

SPECIAL OLYMPICS: The Progress Club has sponsored 'emotionally-charged' event for three decades

Ambitious \$1-million campaign underway

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Plans for the 2000 Special Olympic Games are beginning to take shape, especially after organizers finalized details for a new head office and welcomed two substantial donations earlier this week.

The Canadian Progress Club, a long-time supporter of the Special Olympics, made a \$10,000 installment of its \$50,000 pledge to the event during a news conference Tuesday afternoon at the York Regional Police headquarters in Newmarket.

To be held next spring through-

out York Region, the 2000 Games will be run out of an office in the Newmarket Health Centre stocked with eight computers, thanks to a timely donation from Richmond Hill's Compaq Computer company.

"The momentum is gradually building and there is such great enthusiasm. It speaks a great deal of the depth of commitment toward the people of our community," said York Regional Police Chief Julian Fantino, whose organization is sponsoring the event and has begun an ambitious \$1-million fundraising campaign.

"It will be such an emotionally



JULIAN FANTINO
Community shows depth of commitment

Olympics will feature five-and 10-pin bowling, floor hockey, swim-

ming and weightlifting at venues throughout the region. The opening and closing ceremonies will be held at the Ray Twinney Recreation Complex in Newmarket.

The Canadian Progress Club has been involved with the regional and national Special Olympic movement for nearly three decades. And member Margaret French of Newmarket has acted as a coach, volunteer and spectator at the Games for more than 20 years.

"It's great having the Games here in York Region, right in our own backyard," said French, national vice-president of the club's central region.

"It's extra-special having them in the part of the province where you live.

"And the athletes from here will also have a chance to see some of their friends compete."

Although it's still 14 months until the Special Olympics kick off on May 11, 2000, Games chairperson Const. Rob Plunkett was pleased to have some office space at the health centre on Eagle Street.

"The office will be the hub of the local organizing, volunteer training and mountains of paperwork we'll have to wade through to get the Games off the drawing board and into real life," said Plunkett.

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52 yr old, 5'5" single, white, female, very fit, dark Auburn hair & a social drinker. Enjoys family life, the outdoors, sports, long chats, theater, movies and most importantly, laughter. Seeks an honest, warm, single, white male, 50 to 65, who has a good sense of humor and enjoys his life. BOX 18017

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42 yr old, single white female, divorced, mother of two children, smoker and social drinker. Enjoys the outdoors, movies and dancing. Works in day care as a teacher. Looking for a single white male 42 to 48, who has similar interests. BOX 21224

LIKE A FLOWER
Single white female, 26 yr old, 5'1", long brown hair, hazel eyes. Enjoys long walks, sports, fine dining, casual dining, my cat. Looking for a single, white male, 26 to 30, with similar interest and not into head games also likes having fun. BOX 18000

READY 4 THE ONE
26 year old, single white female, 5'1", long brown hair and hazel eyes. Looking for a single white male, 26 to 30. Enjoys sports, fine and casual dining, long walks and relaxing at home. Man should have similar interests and not be into head games. BOX 15498

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64 yr old female, seeks to find and honest, reliable, truthful, committed, caring, Christian male. Someone who is ready to form a long lasting relationship, possibly marriage. BOX 18004

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29 yr old, single, mother of three, attractive, full figured, dark, brown hair and green eyes. Open, honest, and easy going. Enjoys, movies, walks, country music, and reading. Seeking to find a single dad with similar qualities and interest. BOX 23133

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54 yrs young female, blond hair, green eyes, 5'4", 112 lbs, feminine, caring, great friend, fun to be with. Enjoy boating, skiing, chocolate chip ice cream, music, traveling. Seeking a male for a long term relationship and be my best friend. Blue eyes nice. BOX 20489

PERMANENT RELATION
58 yr old, divorced female, 5'2", 120 lbs, very fit. Enjoys hiking, walking, classical music and events. Looking for a fit, cultured male, for a permanent relationship. Nonsmoker please. BOX 20501

