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Everyone Tried To Sweeten The Voters

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At the Sept. 26 candidates expo at Durham College, each candidate offered candy and goodies for those passing by. Editor's favourite? The cupcakes.



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Much more than half the picture: By Richard Bercuson



The Election - and then what?

In the 1972 film "The Candidate," Bill McKay (Robert Redford) wins a contentious U.S. senate election, beating the incumbent. In the final scene, faced with the jarring reality of governing versus campaigning, he mutters to his campaign manager the film's last line, "What do we do now?"

While the fictitious event would seem to have nothing to do with our Oct. 22 municipal and school board election, it actually has everything to do with it. We're facing the region's most daunting and likely important election in its history. For now, we've escaped the clutches of Premier Ford who, with another majority in four years, could very well announce the demise of all regional governments in the province. To that end, he's already dumped elections for regional chair in the regions of York, Peel, Niagara, and Muskoka, leaving the positions as appointments. It's where Durham was until 2014 when the first election for chair was won by the late Roger Anderson. In the meantime, Durham, along with Halton and Waterloo, remain untouched - for now.

What would happen if Ford determined that municipalities within regions had to merge? Imagine a three hours, Whitby council and re-

mega-city melding our eight municipalities into one called the city of Durham. We'd have a northwestern 'burb called Sunderland and a southeastern one called Clarington, and never the twain shall meet. Or, just as awkwardly, let's say Whitby were forced to marry Oshawa. Whishawa?

Debate point

The point was brought up at the Sept. 26 Durham College mayoral "debate" between incumbent Don Mitchell and his lone challenger Andrea Kennedy. It wasn't a debate per se since there were questions delivered by a moderator, DC campus principal Kevin Baker. They were given two minutes apiece to answer and a minute to rebut. Before an audience of about 150, one question concerned their approach if such a merger were to be imposed. Mitchell cracked, "Over my dead body." Kennedy replied that if it's imposed on Whitby, we'd have to move forward on it as we're merely separated by a dotted line, "dead bodies or not." That wasn't what I wanted to hear, to be sure.

It took place on the heels of a Candidate Expo upstairs at Durham College's Food Centre. For about

gional council candidates stood by tables festooned with candy (see our front page) and covered with flyers, name cards and such. The idea had merit, I suppose, for those who genuinely wanted to meet candidates and put a real face to what had been a two-dimensional piece of paper.

Artificial scenario?

Yours truly chatted with a candidate who's the brother of someone I worked with in hockey in Ottawa. Disney was right; it's a small world. I snatched two - two! - cupcakes from one table and snuck a few chocolate kisses from another. Still, the whole scenario struck me as rather artificial. Individuals meandered around the narrow laneways, exchanging pleasantries, sampling sweets, and, in a few cases, collecting flyers.

One gentleman, Jack, with a keen interest in transportation and armed with collected flyers, admitted he wasn't sure he'd get an honest answer from anyone in that format. He asked anyway.

Given how much Durham and Whit-

by governance is intertwined with what happens in Brooklin, being aware of our electoral options for every position has become especially acute.

It means that who to vote for among 30 individuals in five races will be the ultimate test of voters' ability to discern which candidates are more than just signage, Facebook friends, or neat candy.

Here's something you couldn't possibly know: Brooklin is unique.

Ours is a community so distinctive that people use it as their return address and proclaim they live in Brooklin versus Whitby. Our little downtown is mentioned (alongside Whitby's) as a place to develop and we're a go-to destination for charming festivals and fairs, Ribfest aside, which is a shame. Personally, I'd devour a smaller version in Grass Park. And, of course, we have our own newspaper. No other Durham locale has anything quite like us. We're almost our own entity - and no, there isn't a hint of a secession-

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Whitby Public **Library Perks Week**

October 12 to 21 turn your library card into a pass for perks at participating businesses to celebrate Ontario Public Library Week and Small Business Week. whitbylibrary.ca/oplw

Whitby Youth Rooms

Decorate a pumpkin on Friday, October 12 at 4 p.m or enjoy football with friends on Wednesday, October 24 at 4 p.m. Free drop ins for youth ages 12 to 18 years. whitby.ca/youthrooms

Fall Seniors' Bazaar

Saturday, October 20, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Whitby Seniors' Activity Centre. Free admission, whitby, ca/seniors

whitby.ca/calendar

News

Check Your Smoke Alarms This Fire Prevention Week

On Tuesday, October 9, local Durham Region Fire Chiefs including Whitby Fire Chief Dave Speed - sounded the alarm on preventable, fire-related deaths and the importance of working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. The event was held as part of the 2018 Fire Prevention Week October 7 to 13. For fire safety tips, visit whitby.ca/fire

