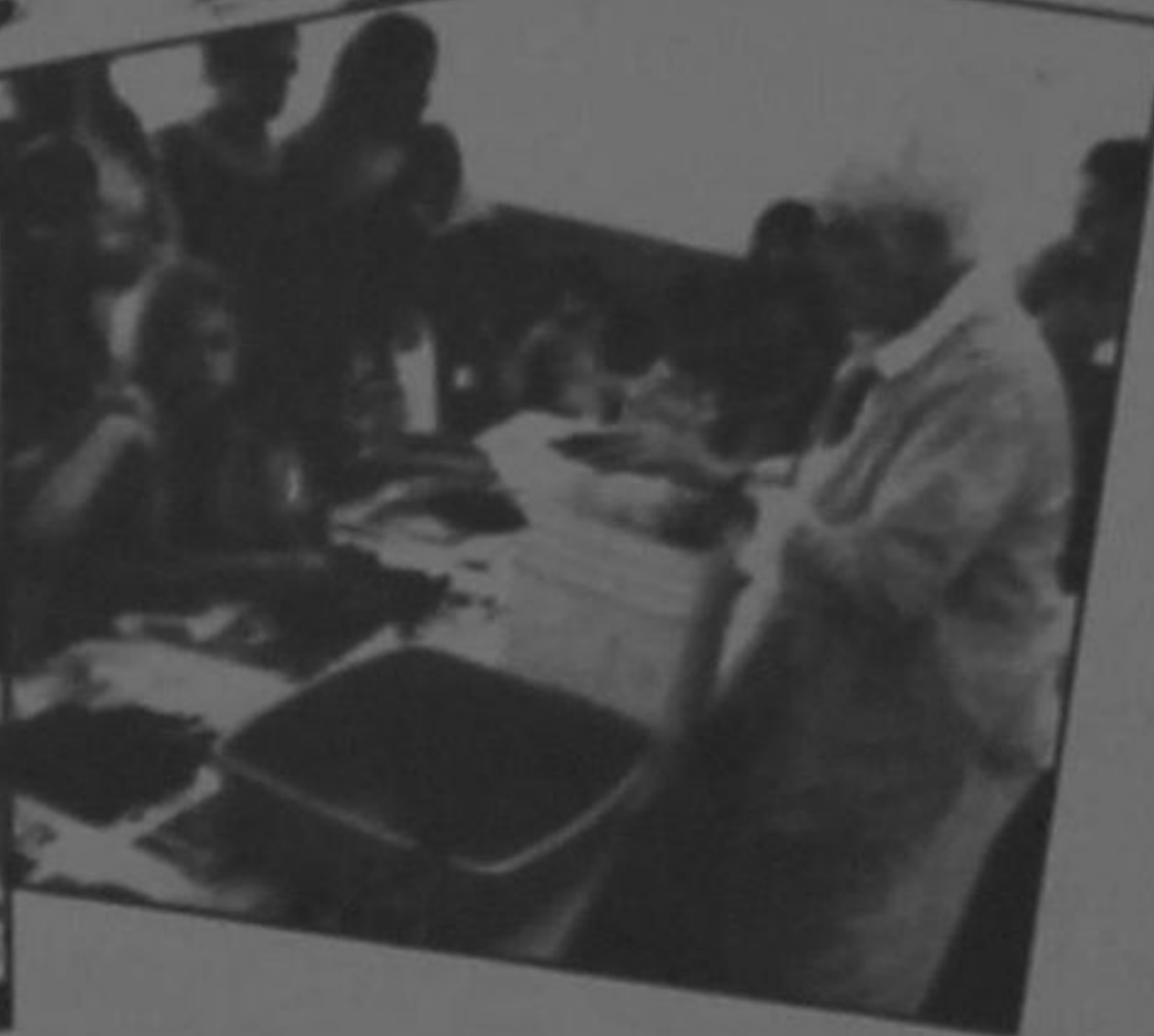
