

"Girl Next Door"

Stouffville's size enjoyed by Lisa



Sixteen-year-old Lisa Boyd, Booth Drive, Stouffville, is a Grade 11 student at S.D.S.S. Following graduation, she hopes to train as a veterinarian. Formerly of Mississauga, she likes Stouffville's small town atmosphere.

—Jim Thomas

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STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville may not have facilities comparable to larger centres, but it's quality not quantity that pleases 16-year-old Lisa Boyd of Booth Drive. "I like the small town atmosphere," says Lisa, "the people are friendly and you get to know almost everyone."

Lisa's our "Girl Next Door." John and Carol Boyd along with Lisa, Leanna and Andrea, moved to Stouffville from Mississauga nine years ago. Although only seven at the time, separation from public school friends was hard. But that's all in the past. She has nothing but good things to say about the community and her school. She's a student in Grade 11.

Lisa's favorite subject is art. She's a strong supporter of John Roberts, an art teacher on the staff at S.D.S.S. "He allows a certain amount of freedom, but no one can take unfair advantage," she says.

While volleyball's her favorite sport, she also enjoys tennis and swimming. The family has a cottage near Lake Simcoe.

Lisa loves animals, not only the family dog "Buffy", but other people's pets as well. She'd like to work as a veterinarian and may apply for a part-time job in Stouffville next summer.

In June, Lisa hopes to visit her uncle and aunt in Paris, France. Some day, she wants to tour parts of South America and Australia.

Lisa admits one regret—that she ever stopped figure skating. She was a member of the Club here four years and enjoyed the participation, especially the carnivals.

Lisa speaks highly of her parents. They're the most important people in her life, she says. She remembers the good times—summer resorts and camping.

A show for children

This weekend will be an asset Saturday, Feb. 16 when the Stouffville and Sunday, Feb. 17. Players perform for 17 imagination the young and the

young at heart. Marmalade Gumdrops is a fast-paced children's play. The location is Latcham Hall. Curtain time both days is 2 p.m. Lead roles will be

taken by Christine Germano, Jill White, Gay Blundon, Bernie Leawood, Steve Bell, Melanie Rodgers and Gladys Germano. The play's producer is Gladys Germano. The director is Roger Glazin. Tickets, available only at the door, are \$1.50-children, \$3.00-adults.

A dignified Christian

"She died as she lived, with noble dignity." These words, spoken by Rev. Herb Gale in St. James Presbyterian Church, Saturday, described the "visible side" of Margaret Stirling, Rose Avenue, Stouffville.

Miss Stirling died Thursday in Parkview Home, after residing for a time at Glenvale House, O'Brien Avenue and Main.

While noble dignity was indeed the Margaret Stirling, so many knew, there was an inner devotion that many possibly didn't know. Rev. Gale mentioned these qualities also.

It was her dream, he said, to serve as a medical missionary and, in fact, she commenced a training course towards this end. However, her help was needed at home to care for her ailing mother so this dream was never realized.