Leaf and Yard Waste Collection Schedule

Leaf and yard waste is collected bi-weekly on your regular garbage day. Waste including leaves and pine needles, decorative cornstalks, pumpkins and gourds should be placed in kraft paper bags or approved open-top reusable containers. All brush must be bundled. whitby.ca/waste

Notices

Dryden Boulevard Extension Notice of Study Completion

The Town has completed a Schedule C Environmental Assessment Study of Dryden Boulevard from Deverell Street to Thickson Road. whitby.ca/notices



Vote Anywhere This October 18 to 22

Voting in Whitby's 2018 municipal election is easy! Cast your ballot at one of the designated Advance Vote or Voting Day locations, regardless of where your qualifying address is within the Town. For a complete list of designated voting locations or to find out if you are on the list to vote, visit whitby.ca/vote



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Meet the Candidates for the 2018 Municipal Election



North Ward 1 (Select 1, 1 will be elected)



Steve Lee 20 Rockland Crescent, Brooklin Mobile: 416.895.2455 votestevelee @gmail.com www.votestevelee.ca

My family and I have called Brooklin home for the past 12 years. I have raised my two children here, and consider this the best community to live in. My commitment to Brooklin & Whitby runs deep, and I want to continue the hard work of making this the best town to live work and raise a family.

I am a small business owner and have owned my own business for the past 18 years. I am a proven leader with extensive experience managing people, budgets, and meeting deadlines. I believe I can bring this work ethic

and experience to council. I want to bring fresh new ideas to council, and make sure our town is well represented. I want to be your voice and ensure you and your family's needs are brought forward.

A few of the main issues that I have heard at the doors are the following:

HOLD THE LINE ON TAXES

I will work to ensure your tax dollars are being spent efficiently and wisely for the services we need. We also need to work to expand the commercial tax base to bring relief to residential taxes.

TRAFFIC CONGESTION & TRANSIT

I will work to implement a transportation plan to improve transit, and look at new bus routes. We also need to look at a bypass and what we can do to reduce congestion and get people moving through town. I will also advocate for the removal of the tolls on the 412. This road

needs to be FREE.

JOB CREATION AND NEW BUSINESS

I want to work to encourage new business development and bring in new jobs. I want to also work to promote the growing tech sector here in Whitby, for higher paying jobs close to home. We also need to work with existing business to encourage growth, and help them with their needs so they can thrive. Lastly we need to look at more options for jobs for our youth in town.

COMMUNITY SAFETY

Safety of our kids and families is a huge concern in town. I will look at new initiatives to combat speeding through our residential neighbourhoods, and advocate for solutions to keep our kids and streets safer for everyone. I am asking for your support and vote on October 22. I hope to be your Next North Ward Councillor and continue the hard work and make our town the best place to live.



Sharmilla Saigaonkar

39 Corvinelli Drive, Brooklin Home: 289.278.1348 Mobile: 289.685.4650 sharmila4northward@ gmail.com WWW. sharmilasaigaonkar.ca

Whitby has been my home for the last 15 years and I value deeply being actively involved within the community. I believe that my passion and vision for the community, along with the education and various experience will add value to the community as a North Ward Councillor.

Graduated from Carleton University in Economics and Accounting from Gujarat University, India. In addition, I am certified Yoga Therapist (C-IAYT) and currently working as a Yoga Therapist in Whitby and Yoga Teacher's Trainer for Hot Yoga and Wellness, Toronto.

Being involved in the community as a

volunteer for last 12 years has allowed me to learn a lot about the community. Whitby is one of the fastest growing municipality with a diverse population and excellent schools. This economic development and growth come with challenges such as affordability, higher property taxes, traffic congestion, safety and the environment. These challenges present an opportunity to strengthen our community and sustain the growth through addressing human needs and aspirations. I would like to address these issues through enhancing the quality of life for our community to make our growth sustainable.

Making historic downtown pedestrian friendly: Build infrastructure to make our Downtown safe and accessible for families, friends and tourists to walk, bike, shop, and food from all over the world. It will support our small businesses and will have many intangible benefits associated with walking friendly downtown.

Integrating day care into senior homes: Improving the lifestyle for seniors by having a preschool/daycare facility at the senior homes/ residents to bridge the gap and to improve the

quality of life for both generations.

Personalising wellness programs in the community to enhance the quality of life:

Customizing community health and wellness programs especially for seniors, youth and children with different challenges to make it more effective.

