

The Economist & Sun/Tribune welcomes submissions of upcoming events from community organizations. While every effort is made to include all submissions, there is no guarantee of publication.

SPECIAL EVENTS

TO JAN. 28
Celebrate CHINESE NEW YEAR of the Lucky Snake at The Frederick Horsman Varley Art Gallery of Markham, 216 Main St. Unionville. A special art exhibit, art demonstrations, workshops, music and dance. The exhibition celebrates the evolution and distinction of Chinese art from classical to contemporary. Call 477-9511, ext. 222 for details.

SATURDAY, JAN. 27
8TH ANNUAL COMEDY AUCTION NIGHT at 9711 Bayview Ave. by Beit Rayim Synagogue from 7 p.m. Live entertainment, door prizes, comedian Alf Kwinter. Ticket \$18 per person. Call 905-770-7639 x 31 to reserve.

JAN. 31 - FEB. 14
CRAZY QUILT APPLIQUE & Embroidery on a shoe string at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum, 14732 Woodbine Ave. Beat the winter blues by creating an elegant shoe bag during this 3 week heritage craft workshop series for adults. \$50 (\$40 for members) from 10 a.m. to noon includes all materials, instructions and light refreshments. Maximum participants is 12, pre-registration necessary, call 905-727-8954 for details.

FEB. 14 - 17
MARKHAM LITTLE THEATRE presents The Sisters Rosenzweig by Wendy Wasserstein at 8 p.m., 171 Town Centre Blvd. Tickets \$19, seniors & students \$16 on Thursdays. Call 905-305-SHOW.

CLUBS

BRITISH LADIES CLUB: Ladies, were you born in England, Ireland, Scotland or Wales? If yes, you may like to join us for tea, biscuits and a chat with an occasional outing. We are a small group age 50 plus ladies who meet twice a month. Call 881-4569 for info.

SALES

THURSDAY, FEB. 1
GIRL GUIDE COOKIES, chocolate and vanilla will be on sale in Stouffville at \$3 a box. Anyone not having a Guiding member can visit them or call Debbie, 640-5869 to purchase them.

MAR 1-4
GIANT BOOK SALE at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library is earlier this year. If you are a collector and want to have first pick, the Collector's Hour will be held on

Wednesday, Feb. 28. Call the library at 640-2395 for details.

FOR CHILDREN

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28
MEET CELIA GODKIN, award-winning children's author and illustrator at The Gallanough Resource Centre, 1 Brooke St. (west off Yonge & Arnold) from 2 p.m. Using puppets and slides, Celia will do an interactive presentation of her well-known nature books. For kids of all ages. Free, call 905-881-2828.

MONDAY, FEB. 5
MARCH BREAK "Basketball Camp" hosts by Sport Camps 4 Kids at Cardinal Carter Catholic High School in Aurora from March 12th to 16th featuring the Gatorade NBA 2ball program from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. The camp is for boys and girls ages 7 to 13 and is designed to teach them the fundamentals of basketball in a fun but challenging environment. Early sign up is \$139 post-marked no later than February 5 and \$149 (including GST) thereafter. Tax deductible and a portion of all proceeds will be donated to the Canadian Diabetes Asso. Call 1-877-433-5436 or visit www.sportscamps4kids.com.

MEETINGS

THURSDAY, JAN. 25
STOUFFVILLE: NEWCOMERS meet at Stouffville United Church, Church St. from 8 p.m. Guest speaker Karen Damsdy discuss reflexology and massage. If you are new to Stouffville or just looking to meet new people, join us, call 640-4664 for details.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31
IODE, Dr. Innis Mary MacDonald Chapter will hold its monthly meeting at 8 p.m. Call Linda at 294-6219 for location or information.

OUTDOORS

SUNDAY, JAN. 28
10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Hike Coppins Corners to Durham Forest (Map5) 10km. Moderate pace. Meeting Durham Forest parking lot, conc 7, S of Durham 21. Car pool to Coppins Corners Restaurant, hike back. Short stop for lunch. Call Chris, 905-852-7524.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31
10 a.m. King Oak Ridges Trail (Maps 1&2) Weston Rd. to 10th Conc. 15km; 5 hours, mod, hilly shuttle. Meet at SE corner of 10th Conc and 18th Sideroad. Join us for a visit to Sheena's Restaurant in Schomberg after the hike. Call Harold, 905-853-3518.

CLINICS

FRIDAY, FEB. 2
RED CROSS BABYSITTING COURSE is running at Dickson Hill Public School. If you are 11 years old and would like to earn extra money through babysitting, register now for this course. Fee is \$45 and the course runs from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call Susan, 640-8403 for details.

ENTERPRISING WOMEN sponsored by the Women's Centre of York Region is active in promoting small business. A training program for low income women who want to start their own business on either a full or part-time basis. Participants will receive 60 hours of in-class training in addition to 10 hours of individualized business coaching. The course is free and childcare is provided. Training begins February 6, 2001. Call Sandra, 905-727-5837.

Addiction Services for York Region runs a program for problem gamblers and their families. We offer assessment, seminars, and ongoing support groups and can make presentations to groups on demand. All services are free and confidential. Call 905-841-7007, ext. 322 or 1-800-263-2288, ext. 322 or ext. 328 for details.

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WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31
MAKING CHANGES! A free 8-week program for women. Feeling isolated and alone? Need support? This group provides you with the opportunity to learn new skills and develop your self-confidence so that you can make better choices for positive change. Group meets from 12:30-2:30 p.m. Free childcare provided. Call Beth, 905-727-5837 for details.

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Euchre, every Wednesday from 7:30 p.m. at Markham Lawn Bowling Clubhouse, 28 Franklin St. 12 games, prizes, 50/50 draw, tea and goodies. Come out and have a fun time. Call Frances at 294-0672 for info.

Euchre, every other Friday at the Markham District Veterans Asso, 7 Washington St. starting January 12 at 8 p.m. Prizes, 50/50 draw, sandwiches, coffee and tea. Join us and enjoy the evening. Call Glen, 294-5871 for details.

Milliken On The Move, Older Adults 55+, meets every Sunday 1:30-4pm and every Wednesday 11am-2pm at the Milliken Mills Community Centre, 7600 Kennedy Road. For more info and membership fees, please call Jennifer at (905) 294-5111.

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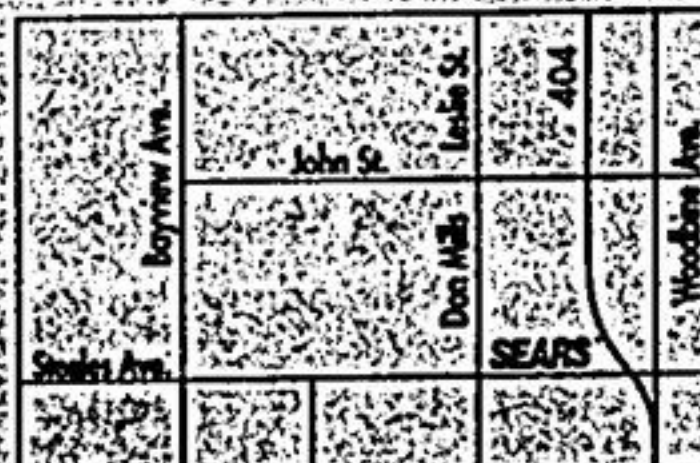
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