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## Sr. skater mesmerizes crowd



Nineteen-year-old Connie Colby (left) and thirteen-year-old Sarah Hall (right), performed brilliantly in the 1983 Uxbridge Figure Skating Club Carnival last weekend. Both had lead roles in "The Whiz" a modern-day



musical version of "The Wizard of Oz". The show played to excellent crowds both Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.

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UXBRIDGE — The needle on the applause meter was bent close to the breaking point, Saturday (and again Sunday), after nineteen-year-old Connie Colby completed her breathtaking routines in Ice Show '83 at the Uxbridge Arena.

Those who didn't applaud were undoubtedly mesmerized by the skills this young girl displayed. She skated as if she "owned" the ice, completing acrobatic twists and turns like a seasoned pro.

"I could have watched her all night," Carnival Chairman Debbie Begg said later.

Mrs Begg described each of the performances as "great", with Sunday's show even better than Saturday's. The sound system, she said, was "off key", Saturday, making it difficult to catch all the words. "But on Sunday, you could hear everything perfectly," she stated.

Although the Saturday night audience didn't know it, the on-ice bath absorbed by the wicked witch (Dahna

Jackson), came as a complete surprise—to her. "It was supposed to have been mashed potato chips, but someone substituted water," Mrs Begg explained. "She (Daphna) was even steaming," she said. Most spectators figured it was all part of the act.

Theme of the show was "The Whiz", a modern-day musical version of "The Wizard of Oz". The colorful costumes were accentuated by excellent lighting.

While those with a knowledge of the story and familiar with the faces, could follow along without reference to the program, I found this difficult. It was only during the intermission that I was able to "catch up" with what had been done and who had done it.

Mrs Begg emphasized the fact that the Club's senior skaters have attained such high calibre skills, they're now able to complete various moves none would have attempted before. This was very visible and points to an exciting future for the entire organization.

## Bad curve?

CLAREMONT — Does the curve on the 9th Concession at the Markham-Pickering Townline pose a hazard for motorists?

Norah Stoner, Pickering Regional Councillor (Ward 3), wants to know.

Councillor Stoner has requested a report from the Director of Works following a recent accident at this location and another "near miss".

Mrs Stoner told The Tri-

bune that her husband helped free a driver from his vehicle after the car veered off the road and overturned.

"I'd like to hear the views of others who travel this road," she said. "If the curve is considered a hazard, I'd like to see it improved".

Mrs Stoner can be reached at 683-2760 (office) or 683-3589 (home).

## Urge missile test ban

UXBRIDGE — "The Soviet Union has every right to be wary of us," David Szollosy told a meeting at Uxbridge Secondary School, Thursday.

The discussion, sponsored by the Durham York NDP

Riding Association, was held for the purpose of airing concerns related to the Cruise Missile Testing Project in Canada.

The Willow Beach speaker described the Kremlin as not the aggressor but rather

the defender. He said any action taken by Russia since World War II had been merely, to protect its own borders.

Unfortunately, he said, we're not told of the peace initiatives made by the

Soviets to the United States, each of which had been rejected.

The existence of the Cruise Missile, Szollosy said, will heighten rather than lessen the threat of nuclear exchange. He charged that use of Canadian air space for testing purposes, "or face economic sanctions", is the continuation of strong-arm tactics by the U.S.A. He described the Cruise as "insidiously undetectable" due to its ground-hugging capabilities. "It puts the Soviets on the defensive," he said, "they wouldn't know of its location until it's too late".

While the Soviet Union, Szollosy said, has indicated a desire to protect only its own boundaries, the United States has involved itself in conflicts thousands of miles distant from its homeland. The U.S., he stated, has an estimated 540,000 troops, at 200 strategic bases around the world.

"There isn't really a big fear from the Russian bear," he declared.

Szollosy urged the distribution of anti-test in-

formation through the churches and the high schools. He also advocated participation in peace walks.

Dr. Eoin Mackay of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Leaskdale, explained that while the hierarchy of the church had expressed opposition to the Cruise testing program, such was not the case with many congregation members. "Many people are not going along with the churches' stand," he said, "and this weakens our cause". He recommended the issue be placed on a ballot.

One member of the audience criticized the media for focussing attention of protesters wearing skeleton masks and other such gimmicks. "It gives the wrong impression," he said. He wondered what the reaction would be if the same people were dressed in three-piece business suits and wore horn-rimmed glasses.

Another suggested not to expect much help from "implanted politicians". "This is a grass roots movement," he said, "involving the people of Durham Region. We're where it's at".

### Ivan Norton

## Triple champion

UXBRIDGE TWP. — Winning field crop championships is no new experience for Ivan Norton, R.R. 1, Goodwood. He has a trophy room filled with awards.

Recently, he added three more, with top honors in wheat, rye and potato categories at the Durham Region Seed Fair and Feed Show held in the Blackstock Recreation Centre.

