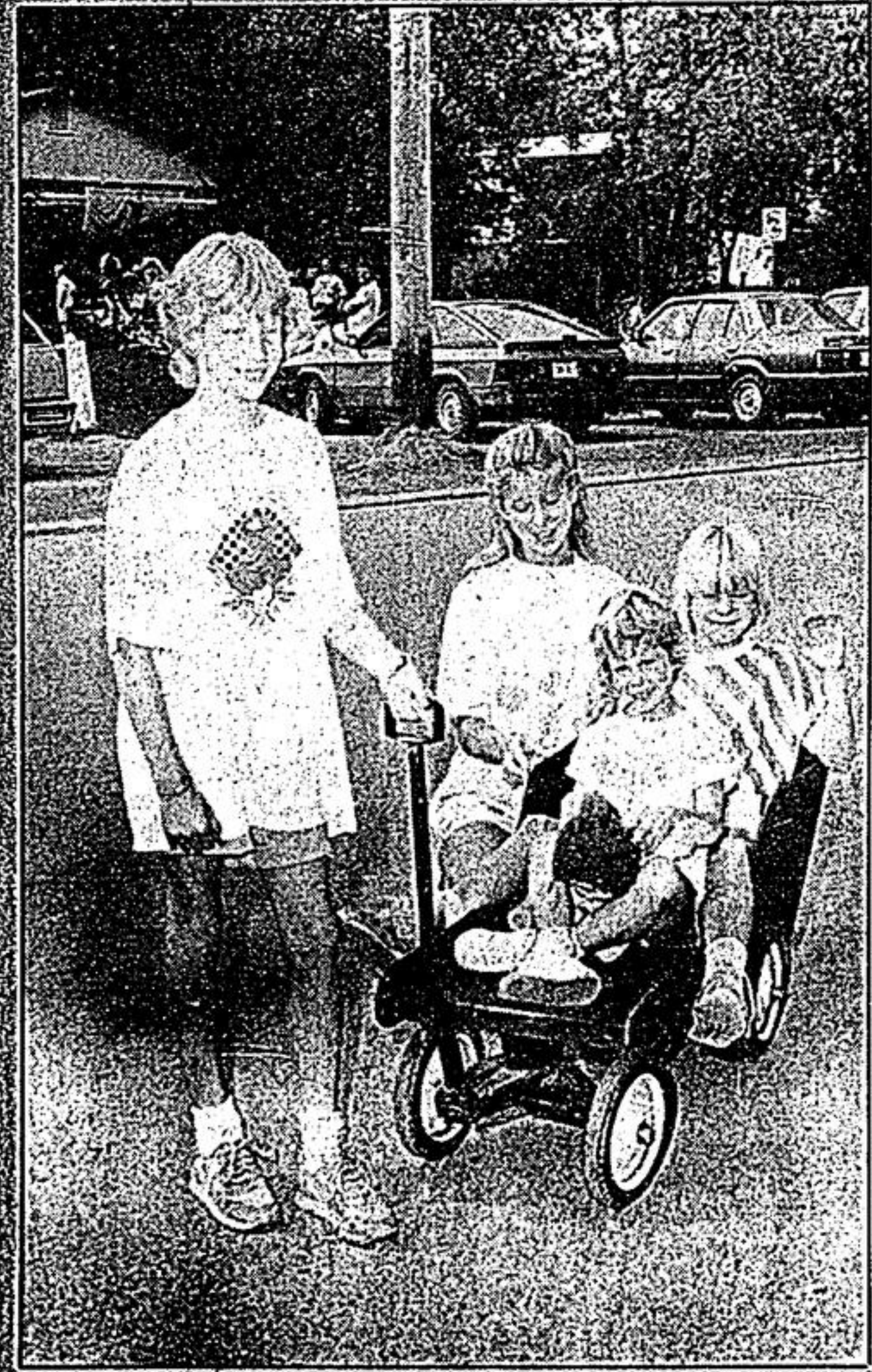
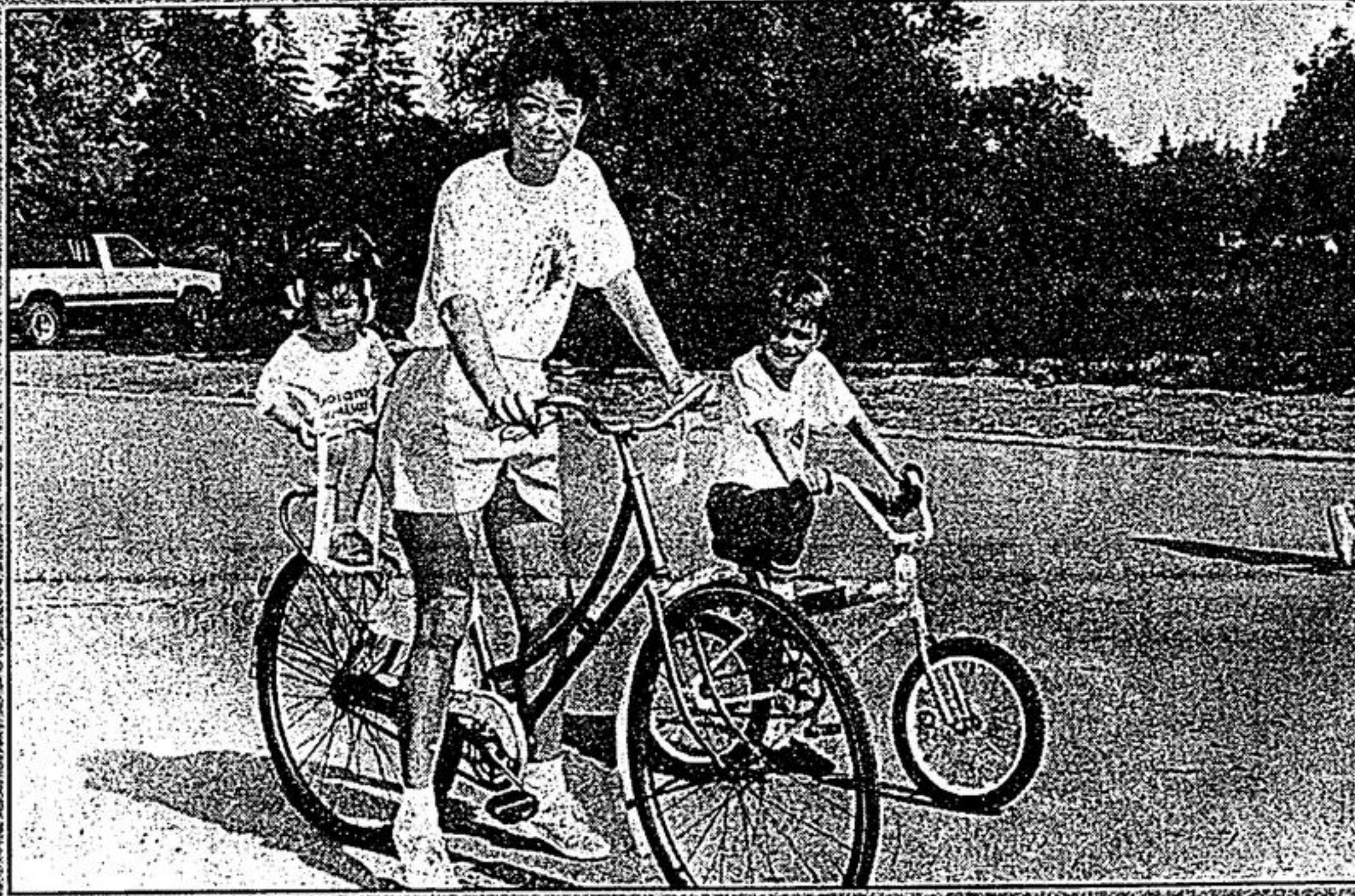
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And they're off!