Learning beyond the schools, from classroom into the community:

Facilitating a culture of innovation and maintaining learning curiosity among all ages through applying STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) in public parks or public places to invest in the future of our community. This will be possible through collaboration with businesses, universities and colleges.

Building a strong community through inclusion and communication:

With changing demographics and globalization, the need for the families to engage into the community is decreasing over the years. I would like to foster communication and volunteering among diverse groups to bring inclusivity and to build strong sense of belonging.



Bill Windrem

Brooklin 905.655.3306 bill@billwindrem.com www.billwindrem.com

I love Brooklin!

After discovering the village on my way to Port Perry, my family and I headed to Brooklin for a Sunday drive. As we walked through the village we were met by so many friendly faces. "Hello" could be heard from everyone we passed. As we talked with them about their beautiful village, it was apparent how much they loved living here.

That sense of community is why we moved to Brooklin and why I'm running for town council once again. With the inevitable growth, I

Over the years I have dedicated my time and resources to various groups, organizations and charities such as 2nd Brooklin Scouting, Optimist Club, DDSB, Junior Achievement, Luke's Place, Breast Cancer Awareness, Feed the Need Durham, Brooklin Spring Fair and more. I also helped organize the Apsley Cup - donating over \$17.000.00 to the Brooklin Youth Room.

I have over 20 years' experience running my own business; 5 of which were spent operating a store in our Downtown. During my time as President of the Downtown Brooklin Business Association I worked with fellow business owners and the Town to advocate for a more pedestrian friendly downtown and created strategies to attract more people into our downtown with events such as Art in the Park.

With over 25 years' experience in Marketing and Communications, I bring a lot to the Thank you for your support.

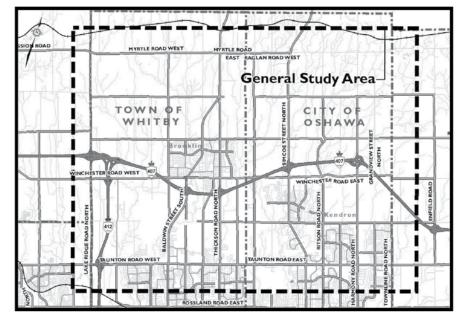
want to ensure the North Ward maintains its table. I served as the V.P. Communications on heritage, charm and sense of community. George Brown Colleges' S.A.C, where I was responsible for engagement, event planning and communication between 10,000+ diverse students, administrators and faculty.

> My goals as Councillor are to improve youth programs to keep our kids safe, healthy and socially engaged. I will focus on the Region to get more industrial and commercial lands serviced to attract businesses in to the area. With better quality jobs close to home we can look forward to reduced commuter congestion, safer streets, an economic boost, more active transportation, an ease on the residential tax burden and most important - more free time to spend with friends and family (feel free to invite me over anytime!!). I will advocate for improved transit and accessibility infrastructure. I want to develop stronger communication between the Town. Businesses and residents. I will work to ensure that all future development maintains our Ward's heritage and charm.



Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Zone 4 Water Storage and Pumping Facilities to service North Whitby and North Oshawa

Notice of Study Commencement



Works Department October 10, 2018 Public Notice The Regional Municipality of Durham (Durham Region) provides water treatment and the distribution of drinking water to residents using the municipal water supply.

Population forecasts to the year 2031 indicate that significant growth will occur in the north Whitby and north Oshawa areas, which are within Durham Region's Zone 4 and Zone 5 water pressure districts.

The Region has initiated a study to determine the preferred long-term solution for providing water storage and pumping facilities to service the Zone 4 and Zone 5 water pressure districts in Whitby and Oshawa to 2031 and beyond. The study will follow the Schedule 'B' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) process as set out by the Municipal Engineers' Association.

There will be public consultations regarding the study and information on the consultations will be released as the study progresses. For more information about this project, visit durham. ca/PublicWorksProjects. If you have any questions or concerns. please contact one of the following individuals listed below:

Kelly Murphy, P.Eng., P.Ag., EP Regional Municipality of Durham CIMA+ Project Manager

905-668-4113 ext. 3370 Kelly.Murphy@durham.ca Eric Tuson, P.Eng.

Partner/Senior Director -Water and Wastewater / Infrastructure 905-695-1005 ext. 6746

Eric.Tuson@cima.ca

Under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Environmental Assessment Act, unless otherwise stated in the submission, any personal information such as name, address, telephone number and property location included in a submission will become part of the public record files for this matter and may be released, if requested, to any person.

