

The Stouffville Garden Club

recognizes this
Happy Place



These signs will be erected in front of 40 Stouffville-area homes this month.

Hunt on for blooming-good gardens

Forty front-yard gardens will be recognized by the Stouffville Garden Club this month.

During the first two weeks of July, garden club members are travelling throughout the municipality looking for gardens worthy of the Happy Place sign.

Gardeners do not need to register or be nominated. All that is required is the prop-

erty must be within the area bounded by 19th Avenue, Hwy. 48, Bloomington Road and York-Durham line. The garden must also be visible from the street.

"By planting a front garden that the whole neighbourhood can enjoy, you are contributing to the beautification of our town and helping to make Stouffville a 'Happy Place,'" according club spokesperson Diane Ward.

BUSINESS

Drive-in theatre re-opening

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The obituary for York Region's drive-in theatre seems a little premature.

Premier Theatres is set to re-open the North York Drive-In later this month under the name, Stardust Drive-In Newmarket.

While it seems slightly misnamed, at least Newmarket is a little closer to Sharon than North York.

A few hurdles remain, but the theatre is expected to be open within the next two weeks, Premier Theatres' Chris Bilinski said.

"We will be open as soon as possible," he said.

Drive-in enthusiasts can stay posted about opening night through the Facebook page and website, he said.

Mr. Bilinski expects it to be on a Friday night.

For longtime Sharon resident Donna Bogers Miller, the news is welcomed after hearing the drive-in closed this spring.

"It's really hard to do things that are fun and are good family content," she said.

While Mayor Virginia Hackson is excited the drive-in will show movies again, she wants Premier Theatres to reconsider the name.

"I think they have misnamed it by calling it Newmarket. It's disappointing. They should recognize what community it is in," she said, adding she will ask the company to consider changing the name.

It is becoming a problem with a lot of businesses coming to East Gwillimbury that identify themselves as Newmarket.

"If people don't recognize where a business is, then we will never have our own identity," she said.

You can expect a few changes in the theatre. In addition to a fresh coat of paint, the most notable difference will be in the viewer experience, Mr. Bilinski said, noting the digital equipment cost \$300,000.

Premier Theatres will lease the property, but Mr. Bilinski wouldn't divulge the length of the lease.

He did say the drive-in should be there for a few years. The company won't invest as much money in the property as it does at the Sunset Barrie Drive-In or the Starlite Drive-In in Hamilton, where it owns the property.

"Are you going to put chandeliers up in a house you rent?" Mr. Bilinski said. "It will be a better looking drive-in than what it was, but we don't own the property, so we can't invest crazily."

With a long weekend in Canada just over and one on in the United States it has created some hurdles for getting the equipment. Mr. Bilinski said the website is already designed and ready to go and he wants it to be ready as soon as possible with the digital equipment set to arrive yesterday.

For more information, visit stardustnewmarket.com or the Facebook page.

Water restrictions in place

Are you odd or even?

Each of York Region's nine municipalities has an outdoor water conservation bylaw and these are now in effect across the area.

As part of its campaign to conserve water, the region is asking you to water your lawns based on your house numbers.

All homes and properties with an even-numbered municipal address are permitted to water on even-numbered days of the month, while those with odd-numbered addresses are permitted to water on odd-numbered days. When water use increases, it strains municipal water supplies and can harm emergency supplies and firefighting capabilities.

During the summer months, you can conserve water by:

- adhering to your municipality's outdoor water use bylaw;

- adjusting sprinklers so only the lawn is watered and not the house, sidewalk or pavement;

- adjusting sprinkler spray lower to the ground;

- installing covers on pool and hot tubs and checking for leaks around pumps and fittings;

- using a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways and sidewalks;

- adjusting lawnmower blades to a higher setting as longer grass shades roots and holds soil moisture better;

- using a rain barrel to collect water for plants.

For more information on the region's water conservation initiatives, local municipal website addresses or to learn how to conserve water in and around your home, visit waterfortomorrow.ca

You can also check out your local municipality's website for information regarding time-of-day watering restrictions or visit york.ca/summerconservation.

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