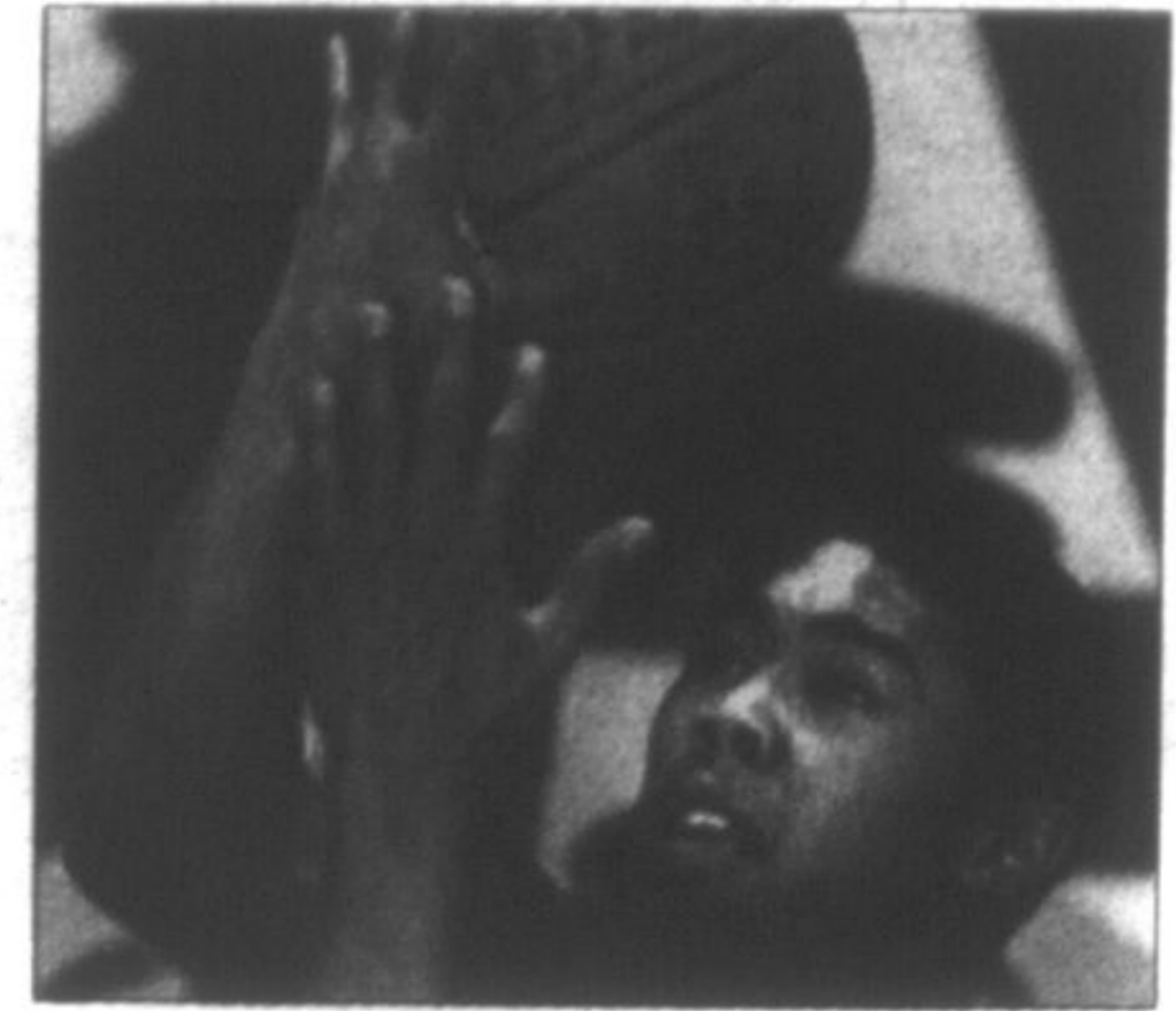


Stouffville Sun-Tribune

SATURDAY, FEB. 20, 2010 ■ SERVING THE COMMUNITY OF WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE ■ 32 PAGES/\$1 INCLUDING GST



Sun-Tribune captures five N. American news awards

The Stouffville Sun-Tribune has won five awards in a 2009 North American newspaper competition.

It's the most ever for the Stouffville paper in the editorial contest run by the Suburban Newspapers of America. The Michigan-based SNA represents more than 2,000 community newspapers across the United States and Canada.

The awards included:

- first place for staff photographer Steve Somerville and his shot of a steeplechase splash by a Stouffville athlete at a high school meet.
- second for reporter Sandra Bolan and her feature story on politics at Musselman's Lake.
- second for the Sun-Tribune's editorial page, page 6.
- third for sports editor Michael Hayakawa and his story on the trading of amateur athletes, including Stouffville hockey players.

• third for a spot news photograph of an estate home on fire at Preston Lake by staff photographer Bill Roberts.

"We're proud of all of them," said Sun-Tribune editor Jim Mason. "It's nice to be recognized and to be able to share it with our dedicated staff and the community we are proud to serve."

The five awards were part of the 16 won by the York Region Media Group.

The contest was judged by the journalism department faculty at Loyola University in Chicago.

MIGHT AS WELL JUMP



STAFF PHOTO/MIKE BARRETT

Cailey Freeze, 4, takes a giant leap at Stouffville's Indoor Playground, held Wednesdays upstairs at the Stouffville Arena. For additional photographs, turn to page 3.

New arena no winner, visitor says

Poor sightlines, toilet shortage cited, but town has other view

BY SANDRA BOLAN
sbolan@yrmg.com

A visitor's enormous disappointment in the new Stouffville Clippers Sports Complex has left the mayor and town facilities staff baffled.

During the arena's first week of operation, Uxbridge resident Cheryl Parker came to Stouffville to watch her nephew play hockey.

"Unfortunately, I could only see three-quarters of the game," Ms Parker wrote in an e-mail to Mayor Wayne Emmerson on Feb. 7. "My brother-in-law wandered all through the stands to decide which spot was the best to watch the full play of the game."

"To his horror, there is no area in the stands that you can see the full play of the game. He discovered the best spot was standing at ice level."

Mr. Emmerson addressed the letter at Tuesday's meeting of town council and released it to the local media.

"I was shocked by the letter because I've been in that arena every single night and I haven't heard anything negative," said Mike Richardson, the town's manager of facilities and parks. "Everybody is entitled to their opinion."

Ms Parker did not mention where she originally sat in the twin-rink complex, so upon receiving the letter, Mr. Richardson and Rob Raycroft, the town's director of leisure services, decided to sit in every single seat in

See ALWAYS, page 4.

SAY IT THROUGH CYBERSPACE. E-MAIL LETTERS TO THE EDITOR TO JMASON@YRMG.COM

Sutton
GROUP

Town and
Country
Realty Ltd.
Brokerage
905-640-0888

STOUFFVILLE
DENTAL
C.E.N.T.R.E

15 Ringwood Drive,
Stouffville
905-642-5777

info@thedentalcentre.ca
www.thedentalcentre.ca



BE PROUD OF
YOUR SMILE!

"Your Confident Smile
is Our Goal"

Other locations to serve you:

DENTAL	DENTAL	DENTAL
29 Toronto Street Uxbridge 905-852-7382	15930 Old Simcoe Rd., Suite 7, Port Perry 905-985-7777	26 Church Street, Sunderland 705-357-3161

Seaway
Pools &
Hot Tubs

27 HERITAGE RD.,
MARKHAM

294-8030