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Elegant, Scorpio, sincere, youthful and warm, mixed Caribbean and Canadian, 50 plus, widow. Seeking a secure gentleman, 50 plus for a serious relationship, nonsmoker, a soul mate, cosmopolitan and caring. Enjoys the finer things in life, sports, walking and dining out. BOX 15499

KNOWS WHAT SHE WANTS
38 yr old, single, professional, white female, 5'1", very active, fit, warm, gentle, energetic, outgoing, nonsmoker, social drinker mother of two, blonde hair & blue eyes. Enjoys horses, long talks, hiking quiet diner. Looking for a nonsmoking professional white male, 35 to 45. BOX 18013

SICK OF SINGLE
Tired of being single, 34 year old, single white female, divorced mother of two, petite, blonde hair, blue eyes, true romantic at heart. Enjoys the outdoors, camping, movies and more. Seeking honest, caring, single white male, 35 to 40, for a long term relationship. BOX 18014

LIKE SMART GIRLS?
Single white female, 36 yr old, 5'6", blonde hair, green eyes, University educated, self employed, professional. Seeking single, white male, University educated. Enjoys the arts, sports, golf, bowling, shooting pool. Smoker and light social drinker. No kids please. BOX 18015

POSITIVELY YOURS
39 year old, single white female, petite, dark hair and hazel eyes, fun loving and hard working. Looking for a single white male, who is honest and romantic and has a very positive outlook, for a long term relationship. BOX 20497

SINCERELY YOURS
34 yr old, 5'1", French, short brown hair, green eyes, divorced, physically fit, nonsmoker, honest, sincere and very fun to be around. Enjoys the outdoors, working out and sports. Looking for a friend and possible more. BOX 21437

WHAT TOOK U SO LONG?
37 yr old, professional, single mom, animal lover, enjoys horseback riding, movies, arts & travel. Looking for a genuine, nice guy with solid foundation, both mentally & financially. BOX 11559

SHARE MY LIFE
52 yr old, 5'5", dark Auburn hair, very fit, work out quite frequently, attractive, social drinker, enjoy the outdoors, walks, sports, theater, movies, reading, quiet dining, family life, social activities, laughing, seeking an honest warm man, 50 to 65, who enjoys his life and secure. BOX 15488

STARTING A NEW
Separated white female, 37 yr old, seeking a serious relationship, with a single white male, who enjoys home cooking, movies, music, the outdoors, staying active and quiet times at home.

SEEKING BETTER HALF
36 yr old, educated professional, single mother of one, medium built. Enjoy family outings, drives and music. Seeking single or divorced male, a Catholic, tired of single scene, a nonsmoker and family oriented. Children are okay. BOX 15490

MARRIAGE MINDED
Slim, educated, attractive, Hindu female, self respected, family oriented, religious, seeking a honest, educated, professional, financially secure male, sincere, marriage minded, up to 55. BOX 17993

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Slim, attractive, educated, self respected, family oriented single female. Seeking honest, kind, sincere, professional and financially secure, marriage minded male; up to age 55. BOX 15491

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42 yr old, tall, medium built female with blue eyes. Seeking an accomplished male for a relationship. BOX 22959

PERFECT CHEMISTRY
Attractive, full figured female, looking for full figured, single white male, 23 to 33, who enjoys cuddling, sports and outdoor activities. For possible relationship. BOX 17934

ALOT TO OFFER
Attractive, full figured, single white female, 23 yr old, 5'8", brown hair and eyes, outgoing, active, honest and fun to be around, enjoy sports, and dining, social events. Seeking a man, 25 to 35, who is honest, can appreciate what I have to offer, possible relationship. BOX 18005

LONELY LADY!
40 yr old, slim, attractive, employed mom of one, is seeking a male, 38 to 42, for fun and a relationship. BOX 22961

BLONDE BEAUTY
Single female, 5'2", blonde hair, seeking a single, mature, gentleman, 60 plus, who enjoys movies, walks, dining, conversation and quiet times at home, for a long term relationship. BOX 15469

