



Bloomington Road crash kills Gormley area man

A nineteen year old Gormley area man died, Friday afternoon when his westbound car skidded out of control on the Bloomington Road, west of Lincolnville and was hit broadside by a vehicle travelling east. Peter Bennett, alone in the auto, was on his way home at the time of the crash. It was his father who died in a truck-train collision near Claremont about a year and half ago. Driver of

the second car was Peter Webb, 18, of Uxbridge. His passenger, Gordon Meder, also of Uxbridge, suffered a fractured right leg and back injuries. The victim is survived by his mother, Barbara Bennett and a sister, Kelly. Funeral service was held Monday afternoon from the O'Neill Chapel, Stouffville.

Jim Thomas

Orchard Park student

Top area speaker

DICKSON'S HILL — A student from Orchard Park School in Stouffville, was the winner in the Area 2 Intermediate Public Speaking Finals held at Dickson's Hill, Feb. 13.

Anne Christie selected Haley's Comet as the subject of her address and the preparedness of her address was praised by judges Sheila Harris and Patricia Hunter.

Runners-up in the competition were Michael Von Zuben of Ballantrae and Lisa Radford of Whitchurch-Highlands. Michael spoke on "Computers" while Lisa's topic

was "Decision-Making". All three received awards from the Elementary Teachers' Federation, York County.

Other participants were Anne Smith, Dickson's Hill;

John Ross, Aurora Senior and Chris Garbutt, Summitview.

Anne's win allowed her to advance to the County Championships held at Aurora, Feb. 20.

Churches merge

STOUFFVILLE — The congregation of Altona Missionary Church has voted to merge with the membership at Stouffville Missionary Church, the change to become effective at the end of June.

While no official word has come from Stouffville, there's

no reason to think they won't be agreeable, Altona pastor Bob Kennedy told The Tribune this week. More up-to-date information should be available, he said, when the Altona board meets Feb. 26.

Board member, Ross Wideman explained that regular Sunday services would cease at Altona but the church would still be maintained for at least one year. Stouffville, as the corporate body, would retain control, he said.

Membership at Altona had declined, he said, mainly due to the acquiring of properties for the proposed Pickering Airport. Many of the staunch supporters had moved away, he stated, and newcomers had indicated little interest.

The Altona congregation celebrated its centennial in 1975.

Family skate

VANDORF — It's for mom, dad and all the kids—an old time skating party on the outdoor rink at the Whitchurch - Stouffville Museum, Vandorf.

The date is Friday evening, Feb. 22 (tomorrow night), beginning at 7:30 p.m.

There will be prizes for the oldest couple; the youngest couple; the one with the oldest skates plus other interesting attractions. Refreshments will be served around a huge bonfire.

Adult admission is just one dollar.

Snowmobile rams tree

WHITCHURCH — A 17 year old Whitchurch - Stouffville youth was seriously injured late Monday afternoon, when the snowmobile he was operating, failed to make a turn at his laneway entrance and crashed into a tree.

Paul Makela, Conc. 7, R.R. 3, Newmarket, was taken first to York County Hospital, Newmarket, then transferred to Sunnybrook. The accident occurred around 6 p.m., police said.

Girl Guides earn badges

STOUFFVILLE — Sixty Girl Guides from Stouffville attended a mid-winter camp last weekend at the Claremont Conservation Area Field Centre.

Skier's Badges were earned by the following: Kim McConnell, Tara Gibson, Melinda Lehman, Laura Baatz, Eileen O'Connor, Elizabeth Sled, Terri Jones, Mary Sled, Ellen Davidge, Shelly Whittaker, Brenda Marshall and Carolyn Parkes.

Snowshoe Badges were received by: Lisa Ross, Jayne Baker, Julie Gyton, Monica O'Connor, Cynthia Cleave, Monique Gilbert, Danielle Maher, Ellen Davidge, Terri Jones, Renee Fappier, Tina

Miller, Shelly Paige, Susan Scott, Victoria Baird, Jane Wynot, Carolyn Parkes, Cindy Wright, Ann Hodgson, Cathy van Vugat, Annette Schmidt, Nicola Gordon, Karen Kruetzen, Jane Wagg, Tara Gibson, Monica Suk, Mary Sled, Janice Osbaldeston, Tracey Dudley, Laura Baatz, Kim McConnell, Susan Murphy, Elizabeth Sled, Jane Anderson, Melinda Lehman, Leslie Stronach, Kelly Coulter, Tammy Charlton, Brenda Marshall, Cathy Barker and Daphne Gibson.

The adult leaders were Lynn Charlton, Pat Marshall, Sharon Bentley, Jane Fowler, Sheila Acton, Linda Tosney, Helen Peeters and Jean Mann.

'Sinc' survives

Town goes Tory against the tide

By JIM THOMAS
YORK-PEEL — Although his party faltered, 'Sinc' survived. That, in itself, warranted some sort of post-election hoopla, Monday night.

However, there was little joy in the Stevens' camp despite the fact their hero had come home a winner for the fourth straight time.

The Conservative victory in York-Peel, while considerably reduced from the 15,000 vote landslide in '79, was still substantial. With all 315 polls reporting, it was Stevens, 24,022; Harkness of the Liberals, 17,245; Hall of the N.D.P., 8,692 and the two also-rans, Mark Oliver of the Rhinos, 542 and Garry Anstett, Libertarian, 311.

