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MAYOR



JIM DOBLE  
WARD 1



BECKY WEDLEY  
WARD 2



BILL MCNALLEY  
WARD 3



BILL KAMPS  
WARD 4



JUNE BUTTON  
WARD 5



JIM SANDERS  
WARD 6

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Grant and Carolyn Davidson, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Davidson, R.R. 1, Stouffville, received their Honor Graduation Diplomas at S.D.S.S. Commencement Exercises, Friday night. In

addition, Carolyn received an Ontario Scholarship. Both are students at the University of Guelph. Here, they're congratulated by Whitchurch-Stouffville trustee Harry Bowes. —Jim Thomas.

## "Special people" grads are told

STOUFFVILLE — "You're very special people — it's been a pleasure to have known you through the years". The remarks by staff teacher Diane Stuart in her address to the graduates, highlighted Stouffville Dist. Secondary School's Commencement Exercises, Friday night. She was accorded a standing ovation by the "Class of '78".

Speaking directly to the students, Mrs. Stuart recalled how they provided "an enthusiastic sparkle to the school that made it a daily pleasure to work and learn with them". This

had been a significant fact, she said, ever since their admission to S.D.S.S. back in Grade 9.

She referred to them as "tomorrow's leaders", adding "I have no fear for the future".

"New horizons open and sometimes new challenges loom like insurmountable barriers. It's during difficult times that you must draw on the strengths of your successes, your accomplishments and your sound characters," she continued.

Looking at the other side of the education picture, Mrs. Stuart admitted that "it never fails to amaze teachers how

much we learn from our students." Then, she added, "we hope our students have learned from us, not only the course material we have covered together, but also a measure of self-discipline, perhaps one of the most useful qualities you will ever develop".

Valedictorian, Michael Lafleur, summed up the feelings of all graduates when he said, "one never really appreciates what he has until the chance of gaining it extends beyond his reach". The high school years, he described as a period of self-enrichment with involvement in such areas as athletics, clubs and students' council. "We, as graduates, will be a reflection of our teachers, but gone are the days when we're handed knowledge on a silver platter. Remember the meaning of these years — years past forever," he concluded.

Forty-nine students received Honor Graduation Diplomas. There were 157 graduates from Grade 12. Recipients of Ontario Scholarships were — Jonathan Barnett, Mark Barry, Michael Bowdway, Nancy Dart, Carolyn Davidson, Paul Gauthier, Daniel Glenn, Jeffrey King, Velma Marzinotto, Ralph Saib and Megan Stanford.

## Grain crop champ

STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville's Brian Richards, a first-year student at the University of Guelph, won the grand championship in 4-H Grain Crop competition at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair.

Allin Lewis, RR 2, Markham, was the reserve champion.

Before advancing to the open class, Brian's entry took first in the six-rowed barley division.

Other placements from the Markham-Stouffville area follow: Carolyn Davidson, 1st in 2-rowed barley; 1st in wheat; and 4th in oats. Grant Davidson, 2nd in 2-rowed barley and 2nd in wheat. Charles Warriner, 3rd in wheat. Lynn Rae, 7th in 6-rowed barley. Mary-Anne Hulshof, 10th in hay.

Alex Davidson, a Markham 4-H Grain Club leader, complimented the members on their enthusiasm and success.

## Pickering re-count expected

PICKERING — A recount is expected in Pickering's Ward 3 (regional), following Monday's municipal election result.

Incumbent Gerry Fisher emerged with only a six vote majority over newcomer Anna Crossthwaite. Fisher polled 1,039 to 1,033 for Mrs. Crossthwaite.

An upset occurred in Ward 2 (regional) where councillor Alex Robertson was beaten by Douglas Dickerson. Also in Ward 3 Board of Education, Linda Carder of Claremont defeated trustee David French of RR 1, Locust Hill. It was 1,188 for Mrs. Carder and 1,087 for French.

Other current office-holders were returned, Laurie Cahill in Ward 1 (local); Don Kitchen in Ward 2 (local); Norah Geraghty in Ward 3 (local); Alex Keith, Ward 1 School Board and Pat Mattson, Ward 2 School Board.

Separate School supporters returned Shane Coburn to the Board along with Larry O'Leary.

Earlier, Jack Anderson and Ken Matheson had been returned by acclamation to the offices of mayor and Ward 1 (regional) respectively.

## Becky Wedley — Jim Sanders

# Easy victories in two wards

STOUFFVILLE — A new face but a familiar name will make the political scene in Whitchurch-Stouffville during the next two years.

Jim Sanders, O'Brien Avenue, following in the footsteps of his grandfather, Harry Sanders and his great-grandfather, W.B. Sanders, scored an impressive victory, Monday, in Ward 6.

The councillor-elect rolled up a total of 340 votes, more than the combined totals of his two opponents, Tom Lonergan (159)

and John Gibbins (140). He topped each of the five polls.

In the only other election race here, councillor Becky Wedley easily defeated rival Ron Robb 500 to 298. She too swept every poll.

Despite an obvious lack of major issues in Ward 6, Jim Sanders carried on an energetic campaign. He called on every home-owner in the area. In addition, he was helped by close to thirty workers, many of them friends and neighbors on the same street.

