

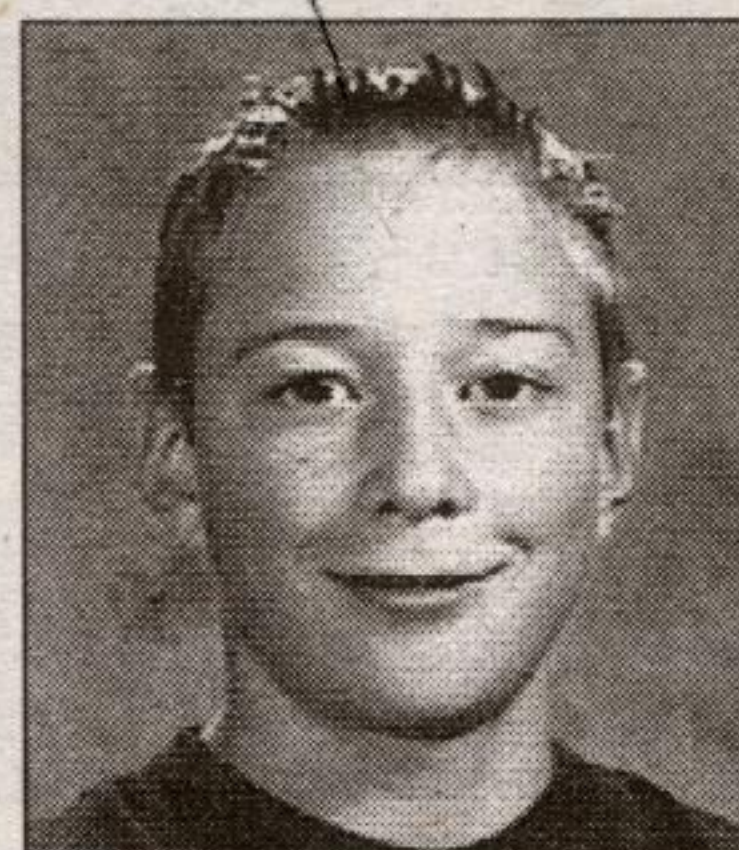
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CARRIERS OF THE MONTH



MICHAEL COULTER

My name is Michael Coulter. I have delivered the Independent & Free Press newspaper for 5 years. I am presently attending Centennial Middle School in the 8th grade. I enjoy wood-working and I have completed a bench and a stool in my spare time. I plan to be a Police Officer in the future.



ADAM SLESSOR

My name is Adam Slessor. I have been an Independent & Free Press carrier for the past 5 years. I am responsible for delivering to 101 homes. I am in the 9th grade at Georgetown District High School. I play rep. baseball for Georgetown and house league hockey in the winter. I also spend alot of time playing guitar.

Scheduling sports teams is no easy task

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sports groups— baseball, softball, soccer, rugby, football etc. She must also take into consideration special events. Every year there are more than 20 large special events such as the fall fairs and Classics Against Cancer that need to use the fields. There are also about 100 requests throughout the year— company picnics, family reunions, wedding pictures— that have to be worked in without conflict.

Priority is assigned for the different requests, topped by town programs and activities with requests from non-residents at the bottom. For the most part, Anger tries to give the groups the same times they had in previous years, unless they've made specific requests.

"We ask groups that are looking to expand to make sure to contact us to make sure the facilities are available before they expand," she said.

The town's field allocation has too become a little easier this year with two new soccer fields at the Trafalgar Sports Park. However, the long winter has delayed the June 1 opening day. That means more juggling of the schedule.

The town does not have to rely on its own fields. It has a reciprocal agreement with both school boards to share town and board facilities and fields, with the town co-ordinating the scheduling. The town also leases fields at the Croatian

Centre on Winston Churchill Blvd.

While more fields make scheduling easy, it's nothing compared to what computers did for the process.

"The first year I started it was all manual," said Anger, who has been with the town 14 years.

Now with scheduling software, the computer will print out calendars with the user group, their times and permit confirmations.

After taking initial requests in

January, times are co-ordinated and mapped out. Confirmations are mailed out to the groups in February. Then it becomes a process of fine tuning.

"There's a certain amount of flexibility and contacting groups to see if they can shift things around. There's give and take and they are fairly willing to work with the other groups," Anger said.

—By Herb Garbutt, staff writer

Gardner leads local gymnasts

Rebecca Gardner finished second all-around at the Twisters Spring Fling Interclub Competition in Orangeville.

Gardner was third on both bars and floor and fifth on beam in the Cadette B division. Gardner's Halton Hills Gymnastics Club teammates, Nicole Armstrong and Michelle Abbott tied for third all-around. They also tied in each event sharing second on floor, third on vault and fourth on beam.

Jessica Leyte-Piche and Tearney Johnston-Jones tied for fourth all-around. Leyte-Piche was first on beam, tied for second on vault with Johnston-Jones and was third on floor. Johnston-Jones was also second on beam and fourth on bars.

Justine Wallace took first place on floor, helping her finish third all-around in the Argo B Division. Wallace also placed fourth on vault and fifth on beam.

Other top finishes at the meet included:

Cadette B: Marta Wegrzyn (fourth floor; fifth bars, beam); Cirerra Henry (third floor; fourth beam); Amanda Hodge (fifth vault, beam); Trishia Einmann (beam, floor).

Argo B: Bethany Troughton (fifth beam, floor); Kessia Coutu (second floor, fifth bars); Chelsea Briscoe (third bars, beam); Rachel Fobert (second beam; fourth floor); Meghan Cunningham (second beam); Jennifer Gardner (seventh bars, floor).

Tyro B: Danielle Ott (second vault; fourth bars); Camille MacGillivray (third floor, fifth bars); Kristen Arsenault (fourth vault); Erin Duffy (eighth bars, beam, floor).

Novice B: Lauren Mansi (third floor, fourth vault, beam); Christina Kendall (sixth vault).

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