

Mayor, politicians head to China on business

Whitchurch-Stouffville Mayor Wayne Emmerson and local MP Bryon Wilfert are China bound.

Emmerson, Regional Chairman Bill Fisch and Richmond Hill Mayor William Bell are joining the Oak Ridges MP when he leads a business mission to Beijing, Shanghai and Inner Mongolia.

on behalf of the Office of Overseas Chinese Affairs of the State Council of the People's Republic of China and the Committee of Overseas Professional Exchange.

The four local politicians will be in China from July 3 to July 18.

"I believe this will be an excellent opportunity for representatives from our major business sectors to foster relations with business and government representatives in China," said Wilfert.

Letters of invitation have been mailed to about 100 businesses in

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the local riding which covers all of Whitchurch-Stouffville and Richmond Hill and the northern part of Markham.

Wilfert said he's anticipating a good number of the targeted companies will have been a keen interest in joining him on the joint venture.

—Joan Ransberry

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ON A ROLE: Ballantrac PS held an Earth day assembly to honour the day with a skit. Here, Will Powell, Kate Devine and Amanda Hunter perform in a skit about developers building a plaza in a beautiful meadow. Powell and Devine are parents telling Hunter, their child about the meadow.

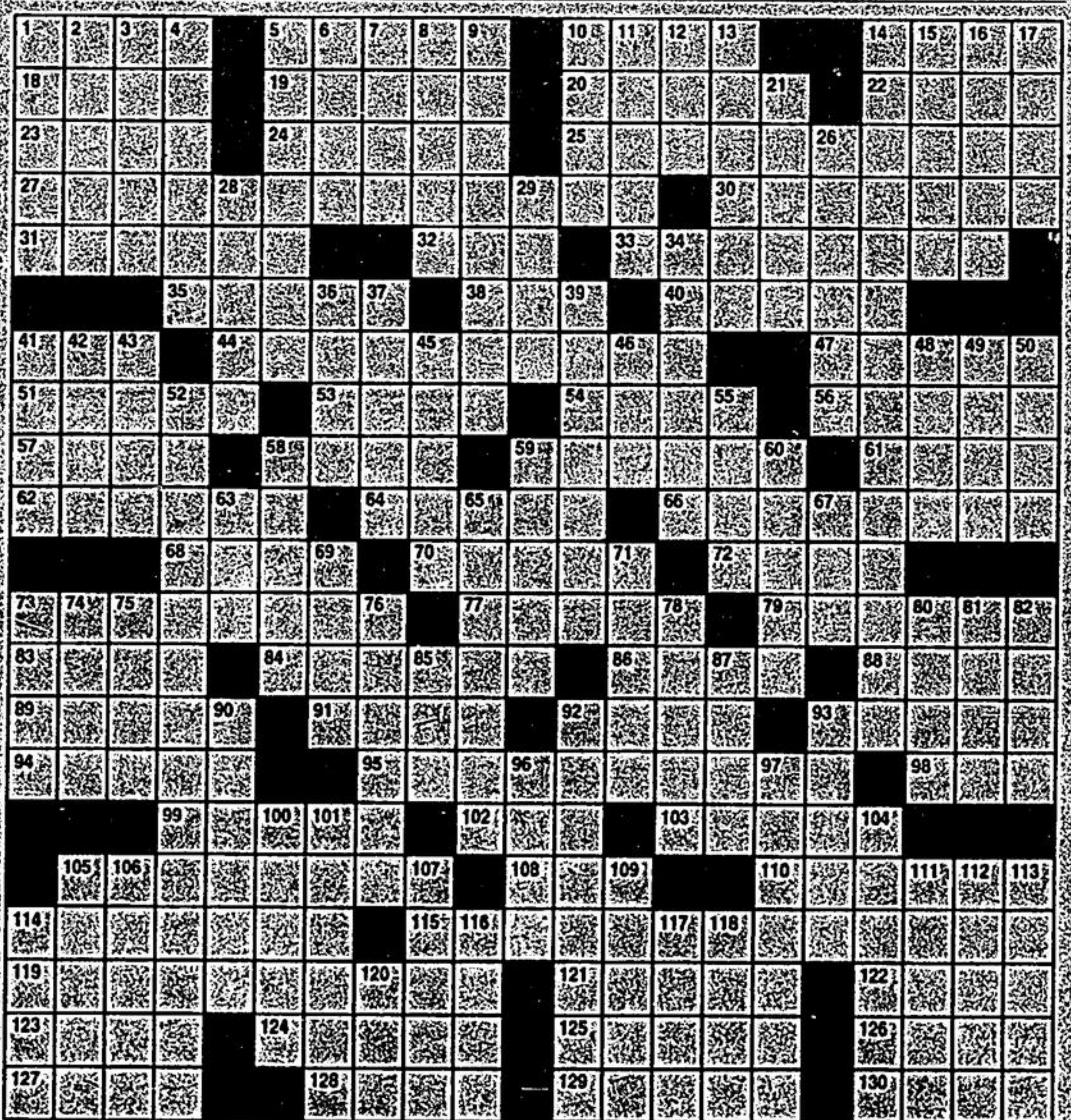
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|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ACROSS | 54. Is near bankruptcy | 98. Stirrup site | 8. Renders replete |
| 1. Men in the hood? | 56. Poltergeist manifestation | 99. Wharton's farmer | 9. Less lively |
| 5. Head lock | 57. Area east of the Bosphorus | 102. Brownie | 10. Luce publication |
| 10. "Damn Yankees" vamp | 58. Mountain goat's perch | 103. N.B.A. Rookie of the Year, 1993 | 11. Olfactory input |
| 14. School subj. | 59. Matriculate | 105. Goofing, with up | 12. "Turandot" slave |
| 18. "La Boheme" updated | 61. "Superman II" villainess | 108. Org. founded by Samuel Gompers | 13. Of an arterial trunk |
| 19. Back-country | 62. Pat Nixon's real first name | 110. Nagana carrier | 14. Plastered at a picnic? |
| 20. Dostoyevsky novel with "The" | 64. Like party punch | 114. Talmud Torah teacher | 15. Mint bar |
| 22. Digging, so to speak | 66. Farm alarms | 115. Bromo salesman? | 16. Cubic meter |
| 23. Sgt. Snorkel's dog | 68. Kind of division | 119. December 25? | 17. Divided |
| 24. Labor organizer's cry | 70. Not sharply defined, as a computer image | 121. Go gaga over | 21. Car in a Beach Boys tune |
