

Newsmakers 1993

Ed Hakonson

Earlier this year, Stouffville entrepreneur Ed Hakonson purchased the former Deer Park Inn and transformed it into a restaurant and retail outlet for race car memorabilia.

Never one to resist a challenge, Hakonson took on the awesome task of restoring the local landmark, which had been gutted by

fire.

Chariots has since become a popular recreational spot for residents and out-of-town visitors, offering reasonably priced food, big screen television for sporting events and a laid-back, relaxed atmosphere. As well, the restaurant has welcomed a variety of live entertainers since its

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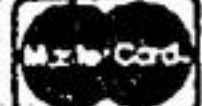
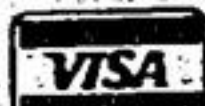
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IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT SERVICES AT MARKHAM STOUFFVILLE HOSPITAL DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON

During the Christmas and New Year Holiday Season, some Hospital services and staffing will be reduced to accommodate one Social Contract Day and three Statutory Holidays scheduled for the following dates:

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1993

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1993

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1993

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1993

On these dates it is important for you to know that:

1. Full Emergency Services will be available on a 24 hour basis.
2. All Inpatient care areas will be staffed at a weekend coverage level.
3. No outpatient services or elective surgery will be scheduled.
4. Departments and services normally closed on weekends will also be closed on these dates:

- Ambulatory Care
- Day Surgery
- Diagnostic Cardio Respiratory
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Outpatient Laboratory
- Outpatient Mental Health
- Rehabilitation Services
- Social Work
- Surgical Assessment Clinic

Your support and understanding is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns prior to Friday, December 24, 1993, please contact our Community Hotline at 472-7059.

Markham Stouffville Hospital staff wish you a happy and healthy holiday season.

Stephen Sword

It's been a busy and challenging year for former town employee Stephen Sword, who opened his own bookstore and coffee shop in Civic Square Jan 15.

During the year Sword initiated a chess club at the store, which has been the venue for a number of film nights for those whose interest in movies goes beyond the mainstream.

As well, he is an active member of and publicity co-ordinator for the York-Durham Heritage Railway Association.

The association was granted official status as a railway in November and the executive hopes to provide a tourist train service between Stouffville and Uxbridge beginning in 1995.

Strongly committed to his community, Sword was a founding member of the Save the Post Office Committee (SPOC).

The group was formed in September, in response to the news that the present postal station on Main St. was being converted to serve only commercial customers.

With the new Liberal government elected to office in October, the fate of the Stouffville post office is still up in the air, but new local MP Jag Bhaduria has vowed to give SPOC his support, Sword told *The Tribune*.



Jim Thomas

When Whitchurch-Stouffville was officially named Music Town Ontario more than two years ago, resident Jim Thomas assumed his hard-fought campaign had been won.

Thomas, the motivating force behind the designation, was bitterly disappointed when town officials re-opened the issue at a council meeting this summer. Concerns were raised about the estimated cost of signage, which building director Bob Bennett

said could be as high as \$24,000.

In a letter to the town, Thomas wrote that he was frustrated and disillusioned at the way community leaders had handled the discussion on the placing and financing of the signs.

He took exception to the fact the town had opened up the debate again "even though the symbol was officially recognized in 1991 and proclaimed by all levels of government."

While he vowed that he would continue to promote the symbol, "with regard to marketing it through visible signage, you are on your own. I can do no more," Thomas said.

Despite his frustration with the town, the former *Tribune* editor was delighted with the response to this fall's school music concert, which he spearheaded and which raised more than \$1,200 towards music programs in five local schools.

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