

INFOGUIDE

SPOTLIGHT

A guide to what's happening in the York Region area

THEATRE

■ **MARCH 2 TO 6:** The Fantasticks at Huron Heights Secondary School in Newmarket. 895-2385.

■ **MARCH 5, 6:** Little Red Riding Hood at Latcham Hall, Stouffville. 640-1461.

■ **MARCH 6:** Young at Heart by the Voices of Showtime at the Stephen Leacock Theatre in Keswick. 476-0193.

■ **MARCH 6:** Opera York presents Madama Butterfly at the Famee Furlane in Woodbridge. (416) 469-0086.

■ **MARCH 11 TO 14:** Just Off Centre Productions' Alice in Wonderland at City Playhouse. 709-4057.

CONCERTS

■ **MARCH 5:** The Philharmonia Society of Markham performs Beethoven's 9th Symphony at Markham Theatre. 305-7469.

■ **MARCH 6:** Voices of Showtime present Young At Heart at Leacock Theatre in Keswick. 476-0193.

■ **MARCH 8:** Cantabile Chorale's Oh Canada concert at Holy Trinity Church in Thornhill. 731-8318.

■ **MARCH 13, 14:** Natalie McMaster at Gryphon Theatre. 305-7469.

KIDS

■ **MARCH 6, 7:** Children's Theatre production of Oliver at Newmarket Theatre. 953-5122.

ROAD TRIPPING

■ **TO MARCH 14:** A.R. Gumeys Love Letters at Olde Town Hall Theatre in Cookstown. (705) 435-4814.

■ **MARCH 4 TO APRIL 24:** Don't Dress For Dinner at Limelight Dinner Theatre in Toronto. (416) 482-5200.

■ **TO MARCH 13:** Stage Centre's Three Sisters at Fairview Library Theatre in North York. (416) 299-5557.

FILM CLIPS

WHAT'S NEW AT THE MOVIES



Leggo My Egg-o: Momma T-Rex takes exception to Liz Stauber's eggs-amination of a dino egg.

T-Rex: Back to the Cretaceous
Now screening at IMAX Colossus in Vaughan

STARRING: Peter Horton, Liz Stauber, Laurie Murdoch and Kari Coleman. Directed by Brett Leonard.

SIZE DOES MATTER: The special effects required the efforts of 60 people working over the span of 1-1/2 years. To get just four minutes of raw images of a computer dinosaur took a thousand gigabytes.

THE STORY: Does anyone really care? This is about 3-D effects on a 70-foot screen — a truly wondrous experience. It's not about a plot line.

ACT SMALL: "It's ironic that the acting has to be subtle and with really small movements and adjustments, because the picture is going to appear so big," Liz Stauber said. "If you see someone six storeys high being very big about reactions, it's probably not going to be as easy to believe in that character."

NEW ON VIDEO

SNAPSHOTS OF THIS WEEK'S RELEASES

This week's video releases, along with some mini-reviews from professional film critics:

Ever After with Drew Barrymore and Anjelica Huston. "Re-telling of the Cinderella story is classy and appealing family entertainment. One of the most enjoyable movies of (last) summer." (Star)

Soldier with Kurt Russell and Gary Busey. "All brawn and no brain. It will appeal only to small boys and those who love non-stop

action movies that require strong eardrums and limited intelligence." (Globe and Mail)

Also scheduled for release on video this week is **Baby Huey's Great Easter Adventure**, a live-action direct-to-video musical comedy starring Joseph Bologna and Harvey Korman.

Other releases include the animated **Tom and Jerry: The Movie** and **The Tale of the Bunny Picnic**.

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FACT-FINDER

Insight into some of life's ordinary issues and problems

This week:

How can I discourage junk e-mail?

Nip it in the bug

When junk e-mail arrives contact the sender's site and tell them you don't want to receive the information.

Don't use profanity, you want it to sound like a serious potential customer who has just been put off by the business practices of the party in question. Always send your message unsigned, with no signature tag.

If it persists, contact your service provider to trace the origin.

How to avoid it in the first place

Before registering at a site, look for a notice stating they won't sell your address to advertisers.

Be careful where you post your e-mail address. Junk e-mailers, also known as spammers, lurk in news groups to collect addresses for mailing lists.

To evade the automatic address collection software that spammers use, type in NOSPAM before the domain name in your return e-mail address (for example, janedoe@NOSPAM.domainname).

Use e-mail software with filtering features to weed out the junk mail.

Seek and destroy

If you have Windows 95 or Windows 98, there's a useful tool included with your operating system software called TraceRoute. Given a domain name or an IP address, it will sort through from your server to the server you've specified, and the last spot will be the domain or IP address of the source of the spam you received.

If the message you receive contains a 1-800, call the toll-free number often to demonstrate the junk e-mail is wasting your time and resources.

Does government have you confused? I think my child is having problems at school. How do I get Meals on Wheels for my parents? If you're in the dark about an issue, bylaw or service, send us your query and we'll do our best to provide the information.

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