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PICKERING - The original owners of airport lands expropriated by the federal government in the 1970s will be given a chance to buy them back.

Durham regional chairman Gary Herrema says lands in the villages will be offered first to

their original owners, renters and the general public.

That announcement follows a recent discussion between Mr. Herrema and federal government officials on the sale of surplus airport lands held by Transport Canada.

Finance minister Don Mazankowski announced the sale of half of the federal government's land here in last month's budget.

If the property is sold, Ottawa will be left with 9,000 acres on the site, still enough to accommodate an airport.

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A Team Trivia Challenge organized by Ajax resident Bill Johnstone raised \$195 for the Ajax-Pickering General Hospital. Teams of four people put their heads together in an attempt to answer 10 rounds of 10 questions at the Kerry Inn March 18. Mr. Johnstone, a former patient at the hospital, is planning a second trivia challenge April 14 at the Harp & Thistle Pub.

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## Polka Dot pleasure

Two-year-old Megan Nesbitt reacts with delight to a Polka Dot Door show at the Pickering Town Centre Thursday.  
photo by Celia Bronkhorst

## Region official:

# Health services cuts won't drive seniors from their homes

By LINDA WHITE  
Staff Reporter

DURHAM - Seniors living on their own won't be at risk of losing their independence because of a proposed cut in nursing services for the elderly, an official says.

"I don't think our presence in the home will make the difference between (seniors) staying in the home and being put in an institution," says medical officer of health Dr. Robert Kyle.

Still, Pickering regional councillor Maurice Brenner says "now's not the time to cut back," referring to estimates that seniors will make up 66 per cent of the country's population by the year 2000.

Instead of reducing services, "We should be working to stay on par with the number of seniors." He notes it costs more to put them in an institution than to sustain them in their own home.

While the number of nurses won't be cut, vacancies, such as those caused by maternity leave, won't be filled, explains Mr. Brenner.

The proposed department cut will also affect sexual health services. An estimated 480 people will lose out on preventive and treat-

ment services for sexually-transmitted diseases and unintended pregnancies, reports Dr. Kyle.

That may cost the region down the road, warns Mr. Brenner, who suggests the number of single mothers needing welfare could increase.

The cuts are part of a draft budget for general programs prepared by the health and social services committee. The \$7-million paper calls for a 1.8-per cent increase over last year.

Seventy-five per cent of program costs are funded by the province, leaving about \$31,000 of the increase to be picked up by regional taxpayers.

Dr. Kyle has suggested cuts across the board, including administrative and medical, dental, environmental health, and health promotion and nutrition services.

Other reductions include:  
• the number of students who receive dental health education;  
• dental services to seniors living in rest and retirement homes, homes for the aged and nursing homes;

• nursing services to students, such as counselling, assessments and referrals.

# Verona Mall situation 'heating up'

By KEITH GILLIGAN  
Staff Reporter

AJAX - A receiver's attempts to sell the mothballed Verona Mall are "starting to heat up."

But, Blair Davidson, a vice-president with Peat Marwick Thorne, says it'll be mid-April before any announcement on a possible sale is made.

He won't elaborate, saying he's bound by

confidentiality not to release any information.

Mr. Davidson said in January he was considering two serious offers for the property, one for

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# Gos a loss to Ajax council Ward 3 race

**AJAX** - The race has barely begun but one possible candidate has already dropped out.

Falby Court resident Peter Gos won't seek Ajax council's Ward 3 seat in the May 11 byelection.

Mr. Gos was "rather seriously" considering running for the

position vacated by John Price but he's decided against it because of reasons related to time and family.

An insurance sales manager, Mr. Gos is one of a group of three people spearheading the drive to have sewers installed in the Pickering Beach area. He owns an undeveloped property on

Seabreeze Rd. in that neighborhood.

Former Ward 3 councillor John Price resigned for personal reasons on March 2.

To date, only former town councillor Steve Parish has announced a candidacy for the seat.

## Mayor wants Verona site used for housing, stores

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a retail development, the other for medium to high-density residential.

Work on the Verona Mall stopped in January 1990 when Mater's Management, the developer of the project, was placed in receivership by the provincial ministry of financial institutions (MFI).

At the time, Mater's was seeking investors for the site, claiming it was worth \$160 million. Peat Marwick appraised the property and determined its value at between \$70 million and \$80 million.

Mater's had more than 5,000 investors, including about 2,500 in the Verona project.

In January, Alberto DoCouto, president of Mater's, his wife Giselle Crispino, Peter Fallon Sr., his wife Catherine and their son Peter Fallon Jr. were each charged

with 18 counts of fraud and theft.

The Fallons operated Falloncrest Financial Corp., which was the mortgage broker for Mater's.

Ajax mayor Jim Witty says he'd "like to see some residential, higher-density residential, and some commercial" development on the site, at the corner of Bayly St. and Monarch Ave.

Town council addressed the Verona situation during its recent think tank, Mr. Witty says.

"We discussed it. We know the receiver had a couple of purchasers still interested in the property. There's not a lot we can say on what happens regarding the sale. The receiver's in charge of the sale. We can have a say on the zoning."

