



NOTICE TO PARENTS

Do you have children likely to attend the new public secondary school being planned for Berczy Village?

We need your input to develop a profile that would be part of the process in identifying a Principal for the school.

You are cordially invited to provide your opinion on the qualities that you desire in the administrators who can best serve the needs of the students and families in Berczy.

**Monday, June 18, 2001
7:00 p.m.**

**MARKVILLE SECONDARY SCHOOL
1000 Carlton Road
Markham, Ontario**

**Bill Hogarth
Director of Education**

**Bill Crothers
Chair of the Board**



Summer Workshop & Presentation Series

York Region in Partnership
with Seneca College is pleased to present:

A day-long workshop led by **Jennifer Bennett**, a gardening expert, journalist and author. The workshop will focus on water efficient gardening — from planning and design, to creation and maintenance. You'll learn about selecting and pairing plants and dealing with troublesome, difficult-to-grow areas of your property, to create an inspired landscape requiring little water or maintenance.

Saturday, June 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Guided walks, where visitors will
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'Transit not the only answer to our smog'

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are needed to eliminate the blanket of smog encroaching on the Greater Toronto Area.

Markham Councillor Erin Shapero said securing money for transportation from Ottawa is a "major problem", but transit is just one piece of the air quality puzzle.

"We need more green solutions rather than just saying, 'Let's get everyone on transit,'" Shapero said.

"Yes, transportation is important but we're not tackling the problem."

Shapero said putting more diesel buses on the roads will still create smog.

In her speech at Toronto's council chambers, Shapero pointed to small steps, born out of co-operation among municipalities, for long-term solutions to smog.

"(The Smog Summit) was a significant step with all three levels of government. Municipalities can't do it alone," Shapero said.

In Newmarket, for instance, a plan has been fostered to reduce the need for energy in municipal buildings. Regional Councillor Diane Humeniuk told those attending Monday's summit.



ERIN SHAPERO: Yes, transportation is important but we're not tackling the problem, councillor says.

And the town hopes to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in its municipal operations by 20 per cent.

Pesticides have been banned in Shapero's Markham ward and the town has created a land trust to secure environmentally sensitive lands.

"There's only 3 per cent forest cover in Markham," Shapero said.

She said smart growth and more efficient planning practices are also important factors for cleaner air.

On Thursday, the Ministry of

the Environment and Environment Canada issued a smog advisory — expected to last into the weekend — for York Region.

The region's medical officer of health recommends avoiding strenuous activities, such as mowing the lawn and excessive outdoor activities when an advisory has been issued. The medical office also recommends avoiding oil-based paints, pesticides and barbecues.

Ground level ozone, formed from pollutants in gas and diesel powered vehicles, is the most harmful side effect of smog.

Anyone experiencing symptoms, such as wheezing, coughing or tightness in the chest due to poor air quality, should see their doctor.

Ontario also kicked off its mobile smog patrol last week, announcing it will be on the lookout for pollution-causing vehicles once again this summer.

It will be the third year of patrolling highways in the Greater Toronto Area.

More than 1,400 tickets have been handed out so far to drivers with polluting cars or for tampering with emission controls.

Tickets for cars are \$305 for a first offence and \$425 for heavy-duty vehicles.

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