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# Soviet trivia is put to the test

Are you a trivia expert? Are you a world traveler, or perhaps a geography expert?

Here is a challenge for you: Name the republics of the former Soviet Union (spelling counts). Hint: There

## Chamber golf tourney May 28

The Whitchurch-Stouffville Chamber of Commerce is hosting its golf tournament on Thursday, May 28 at the Maples of Ballantrac Lodge & Golf Club.

The \$130 entry fee includes 18 holes of gold, shared power cart, barbecue lunch, roast beef dinner, and prizes.

For an extra \$20, participants have the chance to win major prizes in the putting contest and for closest to the hole on all par 3s. Prizes include a weekend golf package at the Maples, a 20-inch television, CD player, and lawn accessories.

The Maples is on Hwy 48, 1.5 kilometres north of Bloomington Rd.

To book tickets or sponsor the tourney call the chamber at 642-4227.

## LIBRARY NEWS

are 15 republics.

Interested individuals can investigate the answer to this question through a new series that is now available at the library. The series, Then & Now, was developed in response to the limited resources of historical and current information on these republics.

Each book portrays the republic's geographical makeup, culture and society, history, environment and challenges, economic potential and current and future challenges.

As many of you have already discovered, going to the junior section of the library is an excellent move if you want concise information on a topic - this is no exception.

These books are well organized,

attractive, and contain a comprehensive glossary and index. There is even an international word guide with language, pronunciations of the different republics and their English equivalent. Fast facts and interesting tidbits can be found throughout the pages. The attractive layout and numerous pictures keep a reader's interest.

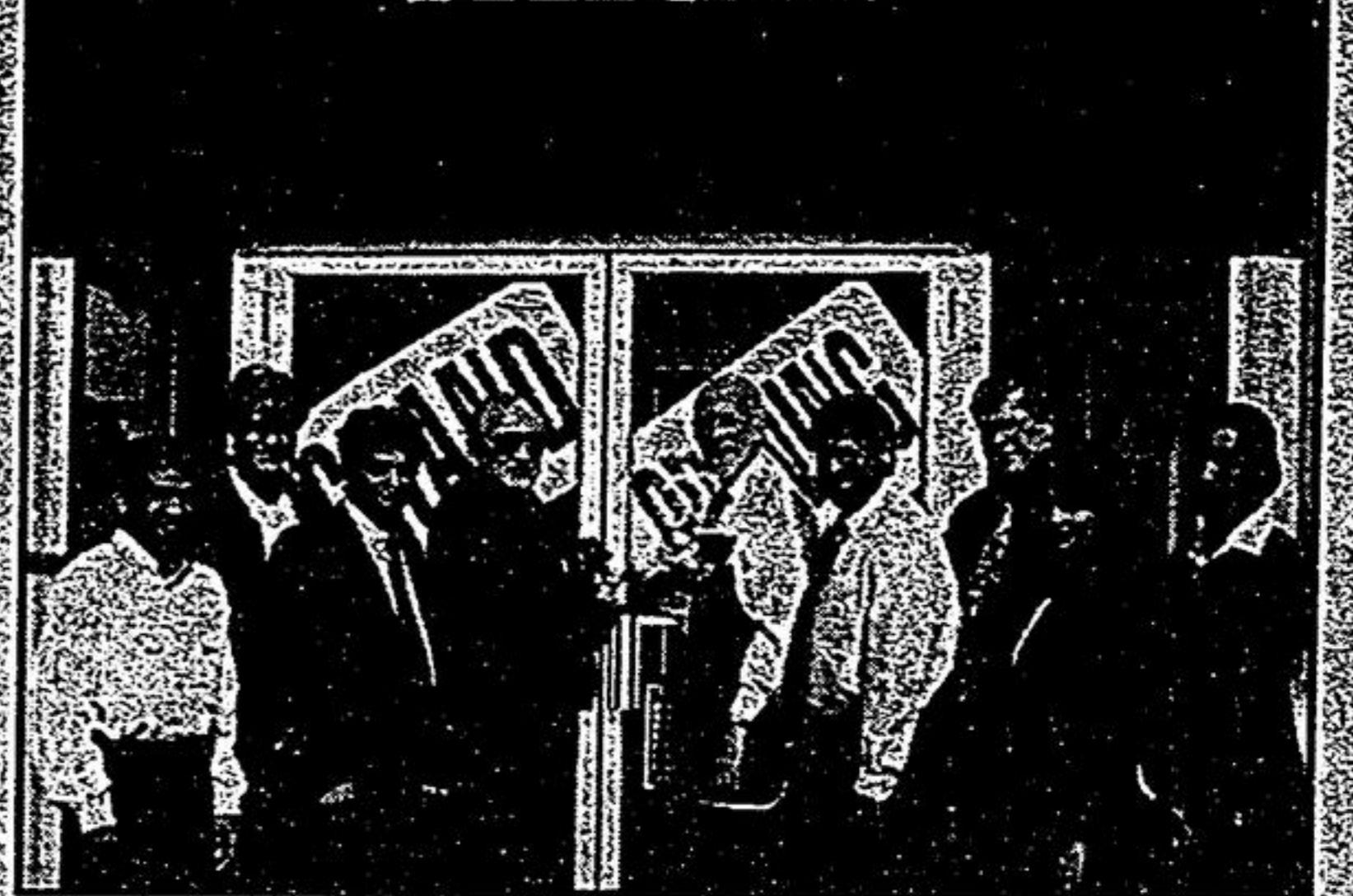
This series is definitely worth a trip to the library. It will be on display for the next week. In the future, the books can be found on the OPAC (Online Public Access Catalogue) through the series title of then & Now, or by the republic's individual name.