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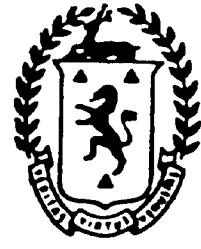
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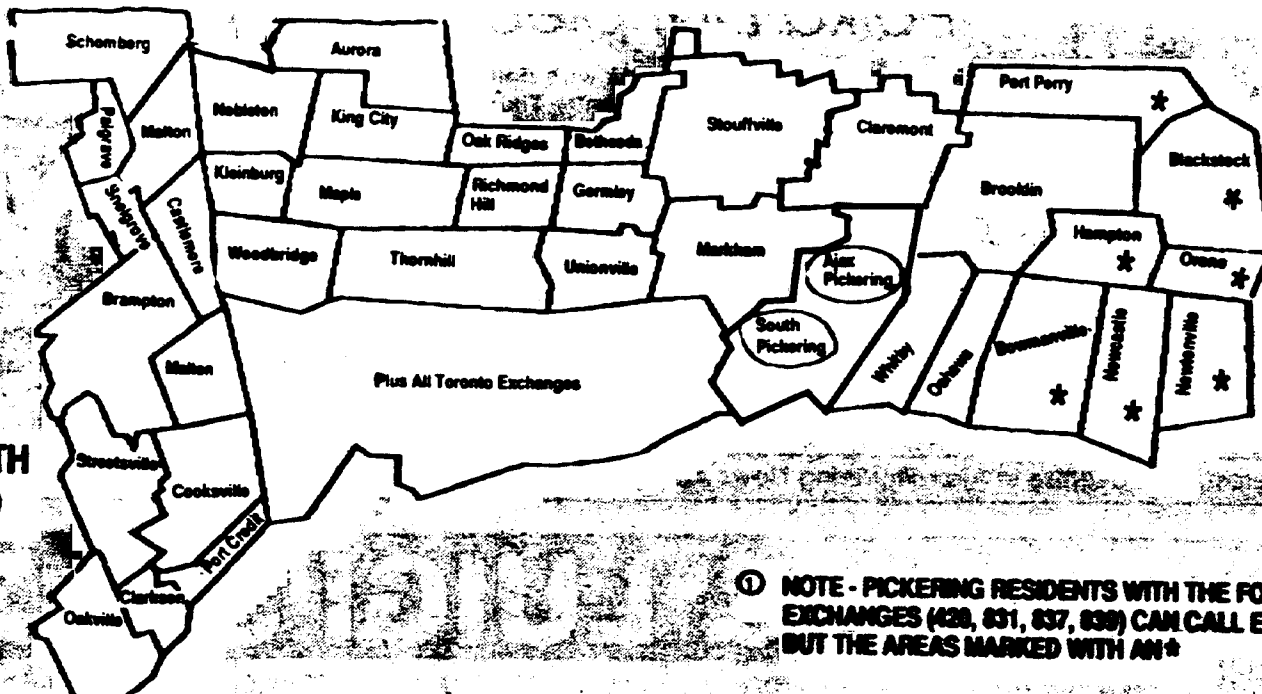
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# White knight coming to Oshawa Monday

By Norman Nelson  
Durham Staff

National union boss Bob White is due in Oshawa Monday afternoon to help resolve the touchy overtime impasse at General Motors.

week at an international union conference in Venezuela, he fired off a letter to John Caines, leader of 14,500 unionized GM workers, saying he's due back in Canada tonight.

And he's prepared to meet with the local union bargaining committee early Monday afternoon "with a view to immediately resume negotiations which would enable us to find a solution to the problem in Oshawa."

Company spokesman Stew Low said management "will listen to any concrete proposal."

Workers narrowly turned down a proposal that would have made over-

time mandatory (although up to 15 per cent could have been excused) for up to an hour a day if certain production quotas weren't being met.

Mr. White said he strongly believes a solution can be found "that will protect the integrity of voluntary overtime and still address GM's concerns."

With rumblings in the air that a

second vote on Tuesday's defeated overtime arrangement might be requested, Mr. White's letter changed the course of a crucial union membership meeting Thursday.

Mr. White specifically requested that a re-vote not be held and that he and the national office be given a chance to come in and help out.

## 'Dropout rate will rise'

# 'Kids will suffer' from school board program cuts: MPP

DURHAM - School boards are using low transfer payments from Queen's Park as "an excuse to cut social programs," an MPP charges.

"They've decided to cut back on social services that aren't mandated," says Durham West MPP Jim Wiseman. "It's unfortunate that boards would take to cutting those services."

While his comments reflect "a pattern across the province at boards dominated by Liberals and Tories," Mr. Wiseman is especially critical of the Durham Board of Education.

Having trimmed its proposed tax hike to about seven per cent, board chair Louise Farr insists staff has looked at "all areas," including:

- reducing the number of social workers and youth counsellors who help students stay in school and deal with personal problems;
- ensuring elementary classes are at their maximum level, including those in which special education has been integrated;
- reducing the formula which provides assistants in classes such as Learning Strategies;
- reducing its involvement in the Durham Industry-Education Council;
- tightening staff absenteeism and substitute staff regulations; and

• making double-sided photocopying the norm.

"We've got to reduce the level of service or increase the mill rate," she says. "Of course we're going to look at non-mandated programs first. If we're reduced to (a) one-per cent (increase in) transfer payments, we're dealing with a very realistic set of circumstances."

"Boards must attempt to define what they should be providing," suggests Mrs. Farr. "Is it education or social services? Are there other ministries that can pick up some of those services?"

According to Mr. Wiseman, a former teacher at Ajax High School, the consequences of some of those cuts would be "horrendous...It's like using a baseball bat on people. The kids will suffer and the dropout rate will increase."

He says the cuts infer "the needs of students aren't as serious as the needs of administration" and suggests the board is "bureaucracy heavy."

Mrs. Farr disagrees. "We want to provide the best possible level of service to students in the classroom. The impact of administration on children is not as direct as social services, but there is a definite indirect impact."

The board's finance committee will meet again on March 25 and 31. The meetings begin at 7 p.m. at board headquarters, 555 Rossland Rd. W., Oshawa.

