

## Long service honored



Bob Westland, (left), long-time Parts Department manager at Neil Patrick Motors and now Rowntree Buick-Pontiac, Stouffville, was honored on his retirement after 25 years' faithful service. He was presented with an engraved watch by company president Scott Rowntree.—Jim Thomas

# Bob and his 'parts' are finally parted

By JIM THOMAS  
STOUFFVILLE — Bob Westland waved goodbye to a host of friends as he departed the firm of Rowntree Buick-Pontiac, (formerly Neil Patrick Motors), Wednesday afternoon.  
After 15 years in the Parts Department, Bob plans to take life easier. Between servings of a chocolate cake and coffee, company president Scott Rowntree presented the long-time employee with a beautiful Seiko watch.  
Bob joined the Patrick Motors staff in 1974, coming to Stouffville from Don Howson Chevrolet-Oldsmobile Ltd., Sheppard Avenue East.  
It was Bernie Tunney who introduced Bob to Neil and Ken Patrick. He's been with the firm ever since.

"They treated me really well," he says.  
Bob admits that, like the car industry itself, car parts have changed dramatically in the last 15 years.  
"There used to be six books, now there are 106," he says.  
At age 57, Bob and Myrtle hope to do a little travelling. A holiday in England holds top priority. There are several cousins there they want to see.  
Mr. and Mrs. Westland will move shortly from their home in Pickering to a residence between Gravenhurst and Bracebridge. There, Bob will continue his hobby of refurbishing antique cars, all Model As and Model Ts. He owns 14 in total, "nine tucked away up north."  
He finds them 'here, there and all over'.

"I'm always looking in people's backyards," he smiles.  
While several are licensed to drive, they're mostly for show, he explains. His favorite is a 1931 Ford closed-cab pick-up. He's won many trophies and plaques.  
Bob's also an accomplished woodworker. When he grows a little weary of one, he switches over to the other.  
Bob and Myrtle are proud of their family — two married daughters, Linda in Scarborough; Karen at London and a son, Michael, a student enrolled at York University.  
They have six grandchildren.  
"All the best, Bob, we'll miss you," voiced the Rowntree staff as Bob packed up his belongings Wednesday and headed into retirement.



## Former Claremont couple mark a milestone

Ken and Ina Madill, formerly of Claremont and now of R.R. 4, Marmora, were honored Saturday on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. An open house, attended by hundreds, was held at the Queensville Community Centre. Mr. and Mrs. Madill are the proud parents of three daughters, Faye of Oshawa; Bonnie at Kingston; Darlene in Willowdale; two sons, Wayne of Marmora; Neal at Campbellford; and 12 grandchildren. Ken and Ina (Crowder) were married Jan. 28, 1939 at the parsonage in Zephyr. Their maid of honor, Leona (Sedore) Bingham of Kirkfield and best man, Ross Madill of Stouffville, attended the happy gathering.  
—Jim Thomas

## Ian Tyson

# Markham concert

Ian Tyson is scheduled to present two performances at the Markham Theatre this month.  
The dates are Tues., Feb. 7 and Wed., Feb. 8.  
Concert times are 8 p.m.  
Tyson and his musical back-up, the Chinook Archriders are coming to Markham under the sponsorship of Bruce N. Huntley of The Huntley Group.  
The male half of the duo Ian and Sylvia first hit the Canadian folk music scene in the sixties.  
In 1987, Ian swept three awards at the Canadian Country Music Association ceremony including Male Vocalist of the Year, Album of the Year and Single of the Year. He collected four more at the Alberta Country Music Awards performance. He resides on a spacious western ranch.  
Reserved seat tickets are \$18. The Markham Theatre box office is open Monday to Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The telephone number is 479-0201.



## Legion hosts public speaking contest

Eleven-year-old Beth Mullen, a student attending St. Justin Martyr Separate School, Unionville, won the Stouffville Legion-sponsored public speaking competition (Grade 4-6 level) Sunday. The second prize winner was Michael Kightley, St. Matthew Separate School, Unionville. Here Beth receives her cheque from Rae McFadden of Stouffville.  
—Jim Thomas

