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ELECTION 2010

ELECTION OF INCUMBENTS 'EXPECTED': RESIDENTS

BY SANDRA BOLAN sbolan@yrmg.com

When asked, many residents called Monday night's election results 'predictable' and 'expect-

"People seem to vote people out, not in," said Lynn Grey during a Sun-Tribune poll on Main Street in downtown Stouffville Thursday morning.

Although the outcome was rather vanilla with the mayor and all six councillors retaining their seats, it does not mean everyone is happy about it.

"I was disappointed in the results. I would have liked to see new, young blood get in there," said Barbara Bound.

Helen Schell wasn't surprised by the results.

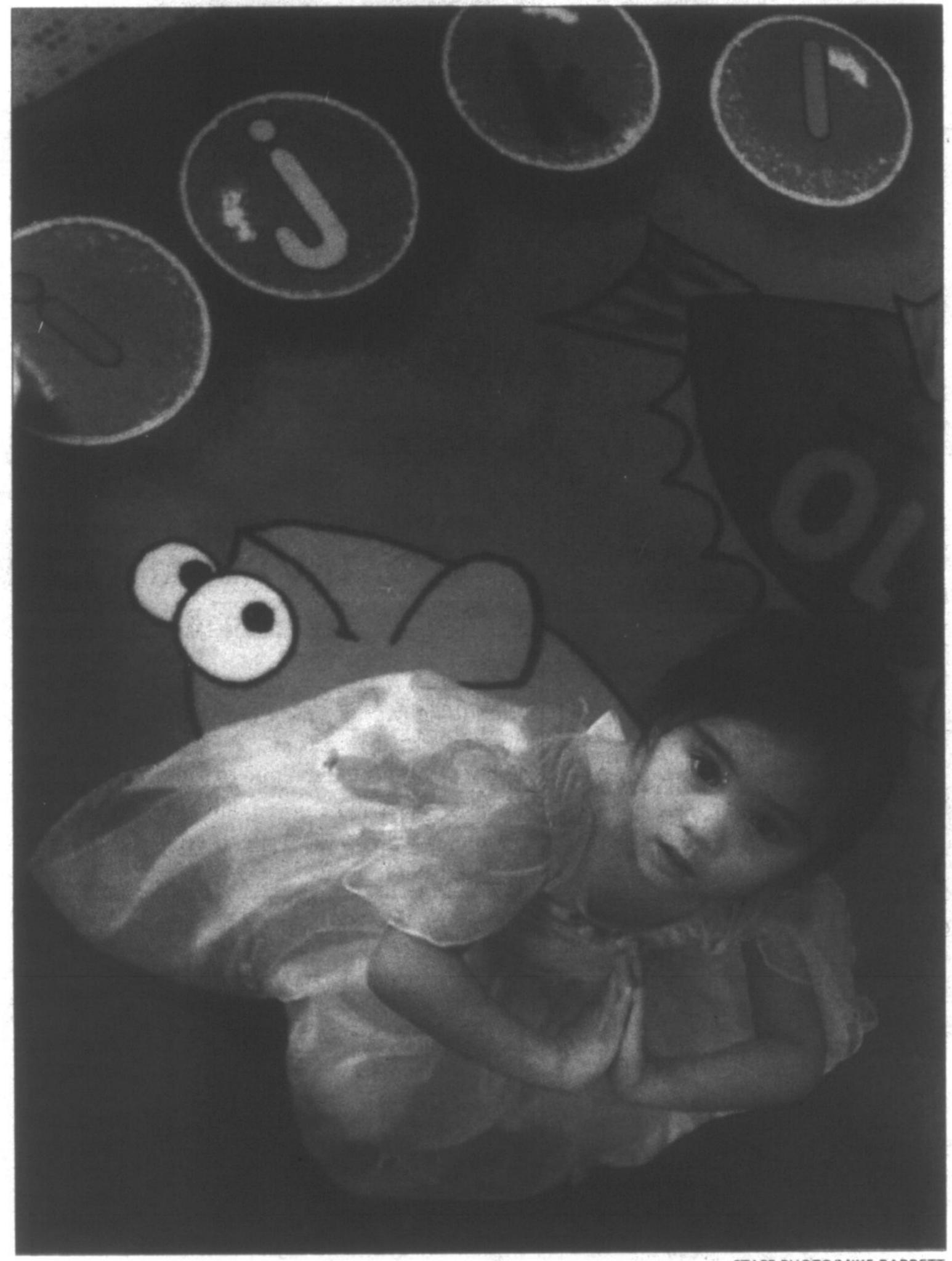
"I'm very pleased," she said. "I think they're doing a pretty good job."

A lot happened over the past four years – a new twin-pad arena complex and fire hall were constructed, as was a new operations centre and Main Street was rehabilitated.

Over the next four years, Mayor Wayne Emmerson said, in

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ALL DRESSED UP AND SOMEWHERE TO GO



STAFF PHOTO/MIKE BARRETT

Jordan Newell, 2, is a fairy princess for a day at the Stouffville Tot Spot's Halloween Party in Stouffville United Church Thursday. Watch for trick-or-treaters on your street tomorrow.

WEEKEND FOCUS

Bright van beacon to homeless

Mobile health care call away for growing numbers here

BY CHRIS SHANAHAN

ore Stouffville residents would use a mobile outreach van if they knew it travels local streets helping with issues from homelessness to drug addiction.

Program co-ordinator Marlene Berry of York Region Street Outreach says it's unfortunate some at-risk people still don't realize the van provides food, clothing, sleeping bags, a needle exchange and other essential services on its weekly visits to town.

"We're definitely meeting a need here," Ms Berry said during a recent afternoon run. "But many of the folks we're offering service to in Stouffville tell us that there are not enough people in the area aware of this. They say more people would use us if they knew about it."

Ms Berry, who operates the distinctive black and orange vehicle along with staff including a social services worker and public health nurse, promotes the service largely by word of mouth.

She urged anyone who is homeless or street-involved - as well as anyone who knows of someone needing this kind of help - to contact the service anytime toll-free at 1-866-553-4053.

"Our program provides a critical link between our clients and the services they need. What we're trying to do is provide each of our clients with the fastest way to get the

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