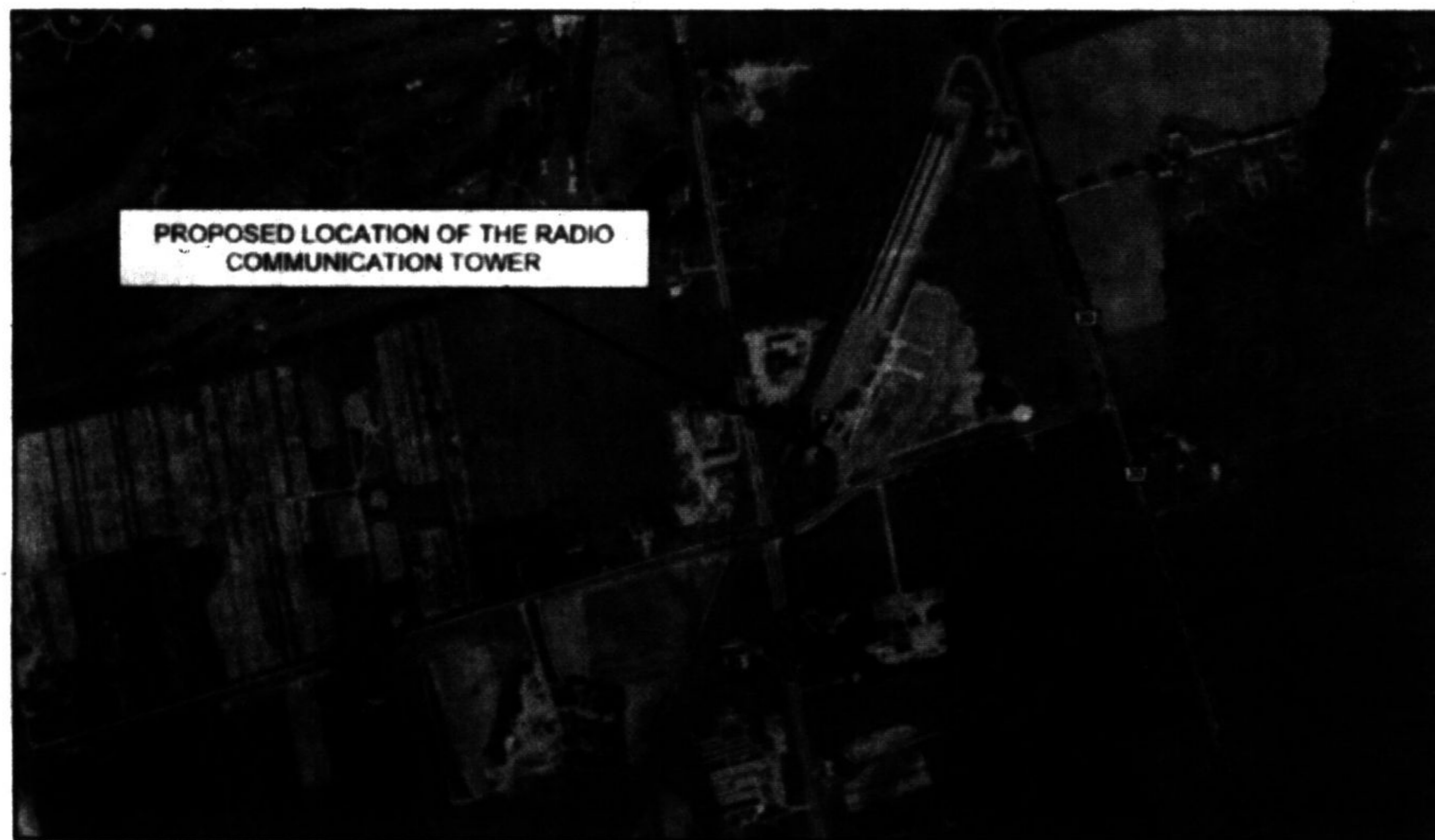


## PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

### INSTALLATION OF A RADIO COMMUNICATION TOWER TOWN OF WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE

Metrolinx, an agency of the Province of Ontario, is helping transform the way the region moves by championing and delivering mobility solutions for the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) through its regional transportation plan, *The Big Move*.