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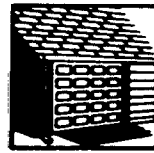
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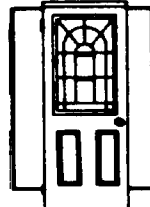
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## Family poverty meeting topic

**AJAX-PICKERING** - Child and family poverty will be the focus of an upcoming meeting that aims to raise awareness of poverty issues.

The Social Development Council of Ajax-Pickering has defined that aim as a top social priority after carrying out a community needs profile.

Guest speaker at the council's annual general meeting will be Colin Hughes of the Child Poverty Action Group.

The meeting will be held Thursday, April 9 at Pickering Village United Church, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$20 each, which includes lunch and membership in the council.

To register, call 686-2661 by April 3.

The council, a United Way agency, is a non-profit organization whose mandate includes community needs identification, service development and planning, social research, education and advocacy on social issues, and consultation.

Direct services provided through the council include Information Ajax-Pickering, Housing Help Durham, The Barbara Black Centre for Youth Resources, and the Immigrant Settlement and Adaptation Program.

The agency recently embarked on Building Bridges, an ethno-cultural project among community and social service providers in the Ajax-Pickering area.

## Integrating disabled

**AJAX-PICKERING** - Integrating developmentally-handicapped individuals into the community is the topic of discussion at an upcoming forum.

The Ajax-Pickering and Whitby Association for Community Living is hosting an education and employment forum on Tuesday, March 24.

Among the issues to be examined are the transition from school to work, and opportunities for employment in the community. The association will consider all comments when it puts together a paper on its vision of full integration.

Hi Neighbor, an introductory video, will be shown at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will begin at 7:15 p.m. It will be held at St. Bernadette's Church Hall, at the corner of Harwood Ave. and Bayly St. in Ajax.

For more information, call 427-3300.

# New top cop named

**DURHAM** - Durham's new top cop is concerned about a "wave of violent crime" here.

"Robberies are escalating every month ... I have some measures in mind to deal with it," said the incoming police chief at a Friday press conference.

Trevor McCagherty, 47, of Oshawa, steps up from the position of deputy chief which he's held since 1987. He's been a police officer for three decades, first getting his feet wet with the Metro Toronto police force for four years before joining the former Oshawa police force in 1966 as a constable.

He takes over from chief David Edwards who will remain for a transition period before retiring later this spring.

Ajax mayor Jim Witty, chairman of the Durham police services board, said the search for a new chief was internal, with eight male applicants considered, ranging from sergeant to inspector.

The appointment leaves a vacancy for one of the two deputy chief positions, and mayor Witty said the board, in consultation with the newly-named chief, will appoint a new deputy chief "expeditiously."

Given the high quality of applicants for the chief's position, he said it's safe to assume the position will also be filled from within the force.

Chief designate McCagherty said "each person to

the office brings their own perspective", and one area he'll target is improved treatment for crime victims.

"We spend a great deal of time, energy and resources dealing with perpetrators," he said. "I'm not saying we should reduce that, but we should be spending as much effort helping victims."

He wants to continue steering the force "closer to the community."

He said he will have to balance the increasing demand for services with the ever-diminishing pockets of government. "We have to do more with less."

Asked whether this relates to the current budget deliberations, he quipped that police services board members "have promised us more money than

we've ever had before."

However, mayor Witty retorted it might only be "a dollar more." He added that the police services budget is to be presented to the region's finance committee in early April.

Asked about his surprise early retirement after less than four years at the helm, chief David Edwards said the decision — one of the most difficult he's had to make — was "a quality of life" issue.

He pinned on the badge at 19, he said, and has served in excess of 31 years. He has no plans at the moment other than a lot more golfing and fishing.



Trevor McCagherty

## Reformers set to meet

**PICKERING** - The Reform Party of Canada will hold a public information meeting in Pickering Wednesday, March 25.

It will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Rouge Hill Library, on Rougemount Dr. south of Hwy. 2 and west of Whites Rd. A question-and-answer period will be included.

The Reform Party believes taxes are too high, people should have the right to replace Members of Parliament and special-interest groups should be self-supporting.

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Residents are invited to visit the department between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Staff will have displays and demonstrations on the ways they assist patients.

Participants can test their driving skills in a wheelchair obstacle course for prizes.

The department's latest project is an Activation Program, which offers exercise sessions and crafts to long-term hospital patients. The Activation Program has been set up in co-operation with the nursing department and volunteers from the hospital auxiliary.

The physiotherapy department employs eight therapists and a receptionist. It offers placements for physiotherapy undergraduates and several high school cooperative students. The department also runs an active sports clinic and a patient rheumatology education program.

Last year, physiotherapists at the hospital gave 17,638 individual treatments to in-patients and are considered a major part of the hospital's rehabilitation team.

## United Way annual meeting set for April 15

**AJAX-PICKERING** Community members are invited to the United Way's 22nd annual general meeting on Wednesday, April 15.

Last year's United Way president Murray Thorimbert and the board of directors will host the event. Guest speaker is Nancy Mutch, executive director of the Distress Centre of Durham Region.

The meeting will be held at the CAW Local Hall, 140 Hunt St., Ajax.

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The workshop is free. It will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the library, One The Esplanade. Register at 831-7809.

## You can learn how to deal with kids' emergencies

**AJAX-PICKERING** - The local Red Cross branch will help you make your home a safer place for your children by teaching you accident prevention and typical emergency skills.

Parents will be taught how to handle such emergencies as choking, poisoning, falls, shock, burns, breathing difficulties, and bleeding.

