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DUST 'STORM'



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Cobourg Clippers pitcher Cameron Bruce beats Stouffville Storm runner Liam Clements to home plate during Durham York Softball League squirt action on the Memorial Park ball diamond Thursday. Cobourg won 11-8.

SEVEN-STOREY PACE BUILDING WOULD BRING MORE PEOPLE DOWNTOWN: TOWN

Proposal too high for neighbours

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The McGowans first learned of PACE Savings & Credit Union's proposed new building at the corner of Main and Lloyd streets a year ago when the company tried to

buy their home.

Lynda and George McGowan, who have lived on Lloyd Street for 38 years, thought about it and did some research with the town in terms of bylaws and buffers. Based on what they learned and

the price they were offered, the couple decided to stay.

Now, the McGowans' home could have a cinder block wall abutting its yard, not to mention obstructing their daylight, garbage trucks coming in and out of the

laneway directly on the other side of the brick wall and complete lack of privacy, courtesy of the residents living in the proposed seven-storey condo.

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No deal from Dragons' Den handshake

Game inventor sought app investor on show

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Almost 200 handshake deals worth about \$60 million have been made during the past six seasons of the TV show Dragons' Den.

Stouffville's George Ward shook hands with dragon Arlene Dickinson in 2010 on a deal that was to be worth \$50,000 and result in a smartphone application of his board game Syl-lables.

Today, there is no deal and there won't be one.

"We kept trying to make it work because we both really wanted it to but it just fell apart," Ms Dickinson told The Sun-Tribune. "He has an interesting idea and I think he'll do well on his own" but I don't think there is a big enough market for a partner.

"It's not an investment I think I can get the return I would look for," she said.

Ms Dickinson and Mr. Ward made an agreement in principle in April 2010 when Mr. Ward, the vice-president of sales and marketing for Stouffville's Toy-Sport Agencies and owner of Twin Titan Innovations, pitched his business plan to the five dragons looking for investment money to

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