

# Markham, Stouffville papers earn honours

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Markham and Whitchurch-Stouffville's newspapers won six awards at the Ontario Community Newspapers Association's 2001 Better Newspapers competition Saturday in Toronto.

The Markham Economist and Sun won four awards while the Stouffville Sun and Stouffville Tribune took home a total of two.

Markham's environmental reporter, Mike Adler, won the Environment Ontario award for the second straight year for his series of articles on pollution in Lake Simcoe.

"By talking to area business people, environmentalists, residents and scientists, Mike Adler explored many dimensions of the problems and some possible solutions," judges said. There were 65 entries in the class.

The Economist and Sun's Passport to Discovery won

first in the best vertical product category. The travel publication boasts recipe cards and inserts.

Markham reporter Kathleen Griffin won second place in the education writing category for her series on special education. The class had 49 entries.

The Economist and Sun's community guide, Living in Markham, took second in the original ad idea category.

The Stouffville Sun finished second amongst 11 entries in the Class 1 General Excellence category.

Third place went to the Stouffville Tribune in the Class 4 of the General Excellence awards. There were 16 papers in the class.

"These high marks in editorial recognize a strong commitment by our editorial staff to capturing the best of community news and features," said York Region Newspaper Group editor in chief Debora Kelly.

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