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**ARTS & CULTURE CALENDAR**

**EVENT:** Drama for Kids  
**WHEN:** Tuesday, July 14, 10 a.m. to noon  
**WHERE:** Stouffville public library



**8** Former regional employee Bob Hodgson, fired in 1991, has won an \$880,000 libel award from the Globe and Mail.

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**RECREATION:** Mayor's fund donates \$500 for new skateboard ramp

## 'Boarders' can stay at rec centre, for now

BY JOAN RANSBERRY  
 STAFF REPORTER

Skateboarders won't be chased away from the Stouffville Recreation Complex parking lot until a proper facility is built in its place, council decided Tuesday.

This, despite a staff recommendation that skateboarding be banned from the complex immediately, due to complaints from nearby home owners about the noise.

The Stouffville Recreation Complex is, after all, a "recreation" centre, one councillor said.

Skateboarding is "recreation," said Ward 6 Councillor Sue Sherban. (Council will) not prohibit it.

Keith Saunders, Stouffville's chief bylaw enforcement officer, informed politicians this week that residents of the Stouffville Mews, which backs on to the centre, complain the parking lot is used by a large number of teens, and that noise from the rolling and clapping boards, along with playing loud music, yelling and screaming is making it impossible for the residents to sit outside or even open their windows.

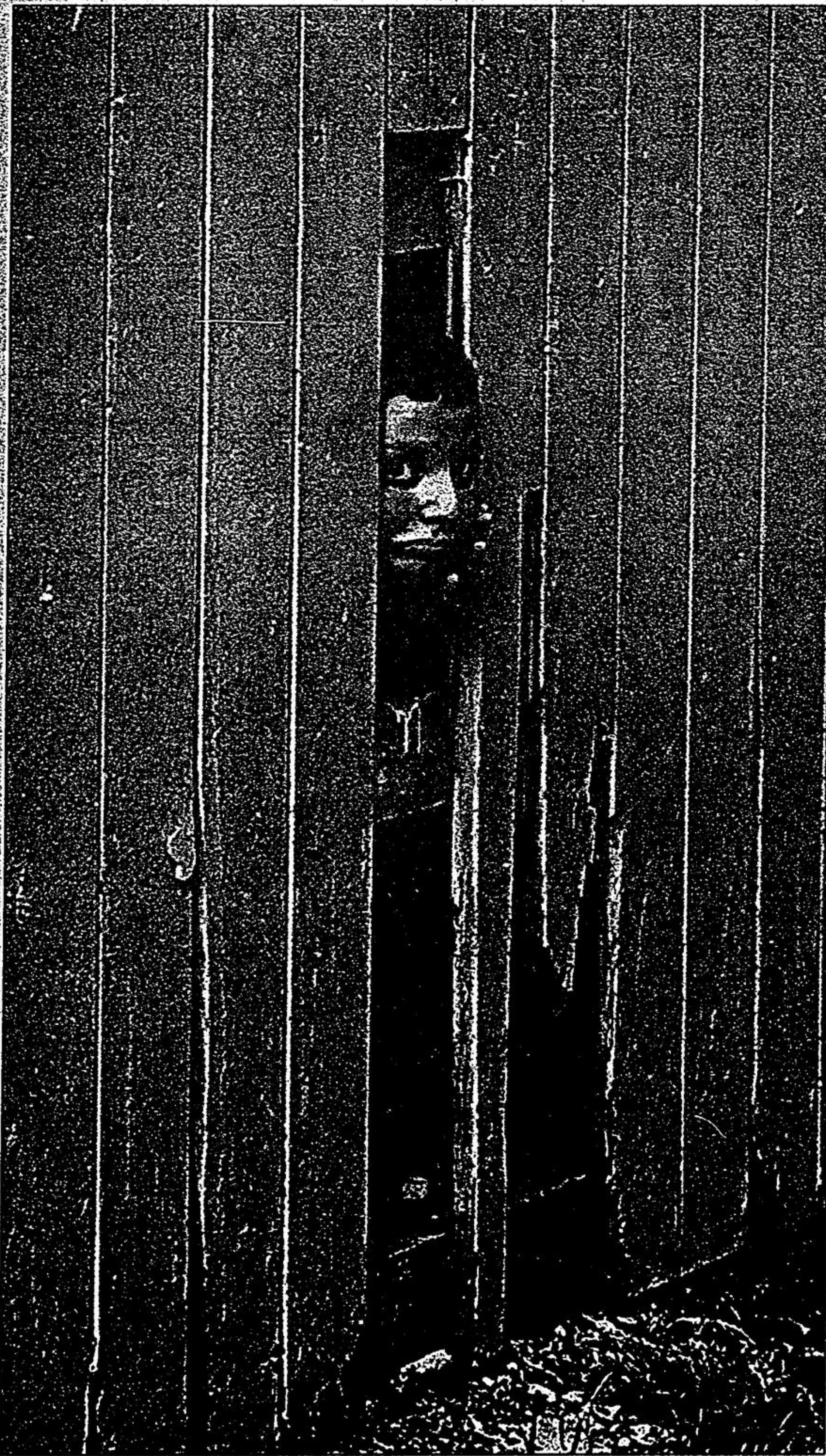
Instead of banning the sport altogether, however, council went along with Mayor Wayne Emmerson's suggestion to find and fund a more suitable skateboarding facility.

The plan is to put a skateboarding ramp in the northeast corner of the Stouffville Country Market.

Emmerson, an avid youth activity supporter, through his Mayor's Youth Fund, committed \$500 to start construction of a new skateboard ramp at the market.

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## PEEKING TOM



STAFF PHOTO/STEVE SOMERVILLE

Mark Dulberg peers through a hole in the wall at the Stouffville ball diamond stadium, just awaiting the start of another game in the Stouffville Squirt ball tournament last week.

# Help us find killer, children plead

Police offer \$50,000 reward for information leading to suspect's arrest

BY KATHLEEN GRIFFIN  
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On the verge of tears, Alberta Khan's husband gently guided their two young children to media microphones yesterday as the family pleaded for the public's help in finding her killer.

"I want to know who killed my mom. I need your help," said Jasmine, 8, speaking to more than a dozen reporters at the York Regional Police's 5 District station.

The media were gathered for the York Regional Police Services Board announcement that a \$50,000 reward has been posted for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for Khan's brutal murder last Nov. 12 in her Elson Avenue variety store in Markham.

"There are people out there who know about our mother Alberta," Jasmine said. "Please come forward and call the police and help us."

Brother A.J., looking lost and more than a little intimidated, echoed his sister's plea.

"Thank you. Please help us," Omar Khan seemed close to tears throughout the press conference. He said while his children are in counselling.



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OMAR, JASMINE AND A.J. KHAN

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