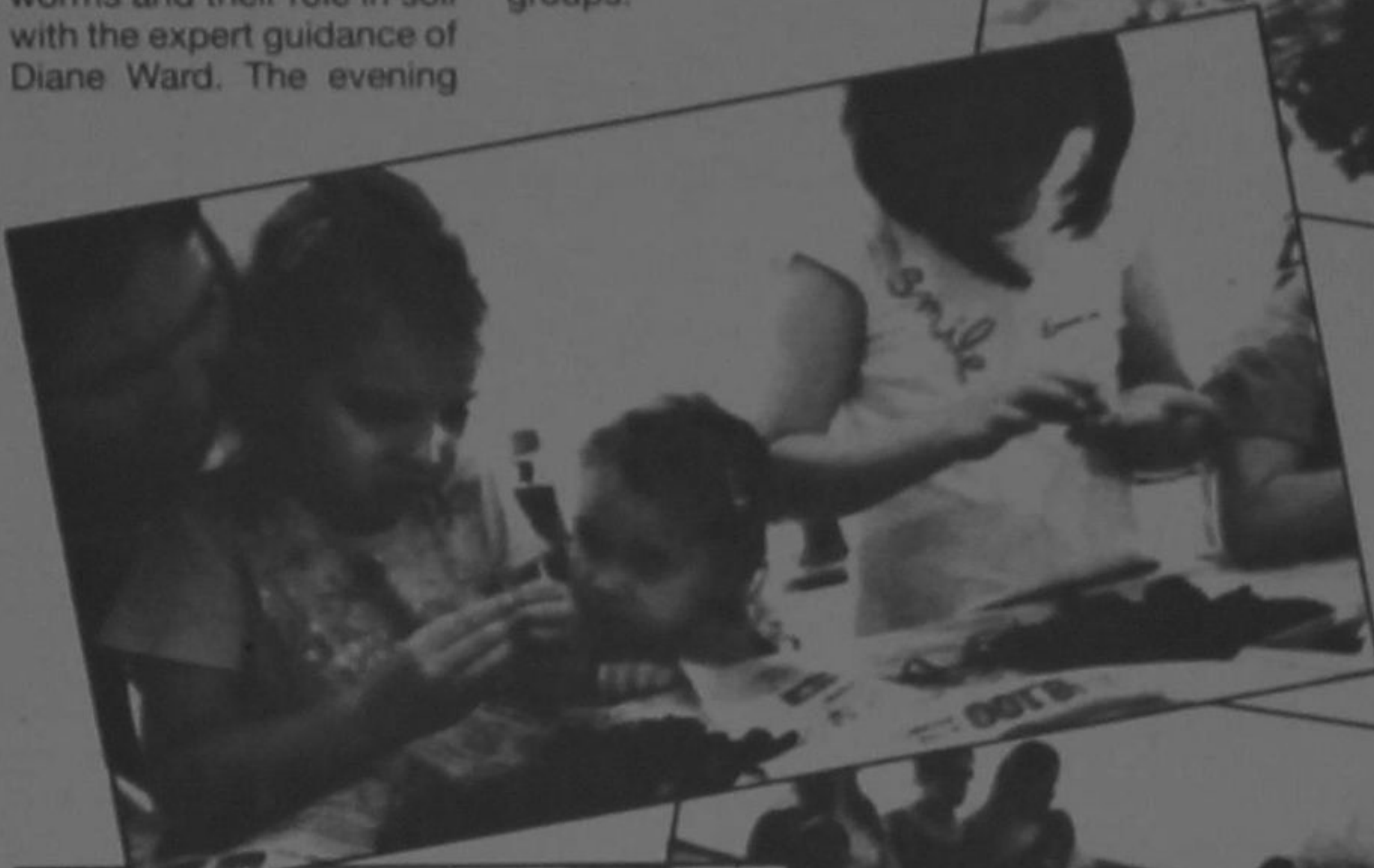


