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**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**EVENT:** CHATS mall walk for seniors  
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**EDUCATION: Strike continues**

## Catholic education remains on hold

BY PATRICK CASEY  
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Negotiations to end the York Region Catholic teachers' strike have failed — leaving students and teachers wondering when they will return to class.

Twelve hours of bargaining with Ministry of Labour mediator Bruce Janisse ended at 8 p.m. Tuesday after the region's separate school board and the Ontario English Catholic Teachers Association could not find common ground on several contentious issues.

The school board has scheduled an additional instructional period for secondary school teachers, while the union's request for a 6.5 per cent wage increase remains on the table.

With no new contract talks scheduled between the two parties, classes remain cancelled for more than 45,000 Catholic students.

Yesterday morning, York Regional Police were forced to close Bloomington Road for the second time in three weeks as teachers rallied outside the board's Aurora headquarters.

Following a three-hour demonstration that included an appearance by OECTA president Marshall Jarvis, local district president Ihor Baczynsky said a deal was never within reach during Tuesday's bargaining session.

"We listened to the board's negotiating hotline and it said their primary motive coming to the table was to get an interim agreement," Baczynsky said. "It was a two-sided feeling after hearing that."

"It just shows they didn't want to

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**SWEET AS PIE**



Sarah Pollard, 3, selects the perfect Macintosh apple during the Bruce's Mill HarvestFest in Stouffville last Saturday.

STAFF PHOTO/SIOBERD WITTEVEEN

## Mayor eyes up user pay trash plan

Georgina brings 'tag a bag' plan to town

BY JOAN RANSBERRY  
 STAFF WRITER

Be prepared to pay \$1 a bag for garbage collection if Whitchurch-Stouffville Council adopts a system being used in neighbouring Georgina.

Since the town's five-year garbage collection contract expires in February, all options, including a user-pay system, need to be explored, Mayor Wayne Emmerson said.

Also, with the Keele Valley landfill slated to close in three years, York Region is on notice to reduce the amount of garbage produced. The clock is ticking. "We have to act," Emmerson said.

When members of a Georgina delegation visited Stouffville Tuesday the intention was to get Stouffville's endorsement at the regional level. Georgina Mayor Rob Grossi is hoping his town's system will be modelled across the region instead of the wet-dry method being explored by York's waste management committee.

But Emmerson is doing more than endorsing Georgina's system to regional politicians — he's taking a hard look at it for Stouffville.

The \$1 a bag garbage program also got a warm reception from council. Ward 3 Councillor Peter Dobrich said he'd go along with such a program providing the town didn't profit from it.

Grossi, Georgina councillors Ross Jamieson and Margaret Jordan, waste management coordinator Caroline Kirkpatrick and engineer Bob Magloughlen took turns outlining the municipality's user-pay garbage program which

All options need to be explored... the clock is ticking; we have to act.

Mayor Wayne Emmerson

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