

# Donor: athlete, businessman

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Ten days later, the pool had its official grand opening, complete with a ribbon-cutting, diving and rescue demonstrations, as well as free public swimming.

A one-hour long radio show was broadcast directly from the pool on CJRH Richmond Hill.

Throughout its 53 years, the pool has been a meeting place for the young and old and where many residents first learned to swim.

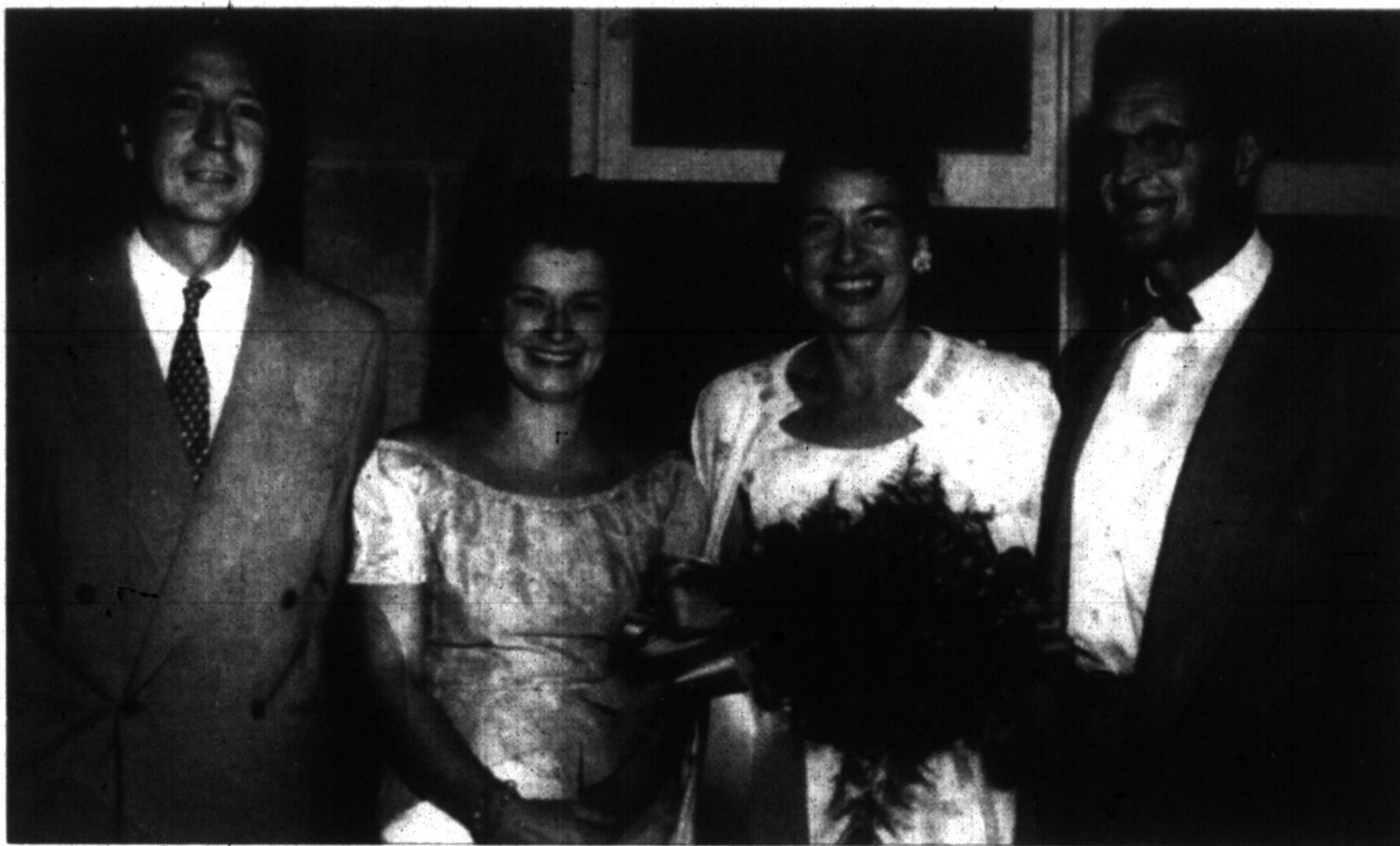
Over the years, however, the lure of the outdoor pool has waned.

Last summer, the facility was only open 27 hours a week for about nine weeks.

With the impending closure of the outdoor pool – it goes back to town council Tuesday – if Mr. Latcham, who died in 1979, were around today, would he lobby council to do what it had to do in order to keep it open? Would he foot the bill for its repair?

"I don't think he would worry too much about it now," said long-time friend Ted Cadieux. "I think he'd go with the modern times."

How did Mr. Latcham become such a philanthropist? After all, the man from the farming community of Glasgow in Uxbridge Township, who was born in 1895, only had a



Stouffville Lions president John Button (from left), his wife, June, Elaine and Art Latcham attend the dedication of the Stouffville Pool in 1957. Mr. Latcham donated to many area community centres and sports facilities.

Grade 5 education, according to Mr. Cadieux.

"He was very sharp with real estate," he added.

Mr. Latcham was also a very good athlete. He was a heavyweight boxing champ as well as a Canadian table tennis champion, according to Bob Latcham, who lives in Stouffville.

He was also a sprinter, who could hold his own against the best,

like Percy Williams, who took home gold in the 200 and 100-metre events in the 1928 Olympics held in Amsterdam.

#### HUMBLE MAN

While the Latcham name is prominent with Stouffville – the Latcham Gallery and Latcham Hall – those who knew him, called Art a humble man.

"He rarely dressed up. He wasn't tramp looking, but you wouldn't comment on what a good dresser he was," Mr. Cadieux said.

He did, however, like his Cadillacs. He had a good and a bad one, as well as his pipes and cigars.

"I think there were 1,000 dead matches on the floor of the old Cadillac. He drove it like a truck in a way," Mr. Cadieux said.

# Weather hurt farm market

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Whitchurch-Stouffville, because of the unusually hot weather, which kept patrons away, but also because of the market's inability to engage the public and motivate them to make the market a part of their weekly shopping habit.

During last year's Strawberry Festival, the market re-located to Park Drive for three days and found itself to be extremely busy, according to Mr. McNeely.

"It created an event feel because there weren't cars blocking them," said Anna Rose, downtown co-ordinator for the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville in an interview with The Sun-Tribune. "I want to create an event atmosphere down there."

About 18 vendors set up booths last season and Ms. Rose is confident the move to Park Drive will attract even more vendors.

A bylaw still needs to be passed to establish the temporary road closures. That is expected to take place at a later date.

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