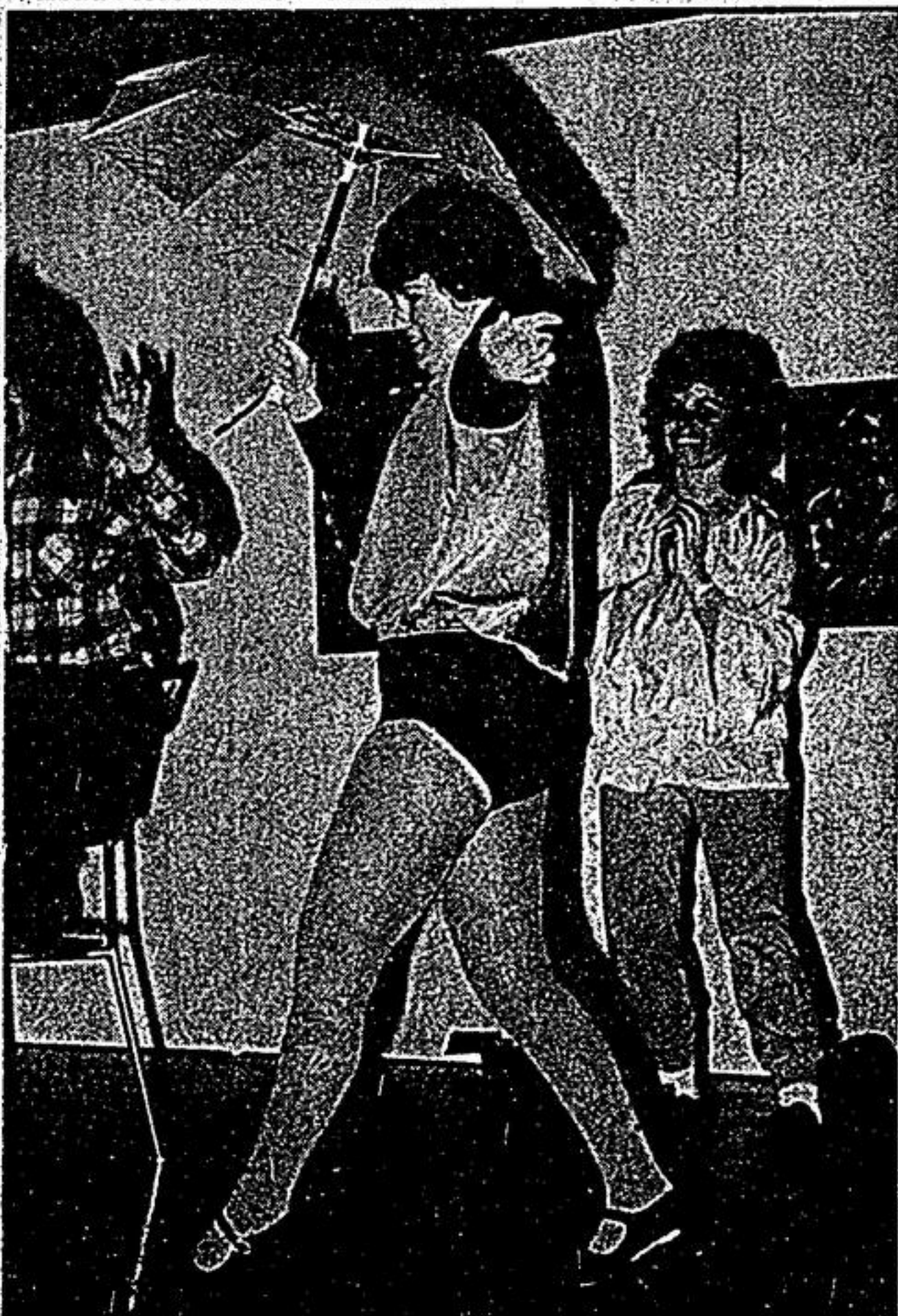
However, she gave of her time to serve in other ways. She collected postage stamps for the Leprosy Mission, assisted with the Mustard Seed Mission, the Christian Blind Mission International and the Canadian Bible Society. She was a long-time member in the congregation of St. James Presbyterian Church and the St. James Women's Missionary Society.

Margaret Stirling was born in Scarborough, Feb. 4, 1902. She was one of four children. Two brothers, William and James, are deceased. A sister, Elizabeth, resides at Markham.

Her church association began at an early age within the Sunday School and congregation of St. Andrew's, Scarborough. When she moved to Stouffville in the 1950's, she became associated with St. James Church here. While health permitted, she seldom missed a service.

Said Rev. Gale: "The sun has set on her earthly life, the sun has risen on her eternal life." Miss Stirling passed away only three days following her 83rd birthday.

At the funeral service, Saturday, Esther Powell and Stewart McElroy sang one of Margaret's favorite hymns, "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine." The pall-bearers were: Klaas Wassenaar, Ambrose Pullen, George Stirling, Claude Broad, Jim Stirling and Wm. Gardiner.



On Saturday and Sunday, The Stouffville Players will present two performances of Marmalade Gumdrops in Latcham Hall. Curtain time both afternoons is 2 p.m. Shown here are Bernie Leawood, (left), as Leo Lion, Gay Blundon, (centre), the tight-rope walker, and Jill White, (right), the juggler. Admission is \$1.50 children; \$3.00 adults.

—Jim Holt

Claims stabbed in back

VIVIAN — A 20-year-old Vivian Road woman has been charged with assault and possession of a dangerous weapon following a dispute Feb. 3.

During the altercation

Frank Burns of Newmarket was allegedly attacked with a knife and stabbed in the back. The accused was arrested the following night and will appear in Newmarket Court, Feb. 18.

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