

Girl killed in car crash

STOUFFVILLE — She was a very giving, cheerful and understanding person," Susan Ward said of her step-daughter, 20 year old Jenny Chester, "a very sensible girl, never in any trouble, a real sweetheart."

Jenny died Thursday, following a two-car collision on Hwy. 9, west of Newmarket. A passenger, 18 year old Darren Kendal of Thornhill, was also killed in the crash.

The love and respect held for Jenny was indicated by the hundreds who visited the Dixon-Garland Funeral Home in Markham, Saturday, and attended the service, Sunday.

Jenny was born in Toronto, the daughter of John and Jean Chester. At age five, her mother died and at age 14, her father passed away.

"But she picked up and carried on," Mrs. Ward said, "always looking on the bright side of everything." She described Jenny as "like a second mother" to brother Michael, despite an 11-year difference in age.

The family lived south of Cedar Grove until nine years ago, then moved to a lovely home at R.R. 3, Stouffville. Jenny's step-parents, Keith and Susan Ward, now reside east of Clarendon. Other

family members include Paul in Toronto; David at Mississauga; Kathy in Kingston; Michael and Kelly at Clarendon; Jenny's grandmother, Mrs. Frances Amos resides at Picton.

During much of the summer, Jenny had worked at a Frank Vetere's Restaurant in Toronto. She was en route home from a company picnic when the accident occurred. It had been her plan to enrol in a modelling course at Humber College this fall.

A graduate of Uxbridge Secondary School, Jenny loved sports, both as a participant and a spectator. She en-

joyed basketball and volleyball and often attended hockey games in Stouffville.

After Grade 13, she embarked on an around-the-world tour, visiting such countries as Australia, New Zealand, China, Japan and parts of Europe.

However, her home meant most to her, Mrs. Ward said, especially at Christmas, when all could be together as a family.

Rev. Douglas Gray of the Stouffville Missionary Church conducted the service, Sunday, with interment, Erskine Cemetery, Pickering.

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Big Run

STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville will join hundreds of communities across Canada in hosting a Terry Fox Run, Sunday, Sept. 19.

Registrations will take place this Friday (Aug. 27) at 10 a.m. in front of the IGA. Pledge sheets will also be available in local stores. The event's chief organizers are Dixie Sellers and Beulah King.

The route, covering 10 kilometers (six miles), will begin and end at Latcham Hall. A half-way checkpoint will be set up at The Library.

Each participant will receive an engraved Terry Fox Marathon of Hope ribbon. Person unwilling to circulate pledge sheets but anxious to take part, can do so on payment of five dollars.

All runners (and walkers) will be provided with maps. Signs will also be erected. The entire route is located within the town limits.

Ask support for hospital

STOUFFVILLE — Representatives of the Markham-York Hospital Board met with members of council and local service clubs, Aug. 19, to discuss a \$5-million fund-raising campaign for construction of a hospital to serve the Markham-Stouffville area.

The meeting, organized by Mayor Eldred King, was held at the Deer Park Inn.

The opening address was delivered by George MacKinnon, head of MacKinnon and Associates and retained by the board to complete a feasibility study and head fund-raising operations.

He said the project would receive two-thirds of its funding from the provincial govern-

ment. The remainder, he explained, would have to come from the private sector who are expected to raise between five and six million dollars. Regional and municipal governments will also contribute, he said. There's no federal funding available.

The 50-acre hospital site is east of the Ninth Line, north of Hwy. 7, about six miles south of Stouffville. The land was a gift to the board in 1966 from the late Arthur Latcham, but due to the project being "low priority" in the opinion of the ministry, the venture has remained in abeyance until funds are available.

Initially, the hospital will accommodate 200 beds, with an additional 50 projected by 1991. Full complement will be 300. Operating costs are estimated at \$5 million a year, paid for by OHIP and regional taxes.

Stressing that Whitchurch-Stouffville has many other priority projects in hand, not the least of which is a new arena, Mayor Eldred King said: "It's an awful lot of money to be raised. However, I know from past experiences, we're capable of helping out when help is needed."

