

YOUTH

"Girl Next Door"

A Joy to behold

By JIM THOMAS

STOUFFVILLE — Some day, Joy Mitchell wants to have a restaurant all her own. She's headed in that direction, a staff employee at The Regal on Main Street in Stouffville.

The pretty nineteen year old is no stranger to many young people in town, even though she lived down Morrisburg way for awhile. She still sees many of the same kids she once knew at school, including Ballantrae and S.D.S.S.

It was back in January that Joy returned to Stouffville. She saw an advertisement in The Tribune, applied for the position and was hired. She works the shift from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m., with Tuesday evenings free.

"I love it," she says.

She also enjoys horseback riding, snowmobiling, swimming and disco dancing.

Joy owns a lovely Appaloosa mare she calls "Preakness". At present it's stabled down at Morrisburg. She hopes to bring her back soon, possibly this spring.

Joy admits she and her sister Eileen are very close. One brother, Floyd lives at Morrisburg and another, Bruce is in Stouffville.

The "night life" of the big city is an attraction, Joes says, but she's still a small town girl at heart. "The people are friendlier in a place like Stouffville," she claims.



Nineteen year old Joy Mitchell is a waitress on the staff at Stouffville's Regal Restaurant. Interests include horseback riding, snowmobiling, swimming and dancing.

Although she's been to Florida and Quebec City on holiday trips, she still has high hopes of making it to The Bahamas. "Maybe some day," she says. Joy owns her own car, a '75 Gremlin, and this makes her independent of others for transportation. Right now, she's on the lookout for something newer. She may also be moving shortly from the Winlane Apartments to Baker Avenue—but not from Stouffville.

Editor's Mail

Drug use a problem

Dear Editor: Mr. Witherow, the principal at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School is of the opinion, drug education shouldn't start and end with the students, but should also include their parents.

I feel he's right. Most parents (myself included) know little or nothing about the uses and abuses of drugs today. To most of us, it's all very new, even though it's been a subject of discussion for almost a decade.

I can honestly say that if I discovered my daughter was experimenting with marijuana (or worse), I wouldn't know which way to turn. For we all think it

can't happen to Ours.

But it is and it can. So what do we do about it?

The principal at S.D.S.S. is on the right track: I feel he should be encouraged to carry this program on, either at the day school level or as a night school course. If we supposedly concerned parents refuse to cooperate, then we've only ourselves to blame.

Sincerely,
LEONA PHILLIPS,
Stouffville, R.R. 2

Question

Dear Jim: The letter-writer (with no name), who criticized Council and your newspaper for not providing the youth of our town with sufficient outlets for their energies, doesn't know what she's talking about.

In the first place, her complaints, (if it is a her) are directed to the wrong sources. The Council or The Tribune aren't supposed to organize teen programs. We have Community Centre Boards for that purpose.

However, the real question is, what does Mrs. 'X' want? What do the young people want? If these chronic complainers would throw out a few suggestions, perhaps something concrete might be accomplished. To suggest "something else" be started on Saturday nights, does nothing for anyone. What is "something else"?

This may sound a bit ridiculous, but the young people in Stouffville that I know, are so busy, they can't keep up with all the things that are going on. RUSSELL MEIR, Main Street East, Stouffville



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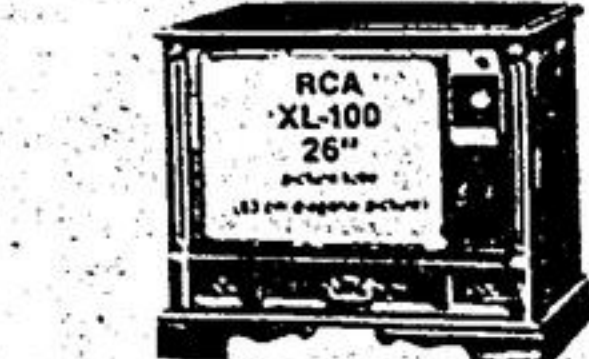
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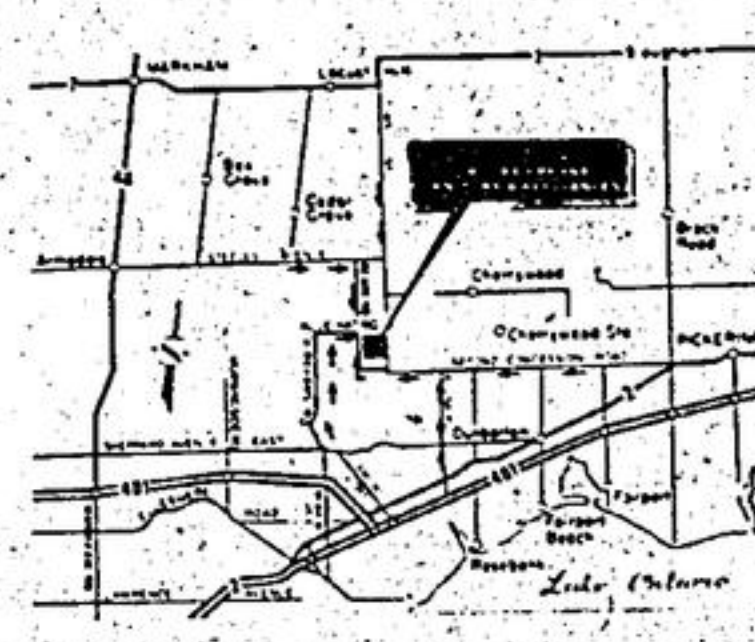


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Editor's Mail

Need drug education

Dear Mr. Thomas: The suggestion by Mr. Witherow, the principal of Stouffville High, that an education course be provided for adults here on the subject of drug abuse, is an excellent idea.

I for one am extremely ignorant about such things as, I believe, are most parents.

Perhaps we're alarmed when there's no need to be and yet again, maybe we should be more concerned than we are.

One hears so many reports, it's hard to know what to believe.

The kids (at least my kids) seem to be much more knowledgeable on this matter than either my husband or myself.

If Mr. Witherow is willing to open up a class where we 'oldsters' can at least listen in, I'm sure we'd all learn a lot.

I feel your paper's interview with the principal on this issue

was both timely and informative and I thought his response to what must be a very touchy subject, was excellent.

Sincerely,
NORMA JONES,
R.R. 3, Stouffville.

Summer day camp

STOUFFVILLE — The Canadian Sunday School Mission, through the Stouffville Missionary Church, will offer its facilities for the operation of a Day Camp for boys and girls, Aug. 11-15.

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