The Wonderful World of Worms

WS YOU 177 held a Wiggly Worm Workshop for kids of all ages at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library August 20. Kids read books about worms, tasted (candy) worms, and explored real worms and their role in soil with the expert guidance of Diane Ward. The evening

concluded with everyone doing the Wiggly Worm dance.

WS YOU 177 is an intergenerational education initiative led by the Legacy Project, WS Public Library, and other local community groups.



Fundraiser to Assist Mother With Life Threatening Disease

By Kinjal Dagli Shah
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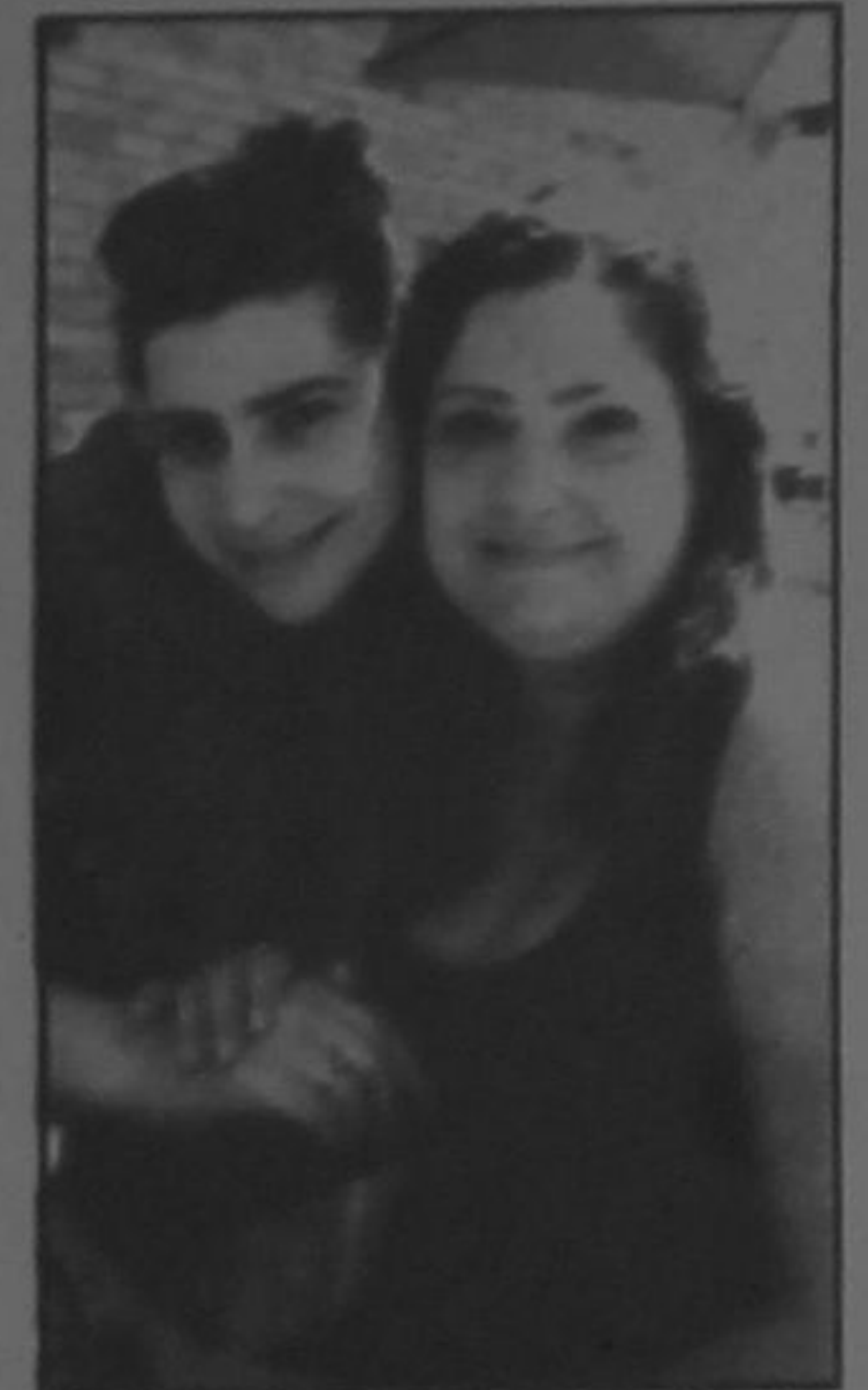
Daniela Lurato is getting together with her cousin Jenna to host a fundraiser here in Stouffville for a special person - her mom. Maria Lurato has been suffering from a rare and life threatening disease for the past nine years.

