

Grade 13 Student Chosen Stouffville's Centennial Queen

400 Attend Pageant

STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville has a centennial queen. She's auburn-haired, Nancy Wideman, a 5'2" blue-eyed Grade 13 student who aspires to become a school teacher.

Nancy, 19, was selected by a panel of five judges from a promenade of twenty entries, in a colorful pageant held in the auditorium of Stouffville District High School, Saturday night. An audience, estimated at close to 400, attended the show. It was one of the best organized programs of its kind ever staged here.

The Master of Ceremonies was Mr. Wally Koster who donated his services to the committee without charge. The executive was headed by Mrs. Jean Barclay assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Burton, Mrs. Maris Anderson and Mr. William Davidson.

TWENTY ENTRIES

Contest entries for the coveted queen's crown were: Helen Lewis, Lee Turner, Ruth Parsons, Linda Priestley, Winnie Skinner, Lois Farthing, Arlene Yakeley, Dianne Taylor, Margaret Sheridan, Nancy Wideman, Susan Lee, Delight Winterstein, Dianne Hamerston, Regina Danms, Catherine Cumming, Dorothy Sanders, Linda Wright, Sharon Lintner, Katherine Kenny and Trudy Cadieux. Finalists included—Catherine Cumming, Susan Lee, Trudy Cadieux, Linda Wright and the winner, Nancy Wideman. Each received a set of centennial coins from the Village of Stouffville.

The Miss Talent presentation went to Trudy Cadieux for her interpretation of the latest dance steps. Margaret Sheridan was named Miss Congeniality. Each received individual trophies. Linda Wright, the first runner-up, received a lady's wrist watch.

The panel of five judges were: Jacqui Armitage, Susan Davey, Bonnie Lawder, Walter Terry and Tim Clark.

MANY PRIZES

In addition to the centennial trophy and a bouquet of red and white carnations, Nancy was presented with a diamond studded wrist watch, a hostess gown, a luggage case, a set of stainless steel flatware, a pair of white gloves, a tiara, a diary and address book, a long-play record, lingerie, perfume, \$30 vouchers, three hair-sets and a professional portrait.

Nancy will appear at each of Stouffville's centennial events during 1967.

'I Still Can't Believe It' — Nancy

STOUFFVILLE — "I couldn't believe it then and I still can't," said 19 year old Nancy Wideman, commenting on the events of the past few days that saw her selected Stouffville's Centennial Queen and presented with a host of lovely gifts and awards.

As she spoke, seated in the homely-like atmosphere of the family farm kitchen, a big brown Persian cat purred approvingly from its favorite resting place.

Nancy pointed with pride at the donations she had received. All were arranged neatly on a table in the living room. On her wrist she wore a diamond studded wrist watch. "Isn't it just beautiful — everything is," she asked and answered at the same time. "And that hostess gown, I just had to wear it on Sunday. It fits me perfectly." In the very centre of the display was a number 12, the order that she appeared, Saturday night. "It will be my lucky number from now on," she said.

Nancy very nearly didn't enter the competition at all and only through the urgings of a close friend, Nancy Stover, did she reconsider. "It was wonderfully organized," she said, "and Mr. Koster was fabulous."

Nancy's mother and twin-sister Sharon were among close to 400 present at the Pageant. Sharon rushed through the crowd to embrace her sister as she left the platform. She is a student at Toronto Teacher's College and Nancy aspires to the same career on graduation in June.



"I Can't Believe It"

Nancy Wideman, 19, Stouffville's Centennial Queen, sheds tears of joy, as her name is announced. —Staff Photo.



"It Must Be True"

Responding to the applause of an appreciative audience, Nancy begins the long walk down the runway. —Staff Photo.



"I'll Serve You Well"

Clutching her centennial trophy and a bouquet of red and white carnations, Nancy looks into a sea of 400 smiling faces. —Staff Photo.



The Queen and her court are pictured here at the conclusion of the Centennial Beauty Pageant on Saturday night. Seated is Nancy Wideman, 19, the winner, while grouped left to right are: Catherine Cumming, 14; Trudy Cadieux, 16; Linda Wright, 19 and Susan Lee, 16. —Staff Photo.

Girl 7 Struck By Truck

VANDORF — A seven year old Gormley district girl remains in serious condition in hospital following an accident at the intersection of Don Mills Road and the Aurora Side-road.

Valerie White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James White, Gormley, R.R. 1, was struck by a pickup truck and dragged 70 feet. The truck driver was James Patton, 56, of King City.

Whitchurch Township police said that the victim stepped from a centre island into the path of the vehicle. The accident was witnessed by her brother.