The Childsafe course is being offered Saturday, March 28 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Red Cross office,

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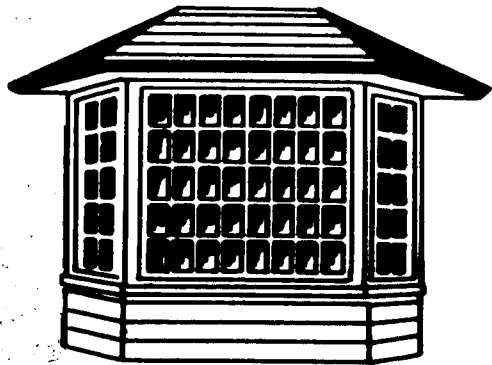
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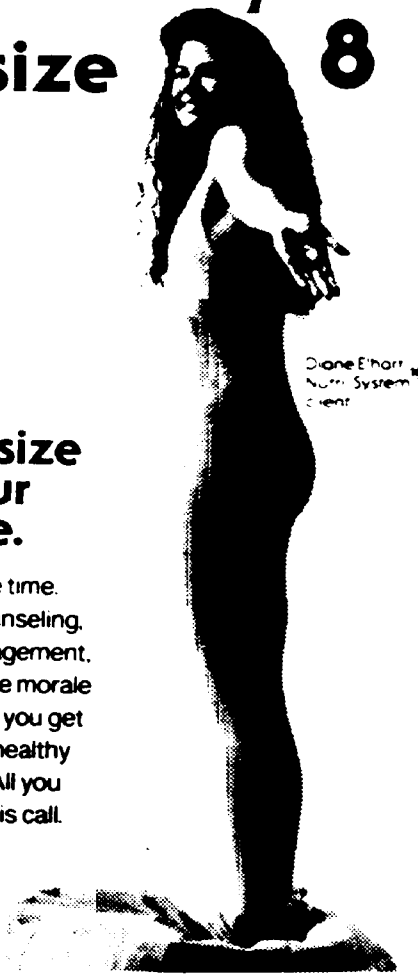
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## Opinion

## What new era, Bob?

Unionized autoworkers in Oshawa proved it in stark terms on Tuesday: the more things change the more they stay the same.

The shoe dropped Tuesday night when autoworkers turned out to vote on an overtime deal tentatively reached between CAW negotiators and General Motors brass. When ballots were counted, workers rejected the notion of mandatory overtime, regardless of the consequences of their collective decision.

The decision -- aside from the message it sends to General Motors plants across North America -- underscores the hollow promises of Ontario's labor-led government.

While Premier Bob Rae speaks to all who will listen about the new era of co-operative labor-management relations, GM workers here in the automotive heart of the province have reached their own conclusions.

The new co-operation Premier Bob Rae speaks of has been shown by those workers for what it is -- political tripe. The catch-phrase heard among hardline autoworkers is that any overtime agreement would be 'a step backward.'

We're inclined to agree, however, with John Caines when he says that you can't sit on principle and you can't feed your family on principle.

With the provincial government's proposed labor "reform" package winding its way through Queen's Park (which will tip the balance in favor of labor), and this latest notice of intent from GM's rank and file workers, the future looks far more grim for Oshawa's Plant 2.

And Bob Rae, despite his polished political rhetoric, has been conspicuous in his absence. Mr. Rae has missed the perfect opportunity to intervene and show some leadership in the new labor relations era he speaks so passionately about to the press.

Tuesday's vote sets the stage for more of the same type of adversarial labor relations that Ontario's government claims it wants to eliminate with its labor reform proposal.

Tragically, Oshawa and area could be the first victims of its failure.

## Death knell of an airport?

"THE AIRPORT -- 'shambles from beginning'," screamed a headline on the front page of the News Advertiser in March 1972. "Brougham -- death knell of a village," predicted another.

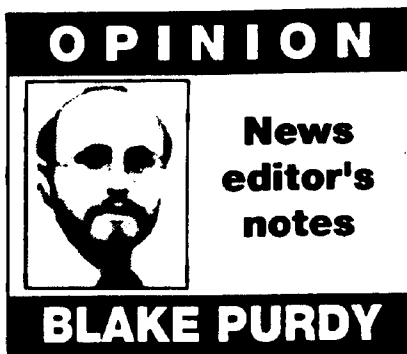
It was 20 years ago this month that the federal government proposed an international airport for north Pickering.

And, the province got into the act by announcing its intentions to build a community of close to 100,000 called Seaton.

Long-time residents of north Pickering were uprooted from their homes when their properties were expropriated. People who'd moved to Brougham to escape the city were given the heave-ho. Hundreds of lives were put in turmoil.

The group People or Planes (POP for short) rose up in noisy opposition to the airport, its protest louder than the engines of a 747 revving up.

There was no need for a second international airport for the Toronto area, POP members argued. And, if another airport was necessary, it shouldn't be built on prime farmland in north Pickering, they said. (Of course, a third terminal has since been



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built at Pearson International Airport.)

Two decades later, the only planes that land anywhere near the proposed airport are those that go astray from members of the Ajax Radio Controlled Model Club. And, Seaton is yet to welcome its first resident.

Oh, every once in a while over the past 20 years, there have been reports the airport and Seaton properties would be developed.

POP members stand at the ready to wage their war again.

"I don't think they'll build the thing because they have no money," Isobel Thompson told us three years ago. "It would be another Mirabel."

Last month, Canadian finance minister Don Mazankowski's

budget revealed plans to sell land the federal government had deemed as surplus, including 9,000 acres of Pickering airport property.

That sale would still leave Ottawa with 9,000 acres on the site, enough to accommodate an airport, MPP Rene Soetens said at the end of February.

This month, almost 20 years to the day after the feds announced the Pickering airport plan, Durham chairman Gary Herrema met with some representatives from Ottawa. He was told the land will first be offered for sale to the people who owned the properties before they were expropriated.

