

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. You can e-mail calendar items to newsroom@econsun.com.

SPECIAL EVENTS

APRIL 12-14

Markham Skating Club Ice Show 2002 at Markham Village Community Centre (Hwys 7 and 48). Featuring guest skater Fedor Andreev. For Tickets call 905-472-6982, or go to www.markhamskatingclub.com

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

WORLD YOUTH DAY BLITZ, 1 p.m. at St. Justin, Martyr Church, 3898 Hwy. 7 in Unionville. Buffet and information on the July 18-28 World Youth Day celebrations in Toronto

MONDAY, APRIL 15

Play EUCHRE at the Cedar Grove Community Centre, 7:30 p.m. There will be a lucky draw and refreshments, with proceeds going to the Cancer Society. For more information call (905) 294-6348.

FROM CRYSTALS TO GEMS exhibit, on loan from the Canadian Museum of Nature, opens for a six-month run at Markham Museum and Historic Village, Hwy. 48 north of 16th Avenue. Call (905) 294-4576.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

Stouffville Missionary Church presents EARTH DAY GOD'S WAY, 3 p.m. community clean-up, 6 p.m. dinner (tickets \$7 for adults, \$5 for children; maximum family cost \$25).

Heritage Markham PLAQUE UNVEILING CEREMONY, 11 a.m. at the Nicholas Hagerman Jr. House, 60 Maple Park Way, Markham.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

QUEEN ELIZABETH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS: 10 a.m. - St. Andrew's United Church Sunday worship service and birthday Celebration luncheon. All are welcome. 32 Main Street North, Markham. 2-3:30 pm - at Centre court, Markville Shopping Centre, Hwy. 7 and McCowan Road in Markham. Join the Golden Jubilee Committee of Markham, the Imperial Order of Daughters of the Empire, the Monarchists' League and the Mellowtones for an afternoon of pageantry, music and cake.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

St. Andrew's United Church, 32 Main St. Markham, is hosting a LUNCHEON AND CARD PARTY, noon to 3 p.m. For more information call (905) 294-1561.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Markham chapter of One Parent Families Association 25TH ANNIVERSARY DANCE, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. at Crosby Memorial Community Centre, Main Street, Unionville. Cost is \$12 per person.

Large indoor FLEA MARKET at the Markham District Veterans Hall, 7 Washington St., Markham, from 9 am to 3 pm. For information call (905) 294-3159.

APRIL 25-27

Stouffville United Church Couples Club presents 'Our Baloney has a First Name', the title of this year's MUSIC MANIA, 8 p.m. each day at Stouffville District Secondary School, Ninth Line north of Main Street. Tickets \$12 for adults, \$6 for children six and younger. Available at Card's TV & Appliances, Fame International M&M Meat Shops, Stouffville Sun office, Latcham Gallery and 1001 Variety Store.

MONDAY, APRIL 29

FOCUS ON FASHION, in support of Evergreen Hospice, 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 5633 Hwy. 7 west of Hwy. 48. Retailers will show off the latest spring fashions. Tickets are \$20 and available at Ashgrove Spa, Hartman-McKay Clothiers, Patricia Bridal and the hospice office. Call (905) 472-5014.

WORKSHOPS/ SEMINARS

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW? lecture series continues 1:30-4 p.m. at the Markham Museum and Historic Village, Hwy. 48 north of Ninth Line. Speaker is Claire Rooney from Pathways to Perennials Inc. Topic is real landscaping for real people. Call (905) 294-4576.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

Join Farid Wassef, R.P.H., CCN, and Allen Turner, DC, for a free Seminar titled "Achieving Optimal Brain Function & Emotional Health," 7-9 p.m. at Lebovic Leisure Centre in Stouffville Memorial Park. Attendees will learn how to improve concentration, focus, memory and mood with natural remedies and lifestyle choices. Seating is limited. Call 905-640-

4440 for more information or to reserve a seat.

APRIL 16-18

Free JOB SEARCH WORKSHOP for immigrants, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at 7170 Warden Ave., unit 15, in Markham (southwest corner of Warden and Denison). Sponsored by Catholic Community Services of York Region. To register call (905) 770-7040 ext. 234, 236 or 238.

APRIL-MAY

CANADIAN CENTRE FOR ACTIVITY AND AGING holds a seniors' fitness instructors course. Course dates: Friday, April 19, 6:30-9:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 20, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, April 21, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, May 4, 9 p.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, May 5, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Location: Amica at Swan Lake, 6360 Sixteenth Ave., Markham. Registration deadline is April 12. Registration fee. For further information or to register please contact Toni at (905) 579-4135 or e-mail dastones@rogers.com.

TUESDAY, MAY 14

Join Farid Wassef, R.P.H., CCN, and Allen Turner, DC, for a FREE seminar titled "The Benefits of Detoxification," 7-9 p.m. at Lebovic Leisure Centre in Stouffville Memorial Park. Attendees will learn how to naturally assist the body's efforts in cleansing. Discover a host of detoxification programs to revitalize your health. Seating is limited. Call 905-640-4440 for more information or to reserve a seat.

TUESDAY, JUNE 4

Join Farid Wassef, R.P.H., CCN, and Allen Turner, DC, for a FREE Seminar titled "Ensuring Healthy Aging," 7-9 p.m. at Lebovic Leisure Centre in Stouffville Memorial Park. This workshop teaches how to naturally prevent age related diseases and maximize functional years. Seating is limited. Call 905-640-4440 for more information or to reserve your seat.

TO JUNE 20

SPRING FOR A TOONIE: The Alzheimer Society of York Region will hold a fund-raising campaign to raise funds for research. Businesses, facilities and agencies are asked to participate by displaying posters and information on the services of the Alzheimer Society in their places of business. For information, call Shelley at (905) 895-1337.