The little girl was first taken to York County Hospital at Newmarket, then transferred to the Hospital for Sick Children. The ambulance, that completed the emergency run in 31 minutes, was provided with a police escort.

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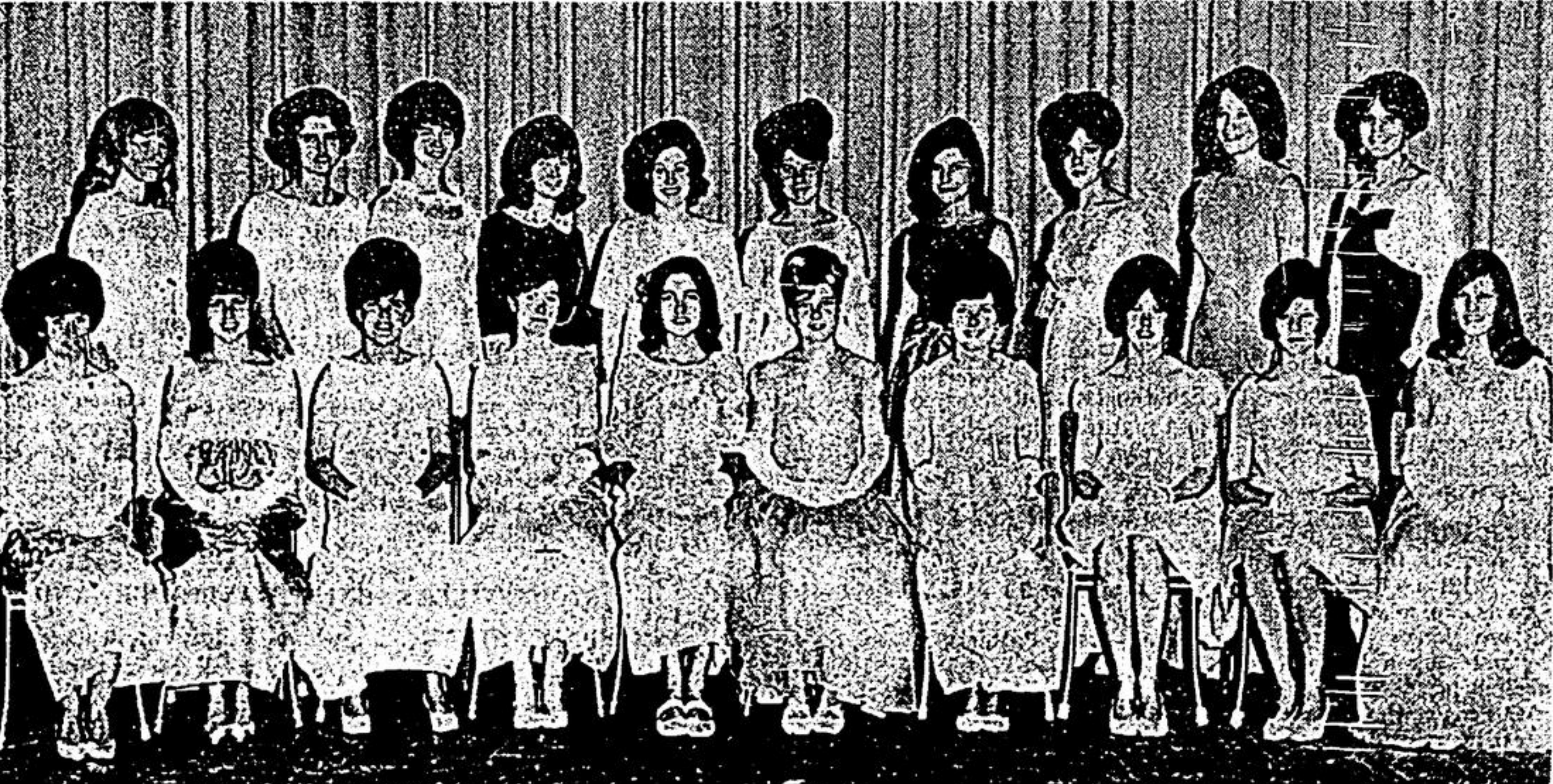
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These are the twenty pretty entries that posed a difficult chore for the panel of five judges, both at the preliminaries Friday and at the finals, Saturday. They are: front row (left to right) Nancy Wideman, Dianne Taylor, Lois Farthing, Linda Priestley, Helen Lewis, Lee Turner, Ruth Parsons, Winnie Skinner, Arlene Yakeley, Susan Lee. Rear row (left to right) Catherine Cumming, Kathy Kenny, Linda Wright, Dianne Hamerston, Margaret Sheridan, Delight Winterstein, Regina Dams, Dorothy Sanders, Sharon Lintner and Trudy Cadieux. —Staff Photo.

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