"My mother has a condition called Pulmonary Alveolar Proteinosis, commonly known by the acronym PAP," said Daniela. "It is a rare lung disease characterized by the build-up of grainy material in the alveoli (air sacs) of the lungs. Not only is she suffering with this lung complication but she also has anaphylaxis to scented products. My mom cannot go anywhere without being

at high risk; I have given my mom over 100 epi pens over the past couple of years. She is beginning to miss out on major events like my University Graduation. She has been intubated (placement of a flexible plastic tube into the trachea to maintain an open airway or to serve as a conduit through which to administer certain drugs) eight times."

Daniela hopes the fundraiser, to be held at Memorial Park Sunday, September 20 from 11 am to 3 pm, will raise money while creating awareness. There will be raffles, games, music and a bake sale. "I hope the fundraiser helps us reach our \$30,000 goal so we can send my mother to the US for treatment by a PAP specialist."

To donate, visit Maria's gofundme page at www.gofundme.com/breatheagain



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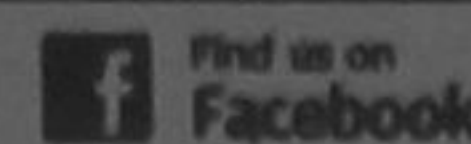
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STOUFFVILLE SENIOR OF THE MONTH

Tom Butson

Age: 74

NUMBER OF YEARS IN THE STOUFFVILLE AREA:

Tom and his family have lived in Stouffville for 45 years. After marrying his wife Arlene their first home was an apartment in Scarborough. When a baby was on the way Tom wanted to put down roots and bought a house in Cemetery Lane in Stouffville. At that time the population of the town was about 5,000.

CAREER: Tom's first job straight out of high school was that of a teller at The Imperial Bank of Canada, now part of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. He then joined Sterling Drug and worked for many years in the marketing department at the company's new plant in Aurora. As production wound down there he was transferred to Bayer Inc. and subsequently to Sinofi Winthrop. Tom's last position was with AIAI Canada (now Allstream) where he worked until his retirement in 2005.

HOBBIES: Tom spends a lot of his spare time on his computer keeping up on developments and opinions around the world. He is also an avid reader. Currently he is reading an autobiography of Jennie Churchill, Winston Churchill's mother. The best book he has ever read is *The Source* by James Michener.

FAMILY: Tom and Arlene have two sons and four grandchildren. Their eldest son, Mark, lives in Bonarville with his wife and two sons. Their other son Matthew (were Tom and Arlene to have any more sons they were going to name them Luke and John) lives in Newmarket with his wife and 2 daughters.

PET PEEVES:

1. Drivers who do not signal their intentions.
2. Drivers who insist on driving in the passing lane.
3. Telemarketing companies that insist on calling at the dinner hour.

FAVOURITE EXPRESSION: "Yes Dear"

LIFE'S HIGHLIGHT: Tom remembers with great affection spending his formative years with a loving and caring stepmother whose supportive and encouraging attitude gave him a wonderful start to life. Equally memorable was the day he married Arlene and the births of their children.

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU WON THE LOTTERY? Tom would give money to the kids, he'd give money to the church, and he and Arlene would take a long trip.

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