



## Summer can be green too

Summer is here and off we go to enjoy our cottages, lakes and wilderness areas. Hopefully, with the new enthusiasm for environmental awareness we can learn to enjoy "green" holidays! Here are some tips and things to think about while on vacation this summer.

When camping, try and use one of the new lightweight camping stoves instead of lighting a campfire for all your cooking needs. This saves wood and reduces fire hazards. Perhaps your campground could organize one central campfire for the obligatory weiner and marshmallow roasting, instead of having late-night fires at every campsite.

You may discover that it is rather pleasant to sit out (suitably protected from insects!) and watch the day end without the distraction of a fire.

Use only the existing trails and campsites so that you minimize damage to the vegetation.

Carry everything out that you bring in to the wilderness so that you affect it as little as possible.

Do all washing away from rivers and lake so they are not altered by soaps, shampoos and detergents. It is wrong to assume that our heavily utilized lakes and rivers can continually absorb the "grey water pollution" without harm to the wildlife who depend upon them.

At the cottage: There are over half a million cottages in Canada, and cottagers, apart from having a significant impact upon environment themselves, can clearly see the effects of over-use and pollution when they return year after year to the same area.

There are many ways to reduce the impact of a cottage on the surrounding environment.

A very important consideration human waste disposal. Cottages built a number of years ago may discharge their waste directly into lakes or rivers, which should be corrected either with a biological toilet or with a septic bed located a suitable distance from the water.

This makes good sense especially when many such cottages also draw their water directly from the same river or lake.

A dock and access for swimming are certainly essential for cottage life in most cases but it is not necessary to have a closely cropped lawn right down to the water's edge all along the shore.

Allowing natural vegetation to thrive will encourage more interesting wildlife to visit your property, and will also help prevent soil erosion. In addition, the plants and silt they collect will help filter and clean the water. Wetlands are also very important for filtering water so avoid filling in such ecologically valuable land.

Avoid disturbing known breeding grounds, especially in the early spring and summer. Do not allow dogs to run at large as they can have a damaging and drastic affect on local wildlife.

Last but not least, make the effort to separate the recyclable material from your garbage and bring it home for your Blue Box. Don't take a holiday from your Blue Box program!

When boating: Never throw garbage overboard. Take it all back to shore and separate the recyclables before discarding.

There are now special oil recycling tanks at most marinas and government docks for discarding waste oil.

One litre of spilled oil can contaminate up to 2 million litres of water, so please be careful.

# Comin' up rosey...



The annual Stouffville Flower show blossomed into a true success last week. Entrants were judged at the United Church. At left, Muriel Hoover collected the most points in the show. At right, Lillian Carr took first prize and best in show for this arrangement in a decorative basket.



Photos/MIKE HAGARTY



## Paul Mac's Pet Food

### CONTEST WINNER

**Ashleigh Laughren and her dog  
Chester of 6 Alice St., Mt. Albert.**



Paul Mac's also wishes to thank  
all contestants who entered to  
make our contest such a success.  
Special thanks to our judge.

**220 MAIN ST. E., STOUFFVILLE**  
**640-7272**



### NOTICE TO ALL PROPERTY AND BUSINESS OWNERS IN THE TOWN OF WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE

#### NEW MUNICIPAL ADDRESS SYSTEM

In preparation for the new 911 Emergency Response Plan, the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville has undertaken the task of assigning new numbers for all properties on major Town roads.

The majority of the properties affected currently do not have assigned numbers, however, some renumbering will be required on certain streets, namely Stouffville Road / Main Street, the Ninth Line and the 10th Concession which are presently numbered.

**Note: The proposed renumbering scheme does not affect properties in existing residential or industrial subdivisions.**

The main purpose of the new municipal address system is to provide a uniform numbering scheme throughout the Town. This uniformity is a major component to the 911 Emergency Response Plan. The numbering scheme will assist in identifying and locating properties by the emergency service (Police, Fire Department and Ambulance Services) for a quicker response.

Another benefit of the uniform numbering scheme will be the easier identification of your property by customer service related businesses (i.e. heating oil deliveries, hydro, telephone, etc.).

The proper posting of your new number will also eliminate confusing directions to your property.

e.g. 65 Main Street (east or west?)

Kennedy Road, north of Bloomington, the second laneway past the green barn on the west side.

In order to display your new number most effectively, standardized reflective signs will be made available to residents of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville affected by this change, at a cost of \$10.00 per sign.

These signs may be picked up in person only at Stouffville District One Fire Station (old address) - 65 Main Street East, Stouffville, (new address) - 6392 Main Street during the months of August and September between the following times:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Thursday and Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday and Sunday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The implementation and success of this program is dependent on your support and co-operation. The benefits in emergency and support service response will far outweigh the temporary inconvenience this will cause.

Pursuant to By-Law Number 90-103, as amended, all new numbers shall be posted by November 30, 1990.

For further information please call the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Clerk's Department at 640-1900 or 895-2423.