

# Sister crowned in '70 it's Susan's turn now



AT THEIR BEST IN evening dress, the 12 contestants for Miss Acton Fall Fair line up on stage for the judges and audience. From left to right are Cheryl White, Wendy Wood, first runner up Cathy Upton, Debbie Turkosz, winner

Susan Thibodeau, Debbie Siddon, second runner-up Laura Milbourne, Karen McCord, Judy Johnson, Audrey deVries, Kathleen Cheyne and Jennifer Buscher.

When three friends enter a contest, all are wishing the other the best of luck. However, for the three to win the top spots is nothing but fantastic good fortune.

Eighteen-year-old Susan Thibodeau was crowned Miss Acton Fall Fair 1977 Friday evening, while her brother's girlfriend Cathy Upton was named first runner-up and her best friend Laura Milbourne was named second runner-up. Susan still cannot get over the co-incidence.

Susan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M.J. Thibodeau, R.R.2. The Miss Acton Fall Fair contest is nothing new to the family however, as sister Anita won the top spot seven years ago, and Susan herself was first runner-up to Queen Charmaine Bigelow last year.

With the busy weekend behind her now, Susan can look forward to the coming year and what it has to bring her. She will be attending the Beardmore Christmas Party, the fair board convention in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, in February, and vying for the title of Sweetheart of the Fairs at the Canadian National Exhibition in August.

Her first few days as reigning Queen saw her drawing winning tickets, presenting prizes at various contests as well as numerous other duties. To have her best friends by her side the entire weekend made the good time even better.

Susan attended Acton high school, and is now employed as a secretary-receptionist at Simcoe Insulation in Malton. She collects plants, and enjoys horseback riding and just being with her friends, she says. She's looking forward to travelling sometime in the future, and hopes to return to Jamaica, where she once visited.

As Miss Acton Fall Fair 1977, Susan will be receiving gifts and vouchers totalling 75, donated by local merchants and industries.

Susan won: cash from Russ Mac Beauty Salon; dinner for two, Acton Restaurant; shampoo and set, the Looking Glass; voucher, Pine Chair of Acton; cash, Mackenzie Build-All; and voucher, Ed's In and Out.

Scrap book album, Bank of Montreal; cash, Grants Motors; cash, John Palmer; one case of coke, Royal Variety; cleaning voucher, Chance Dry Cleaners; cash, Credit Union; pizza, Olympia Drive-In; and breakfast and gas, Les' Garage.

Dinner for four, Double Happiness; digital clock radio, Halton Hills Furniture and Appliances; two sets of glasses, Pro Hardware; vase, Acton Delicatessen; dinner for two, 747 Dining Lounge; and LP or 8 track tape, The Music Stop.

Voucher, Gal's Pals; coffee spoon, The Holland Shop; Lady Sunbeam Shaver; Canadian Tire; blouse, Vman; sweater, Station Hotel; three piece outfit, Marilyn's Village Boutique; voucher, Watson's Music Store; and cash from Dominion Hotel, Cash, Margaret Mackenzie, cash, Family Barber Shop, cash, A.J. Marine, pen and pencil set, Alton Construction, cash Mrs. Doris Brown, two scatter mats, Lakeview Centre, and necklace and ring set, Joan Harrison, and Michelle Lynn.

Cash, Acton IGA; cash, Building Products of Canada; one pair of shoes, Elissa Shoes; Lotto Canada ticket, Toronto Dominion Bank, negligee, A.J. Place, tablecloth, Acton Furniture soap sampler, Gift Cupboard, necklace and earrings, Acton Jewellery and negligee, Nielson.

Cash, A & B Grocery, tennis shoes, T & T Sports.

one pair Wrangler shoes, Sweetman's; one free meal for two, Watson's Restaurant; sweater set, Family Cleaners; and blue nightie, Huttons.

one large Pizza, Chicken and Pizza Spot, Queen's trophy, Acton Home Hardware; cash, Acton Motors, Purr Power Detangler, Reliable Taxi; nightie, Cher Post Home; blue jeans, Family Bargain Centre; calculator, R & M Shop; and one

pink candy dish, Root Home Hardware Rockwood. Shampoo and style, Profile Beauty Salon; voucher, Johnny Hoare Texaco; Detour earring, necklace and ring, Sarah Coventry - Joan McKnight, cash, Toth Shell Station; and town hall print, Town Hall Restoration Committee.

