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Family rescued from car

By MAXINE SHARE-STROM

DICKSON'S HILL — Two children and their parents were rescued by four area men Monday morning after their 1971 Ford careened into a branch of the Rouge River and landed on its side in more than a foot of water.

According to an eye-witness, driver Debra Miller, 26; children Natasha Miller, three; Bradley Miller, four and 27-year old James Thompson were trapped in their vehicle when it skidded out of control on an icy patch of 19th Avenue, east of old Hwy. 48.

Jack Fraser, an employee of Barker Roofing, directly across from the accident site, said co-workers Al Toner and Hector Prevost saw the car land on its side in the stream.

They ran back to Barker's to call an ambulance and recruit more men to assist in the rescue.

Fraser was one of those men.

When the group returned to the scene, Natasha "was underwater (in the car). The little boy (Bradley) was leaning on her and holding her under because the car was on its side."

Fraser said the auto was supported by several trees that "prevented it from flipping on its roof."

Toner, Prevost, Fraser, and co-worker Joel Molnar then formed a human chain from the car to the top of the river. They passed the children to the waiting arms of an unidentified woman, Fraser said.

He said the children were "shaken up and wet" following their ordeal. "They kept asking for mom."

Fraser said ambulance attendants placed a splint on the mother's leg and a brace around her neck. The residence of the family and further details concerning injuries were unavailable at press time.

Residents air Market beefs

STOUFFVILLE — Norm Faulkner and Norm Clements, co-owners of the Stouffville Sales Barn, are confident their business can operate in harmony with residents at neighboring Westfield Estates.

In an effort to solve existing problems, and gain approval of re-zoning, they hosted a meeting of home-owners at the Flea Market site, Thursday. More than 30 people attended, including Ward 5 Councillor Doug Alles.

"There was a good airing of concerns," Councillor Alles told The Tribune. He described it as "a very positive meeting."

Issues discussed included traffic, garbage, fencing, sewage and drainage, Mr. Alles said.

The Market owners' solicitor indicated his clients are desirous of unanimity in the course of action proposed. Anything less, he said, would leave no alternative than to hold a hearing before the Ontario Municipal Board.



Transport Minister views town trouble-spots

The Hon. Ed Kullback (second from left), Provincial Minister of Transport, visited Stouffville Friday afternoon to view two major trouble spots, one in front of Summitview School and the other across from Canadian Tire. Shown with the minister are (left to right) MPP Bill Ballinger, Summitview Crossing Guard Lor Atack, June Harris of the Parents Association and Ward 4 Councillor Doug Alles. Mayor Brian Sainsbury later described the dialogue as "positive" and chances of a fix as "excellent." — Jim Thomas

Injured in fall

STOUFFVILLE — A 38-year old man suffered a ruptured spleen and other injuries, Saturday, when a falling tree limb knocked him from a ladder.

Ken Thom fell 20 feet to the ground.

The victim was helping his brother-in-law, Wayne McMann, Tenth Line South, cut the branch. It toppled in a different direction than they had expected.

Mr. Thom, a resident of Greenbank, was rushed by ambulance to Uxbridge Cottage Hospital, then transferred by helicopter to Sunnybrook.

To honor writer

On Sunday, June 24, Unionville writer and radio personality, the late Dean Hughes, will be inducted posthumously into the Ontario Agricultural Museum Hall of Fame.

So that as many people as possible can attend this ceremony, a bus will leave Markham Fairgrounds at 12 o'clock noon.

The deadline for seat reservations is Monday, April 24.

Volunteer project

The Stouffville Firefighters' Association have adopted The Children's Wish Foundation of Canada as an on-going project.

They hope to raise \$5,000. The proceeds will be applied directly to a child's wish from the Stouffville area.

Dr. Don Petrie is the Firefighters' liaison physician.

The Association's first event is a car wash, Sat. April 22 at the Fire Hall.

Emergency call system receives green light

STOUFFVILLE — Implementing Whitchurch-Stouffville's 911 Emergency Service will be expensive.

Against the recommendations

Residents honored

STOUFFVILLE — Thirteen Whitchurch-Stouffville residents were honored Friday.

The local community-minded volunteers were recognized for their work in the area of culture and citizenship. The ceremony held in Roy Thompson Hall, Toronto.

The Hon. Lily Oddie Munro and The Hon. Gerry Phillips made presentations to the following:

Whitchurch-Stouffville Library — Evelyn Aiken, (five years service).

The Latham Gallery — Andrea Graham, (five years service); Bryon Hurrle, (five years service); Irene Emig, (five years service); Bud Sanderson, (five years service); Judi von Zuben, (five years service); Jane Warren, (five years service).

Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum — Bertha Pattenden, (five years service); Marjorie Richardson, (15 years service); Audrey Stewart, (five years service); Shirley Wade, (10 years service); David Waite, (15 years service) and Elva Williams, (10 years service).

of Treasurer Ed Blackburn, the Town will forge ahead.