Whitchurch-Stouffville went strongly P.C. It was Stevens, 3,347; Harkness, 1,898 and Hall, 1,041. Oliver polled 57 and Anstett, 34.

The Treasury Board boss was edged out in only two of the

41 polls here. At one Ballantrae booth, he lost 55 to 53 and at one Vandorf poll, he went down 59 to 49. Harkness topped him at each. At another Ballantrae location, the count was close, 79 to 72.

New Democrat John Hall fared somewhat better than Wally Gustar in May, doing exceptionally well at Ballantrae and Vandorf. He also defeated Harkness in one of the polls at the Legion Hall in Stouffville.

Stevens, in his remarks before a subdued crowd in the Newmarket Legion Hall, refused to hide his personal disappointment at the party's showing. He described the outcome as "a serious setback for Canada".

While he himself could be in line for the P.C. leadership, he showed no sign of 'breaking ranks' with Mr. Clark. "When you have a good leader, you don't want to replace him," he said. He accused Trudeau and

Broadbent with 'playing politics'.

Wally Harkness, always the gentleman, offered no excuses, saying "we sure tried hard". He described the incumbent as "a tough nut to crack".



SINCLAIR STEVENS

Stevens' victory more like a wake

By JIM THOMAS
STOUFFVILLE — The atmosphere within the P.C. headquarters here, Monday evening, was anything but what I had expected. Instead of jumping for joy over another 'Sinc Stevens' victory, supporters' faces wore expressions of gloom and doom.

"How can Canadians be so gullible," repeated a gentleman in a blue serge suit, pacing back and forth across the room.

Minus the luxury of a portable T.V., all ears were glued to radio station C.F.R.B.

A faint cheer arose with the announced re-election of a Conservative candidate, but the jubilation was brief as the totals told the story. A resounding win in York-Peel but a distressing defeat across the country.

"How are we doing?" called out a late arrival, obviously out of touch with what was going on.

"Sinc's okay, but..." No need to say more. The silence was deafening.

"I don't believe it, I just don't believe it," commented a lady in disgust when she heard Flora McDonald was trailing

her Liberal adversary down Kingston way.

In Whitchurch - Stouffville, results from forty polls came through quite quickly, in fact, by 9:15, the tabulation, with the exception of the Advance Vote, was complete. At 9:45, someone flicked the lights and fifteen survivors headed for the door.

"Comin' up to Newmarket?" enquired a party-goer with reference to a victory celebration at the Legion Hall.

"Nope," his friend replied, "one wake in an evening's all I can stand."

Band out of tune

STOUFFVILLE — Strife within the Silver Jubilee Club's kitchen band, aptly described as "a tempest in a teapot", has turned sweet sounds into sour notes.

The group, whose music has entertained audiences all around the area for two years, hit a discord recently, resulting in the announced resignation of its organizer, Oscar Bell, Stouffville, R.R. 2.

Mr. Bell, in a letter to The Tribune (Page 6), claims he was asked to leave, a decision he resents very strongly.

The club's executive,

however, deny this, claiming they have correspondence on file, in which Mr. Bell willingly announces his withdrawal.

What the officers want is a band committee rather than what they describe as "a one man show". They've asked him to be part of that committee but so far, he's refused.

The one-time Brooklin barber says it was he who started the band going in the first place. He claims too, that he provided many of the unique instruments that members still use.

While hesitant to discuss the

matter, Club president Walter Pipher gives the band organizer "full marks" for his enthusiasm and ingenuity. He feels, however, that it would be better for all concerned if the decisions were made by at least three persons rather than one. "I don't like this sort of thing," he said, "it tends to place a black mark against the Club."

Mr. Bell says he's completed bookings for the band up until the 7th of May, but as of that date, he's through.

A paid advertisement of appreciation is published on Page 11.

Keith Sutherland New challenge

STOUFFVILLE — "I'll no longer see little Susie start out in Kindergarten and graduate from Grade 8, but I'll still be dealing with kids, only from a different angle".

AURORA OFFICE

That's how former Orchard Park principal Keith Sutherland looks at his new position, that of Staff Supervisory Officer with the York County Board of Education.

He takes over the post officially, March 1, working out of the Aurora office with Dr. Peter Ross and Tim

Roebuck, two persons he describes as "very skilled and knowledgeable gentlemen".

Together, they'll cover the entire County, talk to principals and teachers, listen in on lessons, evaluate programs and make recommendations.

"The whole idea is to help everyone become better," he explained, indicating no teacher need sit in fear and trembling just because he's in the room.

NO SURPRISES

There are no surprise visits. In fact, he'll meet with individual staff members in advance. It's Keith's opinion that just as much benefit can be derived from reinforcing good teaching practices as criticizing bad ones.

Most times, he'll be accompanied by another principal or vice-principal.

Keith expects to be on the road as much as four days a week, driving through areas of York Region he's never seen before. But he thinks he'll like it, in fact, he's looking forward to it. He wants to take a fresh look at education from the other side of the desk.



KEITH SUTHERLAND



Fourteen year old Stacey Lintner, Market Street, Stouffville, was one of sixty Girl Guides attending a camp-out last weekend at the Claremont Conservation Area Field Centre.

Jim Thomas