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Pool plans on deck for public viewing

Have your say on controversial project

BY JOAN RANSBERRY
Staff Writer

The $5.7-million indoor swimming pool and library project will be featured at an open house Jan. 18, Whitchurch-Stouffville Mayor Wayne Emmerson confirmed.

The open house will be at the municipal headquarters, 37 Sandiford Dr., beginning at 7 p.m.

While town officials and members of a local ratepayers group wait to find out if the twin complex will be the subject of an Ontario Municipal Board hearing, it's full steam ahead from a planning perspective, Emmerson said.

Members of the architectural firm MacLennan Jaunkalns Miller are ready to present more of the design plans. Meanwhile, the project should be ready to go to tender at the end of January, Emmerson said.

The plan is to build a 31,000-square-foot complex on 17 acres of land at Memorial Park South, near Rose and O'Brien avenues.

In particular, residents object to the location and to the fact it will mean the library will be moved from its present location near Main Street. Some residents have long stated that council didn't make adequate provisions for public input.

Those opposing have asked

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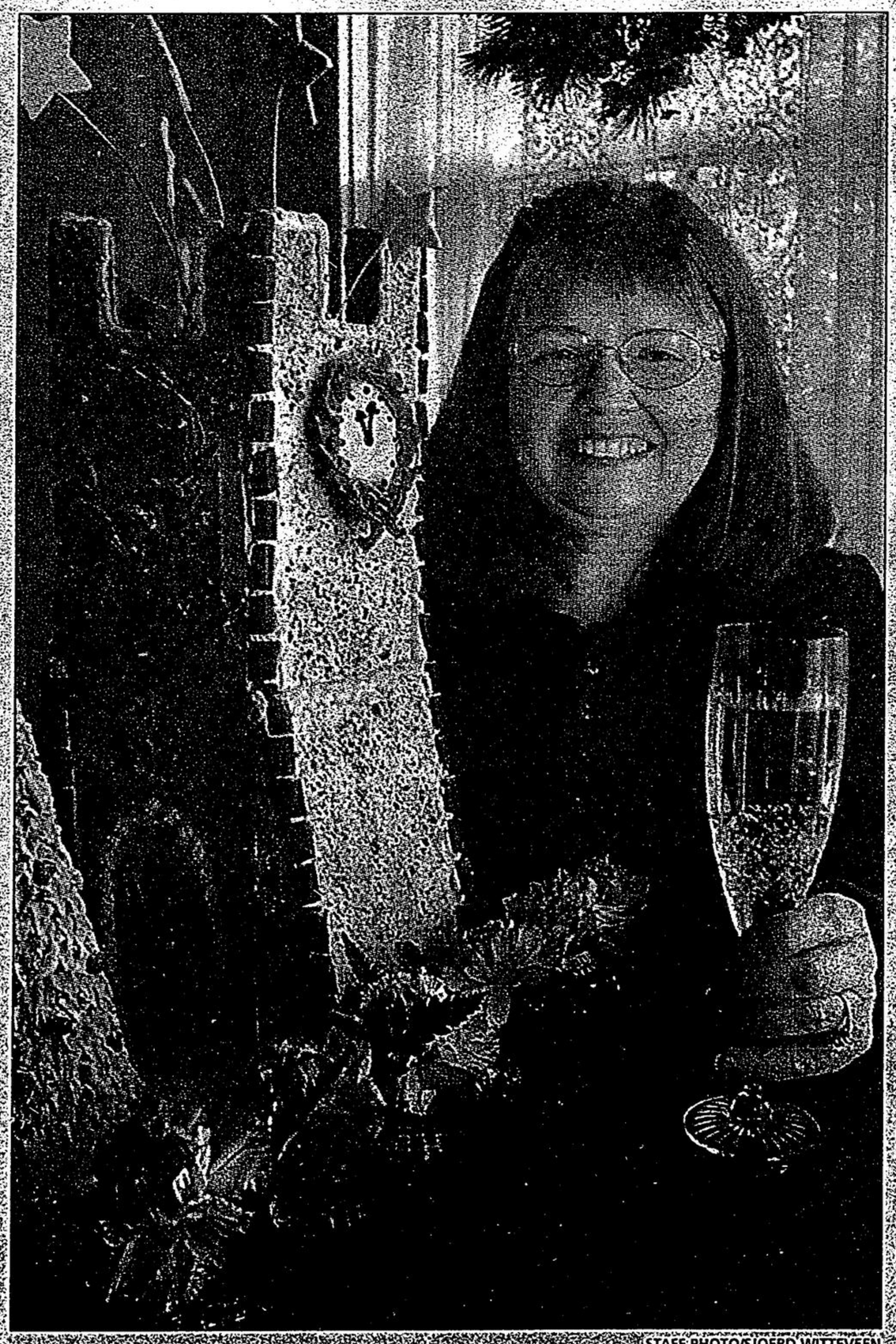
Clocktower confection



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Susan Strain baked up a gingerbread delight in the shape of a Stouffville landmark — the Clocktower on Main Street. Strain created the cookie confection to celebrate the millennium.

Airport's future rides on subsidy

Funding Buttonville no longer a public problem

BY MIKE ADLER
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Buttonville Airport again faces an uncertain future, with its lease ending and its $1.5-million annual provincial subsidy vanishing for good next week.

But instead of worrying, as local politicians did when the private airfield grappled with the same problem last December, all is calm.

"No one's ringing alarm bells," Markham Mayor Don Cousens said this week.

The reason is the new, closer relationship developing between Buttonville and the Greater Toronto Airports Authority, a body that once spurned it.

Officials of the authority, including chairperson Michael Butt, said last year that Buttonville would not receive any more money from the organization.

But that was before the authority's dialogue over the past months with the airport's operators, Toronto Airways Ltd., during which Toronto Airways opened its books for an auditor.

The results will be brought to a meeting Jan. 17 with members of the GTAA board.

"We will know then what the prognosis is going to be," Cousens said.

"I'm optimistic that we're close to a solution."

The Town of Markham, manager of the airport in partnership with Toronto Airways, passed a resolution last summer saying it is prepared to give up its shares to the GTAA "or

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