Cyclists (above) take the lead at the start of the annual Terry Fox Marathon of Hope Sunday. The marathoners left from Latcham Hall on Park Dr. S. There were 123 participants in this year's marathon. At right, Linda Williams carries her little navigator Amy, 2, as son Lukas rides his own bicycle. The family lives on Booth St. Below right, McKenzie (the St. Bernard dog) is led by Kim Giles and her husband Bill. McKenzie raised \$140 in pledges. Bill is a member of the Terry Fox Committee. The Aalink family participated together. Below, from left, Marijke, 11, Trina, 14, Rachael, 4, and 8-year-old Brooke had a wagon to carry the weary to the end of the 10 km marathon.

—Jim Thomas



Terry Fox marathon raises \$8,800

By JIM THOMAS
One hundred and twenty-three participants in the Whitchurch-Stouffville Terry Fox Marathon of Hope raised \$8,820.00 Sunday, much to the delight of walk organizers. While the turnout was less than expected, the financial return equalled or exceeded that of previous years.
Three-year-old Scott Bacon, son of Larry and Colleen Bacon, formerly of Stouffville and now of Leaside, was the top pledge recipient — \$2,304. It was his fourth year in the walk but he's only three years old.
Co-organizer Dixie Sellers told The Tribune, "I'll let your readers figure that one out."
McKenzie, a huge St. Bernard, travelled the 10 kilometre route accompanied by owners Bill and Kim Giles. His pledges totalled \$140.
Mayor Fran Sainsbury and jogger Peter Parent addressed the walkers and runners at the gate. Peter was the third person in, a few minutes off the pace set by Jim Winters, 38, of R.R. 11, Uxbridge. Mark Pyle, 53, of Island Lake, was second. Jim's time was 39:38 minutes.
The first cyclist to reach home base was Ken Murphy, 15, Main Street West. Steve Uren, 12, of R.R. 3, Stouffville was second and Kevin Moreau, 12, of Hawthorne Avenue, third.
Alice Vague, of Ringwood, was the first woman biker in Elizabeth McGonigal Parkview Village, cycled the route twice.
Orchard Park School retain The Tribune's Terry Fox Plaque they won in 1987.

Subdivision planned

Vivian residents balk

Lack of clear guidelines for development in the rural area in northeast Whitchurch-Stouffville has residents there worried — and puzzled.
Their concern is over a rural residential subdivision being proposed on a 25-acre site near the 9th Line and Vivian Rd.
Markham developer Tony Baggio, who owns the land, wants to build 22 houses there. Initially, the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville said he could build 11 houses — later approving 17 to the consternation of residents living in the area.
Mr. Baggio appealed council's initial ruling to the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) when he has the power to overturn a local planning decision.
At an OMB hearing earlier this month residents learned of the new 17-lot offer. After one-day

the hearing was postponed to Dec. 5.
The residents first took action in April 1987 when council considered Mr. Baggio's proposal for 22 lots. At a meeting July 19, 1987 council refused the application maintaining that two-acre lots were necessary there.
Agreement reached
Mr. Baggio appealed to the OMB and the hearing was set for Sept. 12, 1988.
"We went to the meeting to find out what was going on," said Barbara Paull, whose property is next to Mr. Baggio's. "We discovered that Mr. Baggio had come to an agreement with council that he could build 17 houses on the 25-acre site."
"We didn't understand what had happened," said Pudge Hartshorne, another area resident.

"We didn't know when or how the agreement has been reached."
No council members were present at the OMB hearing and the residents' group plans to press for answers on why they weren't told of the new offer to Mr. Baggio.
As a result "the OMB agreed to postpone the Baggio hearing until Dec. 5 to address our concerns," Mrs. Hartshorne said.
Residents are worried that the land on the 9th Line near Vivian Rd. is not well-suited to large-scale development.
Ms. Paull explained that the road (9th Line) is "like a roller coaster," with numerous curves.
"When I travel in winter, I avoid that road because it just isn't safe," she said. "Kids use the area for skateboarding and it's really dangerous there."

When representatives of the residents' group visited the Region of York office in Newmarket to review the region's plan for the area, they discovered that, although it's designated forestry and wetlands, it could also be zoned rural residential which allows houses on one or two acre lots.
"When we went to look at the plan, there really wasn't one," Ms. Paull said. "It appeared that each application would be looked at and decided on individually."
Although the OMB approved minimum two-acre lots at the Sept. 12 hearing, residents feel more protection is needed for the area.
"You need some planning," Ms. Paull maintains. "This is something we should be looking after and it's something that affects the whole of rural Ontario."

New look for sports

The Tribune's sport section has a new look. The expanded coverage takes up the centre four pages of the Community Focus section.

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