"I met a lot of people and enjoyed it," he said. While making the rounds, many of them mentioned specific concerns and problems that he hadn't thought about, he stated.

Most, he said, want to maintain the quality of life they've come to know and appreciate in Stouffville. Some of the concerns expressed, might seem small but to the individual, they're important, he noted.

Despite her 2 to 1 victory, Becky Wedley called it "a tough fight". The turnout in Ward 2 was about 34 per cent.

Four of the five polls were located in the Ballantrae Community Centre. Councillor Wedley took each of them, 134 to 51, 128 to 56; 93 to 82 and 54 to 43. At Vivian, she won again, 79 to 58.

In ward 6, three polls were located in Latcham Hall and two in the Anglican Church. A breakdown follows: At Latcham Hall it was Sanders, 233; Lonergan, 114 and Gibbins, 82. At the Anglican Church it was Sanders, 86; Lonergan, 38; Gibbins, 55.

Separate School supporters across the Town showed their preference for newcomer Michael Neill, giving him 67 votes to 59 for trustee Terence O'Grady.

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Council for 1979-80 follows: Mayor-Eldred King; Councillors-Jim Doble (Ward 1); Becky Wedley (Ward 2); Bill McNalley (Ward 3); Bill Kamps (Ward 4); June Button (Ward 5) and Jim Sanders (Ward 6). The Town's representative on York County Board of Education is Harry Bowes.

# Mayor-elect wins gravel battle

UXBRIDGE — Anti-gravel factions in Uxbridge Twp., saw their rocks turn to sand, Monday, as Gary Herrema, an admitted pit-supporter, defeated mayoralty incumbent, Gord Davie, 2,709 votes to 1,971.

Gravel was a main issue throughout the campaign with Mayor Davie advocating tighter controls over the industry and his opponent pressing for a greater revenue.

Herrema swept three wards including the town. Davie took Ward 1. The other was split.

"I never wavered from my platform as others did," the mayor-elect said later. He admitted surprise at the size of his win, saying a 100 vote spread was the most he had expected.

"Gord (Davie) got in with the wrong crowd," he stated,

"he realized this, but too late". Turnout at the polls was just over 50 per cent.

## 'Died' happy

UXBRIDGE — Gary Herrema, the mayor-elect of Uxbridge Township, received delivery of a brand new pick-up truck, Tuesday. The old one, road-worn from tooting up and down the campaign trail, was "laid to rest".

Despite its decrepid condition, he's confident it helped him win an election.

"They could see me coming and hear me too," he stated, pointing to the fact the truck's muffler was pretty well shot. The name on the side didn't hurt either, he said.

The election's most lopsided race was for Regional Council where Maustyn McKnight clobbered Carl Puterbaugh by more than 1,000 votes. There were upsets in Wards 3 and 4. Ron Johnson edged councillor Norm Lyons, 450 to 446, and Ron Hunter defeated councillor Sandy Ewen, 594 to 542. Mac Meyers was re-elected in Ward 2. John Paxton (Ward 1) and Alan Wells (Ward 5) were both acclaimed.

Trustee Ed Van-Nieuwenhove was returned to the Board of Education, beating out his only challenger, Ruth Morrison, 2,384 to 1,917.

Mr. Davie offered no excuses. "If I had taken my share of the town vote, I would have done alright," he said, "I guess the people wanted a change".

# Excess garbage dumped at site

STOUFFVILLE — York Sanitation Company Limited has entered guilty pleas to 42 counts under the Environmental Protection Act.

The case was heard in Newmarket Provincial Court, last week, with judgement reserved following several hours of submissions by lawyers for both the Province and the defense.

The charges involved 11 for dumping excessive tonnage of garbage at the Whitchurch-Stouffville site during March and April of this year and 31 of making false declarations on tonnage weights.

Mrs. L.C. McCaffrey, solicitor for the Province, told the court the firm had a record of twelve previous convictions under the Act and had been fined \$14,400 in 1977 for over-dumping at the same location.

Originally, she said, approval was given for deposits of 150 tons per day. However, by the spring of '74, between 700 and 800 tons were being dumped there. An order required the company to cut back to 300 tons daily.

Mrs. McCaffrey said the firm had failed to heed previous convictions. "It's not a matter of a truck load or so," she told the court, adding, "the only way we can deter this sort of thing is to take away the gain".

The fine imposed last time, she said, "didn't work". She suggested that doubling the penalty might help. "There is no other way," she said, "unless we move for an injunction to close the site".

She described the false declarations on tonnage as

"deliberate systematic defiant concealment".

P.S. Isles, a professional engineer for the Province, revealed that York Sanitation had been using fabric matter containing contaminants as covering material at the dump instead of clean earth as ordered under the Act. The officer did note, however, that the company appears to be running a good operation at present.

Counsel for the firm admitted the firm had been under considerable pressure since sites in Metro and Maple had recently been closed. "The Stouffville property's the only one left for excess garbage," he said. Judge Reid Scott was told, however, that York Sanitation had never applied for emergency dumping privileges to deal with the situation.