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## Sylvia's coming

MARKHAM — Sylvia Tyson's coming to the Markham Theatre. She'll host two shows Sat., Feb. 11 with proceeds going to The York Centre for Children, Youth and Families.  
Funds raised through these concerts will be applied to costs incurred in providing additional program space.  
The Centre serves children from across York Region. Lengthy waiting lists and overcrowding led to the purchase of two new portable classrooms. These are already in use.  
Sylvia Tyson's understanding and personal interest in children with learning disabilities stems from first-hand experiences with a close family member. Her sensitivity to the problems of young people and the urgent need for accessible facilities, prompted her to lend her talent to The York Centre's fund-raising effort.  
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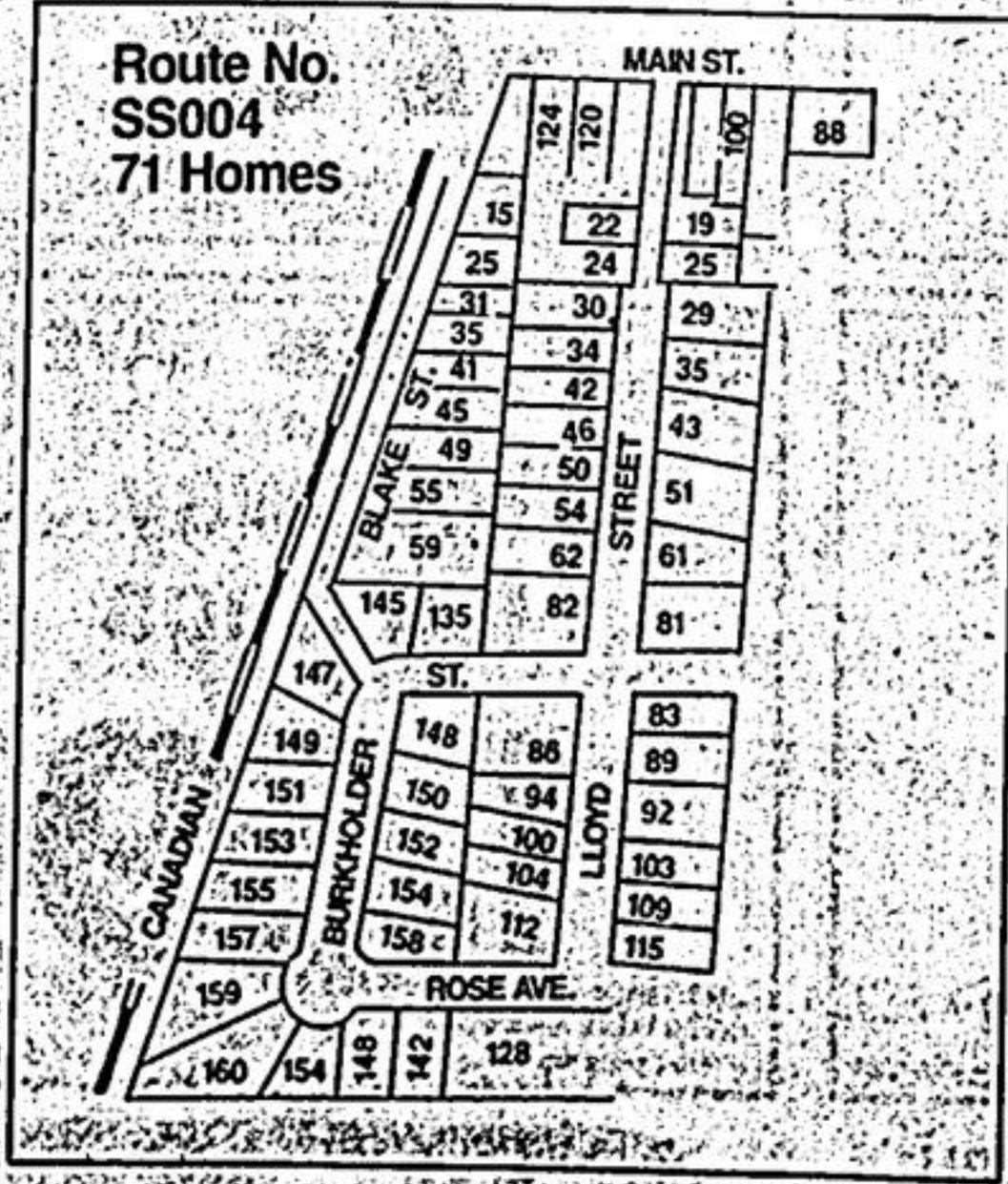