Prior to the presentation, Dr. John Button, a member of the hospital board, reminded the audience that once upon a time Stouffville had its own 35-bed hospital, called "Brierbush". This building, he said, had been demolished several years ago to make room for a subdivision. He emphasized the "great need" for a hospital in the area.

Service clubs and organizations represented included Richardson Masonic Lodge; Ballantrae and Stouffville Lions and Lioness clubs; Rebecca Lodge; Oddfellows Lodge; Royal Canadian Legion; Legion Ladies Auxiliary; Canadian Progress Club; Chamber of Commerce; Councillors: Jim Rae, Charles Warden, Tom Wood and Wilf Morley; and Whitchurch-Stouffville's Citizen-of-the-Year, Fran Sainsbury.

Pen pals

VICTORIA SQUARE — It was 50 years ago, while a student attending S.S. No. 6, Markham, that Eloise Perkins (now Mrs. Fraser Gee), was encouraged by sister Dorothy (Pickering), to "adopt" a pen-pal overseas.

Eloise accepted the challenge. She and Jaye (Kinane) of Echuca, near Melbourne, Australia, kept in touch over a long period of time.

Seven years ago, Mrs. Gee travelled "down under", and while there, searched out the residence of her friend. A heart-warming reunion resulted.

This week, Jaye returned the favor, calling on Eloise at her home in Victoria Square.

Despite the fact they live twelve thousand miles apart, both agree "it's a small world".

He flies through the air....!

Fourteen year old Andrew Philliskirk of 17 Pine Street, doesn't claim to be Stouffville's answer to Evel Knievel, but his stunts are almost as daring. A ten-foot ramp, built on a 45

degree angle, allows Andrew to fly through the air with the greatest of ease. Despite the obvious hazards, the bike and its rider are still in one piece. — Jim Holt



Testa Villa

"Hi-rise" on rents

STOUFFVILLE — Faced with the likelihood of spiralling rents, many of the 62 tenants in the Testa Villa Apartments, Albert Street South, are planning a combined appeal to the Rent Review Board of Ontario.

At a meeting, Aug. 18, residents, many of them senior citizens, told of proposed rent hikes as high as 48 per cent.

A tenants' association has been formed to fight the increases.

Rick Bell, secretary of a similar organization in Aurora, told his concerned audience that the Rent Review Commission "is more than willing to help". A hearing date will be arranged following receipt of an application, he said. "You must speak up for yourselves," he advised.

One tenant said she was now paying \$318 a month but if the planned increase goes through, her rent will climb to \$470.

It was said that the apartment manager, a resident of Markham, was attempting to arrive at "a balance" between those on an upper rent scale and those not paying as much — "robbing Peter to pay Paul" as one tenant put it.

In the wide-ranging discus-

sion, several described unfavorable conditions within the apartment including lack of heat, leaking windows and peeling paint.

One complainant said that because the furnace was "cut back" in January, many had to resort to baseboard heaters that raised hydro costs considerably.

Arms 'on hold'

STOUFFVILLE — The nuclear disarmament question will not be placed on the Nov. 8 municipal election ballot here unless legislation is first accorded three readings by the province.

That's how the issue stands at present, Mayor Eldred King told The Tribune. He explained that the Ontario Legislature has recessed for the summer and may not deal with the matter until on in October. This could make it too late for action here, he said. He described it as a "wait and see situation".

Town Plan approved

STOUFFVILLE — Whitchurch-Stouffville's Official Plan has been approved by the Provincial Ministry of Housing.

Mayor Eldred King made the announcement at a press meeting this week. It marks the culmination of a project that began back in 1976.

What the Plan does, Mayor King explained, is designate certain areas of the Town for residential, commercial and industrial development. Amendments can be approved, but each takes from ten months to a

year. A \$750 application fee is charged.

The planning forecast is considered practical for five years. The population prediction by 1987 is 17,000, an increase of 4,000 over the period. Stouffville will grow by about 3,000.

Prior to the Plan's finalization, the municipality was tied to regulations as authorized under the former Twp. of Markham, Twp. of Whitchurch and Village of Stouffville. "Everything's now consolidated into one," Mayor King said.