**** THINKING OF YOU ****
40's, 5'2", female with blond hair and green eyes. Enjoys country life, long walks, fine dining and more. Seeking an honest male with similar interest and a good sense of humor. BOX 20481

SO MUCH TO OFFER!
late 40's, attractive, self employed, professional female, no dependents, enjoys music, dancing, dining out, good conversation and more. Seeking a professional male, no dependents, with similar interests. BOX 15459

**** SEEKING SERIOUS ONLY ****
A lot of things that are important for a relationship to work out, these are a just a few important ones for me, trust, honesty, good communication, common interest, and values, special chemistry, most important friendship, 34 yr old,

female, 5'2", 125 lbs, brown hair, brown eyes. BOX 22992

FRIENDSHIP-TRAVELER
Semi retired, single, professional, East Indian, Christian female. Enjoys travel, music, cooking, theatre and a quiet home life. Seeking educated, established, single gentleman, 58 to 65, average height and weight, nonsmoker, light social drinker. No games please. Sincere calls only. BOX 11552

SEEKING MY SOULMATE
Attractive female with brown hair and hazel eyes, likes music, dancing, nature, quiet times and more. Seeking a warm, sensitive, caring and self assured male, in late 50's, refined, fit, with traditional values, for a long term committed relationship. 3 BOX 22986

**** GIVING YOU MY ALL ****
39 yr old, 5'7", medium frame, has alot to offer, love to laugh, employed, quite successful, divorced with two children, seeking male for companionship, who love the outdoors, hiking, swimming, cross country skiing, movies, the

camping, fishing, bowling, movies, dining out, flea markets, long walks and more. Seeking a white male with similar interests and a good sense of humor. BOX 20441

HONESTY & FRIENDSHIP
Single white male, 38, good looking, career oriented, outgoing, can be shy, many interests, physically fit, easy going, tired of the bar scene. Seeking single white female, 30-38, slim and attractive, who is honest and outgoing. Friendship/relationship. BOX 11535

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Mature male, who likes to have fun. Seeking a passionate female for casual encounters. BOX 23009

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Attractive 42 yr old, single white male, 145 lbs, 5'8", muscular build, black hair, brown eyes, cabinet maker, enjoy playing soccer, camping, fishing, biking, long walks; dart, pool, seeking a single female, 25 to 42, slim, and in shape, great sense of humor, in Georgian area. BOX 18010

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SOUL MATE WANTED
49 yr old, male, outgoing, enjoy fishing, golfing. Seeking a lady, who enjoys cuddling, having fun and wants to be loved, with similar interest. BOX 20486

LET'S CHAT
26 yr old, 6'1", solidly built male, nondrinker/smoker. Enjoys long walks, dining out, movies, the outdoors, tennis. Seeking to find a single, white female, 25 to 30, must have her goal set. No head games. Only inquiries who are interested in building solid relationships. BOX 20510

FUN TIMES
20 yr old, white male, light blue eyes, dark clean cut hair, 5'9", professional, enjoys hip hop and R&B clubs. Looking for a female to have fun with. BOX 18026

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An Oriental male 41 yrs old, quite clean, nonsmoker. Looking for a female to share life experience. BOX 11551

COFFEE & A ROSE
38 yr old male, 5'10", muscular build, with brown hair, blue green eyes, a heart of gold in one hand and a rose in the other. Waiting to share coffee and a rose with a beautiful person inside and out, 28 to 35, for possible relationship. BOX 17992