Susan also received a Miss Acton charm from the Fair Board, and a wallet from Beardmore. All contestants in the contest received a wallet.

Runners-up received a pizza from Chicken and Pizza Spot, jewellery from Sara Coventry - Joan McKnight, and a trophy from Wilprint and a Cachet gift set from Acton Pharmacy.

Flowers for the contestants, Queen's bouquet and stage were donated by Goy Cartage, Blue Springs Nursery, Robertson Florist, Caroline Nurseries, Eramosa Nurseries, and Fourth Line Nursery. Frank Heller and Co. donated the gifts for judges.

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## Seek funds

Halton Hills Library Board is applying to the South Central library system for money to extend shut in services in Georgetown and Acton.

The board moved to apply

for a \$2,764 grant during its meeting last Wednesday in Acton.

The board tabled the idea to South Central in April. We are re opening it now, librarian Betsy Cornwell said.

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CHARMAINE BIGELOW

## S. Thibodeau is Miss Acton

It rained on the Miss Acton Fall Fair contest this year, making it two years in a row, but nobody's spirits were dampened for the occasion as a packed arena watched 18 year old Susan Thibodeau take on the title Miss Acton Fall Fair 1977.

First runner up was Cathy Upton, 17, while Laura Milbourne, 16, was second runner up.

The panel of judges, Mark Leahy, Norma Priday and Jim Perry, had a difficult time making a decision, because all the girls were so evenly matched, they said. Any one of them could have been chosen, and nobody would have argued the result.

Other contestants were Jennifer Buscher, Kathleen Cheyne, Audrey deVries, Judy Johnson, Karen McCord, Debbie Siddon, Debbie Turkosz, Wendy Wood and Cheryl White.

Opening ceremonies, Russell Murray, president of the Fall Fair, began the evening by welcoming everybody to the fair. Miss Judith Reed led the crowd in singing to Canada. Charmaine Bigelow, last year's Miss Acton Fall Fair, opened the ceremonies saying she was sorry to be losing her crown, but happy to know someone else would soon know the joy of wearing it.

Country and Western Music took up the space between appearances by the girls, and the audience enjoyed the performances of Eastwind, Mike Graham and Debbie Post.

The girls first appeared in street length dresses, then came back in evening dress for the final stage of the competition.

The girls had each had an interview with the judges earlier on, so they could get to know each other a bit, and during the evening they were judged on poise, personality and looks.

Five finalists were chosen from the group of 12 contestants, and each had to give an impromptu speech on a topic picked at random from an envelope. Topics ranged from such questions as "What do you most enjoy about the Fall Fair, outside this contest?" All the girls gave excellent speeches, and at they were nervous, it didn't show.

Finally came the moment, when the winners were announced. When Miss Thibodeau's name was read, pandemonium broke out on stage as the girls rushed to congratulate the new queen. Miss Thibodeau began her reign then, surrounded by her fellow contestants in a spontaneous eruption of joy. It was a moment she will never forget.



THE NEW MISS ACTON FALL FAIR, Susan Thibodeau, is flanked by her runners up, Laura Milbourne and Cathy Upton, and by last year's winner Charmaine Bigelow. Girls got together just after the award was announced.



JUDGES IN FRIDAY'S Miss Acton Fall Fair contest had a difficult time choosing a winner from among the 12 entrants. Judges were Mark Leahy, Norma Priday and Jim Perry, better known as the emcee of the Miss Canada contest.

## Rain delays

Drenching rain halted road work this week on both Main St. N. and highway 7 between here and Crewson's Corners. The slippery mud has been tracked by tires all over town, as the work continues to hold up traffic.

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