Green rectangular signs for every rural home will cost \$78,800. To have them installed on tubular posts will cost an additional \$64,273.

Installation crews will be hired and trucks will be rented, Council agreed at a meeting Tuesday.

The signs will be installed as directed by the fire chief. The Town hopes the work can be completed this summer.

All concession roads and sideroads will be included in the numbering campaign along with Jesse Thompson Road, Cherry Street, Faulkner Road, Hillsdale Drive, Lake Road, Lakeshore Road and Slater Road.

Ward 3 Councillor Nick Tatone voiced strong support.

"I've been reading about this for three years. We can't put it off any longer. It will cost more to do it next year than now. I say we should go ahead." Council agreed.

Lake landmark has been sold

MUSSELMAN'S LAKE — Glendale Beach, on the north shore of Musselman's Lake, has been sold.

The report, rumored for several days, was confirmed by owner Gordon Hamilton, Friday.

The purchase price is said to be "around \$2,000,000."

"It was too good to turn down," Hamilton said.

The site includes eleven acres and a huge pavilion, once described as the fourth largest dance hall in Canada.

The private waterfront spans 1,500 feet.

"I was holding onto a dream," Hamilton stated with reference to film and television productions planned here. He hopes to make this dream a reality out in Penticon, British Columbia.

He'll spend half the year in B.C., and the other half in Ontario.

Hamilton says he still has Elvis Presley Jr., under contract and hopes to complete the star's life story.

As for the future of the site, Hamilton suggested this information should come from the new owners.

"I'm certain it'll be for the betterment of the community," he concluded.

'Terrible' budget

YORK REGION — York Region's 1989 education budget could soar to \$330 million.

This is predicted by Whitchurch-Stouffville trustee and Board chairman Harry Bowes.

"It'll be terrible," Bowes warned The Tribune.

An increase of almost 23 per cent is anticipated.

Separate school supporters will be hit even harder. They face a hike of 26 per cent.

Enrolment, explains Bowes, is up 7.5 per cent but provincial grants have dropped 11.4 per cent.

The Board chairman says a determined effort is being made to chop costs wherever possible. Even summer school may be made a pay-your-own-way service, he stated.

One area of concern, said Bowes, is transportation with the figure climbing to \$22 million this year as opposed to \$18 million in 1988.

Budget night is May 1.

Dies in crash

STOUFFVILLE — Funeral service was held Wednesday (today) from St. Mark's Catholic Church, Stouffville, for 23-year-old Giuseppe (Joe) Monaco of Gabrielle Mews, following his death, Saturday, near Kingston.

The victim was one of two people killed when their car skidded across Hwy. 62 and hit a pole.

Tracey Adams, 20, of Morningside Drive, Scarborough, also died in the crash. For other people were injured.

Besides his parents, the deceased is survived by one brother and one sister.

Lloyd and Marg to roll up their welcome mat

STOUFFVILLE — The 'welcome' will soon be gone from the Main Street West entrance to Stouffville.

Lloyd Britton Auto Sales has been sold. Lloyd and Marg Britton will vacate the familiar site the end of this month.

They'll continue to reside at Lemonville, Conc. 7, Whitchurch-Stouffville.

The warmth that Mr. and Mrs. Britton generated at their used car depot was supplemented by a community billboard that publicized everything from church bazaars to wedding anniversaries.

Initially, it was a portable sign. Later, it was made 'permanent' when the Dept. of Highways ruled it illegal.

Lloyd credits daughter Bar-

bara with the idea. Initially, she handled all messages including one she put up herself that read: "It's too darn cold to change this sign."

When her position on the staff of the Toronto East Detention Centre taxed her time, residents were invited to 'do their own thing'. This they did, with regularity.

Lloyd and Marg Britton 'set up shop' in the fall of 1975. They purchased the house and two acres from Denzil Kidd, then of London. The Brittons and Ross

Hetherington Electric then shared the location. More recently, Gord Britton, a son, established his ATC Corral in the east half. This business was sold 18 months ago.

"It's been great," Lloyd says, "meeting and talking with people, that's what life's all about."

Both admit they'll miss the association.

Plans for the two-acre site are uncertain. The property's been purchased by an investment company that also owns land to the west on Sandford Drive.

Gold medal exhibit

STOUFFVILLE — Lawrence Puente, Manitoba Street, Stouffville, has added two additional awards to his list of Science Fair accomplishments.

The 15-year-old Grade 10 student at King City Secondary School won a Gold Medal at the Regional finals Friday. Two hundred projects from 170 schools were exhibited.

In addition, Lawrence received the Computer Science Award. A beautiful engraved plaque was donated by I.B.M.

Lawrence advanced to the Canadian finals in 1988.

Trustee Harry Bowes praised the local student's achievement. He also complimented four other area medal winners — John Barrrell, Orchard Park (bronze); Michael Morrison, Ballantrae (bronze); Sarah Primeau and Katie Northcott, Dickson's Hill (silver).



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