

Letters

Fear of snakes knee jerk reaction

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bat house. I think the idea of a habitat for butterflies, bats, birds, snakes or

whatever would be an educational bonanza for the school children. The residents who buy their homes in that area might

even reflect on the Country Close to the City atmosphere. Sounds as if we have some city slickers on council who react too quickly and don't really consider what has been proposed. The environmental benefit to those who decide to live nearby might be appreciated.

Not to worry if nature is out of control and we are overrun with birds, bats, butterflies, and heaven forbid snakes, we have weapons of mass destruction!

Bob Lewis
Bloomington

Ballantrae breakfast a success

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Whitchurch District Girl Guides, we would like to thank all who made our Breakfast With Santa on Dec. 14th a great success. We were able to donate the unused food to the Food Bank.

Special thanks go to Mrs. Hood and the Ballantrae Lions, the Station 52 Firefighter 'chefs', singer Sheryl Knight and the leaders, girls and parents who worked to make the morning special. Thanks also go to the local papers and all who help promote our Guiding events.

Sharon Burdette
Whitchurch District Girl Guides

Point of View with Ralph Pohlman

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They will bathe the children, but they will not straighten out the bath mat, wipe the tub or wring out the washcloth. They'll leave the washcloth bunched up on the tap. They will drop the kid off at nursery school, but they won't spend five minutes chatting with the teacher or picking up the little darling's colouring project.

They will do what men have always done, which is to reduce the job to its

most basic essentials and ignore the niceties women consider important.

As a final comment, let me get back to that gift-giving topic. If I have learned anything in my half-century of trying to communicate with women, one of the main things is that a gift should not be useful. No power lawnmowers, toasters or new starter cables from Canadian Tire. You give those to a guy.

She gets a scented candle or a book of poetry. If not, then you won't be getting anything for a while. Trust me.

Library seeks donation of used ink cartridges

To the Editor:

The Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library is beginning a new fundraising program. This is a fundraiser where you do not have to donate products or services, or dip into your cash reserves. What we want is your used inkjet and laser printer cartridges.

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