Other division championships were won by: Harold Yellowless of Enniskillen (Oats-Barley); William and John DeVries, Bowmanville (Corn) and Bob Hunter, Brooklin (Soybeans).

Thirty-five exhibitors submitted 149 entries.

The Grand Champion Award, donated by Milton Parkin of R.R. 1, Brooklin, for the exhibitor winning the highest number of points in Red Clover, Wheat, Oats, Rye, Barley, Soybeans and Corn classes, went to Teledale Farms of R.R. 4,

Sunderland. Runners-up were Dennis Yellowless of Enniskillen and Lloyd Harbison of Ashburn.

In the forage classes, (Durham West), the championship trophy, donated by H.H. Goode and Son of Uxbridge, was won by Robert Smith of Port Perry. The runner-up was Ivan Norton of Goodwood. In Durham East, the trophy went to William and John DeVries of Bowmanville.

First place winners in each class follow: Red Clover-James Mackie of Janetville; Fall Wheat-Ivan Norton, Goodwood; Rye-Ivan Norton, Goodwood; Oats-Harold Yellowless, Enniskillen; Barley (six-rowed)-Harold Yellowless, Enniskillen; Barley (two-rowed)-Dennis Yellowless, Enniskillen; Ear Corn-Teledale Farms, Sunderland; Shelled Corn (whole)-William and John DeVries, Bowmanville; Shelled Corn (high moisture)-Teledale Farms, Sunderland; Soybeans-Bob Hunter, Brooklin; Potatoes (table

stock, white)-Ivan Norton, Goodwood; Potatoes (table stock, red)-Ivan Norton, Goodwood; Corn Silage-Alf Jackson, Brooklin; Haylage-Teledale Farms, Sunderland and Bob Hoogveen, Blackstock; 1st Cut Hay-Robert Smith Port Perry; Wm. and John DeVries, Bowmanville; Donovan Smith, Blackstock; E.L. McLaughlin, Nestleton; Donovan Smith, Blackstock; Ivan Norton, Goodwood; Beef Feed Ration-Bill Lamb, Port Perry; Dairy Feed Ration-Wm. and John DeVries, Bowmanville; Market Hog Ration-Bill Lamb, Port Perry.

In the Junior Section, first place winners were: Oats-Don Skinner, Bowmanville; Barley (six-rowed)-Jeff Hunter, Brooklin; Potatoes-Murray Norton, Goodwood; Shelled Corn (whole)-Jeff Hunter, Brooklin; Shelled Corn (high moisture)-Bob Hoogveen, Blackstock; 1st Cut Hay-Murray Norton, Goodwood, 2nd or 3rd Cut Hay-Murray Norton, Goodwood.