If you require this information in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2233

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Works Department 605 Rossland Rd. E., Whitby ON., L1N 6A3 Telephone: 905-668-7711 or 1-800-372-1102

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Road issues

The issues affecting Brooklin aren't entirely our own. For instance, it seems that road safety concerns are endemic to the region. Nearly every municipal candidate has been dancing on that bandwagon, saying photo radar is the panacea for speeding through school zones.

However, anecdotally anyway, there are other problems, trifles like stopping at stop signs and not knowing the meaning of yield or right of way. The region has dozens of intersections where turning left is virtually impossible. Which genius takes responsibility for creating left turn lanes with no advanced or followup green arrows, leaving drivers to fume in their lanes, completely helpless to make the turn? It should be a straightforward regional/municipal fix, yet no one has stepped up. As the Expo visitor Jack stated, most of the important roads are regional.

The 407/412 misery begins up here while the traffic congestion and lack of alternatives have made Winchester Rd., a regional responsibility, an impossible thoroughfare.

Durham council has 29 members: the chair, eight mayors, and 20 councillors from the municipalities. Whitby's four ward councillors the fictional senator-elect Bill McK-(north, east, west, centre) do not sit ay like this: Time to get to it.

on regional council. Instead, there will be four councillors sitting with the region AND the Whitby council. All of which is to say that choosing the right candidate for both the north ward, Whitby's largest geographically, and the region is vital.

You could call it Brooklin being selfcentered and perhaps there's some truth to it. But given that much of Whitby's main growth will be north, it's imperative our representation be intimately acquainted with the area.

Odd voting system

Now to the peculiar voting system. Here's the rub: Those four regional council seats from Whitby have ten candidates vying for them. In the school board trustee election, the Catholic board will elect two for three spots and the public board three from seven.

The votes aren't ranked; they have equal weight. Each person to whom you give your X thus earns a vote. If you feel strongly about a particular candidate, when you choose others as well, you're immediately lessening the impact of your vote. You'd be wiser to just choose one and stop, especially if you're unsure of the choices beyond your favoured candidate.

Finally, when the victors wake up on the morning of Oct. 23, I hope they're willing and able to answer

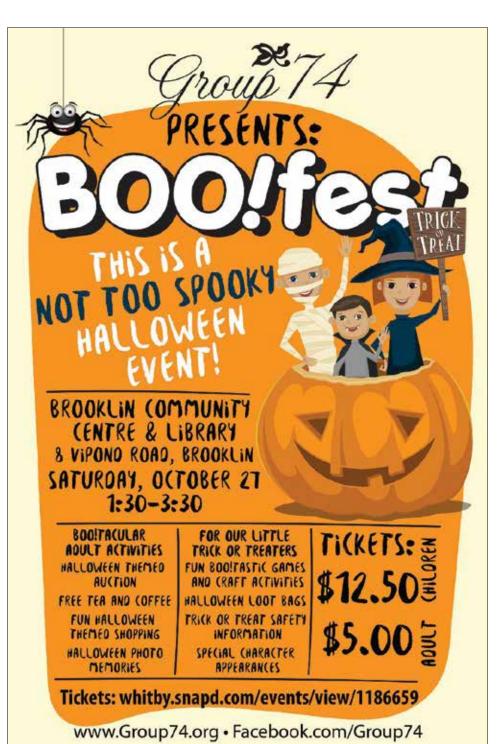
A 13 year old's Hole in One!



Brooklin's Colin Macken, who attends Blair Ridge Public School, accomplished on Sept. 30 (at 4:19 pm, to be precise) what most golfers never achieve in a lifetime: a hole-in-one.

He managed the feat on the 102yard 7th hole at Lakeridge Links using a gap wedge club. Colin, who was with friend Abigail Dove, has been playing golf for three years and gets on the course two or three times each week.







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Interested residents are requested to submit a completed application form to the Regional Clerk by 4:30 p.m. on November 15, 2018.

Application forms are available on durham.ca, or by contacting the Legislative Services Division at 905-668-7711 or by email at clerks@ durham.ca.

Completed application forms should be sent by email to clerks@durham.ca or mailed to:

Regional Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

605 Rossland Road East, P.O. Box

Whitby, Ontario L1N 6A3

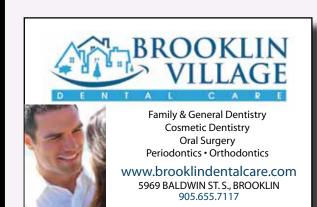
The appointed community member will be expected to attend monthly board meetings at The Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

The DRPSB is the civilian governing body of the police service. The

The Regional Municipality of Durham Police Services Act requires that the DRPSB include a community member appointed by resolution of the Regional Council, who is neither a member of Regional Council, nor an employee of The Regional Municipality of Durham.

