

Calling all radio buffs

By Jim Priebe

In March, WhiStle Radio applied to the CRTC to operate as a low power FM station at 102.7 MHz (FM).

On Sept. 11 a formal hearing was held and it is hoped that a decision will be handed down by the end of November. WhiStle Radio is a community station, which means that volunteers will play a central role in the operation and programming. There will be some paid staff, but our mandate is to make sure that interested people have an opportunity to participate in the running of the station.

For example, we're still looking to expand our board and we're still receiving show pitches. Plenty of other opportunities are available to anyone who is interested in getting involved.

One of the most frequent questions I hear is, What is your format? My answer is that we're eclectic, which means we'll have many types of shows; big band, bluegrass, jazz, talk, children's music, a teen show, live council meetings, and of course Spirit Hockey. WhiStle Radio doesn't reflect a format, it reflects the community.

WhiStle Radio is starting small - only 50 watts. In time we hope to grow so that we can be heard throughout the entire municipality. I would also like to see a partnership with other stations, including one in Uxbridge.

We're about people you know, by people you know. For more information visit www.whistleradio.com.

Jim Priebe is the founder of WhiStle Radio



Chris Cuddy and Bob Watson, above, lent their musical talent to a fundraiser for WhiStle Radio at Christ Church Anglican earlier this year. You can tune into some of Stouffville's finest musicians at www.whistleradio.com.

Speak up for yourself at Toastmasters

The Stouffville Toastmasters Club meets every Monday evening and new members are always welcome.

Those who would like to overcome their fear of public speaking or improve their public speaking skills, as well as anyone interested in learning

how to run a meeting, will enjoy the club's supportive and friendly atmosphere. The Toastmasters Club meets at 7 p.m. at Stouffville District High School.

For more information, call Pam at 905-642-4898.

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Getting into the swing of things

By Kate Gilderdale
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Alison Wiggins and Brian O'Sullivan, seen here with Tom Pullin (left), will provide some fine musical entertainment at WhiStle Radio's Swing Dance Nov. 4 at Cedar Beach.

WhiStle Radio is holding a swing dance Nov. 4 at Cedar Beach Pavilion featuring The Bluesual Suspects, a 12 piece band with a repertoire that embraces everything from jazz to rock and fabulous big band music.

Instructors will be on hand at 7 p.m. for anyone who doesn't know how to swing dance but would like to learn. Stouffville's Brian O'Sullivan and Alison Wiggins will also provide musical entertainment during the evening. A live auction will be part of the fun.

Tickets are \$40 each or \$75 for two and can be purchased from the WhiStle Radio website at www.whistleradio.com, by e-mailing jim@whistleradio.com, or by calling 905-640-6429.

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In the evenings they still have to look after their livestock such as cattle, by feeding and milking them. After all the harvesting is done, farmers then have to spread manure over their fields.

Even the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum in Vandorf has a big garden; it's almost the size of a farmer's field. All of this work has to be done before the snow falls, not to mention the work of gathering and chopping firewood. Yes, some farmers still burn wood for warmth, believe it or not.

With all that said, please do not forget about the country fairs. You can keep an eye on the best local produce to bring home to your families. And remember to talk to some of the farmers at these fairs; they would love to talk about their crops, livestock, firewood and what the seasons have to offer.

Perhaps some of the ladies wouldn't mind sharing some of their secret recipes for preserves such as jams and pickles, carrots, green tomatoes, cauliflower, beets, and horse radish. All the work that farmers do has to be done in a very short time frame. So when you see a farmer at the fair, smile.

Cedar Beach Swing Dance

Saturday, 4 November

Cedar Beach

15007 9th Line
Musselman Lake

Doors open 7pm
Dancing 8pm

Live Auction

Tickets
In Advance:
\$40 Single \$75 Couple
At the Door:
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(905-640-6429)



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