



Father-daughter 'team up' in tournament

Nine year old Robyn Grove, Main Street West, Stouffville, teamed up with her father, Art Grove, to top their class in a Bantam Twosome Tournament at the Stouffville Centre, Saturday. The weekend tourney also included Peewees, Juniors and Seniors. Those placing first and second receive trophies. **Jim Thomas**

EDITOR'S MAIL

Reflected in community

Church influence

Dear Editor: I'm comparatively new to the community, but not that new that I haven't been able to perceive the strong moral fibre that lies at the roots of the municipality. The influence of the church is much more noticeable here than in Metro. This is good. This influence, I feel, makes itself felt in our education system, both at the elementary and secondary level. This is one of the reasons, I contend, that our schools (particularly our High School), operate at such a high level of moral efficiency. The parents are keenly interested in what's going on and support all programs enthusiastically. This interest 'rubs off' on the students. In spite of today's drug-oriented society, I've never witnessed a more wonderful group of young people. In conclusion, I want to say how much I appreciate your newspaper's involvement with the schools (and young folks in general). This all helps to make this the finest community my husband and I have ever known. **Janice Cooke, R.R. 1, Stouffville**

Modern society

Different today?

Dear Sir: As the Christmas season approaches, I wonder sometimes how He might be received, were He born into this modern age of mangled morality and pragmatic principles? Would the proponents of atheistic materialism seek to destroy Him? Would the quizzing Herods of captive nations fear His influence? Would the church mandarins find Him a threat to their spiritual authority? Would the press label Him a fanatic and TV scholars try to trip Him with their erudite questions? Would the militant 'left' call Him a Fascist? Would the militant 'right' call Him a Communist? As we sing the timeless carols and erect the Christmas crib, it might serve us well to ask: Who would stand up to be counted with Him? Who would betray Him? Who would deny Him lest they become involved? Who would give middle-of-the-road responses or claim an "open mind" in lieu of commitment? All of which perhaps challenges us as to why we are celebrating Christmas in the first place. Indeed it might help cut down on the buying binge and eating orgy that invariably leaves us out of sorts and out of pocket. It might help us see the season as a time of rededication, gratitude and goodwill. At least it helps this lone writer to say in the true spirit of Christmas "God Bless Us Everyone!" **Patricia Young**

Editor's Mail School students praised

Dear Mr. Thomas: Thank you very much for the Page 1 story on the students' donation to the Canadian Cancer Society and the accompanying editorial related to the passing of Mrs. John Reesor. The comment was so warranted and I'm sure, very much appreciated by all concerned. More and more I'm getting the impression that we have a wonderful group of young people at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School. Their most recent gesture tends to support this feeling. How often, I ask, would a group, adults or teens, be inclined to act in such a manner? If I hadn't read it in your paper, I wouldn't have known about it. To say I'm impressed with the cast of Variety Show '89, is putting it mildly. Overwhelmed is a better word. The parents of each son and daughter involved in that program have every right to feel proud. With young people like that, the future looks extremely bright. Sincerely, **Joan Bradley, R.R. 2, Stouffville**

Young people

A credit to school

Dear Mr. Thomas: This is the first time I've ever written a letter to your newspaper. I was prompted to do so after reading the story and editorial re the student donation to the Cancer Society following the passing of Mrs. John Reesor. I actually cried when I read about it and am not ashamed to admit it. But they were tears of joy and respect. Thanks kids for making one mother's Christmas a whole lot merrier. **Thelma McCaffrey, R.R. 1, Unionville**

Support Hall of Fame

Dear Jim: I want to add my name to the growing list of people who'd like to see a "Hall of Fame" established in our Town. I agree, it would be a wonderful project for the municipality. My name or picture will never be memorialized in Whitchurch-Stouffville, but there are dozens of people who should be remembered for their accomplishments, past, present and future. If enough people get behind this venture, it may some day become a reality. Let's hope so. **Henry Walton, R.R. 4, Stouffville**

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