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SPECIAL EVENTS

TODAY

4th annual Bill Hood CORNFIELD SHINDIG – all proceeds to Markham Stouffville Hospital, at Markham Fairgrounds, 10801 McCowan Rd from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. A day of family fun with kid's stage and activities, celebrity derby horse race, meet Arthur & DW; Pikachu and Blues Clues; beer garden/live entertainment; food court with corn on the cob. Tickets: $5 each includes participation in a raffle. Tickets are available at Markham Stouffville Hospital Foundation office or at the door. For up-to-date information, call hotline at 905-472-7373, ext. 3777.

STRAWBERRY SOCIAL theme dance at 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m., Crosby Memorial Community Centre, Unionville (southwest corner of Main and Carlton). 50/50 draw and door prizes, featuring strawberry desserts, drinks and homemade jams. Buffet served at 11 p.m. Cost: $10 for members, $12 for guests. Call Jim at 416-286-4471 or Ross at 905-763-1950.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL at Ebenezer United Church, (Brimley & Steeles) invites you to enjoy strawberry shortcake, roast beef on a bun, hot dogs, bake table, craft table, book table and children's activities and trunk sale from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

Canada Summer Games Torch Run Relay reaches Stouffville. Festivities at 12:30 p.m. in the town square (under the clock tower) on Main Street. Afterwards, runners go west on Main Street to Sandiford Dr. Call 905-294-2200, ext. 3318 for more information.

CELEBRATION PICNIC and annual general meeting of the Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust being held its first donated property, 766 Chalk Lake Road in the Township of Uxbridge at 3 p.m., rain or shine. For more information, please call 905-473-7612 or e-mail housser@pathcom.com.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL at Markham Museum from noon to 4 p.m. Kick off summer with this Victoria day of fun activities and games for the entire family. Enjoy making ice cream, drinking old-fashioned lemonade and ice tea, barbershop singers, Doc Century, wagon rides, Victoria picnic food and much more. $2 admission, nominal fee for food and some activities. For more information, please call 905-294-4576.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

"LOOK and LEARN" YDAC Garden Tour, a self-guided tour of area gardens from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (rain or shine) with guest host Denis Flanagan. $15 for tour, door prizes, seminars, light refreshments or 2 for $25. A fundraising event of York-Durham Aphasia Centre in Stouffville. Tickets available at Flanagan's Folk Art, 6258 Main St., Stouffville, 905-640-9106 or call 905-640-3324.

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Markham, Stouffville host torch runs

BY HANNELORE VOLPE
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At least 10 residents from each community will take turns carrying the torch for the 2001 Canada Summer Games in downtown Stouffville tomorrow and in Markham on July 7.

The Hydro One 2001 Canada Summer Games Torch Relay will reach Stouffville's Clock Tower Square around 12:30 p.m. tomorrow. The torch started its journey in Ottawa in early May. Town councillors Peter Dobrich, Mark Carroll and Cliff Dunkeld will be on hand to greet the torch relay participants. All residents are welcome to join in the festivities.

On July 7, the torch will start the Markham leg of its journey at the Markham Museum on Hwy. 48, north of 16th Ave.

From there it will travel south on Hwy. 48 to arrive at the Farmer's Market on Robinson Street around 10:30 a.m.

Several councillors are expected to be on hand to welcome the runners. Afterwards, the torch runners will continue south and then travel west along Hwy. 7.

Torch relay organizers are looking for more runners for the Markham leg of the run. Anyone who would like a chance to carry the torch, can call Lex Abernethy at 905-294-2200, ext. 3318, by Tuesday.

Whitchurch-Stouffville and Markham are two of more than 70 communities the torch will pass through before arriving in London to herald the start of the 2001 Alliance London Canada Summer Games on Aug. 11. The amateur athletic competitions continue until Aug. 25.

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MARKHAM the City of EXCELLENCE

Local musicians play free show

Three Markham natives bring their independent Toronto band home for a free afternoon concert today at the Markham Civic Centre on the corner of Warden Avenue and Hwy. 7.

Drummer Mark Kitchen and vocalists Tara Thompson and Jenn Kee are part of Uncle Seth, a six-member group which has released a seven-song CD called Little Steps. The band lists Phish, Ani Difranco, Fishbone and Dave Matthews as influences.

Uncle Seth came together through the Markham Youth Theatre, which most of the members have been involved with over the years. They've been playing in Toronto bars for the past year.

Folk performer Matt Osborne opens the show, which runs between 2:30 and 6 p.m.