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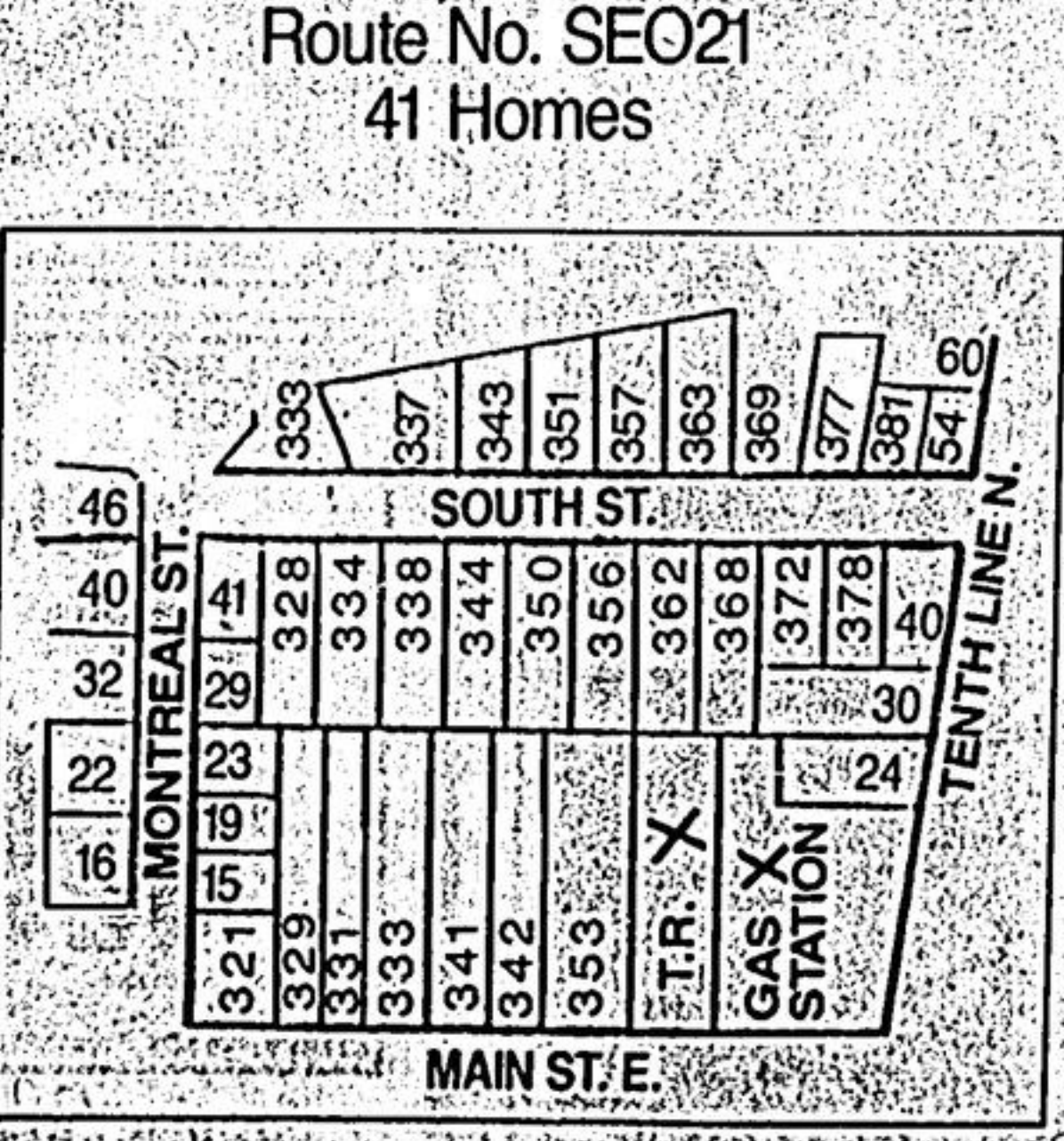
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## Editor's Mail

# Blue Box vandals get their kicks

Dear Editor:  
The Tribune's Page 1 story, (Jan. 25) related to 'Blue Box vandalism' is undoubtedly true. I've heard of several instances similar to the one experienced by the resident on Warden Avenue. This was bound to happen. But this doesn't mean the recycling system isn't working.  
If someone smashes my mailbox, I'm not about to cancel my mail delivery. The same argument applies to Blue Box pick-up.  
Personally, I'm surprised a program so new had gone so smoothly. There will always be isolated problems, (I hope they're isolated), but the project itself is good. Let's make it work in spite of those who get their kicks out of committing acts of vandalism.

Sincerely,  
(Mrs.) Jeanne Culley,  
R.R. 4, Stouffville

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