| 25. Full shopping cart? | 72. Drag queen's collection | 122. One in a receiving line? | 26. Like much of Chile |
| 27. Coffee filter? | 73. Food fish | 123. Bogarde of "Darling" | 28. Spruce |
| 30. Small-time | 77. Like some undercover cops | 124. Pick up on loop, Var | 29. Feeler |
| 31. "The Benefactor" novelist | 79. Loafer, e.g. | 125. Comparatively congenial | 34. Jazz pianist Billy |
| 32. Whirlpool whereabouts | 83. Seat of Allen County, Kansas | 126. Shore soarer | 36. Unbelievable one |
| 33. Captain Kirk's log entry | 84. Port on the English Channel | 127. Nordstrom competitor | 37. Knock for a loop, Var |
| 35. Commemorative pillar | 86. Like a Windsor tie | 128. A little night music | 39. Bad-mouth |
| 38. They, to Thibaudet | 88. The Blue Devils | 129. Brats | 41. Journalist's question |
| 40. Mayflower Compact signer | 89. John known as "The Father of Television" | 130. Kind of organ | 42. "Not another word!" |
| 41. Journalist's question | 91. Body that includes SHAPE | DOWN | 43. Tony's cousin |
| 44. Drama in three acts? | 92. Mystical saying | 1. The second plague, in Exodus | 45. 8 1/2" x 14" |
| 47. Be reasonable | 93. He caught Larsen's perfect game | 2. From an earlier era | 46. Land alternative |
| 51. Wifey's mate | 94. Plumed headgear | 3. Composer Bruckner | 48. Like some consequences |
| 53. Little or Short | 95. Apply cosmetics to wild animals? | 4. Strong porters | 49. Pre-1991 atlas abbr. |
| | | 5. Weary walker | 50. Subjects of Mendelian experiments |
| | | 6. They're always made at home | 52. Robinson and Thomas? |
| | | 7. The Phantom of the Opera | 55. Vulgarian |
| | | | 58. Switch-hit? |
| | | | 59. Out of this world |
| | | | 60. Like some interpretations |



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| 63. Bushy hair | 80. Unalloyed | 97. Trades hero | 111. "So _____" |
| 65. Ranch hand | 81. Creole vegetable | 100. 1936 Olympics | 112. Hanging net |
| 67. Baseball's Maglie | 82. Close in on | 101. Car-racing class | 113. Flubbed a fly |
| 69. Mouth widener | 85. Student-focused org. | 104. Libertine | 114. Fashionable dressers |
| 71. Clinch | 87. One who makes an admission? | 105. Olive brown | 116. Head set |
| 73. They're all in the family | 90. Bread | 106. Bob Cratchit, e.g. | 117. Central points |
| 74. Ancient mariner | 92. Brutes | 107. Understanding | 118. Attend Andover, e.g. |
| 75. Others, to Ovid | 93. Brute | 109. Showed the way, in a way | 120. Watson-Crick model |
| 76. Tars | 96. Tel Aviv carrier | | |
| 78. Down Under dog | | | |

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