SUPPORT GROUPS

PARENT SUPPORT: The Association of Parent Support Groups in Ontario is a community-

based self-help group that meets weekly to assist troubled parents deal with their children's disruptive behaviour. If you have a son or daughter in trouble with drugs, alcohol, the law, school or other behavioural problems, call (416) 223-7444 for more information and location of meetings.

CHINESE IMMIGRANT WOMEN support groups meet 10 a.m.-noon every Tuesday, Thursday or Friday at the Markville Shopping Centre office (Hwy. 7 in Markham). Call (905) 474-1275.

ADDICTION SERVICES FOR YORK REGION has begun another "Families Working Together" project. To participate, you must have experienced an alcohol problem in the last five years, and you have parenting responsibility for an 8 to 12-year-old child. Call Michele, (905) 841-7007, ext. 335 for details.

THURSDAYS

PERINATAL BEREAVEMENT SERVICES ONTARIO holds a self-help support group meeting for Markham area families who have suffered a pregnancy loss or newborn death. We meet every second and fourth Thursday on the month at 6060 Hwy 7 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. and are free, call (905) 472-1807 to pre-register.

ADULT INTERESTS

ONE PARENT FAMILIES ASSOCIATION OF CANADA Markham Chapter hosts monthly fund-raising dances. All are welcome especially single parents. The chapter also has a general meeting on the third Wednesday of each month, at 8 p.m. Single parents and prospective members welcome. For more information contact Jim (416) 286-4471 or Ross (905) 763-1950.

HI FIVE O MARKHAM is a social club for people over 50. Enjoy various outings: dining, theatre, movies, hiking, art galleries, museums, craft and antique shows, camping and cottage life. Call (905) 201-0624 or (905) 471-2785.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

JEWISH WOMEN INTERNATIONAL's Markham-Unionville chapter's annual meeting takes place. New members welcome. Call (905) 305-7026.

ALTERNATE SATURDAYS

FIDDLERS AND FRIENDS The Markham Village Strathspey and Reel Society meets every second and fourth Saturday, at the Olde

Markham Village Train Station, Markham Road north of Hwy. 7, from noon to 2 p.m. Open to players and accompanists of all levels. Contact Phil at (905) 294-1141 or e-mail phil@howe-sitgoing.com.

WEDNESDAYS

THORNHILL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCERS - why not learn reels, jigs and other forms of Scottish dancing? It's every Wednesday from 8 to 10 p.m. at Royal Orchard PS., Royal Orchard Dr. You don't have to be Scottish and you don't need to bring a partner. Call Barry, (905) 882-0456 or Janette, (905) 727-1022.

ALTERNATE FRIDAYS

EUCHRE Alternate Fridays at Markham District Veterans Association (7 Washington St.), Markham at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 per person which includes prizes, lunch, tea and coffee. Call Glen (905) 294-5871 for details.

CLUBS

YORK SINGLES is a York Region social group dedicated to providing opportunities for singles to meet new friends and socialize in a variety of settings: Hiking, euchre, bridge, movie nights, house parties and dinners out. Call (905) 737-8541 or visit www.yorksingles.com or email: yorksingles@aol.com

SINGLE HORIZONS a multi-activity social and outdoor activity club for singles has the goal to get people more active in the community and outdoors. Call (905) 471-7843 for membership or www.singlehorizons.com.

VOLUNTEERS

HOST PROGRAM

Friendship needed for new immigrants. For only two hours a week, at your convenience, you can give the gift of friendship to a new immigrant. For more information call Fatemeh, HOST Program (905) 770-7040, ext. 226.

SEXUAL ASSAULT HELPLINE

The Women's Sexual Assault Helpline and Outreach Services of York Region is seeking volunteers to provide support to women who have experienced recent sexual assault, childhood sexual abuse, sexual harassment or date rape. Volunteer positions include staffing the crisis line from your home and community and event planning. For information on upcoming training call (905) 895-3646.

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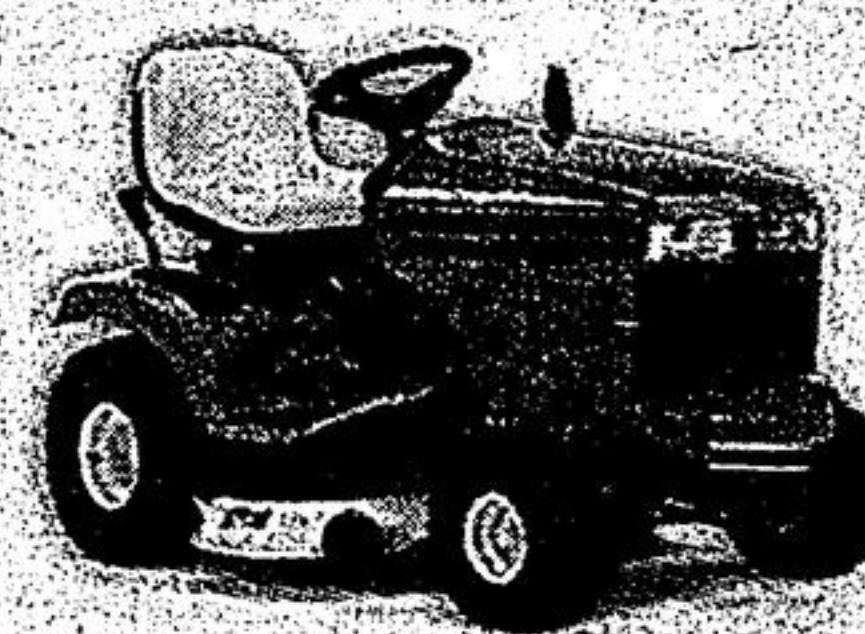
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