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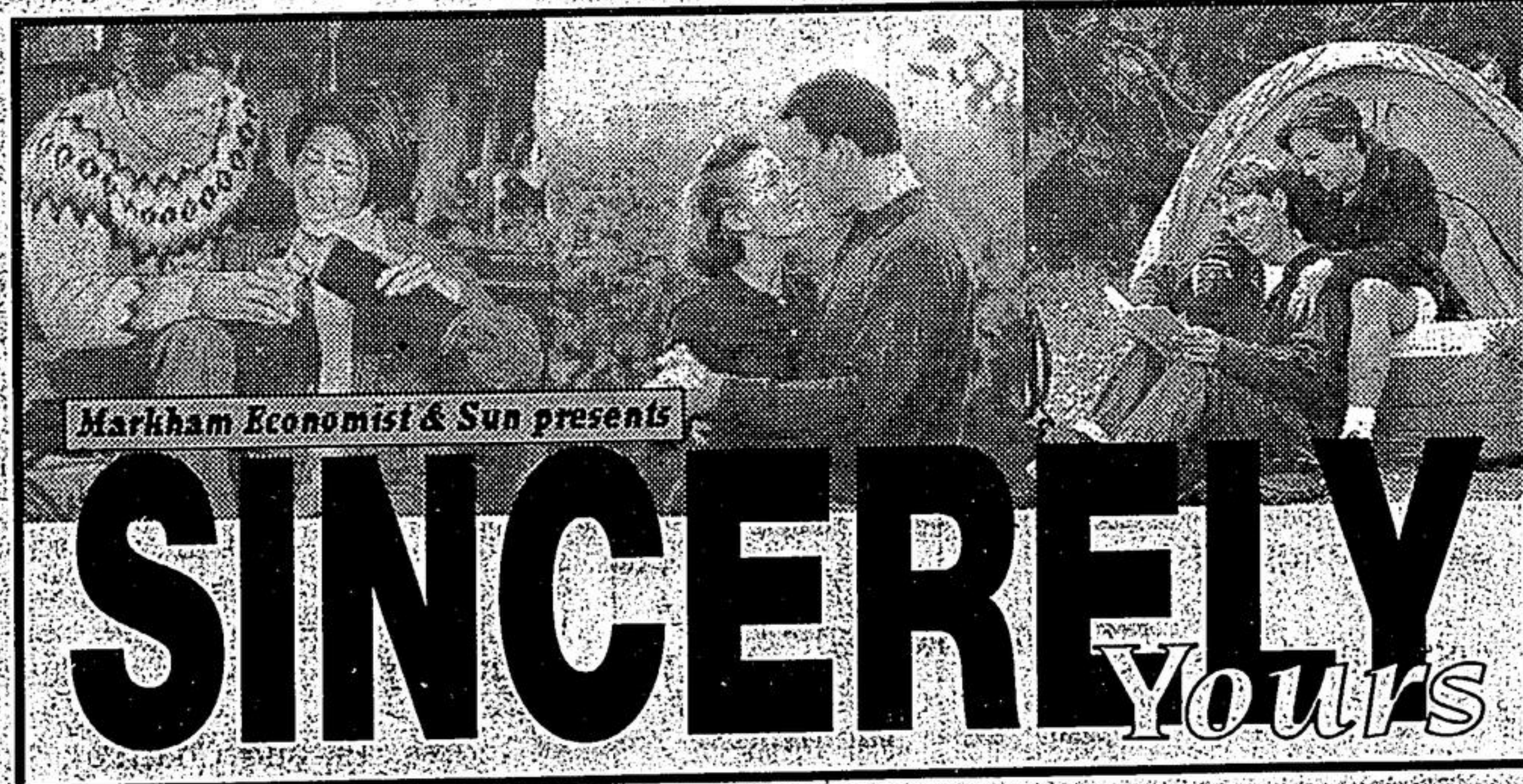
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SUPER MAN
27 year old, single white male, 5'7", 180 lbs. Enjoys going to the gym, walks, bike rides, dining out and movies. Looking for a girl with similar interests. BOX 17980

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42 yr old, single, white male, 5'8", 180 lbs, smoker, social drinker with black hair, brown eyes and a muscular build. Likes the outdoors, fishing, camping, soccer, movies. Looking for an attractive, slim female, over 25, over 5'3", with similar interests, for friendship first, long term relationship. BOX 22990

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