Would Ottawa sell the land back to the former owners and then turn around and build an airport? That would be one of the greatest ironies of all time. Even the feds aren't that cruel, are they?

The News Advertiser was predicting two decades ago "Brougham -- death knell of a village."

I think the sound you hear coming from Ottawa these days is more like the death knell of an airport.

## Letters

## Feds definitely behind declining economy

To the editor,

I wish to comment on a letter from Brian Shedden published March 11. His attempt to convince us of the blessedness of the Free Trade Agreement and the GST reflects an arrogant, condescending attitude which is characteristic of much of the rhetoric emanating from the Government in Ottawa. I can only surmise that Mr. Shedden is on the mailing list for the whole load of tax funded, Federal Government, propaganda literature. I am forced to conclude as well that the sheer volume of this material leaves Mr. Shedden with no time to read newspapers or listen to news broadcasts.

Surely, had Mr. Shedden spent 50 cents on a paper, asked his barber, or turned on the boob-tube, he would have read or heard about the billions of dollars lost through cross border shopping since the imposition of the FTA and GST. He would

not have missed the announcements of closures by major retail chains which name the GST as the principle reason for their bankruptcy. He would be aware of the complaints of our tourism and convention industries which have been devastated. He would have witnessed the statements of small and large manufacturers who declared, unabashedly, that they are moving south to take advantage of the opportunity to realize cheaper labor and other operating costs and still serve their Canadian market. He would have observed the broad smiles on the faces of Buffalo merchants and New York State industrial development directors. He would have felt the anxiety and loss of dignity suffered by those who have been left destitute and forced to resort to welfare.

I agree with Mr. Shedden that the recession is world wide, but to equate its severity in Canada with

Germany and Japan is ludicrous. As for the United States, suffice to say, I haven't noticed any American companies closing down and moving to Canada. The truth is the FTA and GST have compounded the impact of the recession in Canada to the point where we will feel its effect beyond the turn of the century. Expert economic opinions, though often conflicting and contradictory, support this statement. I am not opposed to free trade in principle, just this disastrous agreement which our fumbling champions have forged.

Mr. Shedden castigates the misinformation mongers for blaming others. Possibly they have taken their lead from the Federal Government which blames its

incompetence on, Pierre Trudeau, provincial governments, greedy unions, unskilled workers, low productivity, uncompetitive companies, the deficit, disloyal shoppers etc. The adage, "Do as I say, not as I do," is fitting.

The weaknesses and vulnerabilities in our economy were evident long before the FTA was signed. Had it not been for the governments' crass political opportunism, they might have prepared the country for the realities of a global economy before dragging us into the FTA. As it stands the FTA was a snow-job, and the "Big Con," the "Figure Jigger," better known as the GST, is the ultimate consumer turn-off. The only savings are from desperate retailers.

Our Federal Government is increasingly being revealed as naive to the point of stupidity. They are groping for solutions. Complaints are inevitable and deserving. Mine is that I am weary of hearing government officials, perched on their \$300,000 to \$400,000 annual salaries, tell us their medicine is good for us and that we need to tighten our belts and become more competitive.

On a positive note, Mr. Shedden writes well. If he loses his job due to the FTA or GST he might find very compatible employment as a speech writer for Otto Jelinek, the Minister of Revenue. They both exude a disdain for us ignorant folk.

Al Ward,  
Whitevale

## Sewers would be 'charitable contribution'

To the editor,

Since Ajax Town Council will be meeting soon to consider the budget, may I offer the following thoughts.

Like most home owners in Ajax I bought my house on a serviced lot. Included in the price of my house were the costs of water, storm sewers, sanitary sewers, sidewalks, etc.

The property owners at

Pickering Beach paid much less for their lots since they knowingly purchased lots without most of these facilities.

I understand from recent council meetings that some of the owners at Pickering Beach wish to upgrade their lots by having storm sewers, sanitary sewers and sidewalks installed. This would of course increase the value of their investments and the resale prices.

In my view this must not be at the general taxpayers' expense even if the council has reliable proof that a health hazard exists, and cannot be cured otherwise.

For us to share in the costs of this project (I hear \$8 million mentioned) would amount to a charitable contribution from us to the property owners there.

Bill Robertson,  
Ajax

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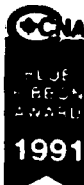
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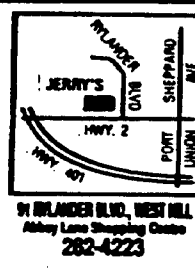
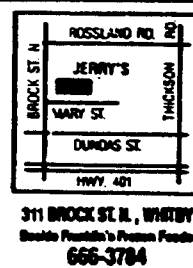
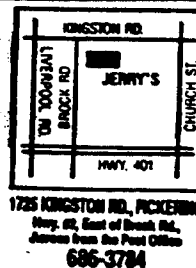
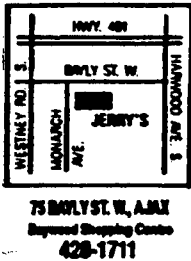
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# Letters

## Residents urged to fight 'ridiculous' sewer plan

**To the editor,**  
This letter is in support of Janice Mitchell and Mary Gibbs' letter to the News Advertiser in which they speak out against the proposed installation of sewers in the Pickering Beach area of Ajax.

As I understand the situation, there are approximately 190 property owners involved in the proposed sewer system project. Of these 190 property owners there are approximately 130 homeowners and the other 60 property owners are just that...property owners who do not have homes on the properties, and probably do not even live in the area.

Let's look at the situation objectively. The entire project is estimated to cost approximately \$12 million. Each of the property owners will be compelled to pay a fee to the town to defray some of the costs. These fees will range from \$7,000 to \$10,000 per household depending on frontage, lot size, etc.