> Additional information regarding the DRPSB is available on the Durham Regional Police Service website at drps.ca.

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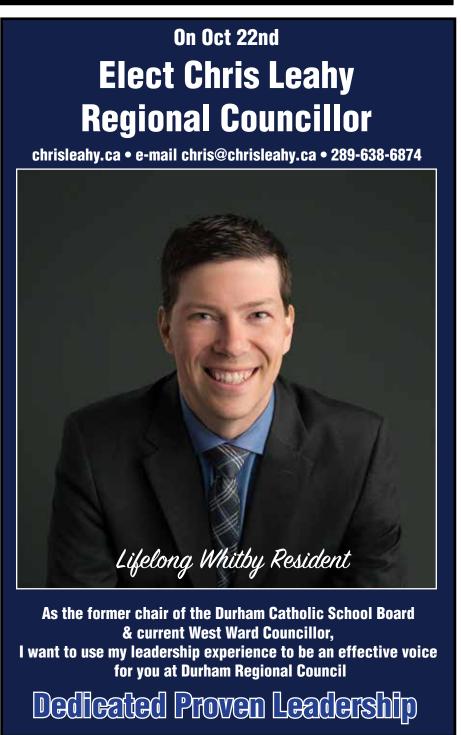


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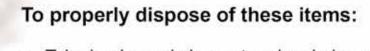
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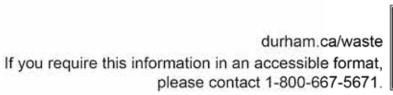
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Durham Celebrates Waste Reduction Week

The Regional Municipality of Durham is recognizing Waste Reduction Week from October 15 to 21, with an official proclamation on behalf of Regional Council.

"While Durham Region residents are already practicing waste reduction through curbside waste collection, the best way to reduce waste is for residents to limit the amount they generate to begin with" said Susan Siopis, Commissioner of Works for The Regional Municipality of Durham. "That's why we're joining municipalities across Canada in celebrating Waste Reduction Week. We want to educate, engage and empower Canadians to reduce waste.

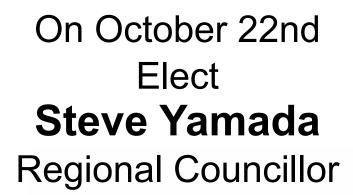
"Food waste is one of our main focuses this year. Simple tips to reduce food waste include freezing food for later consumption, repurposing leftovers for other meals, and being more conscious of the amount of food you purchase every week so that you waste less."

In celebration of Waste Reduction Week, residents are invited to view a series of educational displays that are set up at Durham Regional Headquarters from October 15 to

On October 13, residents can drop off reusable items free of charge from 8 a.m. to noon at the Pickering Recreation Complex for Reuse Day or to drop off their electronic and household hazardous waste. For more information, visit durham.ca/ wasteevents.

To learn more about Waste Reduc-

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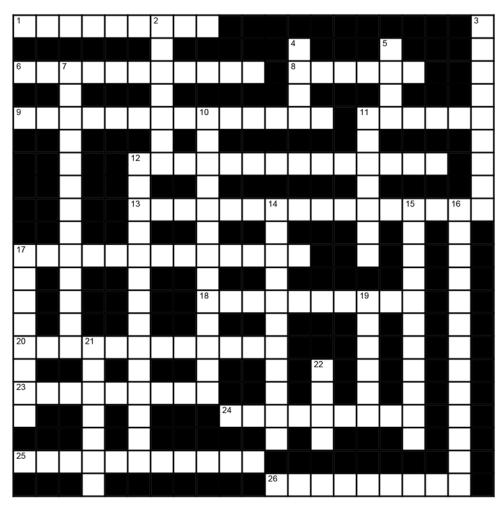
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Crossword