### Late Viola Forsyth

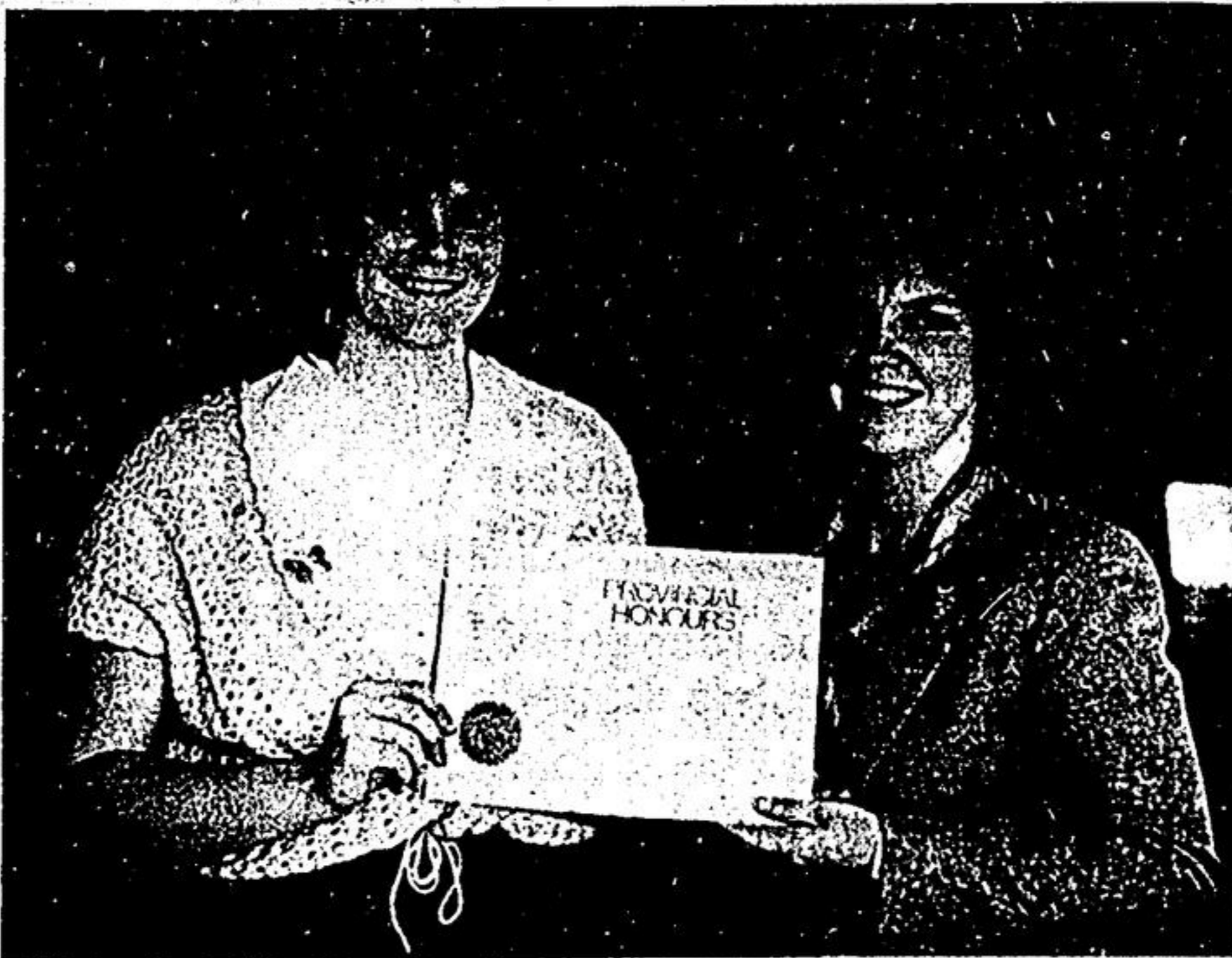
## Aided church

Viola Forsyth, formerly of Claremont before moving to Markham in Sept. 1973, passed away in Scarborough Centenary Hospital, April 2.

Miss Forsyth taught school for almost 25 years at Balsam, Mount Albert and Dunbarton. In 1927, she accepted a teaching position in Oshawa where she remained until accepting an early retirement in 1943 following the death of her sister Mary.

She was active in the work of the Claremont Baptist Church, receiving a Life Membership Pin from the Women's Missionary Society.

Miss Forsyth had been in poor health for the past seven years. She was admitted to hospital Dec. 6, 1982 where she remained until her death. Surviving is one sister, Georgina, also of Markham.



### Receives Provincial Honors Diploma

Brenda Lawson (left) of the Brooklin 4-H Club, received her Provincial Honors Diploma at a Durham South Achievement Day, April 9 in the Greenwood Community Centre, Beverley Brook, Home Economist for Durham-York, made the presentation. A provincial certificate represents twelve completed projects.

—Jim Thomas

### Jr. Farmers

## Variety show

DURHAM WEST — The Durham West Jr. Farmers are holding their annual Variety Night on Sat., April 23 at 8 p.m., in the Sunderland Town Hall.

The program will include several skits plus instrumental selections by Rob Kennedy and

June Harrison. Bill Kester and Ron Harrema will serve as M.C.'s.

Admission is \$3 adults and \$1 for children with proceeds going to the Arthritis Society.

For additional information contact Janice Hill at 473-2138.

### Spring fever?

## Pet ferret home again

ALTONA — "Mikey" may just have had a touch of spring fever. Anyway, whatever prompted him to wander, doesn't really mat-

ter. He's now home safe and sound.

Mikey's a ferret, a weasellike rodent that strayed onto the property of the Stouffville Christian School at Altona. There it was spotted by students Nelson Wilson and Kenneth Enderwick. They took pity on the little creature and gave it part of their lunch.

Because it was wearing a collar, Principal Bob Stover realized it was someone's pet. He agreed one of the boys could take it home until the owner was located. That afternoon, Mrs Enderwick had an extra "passenger" in her car.

The lads placed an advertisement in The Tribune.

Soon afterwards, Carol Sommers of Altona saw the notice and quickly reclaimed their family pet. Daughter Kris, 12, and son Blane, two, are happy to have him back.

"He loves chocolate," Mrs Sommers said, "especially black forest cake." "He's terribly spoiled."

When the weather warms up, Mikey will be put outside in a specially built "run". There, he'll enjoy the best of two worlds—lots of exercise and plenty of food. As for going back to school, Mrs Sommers hopes he's learned his lesson.

### Welcome

PICKERING — In conjunction with Education Week, Pickering High School is holding an "Open House", Wed., April 20 from 7 to 9 p.m.

The evening's program will include everything from vocal and instrumental music to computer studies and exotic foods. There will be dance and gymnastic demonstrations by the Physical Education Department plus displays in almost every area of the school including the new Science Labs.

The event is open to the public.