Who will be the real beneficiaries? The permanent residents who live there? No, they are quite happy with their present situation of having septic which they have bought and paid for. The rest of the taxpayers in the Town of Ajax? No, they are going to be asked to pick up the majority of the costs in their property taxes. The non-resident owners of Pickering Beach? Definitely, yes. They will see the value of their properties increase significantly and stand to make a fast buck, and at whose expense — all those area residents who do not want the project and all the rest of the taxpayers who are already being

taxed out of our homes.

Come on Ajax Council members, lets start listening to the people who actually live in the area, and who voted you into office, and not those who stand to make a fast buck at everyone else's expense.

In closing, I would urge all residents of Ajax who would like to put a stop to this ridiculous idea and also all those who are in support of a zero per cent tax increase by the

Town of Ajax for the year 1992, to mark April 8 on your calendars. That is the date when the Town of Ajax will hear what you, the public, have to say concerning your property taxes or the Pickering Beach sewer project. The public meetings will be held at the town hall from 2-5 p.m. and again from 7-9 p.m.

**Bud York,**  
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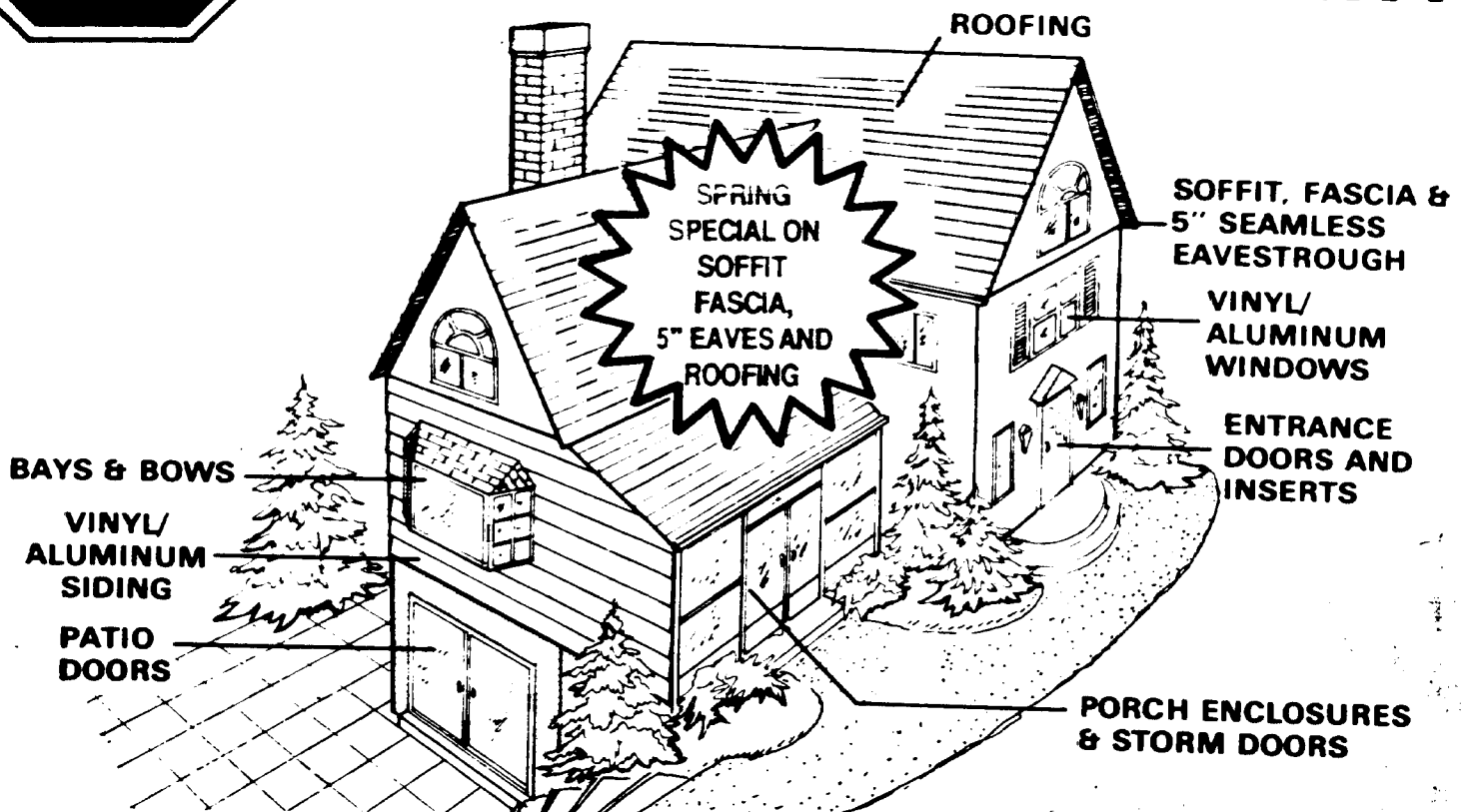
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### Homeowners being ignored

**To the editor,**

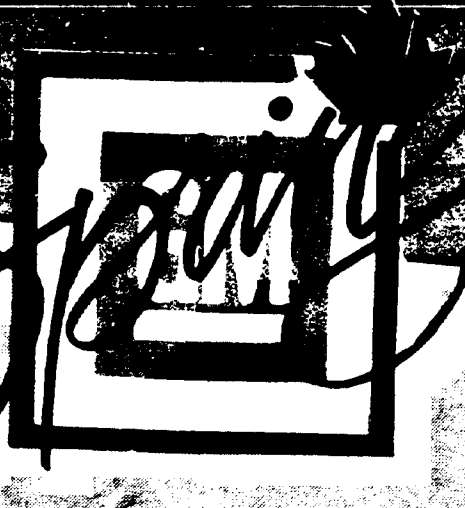
As a non-resident of the Pickering Beach area and as a taxpayer of Ajax, I have been watching the unfolding of the sewer situation in Pickering Beach and it is becoming quite apparent that our mayor and his council are willing to spend \$8 million of Ajax's budget (which is approximately half of our total budget of \$19 million) to satisfy those few landowners who stand to make millions of dollars from dividing up their serviced lots.