Across

- 1 American country singer songwriter and actor. (3,6)
- 6 Shot four times by an u known assailant in a drive-by shooting in Las V gas; he died six days later. (5,6)
- 8 Marshall Bruce Mathers III; Rapper, record producer, record executive, songwriter, actor. (6)
- 9 She was appointed as the Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the 2018 Birthday Honours for her services to drama and charity. (5,9)
- 11 "Earth in the Balance" author (2,4)
- **12** He is best known for his role as George Costanza. (5,9)
- 13 She spent twenty-five years as the face of CoverGirl and has appeared on over 500 magazine covers. (8,8)
- 17 In 2013, he was celebrated for being the Latin artist with the most records sold in history. (5,8)
- 18 The Chappaquiddick incident in 1969 resulted in the death of his automobile passenger, Mary Jo Kopechne. (3,7)
- 20 He is best known for his music, which often portrays an "island escapism" life style. (5,7)
- 23 Sam Malone on the NBC sitcom Cheers. (3,6)
- 24 He is known for playing a cross- dressing corporal (later sergeant) from Toledo, Ohio, bucking for a Section 8 discharge. (5,4)
- 25 He is known by the nicknames The Midnight Idol,

- Mr. Las Vegas and Mr. Entertainment. (5,6)
- 26 He started his career at age 19 in the film Endless Love (1981), (3,6)

Down

- **2** Barbadian Ambassador at-Large (7)
- 3 American television personality, business woman, celebrity chef, and author. (6,3)
- **4** Brazilian soccer legend (4)
- His most celebrated song was "Kiss from a Rose" (4)
- **7** Duke of Cambridge (6,7)
- 10 She started her career as the lead\singer in the group "Miami Latin Boys" (6,7)
- 11 She began her professional writing career with the publication of Inteview with the Vampire in 1976, (3,4)
- 12 United States baseball player; first Black to play in the major leagues (1919 1972) (6,8)
- 14 She is her father's senior advisor and is also the first Jewish member of a First Family. (6,5)
- **15** His favorite hit was "The Gambler". (5,6)
- 16 National Best Recipe award winner for his Turkey and Hot Sausage Chili recipe in 2003 (6,7)
- 17 "I Love Rock 'n' Roll".

 The song was later made famous by _____ & the Blackhearts in 1982. (4,4)
- 19 #1 Óak Ridge Boys hit (6)
- 21 United States pop singer and sex symbol during the 1980s (born in 1958) (7)
- **22** "Moonstruck" actress (4)

Blooming in Brooklin By Ken Brown

Squirrel!



On the next cool, sunny autumn day, I'll spend time imagining the colourful weeks of the early

spring garden. They'll be the result of the 200 or so tulips I'll be planting. Since our first frost seems to be later each year, the middle of October has become the perfect time to plant the diverse array of spring flowering bulbs. I plant more than most people because they just happen to be one of my favourite plants and I really cherish that mass of bloom in the spring.

By carefully choosing different varieties and types, it's possible to have the garden blooming from the end of

March till early June. Actually, snowdrops will often appear even earlier, but the crocus and bulbous iris can show up in early April. They're followed by the earliest narcissus and then the tulips. I ensure I have plenty of each type in

the garden so that the spring colour show will greet me as soon as possible and last for weeks.

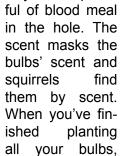
Best investments

Most bulbs are also a great investment in your garden. Many will bloom for years and they're usually inexpensive. Yes, you can pay silly amounts for some bulbs if you want the latest varieties. But for colour, there are numerous reliable older varieties which are the best investment. I confess I've bought a few newer ones myself, but most are older types such as the Emperor series of tulips.

Frustrated tulip growers often stop planting them because they just seem to feed the squirrels. Squirrels really like tulips and crocus but there are things we can do to make sure they stay in the ground and bloom next spring. When contemplating crocus, find the C. thomasinianus varieties such as roseus or ruby Giant. I don't know what's different about that species from the regular crocus but the squirrels know and stay away. Plant lots of narcissus; squirrels don't eat them.

Fooling the critters

Tulips are the big problem. Plant them deep, a minimum of 15 cm, since squirrels are lazy. Put a spoon-



spread a generous amount of Acti-Sol on top of the soil. It's a dehydrated, pelletized chicken manure fertilizer that we can barely smell but keeps squirrels away.

My other secret (that most people ignore) is quantity. If you plant 10 tulips and the squirrel eats eight, you're annoyed. But if, you plant 100 and the squirrel eats eight, who cares? The selection, planting and squirrel-proofing are pleasant autumn chores that allow you to look at your snow-covered gardens all winter and contemplate the glorious spring show you've created.

Community Calendar

Sun., Oct. 21: 6:15 pm:

Soul Soothing Sunday Évening A quiet service of reflection and healing at Brooklin United Church. Refreshments available at 5:45pm. Child care available. office@brooklinunited.ca

Wed., Oct. 24: 7:30 pm: Brooklin Horticultural Society meeting at Brooklin United Church

Guest speaker Sean James. The presentation "It Doesn't End in August: Extending Interest in the Garden":

- a study, month by month, from September to December and beyond
- combinations, individual plants
 breaking down the belief that the spring garden is the climax, and the rest of the year is the denouement

Also our Pumpkins, Pies and Pictures Show. Guests are always welcome.