As we invest in the future and build stronger transit infrastructure to meet the growing needs of the region, a number of projects are underway including many involving our GO Transit division. GO service continues to be expanded and improved to provide more choices for travel across the GTHA, meet increasing customer demand and attract more transit users in the future.



A Centralized Traffic Control (CTC) system has been installed along the GO rail corridor between Scarborough and Stouffville to provide safety enhancements to the corridor and to improve the commuter rail service to the surrounding communities. To support the CTC system, GO Transit is proposing to build a 46-metre free standing radio tower and an adjacent utility cabin 3 metres by 2.5 metres, both located within a fenced compound approximately 9.5 metres by 7 metres, at the Lincolnville GO Station site.

You're invited to attend our Public Open House to find out more about this project. GO Transit staff and consultants will be on hand to answer questions and receive your comments. Any additional comments about this project can be submitted to members of the team listed below no later than Tuesday, April 30, 2013.

**Date:** Tuesday, April 16, 2013  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Nineteen on the Park  
19 Civic Avenue  
Stouffville, ON  
(south side of Main Street - directly behind the clock tower)

If you are unable to attend the Public Open House but would like to share your comments, please write to:

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Comments and information regarding this project will be maintained on file and may be included in project documentation.

Pour plus de renseignements, veuillez composer le 416-869-3200 ou le 1 888 GET ON GO (438-6646).

Metrolinx is working to provide residents and businesses in the Greater Toronto & Hamilton Area with a transportation system that is modern, efficient and integrated. Find out more about *The Big Move*. Metrolinx's Regional Transportation Plan for the GTHA at [www.bigmove.ca](http://www.bigmove.ca). Find out more about GO Transit, PRESTO, and Union Pearson Express, divisions of Metrolinx, at [www.metrolinx.com](http://www.metrolinx.com).



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## OBITUARY



Blanche Cook is being remembered as a straight shooter with many friends. She met her husband Earl when the future Detroit Tiger caught her pitches.

# Blanche Cook, 102, speed skater, pitcher

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Part of Blanche Cook's charm was that she told it to you like it was.

"The finest straight-shooter I've known," said long-time friend and fellow McCowan Road resident David Probert.

Mrs. Cook died Sunday. At 102, she was one of Whitchurch-Stouffville's oldest residents.

She was pre-deceased by her husband Earl, who was known as "Cannonball Cook" and "The Lemonville Farmer" back in the day. He was a pitcher for the Detroit Tigers.

The pair met prior to Mr. Cook making it in the big league. He was still pitching for the Lemonville church. Mrs. Cook was a hurler for Melville school.

"I needed someone to warm me up and Earl agreed to catch," Mrs. Cook told the Sun-Tribune back in 2010 just prior to her 100th birthday party.

About 200 people attended that celebration at the Lemonville Community Centre, according to Mr. Probert.

"She knew everybody," he said.

Mrs. Cook was an athlete in her own right. She won two world championships at the senior Olympics for speed skating in Lake Placid.

Between 1977 and 1984, she captured 12 gold and seven silver medals. She reluctantly retired in 1984 at age 74.

### ACE GARDENER, COOK, BAKER

But she did not hang up her skates forever.

Mrs. Cook and her neighbour Marion Wells went to the Stouffville Arena weekly for recreational skating.

"She was a spirited gal," Mrs. Wells said.

"She was very remarkable. She was small in stature, but boy, a big personality," she said.

Along with skating and playing ball, Mrs. Cook was an avid gardener, wonderful cook and even better baker, according to Mrs. Wells.

"One of the old-schoolers who could stir something out of nothing," she said.

Mrs. Cook graduated from Toronto's East General Hospital's nursing program and worked in Whitby, Oshawa and Stouffville's Briar Bush Hospital.

When it came to giving her opinion on today's nursing uniforms back in 2010, she did not hold back.

"They're not uniforms. They look terrible. You can't tell a nurse from a custodian," she said.

Mrs. Cook leaves behind two children, Jane and Ray, and a grandson, Steve.

Visitations will be held tomorrow from 7 to 9 p.m. at O'Neill Funeral Home, 6324 Main St. and one hour prior to the 11 a.m. Saturday service.

Donations can be made to Lemonville United Church or a charity of your choice.

with files from Jim Thomas