And for those of you who want to test your skill, the republics of the former Soviet Union are Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Estonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.

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## HICKORY FARMS GRAND OPENING

### HICKORY FARMS



Staff and guests celebrate the Grand Opening of the Hickory Farms Outlet at 10 Esna Park Dr. at Woodbine Avenue.

(L to R) Roger Rajaratnam, Traci Thompson, Masood Alimurnal, Judge Clare Westcott (guest), Norm Agnew, Tony Balasingham, John Lawson, Clara Vellathottam, Vanessa Martin officiate at the opening.

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# ONTARIO BUDGET 1998

## Our commitment to Ontarians

*Budgets, inevitably, are all about numbers: dollar figures, allocations, projections. It is important to tell the story of the people behind those numbers, and the principles behind the budget that reflect their priorities. These commitments, outlined in the recent Throne Speech, form the basis of the 1998 Ontario Budget:*

- **A strong economy, tax cuts, jobs and growth** The 1998 Ontario Budget backs our commitment to ensure that every Ontarian has the opportunity to fulfill their potential and realize their dreams by getting the fundamentals of our economy right: a balanced budget, lower taxes, spending within our means and the elimination of needless barriers to growth, innovation and initiative, and access to employment opportunities for all.
- **Educating our children for the future** The 1998 Ontario Budget helps our students realize their full potential, acquire a lifelong love of learning, remain active participants in their communities and achieve whatever goals they set.
- **Emphasizing work - not welfare** The 1998 Ontario Budget renews our pledge to help free people from the cycle of welfare dependency. To do this, we must lift people off welfare and into the workforce. We also pledge to be supportive of hard-working, modest-income Ontarians.
- **Health care for all** The 1998 Ontario Budget takes additional steps to ensure that health care in our province is not only modern but available, timely and close at hand. Despite agreement on these goals, we have heard, loudly and clearly, the voices of people concerned about the impact and pace of change. These are real and legitimate concerns, and the 1998 Ontario Budget helps to address them.
- **Personal safety** The 1998 Ontario budget stands on the side of women and men concerned about the safety of rural communities and urban streets, the security of their homes and violence in school corridors and playgrounds. It recognizes that we all have the right not just to be safe and to feel safe.
- **Children in low-income families** A new Ontario child Care Supplement for working families will help 350,000 young children in communities throughout Ontario.
- **A dialogue with Ontarians** Sometimes the balance between consulting and acting has been difficult to achieve, especially given the magnitude of change we all understood was necessary. The 1998 Ontario budget renews our commitment to dialogue, and reflects the ideas of countless Ontarians who have contributed their advice on reaching our common goals.

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