Fri., Oct. 26: 4:00 - 5:00 pm (4th Friday of each month) Teen Leadership Council at Brooklin Library

Whitby Library's Brooklin Branch seeks Teen Leadership Council members to share ideas & assist with special events and programs. Grade 9-12 students earn community service hours. Snacks provided. No registration required. For information, email teenservices@ whitbylibrary.ca.

French Family Storytime: Children and their caregivers can join Madame Sue for weekly French Family Storytime! A half hour of French stories and songs, with a dash of English!

Drop in at Central Library's Children's
Program Room

Tuesdays: 7:25 pm: Brooklin Toastmasters Club

Practice public speaking at Brooklin Community Centre & Library. Contact John Johnstone at jajhj@sympatico. ca or phone 905-683-4439 or Patricia Romano at promano257@outlook.com or phone 905-626-7055.

1st & 3rd Tuesdays Community Care Durham (CCD) Basic Foot Care at St. Thomas' Anglican Church. 905-668-6779

Mon.-Fri.

CCD delivers hot or frozen meals.

To order: Karen Andrews **905-668-6779**

If you have a community not-for-profit event you would like included in the calendar, please email it to editorofBTC@gmail.com with the subject line "calendar." Priority will be given to Brooklin events. Some editing may occur.

Politicians: Time To Listen To The Teenagers By Ryan O'Connor

With the elections looming large on October 22nd, it is important that Brooklin residents ask themselves what changes they would most like to see in and around their hometown. By posing these questions, we can narrow our decisions to which candidate we want to see win their respective elections.

These decisions are important since a new face on a regional or local chair can bring about the changes we want. I'm still in high school, which means I can't yet vote let alone run for a position. However, my ideal candidate would be one who takes an interest in my concerns as a teenager.

No focus on teens

I often find myself being disinterested and uninformed in local elections as are other teens I've asked. I notice that politicians do not focus their efforts on teenagers and this ciate them and their policies more. leads to a lack of interest in a group of people who will be voting in the near future. If candidates could perhaps designate one or two days leading up to the election to visit local high schools and deliver campaign speeches, they would appeal more to a younger audience and communicate what they could contribute to Brooklin.

Furthermore, I think it would be a good strategy if the candidates teamed up with students who are interested in politics within the school system so they could work together on common policies. By doing this, teenagers could voice concerns on what we would like to see changed in the community. Teens such as me consider politics a strictly adult matter because we often feel our voices are lost. If politicians simply took the time to listen to us, we would appre-

Any new programs?

For example, we teenagers would like to hear more about the status of the proposed recreational facility in Brooklin. How about introducing new town-run programs to help teens cope with mental health?

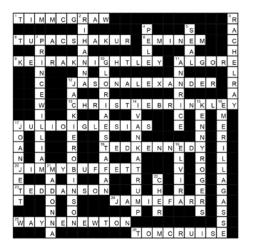
Looking around Brooklin, I'm not sure the seemingly endless number of candidates' signs will give people more motivation to vote. I've actually noticed some candidates have created Twitter or Instagram pages asking followers to vote, which is certainly a great platform, especially for the younger demographic.

Teenagers are stuck to their phones. so introducing this feature could be another way to connect with future voters. But overall, the largest change I'd like to see is candidates

simply taking the time to recognize us and hear our problems.

Having said this, I am proud to live in such a safe and connected community like Brooklin and I look forward to what the future holds.

Ryan O'Connor is a grade 12 student at All Saints Catholic Secondary School



What Our Elected Officials Do

Regional Chair

In Ontario, the Municipal Act sets out the responsibilities of the Regional Chair. The Regional Chair is both the head of council and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the

The Regional Chair is responsible for:

- Introducing motions and voting on items during Committee of the Whole meetings (the Regional Chair has one vote, the same as all members of Durham Regional
- Opening and chairing Durham Regional Council meetings.
- Declaring emergencies under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection
- Being a member of all Regional Committees, serving on the Durham Regional Police Services Board and as Chief Executive Officer of the Durham Region Transit Commission.
- Providing leadership, information and recommendations to Durham Region Council.
- Acting as the primary speaker on public issues, and acting as Durham Region's representative within and outside of the municipality.
- Acting as the head of the institution under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA).
- **Encouraging public interest and participation** in the Region and our activities.
- Promoting Durham Region.
- Participating in and leading activities that improve the economic, social and environmental well-being of Durham Region and its residents.

