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Call out for chairman's resignation

By JULIE CASPERSEN
Staff Reporter

Markham Stouffville Hospital Chief of Staff Dr. Jim MacLean will continue as chair of a committee proposing radical changes to health care despite calls for his resignation.

Some York Region doctors are angry at MacLean's statement that doctors would run the health care system into the ground if given the chance.

"They are angry at me for

remarks made a few weeks ago" at a York Regional Council committee meeting," said MacLean, chair of the District Health Council committee. "I said if you gave the system to docs to run we'd soon be bankrupt."

MacLean was in the hot seat trying to explain his "off-the-cuff" remark to physicians at a meeting held at the local hospital last week to discuss the report.

"It turned into a real free-for-all," he said.

The acute care study is proposing to restructure the way health care

is delivered in York Region. Now, health care professionals and organizations operate independently, and there are both

gaps and duplication of services, states the report released last month.

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Stouffville Grade 9s head to work with parents

By JOAN RANSBERRY
Staff Reporter

Working shoulder-to-shoulder with dad or mom is not viewed as a negative thing in Stouffville.

Stouffville's high school teachers are not joining their colleagues in Toronto in opposing the upcoming Take Our Kids To Work Day program.

Having the Toronto branch of the teachers' union pan the Grade 9 program has left Stouffville teachers scratching their heads.

Here in Stouffville, the kids-to-work program has garnished the support of teachers, parents and the business community.

Even Whitchurch-Stouffville Mayor Wayne Emmerson has given the one-day program his blessings.

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Buy it, please Grandpa?

Gary Grundy picks out a special item for his granddaughter Sarah Jewel, 2, at the St. James bazaar held recently at the church.

Photo LORI EMMERSON

Santa comes to town Dec. 2

Everybody's favorite fellow will arrive in Stouffville on Dec. 2 at 2 p.m. The Santa Claus Parade, sponsored by the Kinsmen Club of Stouffville, will wind its way down Main Street.

This year's theme is 'A Hollywood Christmas.' Entries are being taken for the annual family event. So if you want to join Saint Nick in the parade, call Steve Davis at 640-8948.



Off to work we go

Lynda Sargeant, owner of Lindy's Floral Boutique shows Elaine Dickens, an SDSS student, the fine art of flower arranging. More than 180 Grade 9 students will be heading off to work with their parents Wednesday.

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