In these times, the management of the town's budget should be tightly controlled and fairly distributed among all of Ajax.

Without getting into all the details of this issue, I have only one question to ask the mayor and the council — when studies have been done on the soil to show that septic tanks are safe, why are you not listening to the majority of the homeowners in Pickering Beach and to the rest of the taxpayers of Ajax, but bowing down to the likes of Mr. Wasmund, who owns land and stands to gain millions if his properties become serviced.

**Jan Scott,**  
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**SPINA BIFIDA:** The Durham Chapter of the Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario meets Mon., March 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Grandview Treatment Centre, Oshawa. New members welcome. 725-6186 (Faye).

**SENIORS' DISCUSSION:** The Ajax Seniors' Discussion Group will meet Tues., March 24, at 9:30 a.m., at the Ajax Seniors' Friendship Centre, 46

Exeter Rd., Ajax. Ajax Senior Citizens' Club members only, whose yearly fee is \$3. The discussion group has a semi-annual fee of \$2. 683-7799 (Louise Johnson).

**DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED:** The Ajax-Pickering and Whitby Association for Community Living will hold a Forum on Education and Employment Tues., March 24 at St. Bernadette's Church hall, Bayly St. and Harwood Ave. Video at 6:30 and meeting at 7:30 p.m. 427-3300.

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**SAVE OUR BAY:** A meeting of the community group Save Our Bay will be held Tues., March 24 at 8:30 p.m. at the East Shore Community Centre, 910 Liverpool Rd. 831-0262.

**TENNIS SIGN-UP:** The Dunmoore Tennis Club will hold pre-season registration Tues., March 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the foyer at the Pickering Recreation Complex, 1867 Valley Farm Rd.

**CALORIE COUNTERS:** Canadian Calorie Counters meets Tuesdays, at 7:30 p.m., at the YMCA offices, 1400 Bayly St., Unit 16A, Pickering, next to the GO station. \$1.25 a week. 420-0746.

**FASHION SHOW:** Epilepsy Durham Region will host a spring fashion show Tues., March 24, at 7:30 p.m., at the

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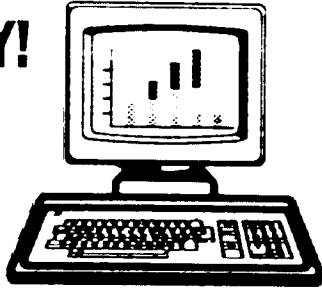
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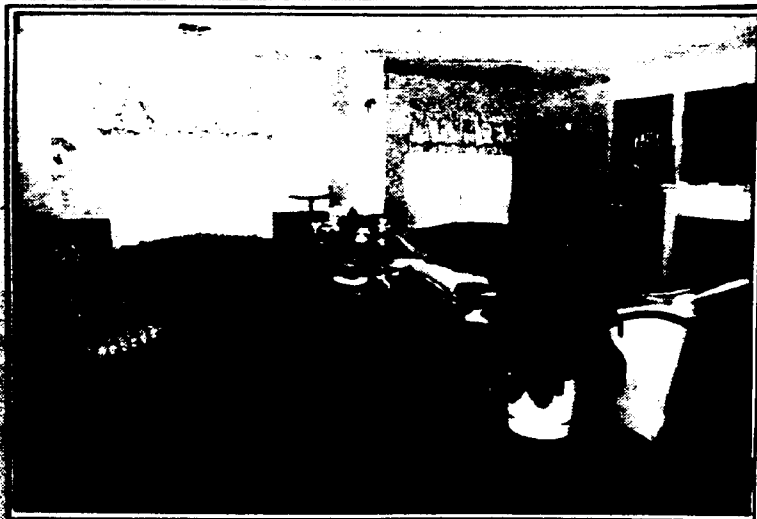
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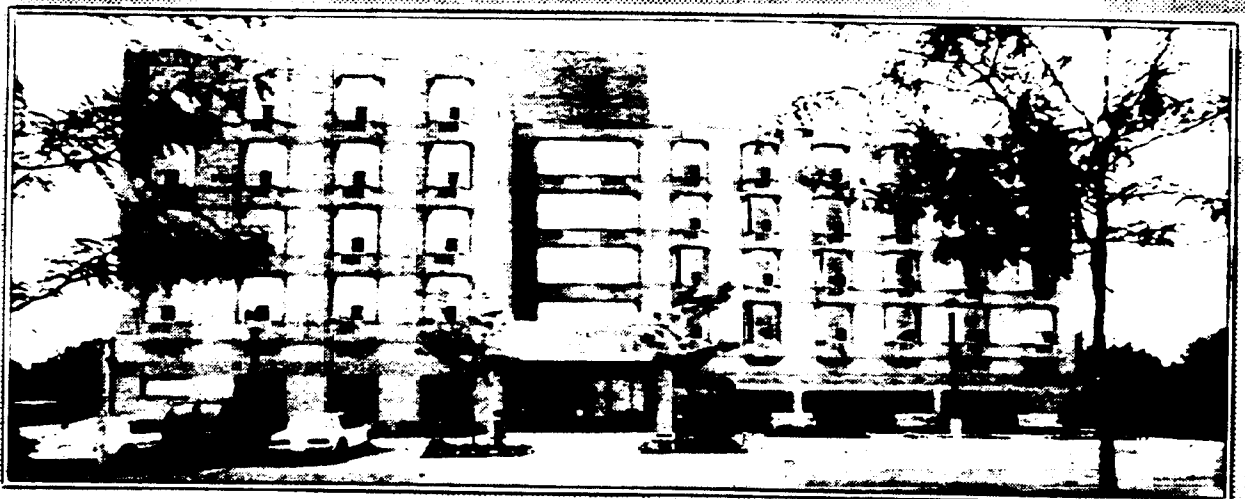
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# Sports