Show winners all the way

Four year old Shelley Painter says her mommy doesn't have a green thumb, but you couldn't tell by the number of awards she won at the Stouffville Horticultural Society's flower show, last week. This rose received a red ribbon along with several others. Shelley's parents are Murray and Jean Painter, R.R. 2, Stouffville.

Recreation Centre

New rink-hall - \$2 1/2 million

STOUFFVILLE — The first phase of a new recreation centre, to include an artificial ice arena and a community hall, will cost an estimated 2 1/2 million dollars, a meeting of Recreation Board and Council was told last week.

The Town is currently receiv-

ing opinions and recommendations from various architects and planners related to the proposed project.

The partnership firm of Moffat-Kinoshita recommended an arena ice surface 85' by 200' seating accommodation for

1,000; a first-aid room, six dressing rooms, washrooms and showers, a referees' room, a storage room, a snack bar, a lobby, public washrooms and a press box.

The community hall as proposed by the firm would accommodate 300 people with kitchen and storage, meeting rooms and stage.

An indoor pool was included in phase 2 along with a health club and four racquet ball courts.

A cost analysis, as provided by the company follows: Arena and Community Centre - \$2,200,000; fees and expenses - \$160,000; Indoor Pool - \$800,000; Health Club - \$30,000; Racquet Ball Courts - \$240,000; fees and expenses - \$95,000.

"We're searching for ideas," Mayor Eldred King told the meeting. He said a site west of the High School is a distinct possibility but "nothing had been finalized." Mr. Konoshita described this location as "fairly good" with greater public exposure if the facility is erected close to the Ninth Line rather than Edward Street.

Pure water demanded

STOUFFVILLE — The Concerned Citizens' Committee of Whitchurch-Stouffville has again appealed to the Environment Ministry to provide alternate water supplies to residents, whose wells, they contend, are contaminated by seepage from the Hwy. 48 land-fill site.

At a meeting, Aug. 11, Fran Sutton, the Committee's representative, said Waste Management had been ordered to assist twelve area families in this regard. She told Environment Minister Keith Norton that, despite a pending appeal, the residents' "peace of mind" should be a priority. The appeal, she said, could extend into the spring of '83.

Mrs. Sutton expressed greatest concern for residents Neil and Vera MacLean whose well has been closed since January by the regional Medical Officer of Health. Mr. MacLean must transport water in five gallon jugs from a spring in Uxbridge.

Mrs. Sutton described the minister's response as "cold and abrupt". He intimated, she said, that only if the health of the MacLeans was in "imminent danger" would he order such action be taken.

Mrs. Sutton said later, she was somewhat heartened by Mr. Norton's response to her query during a radio phone-in show, promising, she said "to look into it".

Serenade!

STOUFFVILLE — Championship teams will still be accorded the thrill of a fire truck ride along the town's Main Street.

The affirmative decision was revealed by Chief Walter Smith following a committee meeting of Council, Aug. 10. However, rules and regulations governing such receptions, will be established by Chief Smith assisted by Councillors Wilf Morley and Jim Sanders.

The procession, a Stouffville tradition more than 50 years, was temporarily cancelled when several residents registered complaints over the noise of the serenading during late-evening hours.

Champions!

UNIONVILLE — Nancy and Linda Joyce, Kennedy Road, R.R. 1, Unionville, are ecstatic this week, following their entries' excellent showing in Morgan horse competitions at the C.N.E.

"Katinka", a four-year-old Morgan mare, ridden by Linda, won both the Open English and Open Western Pleasure Classes, then went on to win the English and Western Championships. In addition, "Katinka" was selected cham-

pion Morgan mare.

"Star", a five-year-old Morgan mare, ridden and driven by Nancy, scored high in both Pleasure Driving and English Pleasure Championship Classes.

The Joyce family has been showing Morgans since 1977. "Katinka" won the Western Championship in 1981. But it was her first time in English competition. Nancy and Linda, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Joyce, received four beautiful trophies.