

Big Brothers challenge approaches

By KATE GILDERDALE
Correspondent

Big Brothers of York Region challenges the community to come out and Bowl for a Boy.

This year's event takes place Saturday, March 4 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Stouffville Bowling Centre. Teams of five players will bowl for two hours to raise money for Big Brothers in an atmosphere of friendly competition and fun.

Join the party by participating in a team or make a pledge to support your favorite bowler.

In addition to helping a worthwhile cause, participants will also have the opportunity to win some terrific prizes, including a weekend for two at Hockley Valley Resort, theatre tickets and dinner for two at the Four Seasons.

Doug McCammon, who is running the local campaign with Peter Lobraico, tries to encourage local businesses to make up teams to challenge each other.

"We have a goal to try and beat our proceeds from last year and we get a lot of donations from local companies."

The Stouffville Bowling

Centre is also extremely supportive, he said.

It's McCammon's one bowling effort for the year and he finds it an enjoyable social occasion, both for novices and avid bowlers. "You meet a number of people from the town you wouldn't get to know otherwise. What I like about it is it's a fun thing and it helps to bring in money for Big Brothers, which is a super organization."

Almost everybody goes home with a small prize and children as well as adults are welcome to take part.

McCammon first became involved in Big Brothers about 10 years ago, when a friend asked him to join the board. He relinquished his position on the board after five years, because of demands on his time, but has continued to organize the annual fund-raiser ever since.

With the increase of single parent families, the majority of which are headed by women, Big Brothers is more relevant than ever before.

Carefully screened volunteers are matched with Little Brothers, many of whom are seeking a positive male

role model in their lives.

The two meet on a regular basis and often remain life-long friends.

Fund-raising is vital to keep the organization financially viable and every dollar counts, as the following figures show.

\$60 will cover an information evening for men interested in becoming Big Brothers. \$120 provides three activity evenings for potential Little Brothers. \$180 supports a Big and Little Brother friendship in its first year, and \$525 sends three boys to summer camp for a week.

The organization is always in need of new Big Brothers willing to volunteer just a few hours a month to brighten up the life of a Little Brother.

For more information on becoming a Big Brother call 905-727-1251.

Participant kits for the March 4 Bowl for a Boy are available by calling the above number or by contacting Doug McCammon at 640-1433.

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Class Environmental Assessment

Notice of Completion and Filing of Addendum

To resolve existing water quantity problems and meet increased demand which will result from the re-evaluation of the Stouffville sewage treatment plant, the Regional Municipality of York is proposing the construction of wells on a new site located adjacent to the south side of Main Street (Stouffville Road), east of the Tenth Concession Road. An earlier Notice of Completion resulted in the Ministry of Environment and Energy requesting an Addendum to the Project File summarizing its contents.

The project is being planned under Schedule B of the Class Environmental Assessment for Municipal Water and Wastewater Projects. Subject to comments received as a result of this Notice, and the receipt of necessary approvals, the Regional Municipality of York intends to proceed with the design and construction of this project.

The Project File (including Addendum) and Class Environmental Assessment document, can be inspected at the offices of the Regional Municipality of York (Environment Services), and Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville (Clerk's Department).

For further information of this project, please contact:

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Interested persons should provide written comment to the municipality on the proposal within 30 calendar days of this notice, at the above address.

If concerns arise regarding this project, which cannot be resolved in discussion with the municipality, a person/party may request that the Minister of the Environment and Energy "bump up" the project to an individual environmental assessment. "Bump-up" requests must be received by the Minister of the Environment and Energy within 30 calendar days of this Notice. A copy of the "bump-up" request shall be sent to the Municipality at the above address. If there is no "bump-up" request received by March 10, 1995, the project will proceed to design and construction as presented in the planning documentation.

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Old Trib brings back memories

By MIKE RUTA
Staff Reporter

Doing some work on his dad's home, Lorne Kerswill was looking through his deceased mother Gertrude's scrapbooks and papers when he discovered a 1945 Stouffville Tribune.

The eight-page special edition, dated August 23, came out about a week after Japan surrendered to officially end WWII.

"I thought it might be of interest to some people in Stouffville, seeing as the 50th anniversary is this year," said Kerswill, 41, of Port Perry.

In its pages are pictures of all the area residents who served in the war, at home and abroad.

Lorne recognized some of the names and faces, and his dad Charles knew even more. Among them, on page eight, is a picture of Lorne's mother's first cousin, Elmer Winn, a man he had never seen before.

Winn was shot down over Europe and killed.

When Germany surrendered, on May 8, 1945, Geraldine Johnson was working the switchboard at the Bethesda-Stouffville Telephone company. The switch board lit up. People heard the news on the radio. They sure kept me busy throughout the night.

As well as neighbors calling neighbors, people filled onto the streets of downtown Stouffville, reported Geraldine Johnson. There was great jubilation, she said.

When the word spread, people left their homes and took to the streets. They blew their car horns and rang the fire siren. I operated the fire department's siren from the switchboard. I had to keep turning the siren off. People were so excited.

The war, while thousands of miles away, had a direct impact on Stouffville. One in every seven of Stouffville's male population served in the armed forces during the war.

A special speaker was installed in downtown Stouffville. It carried the voice of King George VI. He made the official announcement that peace had, once again, come to the world.

Immediately after the King George spoke, a public holiday was declared in Stouffville. Residents organized a parade. Again, people lined Main Street to celebration of the war's ending. Ken Phillips, a retired grocery store manager, watched the celebration. "Yes, we put a parade together. I was there," said Phillips.

"Few people living will ever forget that day," read The Tribune, and older ones will remember drawing up to hear the King's speech broadcast from England.

Celebration of cessation with Japan, continued the story, was the signal for another jubilant occasion.

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