## Ajax teams ring up wins in ringette play

AJAX - The Ajax tween 'C' ringette team bombed Oshawa 8-2 to win its second game of the playoffs.

Amber Jones led Ajax with three goals. Heather Walker notched two, with Sarah McIlveen, Angela Degnan and Diane Howard each netted one. Assisting were Howard, Degnan, Erica Dudley and Amanda Smith.

Genevieve Hupe provided fine goaltending.

In other ringette action, the Ajax Payless Decks and Fences bunny team suffered two setbacks at the hands of Markham and Whitby recently.

The Ajax bunnies were beaten by Markham 8-6. Alison Fair had three goals, Kelly Hart two and Mike O'Neil one. Assisting were Kristen Carroll with three and Rachel Spurs with one.

Ajax was doubled by Whitby 12-6

in another contest. Fair and Carroll each had a pair of goals. Rebecca Lundy and Stephanie Wood had one apiece. Fair, Lundy and Wood recorded assists.

Meanwhile, the Ajax Highland Trophies tween 'A' team tied a play-off game, while dropping an exhibition contest to Pickering recently.

The Ajax tweens tied 3-3 in the final game of the playoff round. The draw gives Ajax a playoff record of two wins and a tie.

Becky Andersen, Carolyn Frizzle and David McBride scored for Ajax. Andersen, McBride, Melissa Taylor and Amber Kuciks drew assists.

Ajax ended up on the short end of a 6-4 score to Pickering in a recent exhibition contest. McBride scored three times for Ajax with Andersen adding the other marker. Andersen and Mandy George registered three assists each with one to Diane Sparrow.

## Minor atoms capture Markham title

AJAX - The Ajax-Village Dunedin Construction minor atom 'A' hockey team captured its first tournament championship of the season in Markham last weekend.

After winning two games to get to the final, Ajax defeated the Toronto Nordiques in the championship game 3-1.

Gary Gould netted a pair of goals for Ajax, while Mark Moore had the other marker. Assists went to Paul Christiansen, Gould and Moore.

In two recent exhibition games, the Ajax squad upended Brampton 7-2. B.J. Noddle had three goals, Mark Moore scored two and Gould and Jamie Burden netted one each. Assisting were Burden with four helpers, Andrew Watson three, Darren Livingstone two and Christiansen one.

Ajax also defeated the Oshawa Canadians 1-0. Adam Cyncora scored the lone goal, assisted by Burden.



## Soccer players can shape up at two upcoming clinics

AJAX - Soccer players can get into playing shape with a clinic to kick off the season.

Sponsored by the Ajax Warriors and Simon Appraisal Limited, the clinic will be held at the Monarch Ave. soccer field Saturday, May 23 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Each child at the clinic will receive a T-shirt, a packet of soccer cards and coaching by members of the Toronto Blizzard Canadian Soccer League club.

The clinic is for players aged four to 12 years. Cost is \$10 per player. A limited number of registrations will be accepted, so register early.

The Ajax Warriors and Toronto Blizzard will also team up for the official Toronto Blizzard Soccer Camp July 6 to 10 in Ajax.

The camp is open to all minor soccer registrants and features

five three-hour instruction sessions led by former under-17 national coach and current Blizzard coach Pedro Kozak along with Blizzard players.

All registrants will receive youth (under 18 years) Toronto Blizzard season tickets, a Blizzard T-shirt, soccer ball and cap, as well as an autograph session with the Blizzard players and a chance to become the club's ball boy/girl.

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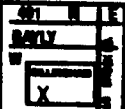
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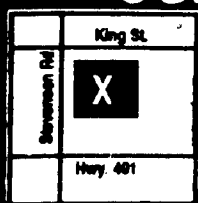
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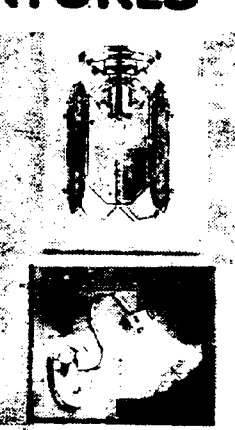
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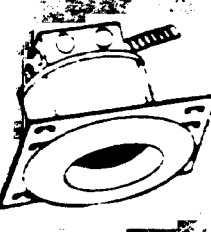
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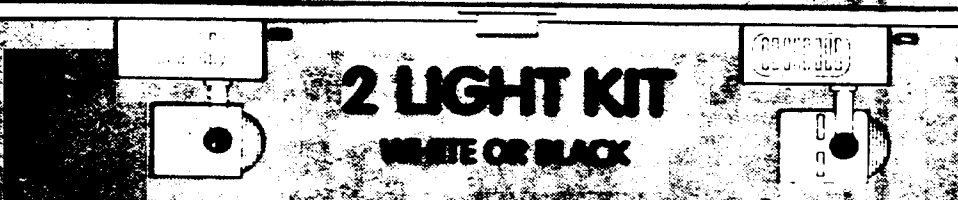


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