

'Teen Pick of the Week'

Bank secretary

WHITCHURCH—"One doesn't have to stop learning, just because she's finished school," claims 17 year old Julia Melzer, Aurora Sideroad, R.R. 3, Newmarket.

says, "more often I'm sure than I would." Julia is an enthusiastic worker with the Jehovah's Witness. Her church is located at Edward and Royal Streets in Aurora. She completes door-to-door calls on a regular basis, usually with a

companion. She says most folk are quite friendly. "Many are just lonely and want someone to talk to." Hobbies include knitting and art. Julia has no desire to return to the city way of life. For her, Willowdale is close enough.

SDSS guidance

Program books provide help for subject selection

By George McCullough Within the next few days the Program booklets for 1974-75 for Stouffville District Secondary School will be completed and distributed to the students. This will re-open the question of what options or subjects a student should take next year.

own way, the students. As most parents are aware, decisions regarding subject choice now rest largely with the student and his parent. The booklet is set up to make it relatively easy for parents and students to find the information they need. The information about the school, its program, and diploma requirements is outlined in the first part of the book. The bulk of the book provides a brief description of each course offered in 1974-75 with the prerequisite required to take that particular course.



Seventeen year old Julia Melzer, a Grade 12 graduate of Stouffville Dist. Secondary School, is a staff secretary at the Willowdale Branch, Toronto Dominion Bank. She commutes to work daily from her parents' home on the Aurora Sideroad, east of conc. 5. — Jim Thomas.

Community Centre Boards

Appointments - '74

STOUFFVILLE — Appointments to the municipality's four Community Centre Boards for 1974 were confirmed by Council in its first meeting of the current year, Jan. 8. Representing Whitechurch Centennial Community Centre Board are: Jack Wedley and Mrs. Eileen Gayton of R.R.3, Stouffville; Mrs. Bernice Goff and Hugh Bingham (R.R.2); Mrs. Molly McManningwill, R.R.3, Newmarket; councillors James Woog and Eldred King; Vancor Community Centre Board—Mrs. Betty vanNostrand, Mrs. Heta Alcorn, Mrs. Hans Heyd, Dennis Newman (R.R.1, Gormley); Mrs. Fred Munroe, Don Mills Rd., Gormley; councillors Arthur Starr and Merlyn Baker; Stouffville Community Centre Board—Gordon Ness, 47 O'Brien Ave.; Will Morley, 361 North St.; Harry Bowes, 164 Hawthorn; Mrs. Cathy Sutherland, 115 Lloyd Ave.; Harvey Feasby, 59 Blake St.; councillors June Button and Cathy Joice; Lemonville Community Centre Board—J. Douglas Street, R.R.2, Stouffville; Bruce Burton, R.W. Lowe, H.P. Nauta, P. A. Courage (R.R.4, Stouffville); councillors Merlyn Baker and June Button.

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The Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Fund is NOT insurance

Last week my buddy went to renew his automobile licence and was told he would have to pay \$40 in addition to the licence fee if he couldn't prove he had \$50,000 automobile liability insurance. Why does he have to pay this extra \$40?

This \$40 is a mandatory payment required by The Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Act, to be paid by an uninsured motorist or driver. Ontario law requires the motorist to have a minimum of \$50,000 liability insurance or pay the Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Fund fee before being issued a vehicle licence. If a motorist fails to provide for insurance, himself he has to pay \$40 into the Fund to ensure that innocent victims involved in any accident he may be responsible for, are provided with up to \$50,000 in damages from the Fund, depending on the decision of the Court.

The innocent victim is therefore protected to this extent by law against the uninsured motorist.

Not insurance

How much insurance coverage does this \$40 fee give? This fee does not, in any way, provide the motorist with any kind of insurance coverage. By choosing not to carry even a minimum amount of automobile liability insurance, the motorist has stacked incredible odds against himself.

Even though a motorist has paid his \$40 for the privilege of driving his motor vehicle on the roads, he is still not protected. Because of this, he is liable for the full amount of the judgment if found responsible for causing an accident. Such judgments can be disastrous. For example, Court awards are often based on the future earning potential of the victim. Payments to the family of a 25-year-old, \$15,000-a-year man can add up to a crippling lifetime debt against the uninsured motorist.

Being an owner and/or an operator of an uninsured motor vehicle, what is his position if he is involved in a motor vehicle accident?

If an uninsured motorist has caused or contributed to an accident one of two things can happen:

(1) A claim may be made by the innocent victim directly to The Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Fund for payment of damages. If this occurs, the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations will advise the uninsured motorist by registered mail (this last recorded address) as to what steps he might take to protect his interests.

(2) If a judgment or a claim is paid from the Fund, on the motorist's behalf, the owner's and driver's licences will be suspended until the full amount has been paid or instalment payments have commenced. At the same time, he must file a certificate of insurance to prevent the Fund being called upon to pay a second time.

One notice

How does he know that a claim has been made against him? As soon as a claim is received by the Director of Claims, the uninsured motorist and/or driver is advised by registered mail at the last address with the Ministry of Transportation and Communications.

There will be only one notice.

It is most important for the motorist to realize that by not providing himself with adequate liability insurance and using the Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Fund, he can find himself paying for one accident for the rest of his life.

For a pamphlet on The Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Fund, write Consumer Buy-Line, Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations, 555 Yonge Street, TORONTO, Ontario.

Consumer Buy-Line is an information service of the Ontario Ministry of Consumer & Commercial Relations.

It is fairly important that not only the student but also his parents are aware of the requirements outlined in the first ten or so pages of the book. Many parents will also be interested in the topics that are actually being covered in the individual courses.

If you as a parent have difficulty in understanding some of the requirements outlined in the book or if you have any questions about the program at Stouffville, please call the school at 640-1433 and ask to speak with one of the Guidance counsellors.

We have also scheduled an opportunity on Thursday, January 31 at 7:30 p.m. to come to the school and we will outline the various requirements to you and endeavour to

answer any question which you may have. This meeting is open to parents of students and students who are attending the school at the present time as well as to students who are entering the school in September 1974.

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