Regional Councillor

The role of Council is outlined in Section 224 of the Municipal Act as follows: It is the role of council,

- (a) to represent the public and to consider the well-being and interests of the municipality;
- (b) to develop and evaluate the policies and programs of the municipality;
- (c) to determine which services the municipality provides;
- (d) to ensure that administrative policies, practices and procedures and controllership policies, practices and procedures are in place to implement the decisions of council;
- (d.1) to ensure the accountability and transparency of the operations of the municipality, including the activities of the senior management of the municipality;
- (e) to maintain the financial integrity of the municipality; and
- (f) to carry out the duties of council under this or any other Act.

Mayor of Whitby

The Mayor, as Head of Council, is the Council spokesperson and is responsible for the following additional duties as specified in the Municipal Act, 2001 s. 225:

- · To act as chief executive officer of the municipality
- To preside over Council meetings
- To provide leadership to Council
- Toprovideinformationandrecommendations to Council with respect to their role regarding procedures, accountability, and transparency
- To represent the municipality at official functions
- To carry out the duties of the head of Council under this or any other act

Whitby North Ward Councillor

Role/Duties of Council

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- To ensure administrative practices and procedures are in place to implement the decisions of Council
- To ensure the accountability and transparency of the operations of the municipality including the activities of senior management of the municipality
- To maintain the financial integrity of the mu-
- To carry out the duties of Council under this or any other act

School Board Trustees

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Working together, a school trustee is responsible, as a member of the Board:

- to govern and set policy
- to govern for the provision of curriculum, facilities, human and financial resources
- to advocate for the needs of their communities
- as a constituency representative, to explain the policies and decisions of the Durham District School Board to residents

Trustees are available to help taxpayers, parents and others address any issues they may have about the public school system.

Trustees meet as a Board on a regular basis and also participate on organized Standing Committees. The meeting schedule lists public meetings.

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Trustees promote a vision that reflects the input of their communities. They advocate for excellence in education and act as role models to maintain confidence in publicly funded education. In addition, Catholic school trustees are stewards and guardians of Catholic education.

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Experience:

- Durham District School Board
 Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)
- School Community Council: R.A. Hutchinson, Anderson Collegiate Vocational Institute, Donald A. Wilson
- Sesquicentennial Education Committee, Town of Whitby
- · Whitby Town Carnival Committee
- Whitby Library Board: Assisted in securing the new Whitby Library & the Brooklin Library/Community Centre
- Proudly named Sir William Stephenson Public School (submitted the name and it was chosen)
- Numerous fundraising committees including Community Living, School Alliance of Student Songwriters, and many others!

Why I'm Running:

First and foremost, student safety is my highest priority - in and outside of school.

I am an advocate for the 2015 sex education curriculum in our public education system.

In addition, it would benefit our students if the mental health program was taught in Grades 7 & 8 instead of 11 & 12. More details should be taught from Grades 9 to 12. This is a period of critical development for students and is when the first symptoms of mental health problems are usually experienced. By equipping our students with extensive knowledge, it helps to ensure their safety.

I am an advocate for continuing the School Resource Officer (SRO) program in our schools...
and will support them, helping to ensure they remain a strong part of our public education system
unlike what happened in Toronto. This program helps build a trusting, strong relationship between
our police and children.

I am an advocate for putting an end to bullying and cyberbullying.

Period. The current sex education curriculum equips our children with the knowledge and confidence they need to put a stop to such incidents.

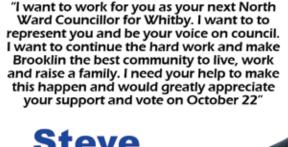
I am an advocate for upgrading our older schools and keeping them from closing.

I'll work to equip schools with proper air-conditioning and circulation systems. I will work with

I'll work to equip schools with proper air-conditioning and circulation systems. I will work with the community and council to problem-solve ways to preserve our schools.

I am and always will be an advocate for our children.

On October 22nd vote Scott Templeton for School Board Trustee Let's work to make our schools a safer learning environment!





North Ward Councillor

"Your Voice for Whitby"



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- Work for you to make sure your taxes are spent wisely
- Vote against budgets that are unfair to you the taxpayer



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- Work to implement a transportation plan to improve transit and reduce traffic and congestion through Brooklin.
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 Speeding, car break-ins, vandalism in our neighborhoods is a huge problem. I will advocate for solutions to help keep our kids and streets safer for everyone.



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