

"Girl Next Door" Likes clerical law

By Jim Thomas
WHITCHURCH — How important is one teacher and the subject he teaches at Stouffville High?

Ask Elaine Smurthwaite, Bethesda Sideroad, Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Entering Grade 12 last September, Elaine hadn't decided on a future career. Then she was introduced to a course in Law under the instruction of Richard Dewell. She's been so impressed by the subject and by the teacher she's decided to enroll in a legal secretarial course following graduation.

"Both the subject and the teacher are responsible," she says, "I find the information relevant."

Elaine's our "Girl Next Door."

While Law and Geography are favorite subjects, Elaine has nothing but good things to say about S.D.S.S. "It's a great school," she says, "all the teacher's I've had have been super." She completed Grade 11 with honor standing last June and hopes to repeat again this year.

Elaine speaks in the same glowing terms of her association with Canadian Tire. She's a part-time employee in the Stouffville store, after school and on Saturdays.

"I enjoy it there," she says, "you meet many interesting people." She admits that while many faces are familiar, she can't always call customers by name.

Elaine isn't playing softball this year, the first time away from the game in several seasons. She misses it. She keeps in shape, however, through participation in dance classes at the Dance Centre, Main Street, Stouffville.

Of course, she's a stalwart fan of the Stouffville Clippers. Oldtimers. Her father's been playing with the team since it was organized.

Elaine doesn't hide her respect for her mother and dad. "They give me good advice and strong support," she says.



Seventeen-year-old Elaine Smurthwaite, Bethesda Road, is a Grade 12 student at Stouffville High. Following graduation, she plans to enroll in a legal secretary course, possibly at Seneca College. Elaine became interested in such a career through this year's Law Course at S.D.S.S., under the instruction of staff teacher Richard Dewell.

—Jim Thomas

Fantastic H.S. year ends with exams!

By Chris Garbutt

Well folks, the days have dwindled down to a precious few. The countdown to the last day of school now stands at two. I think it's safe to say it's beginning to look a lot like summer.

With the school year rapidly drawing to a close, events are quickly wrapping up. The 1985-86 Students' Council has been selected, the Prom is over and in the classrooms, last-minute tests are the order. Examinations also loom ominously on the horizon.

Athletic activity has ended. It's been a very successful year with many qualifiers for provincial championships. The most recent of these are three "jumpers" on our track and field team—Mary Sled, Camille Rutherford and Tanya Townend.

World Cup Soccer has come to S.D.S.S. The finals are scheduled for today. Who will take the cup? No matter which team emerges triumphant—England, Brazil, Argentina or whoever, it should prove an exciting series.

Athletes who participated in sporting events during the year, were honored at the May 4 Athletic Banquet. The outstanding stars received trophies. There were a number of surprises. The evening was an "entertaining" affair, complemented by Rob Reesor's "famous chicken fingers."

The band and the choir played their final concert, Wednesday, at Ontario Place, capping one of the best years in S.D.S.S. music history.

If you were just a TAD curious as to what all those announcements were about, your questions were hopefully, answered last Monday. It was Teacher Appreciation Day, (TAD for short). This was an opportunity for the students to thank members of the teaching staff for assistance and co-operation during the past year.

Good Bros. at Festival

STOUFFVILLE — All events have been finalized for Strawberry Festival Week in Whitchurch-Stouffville.

The "eleven days of berry merry fun" begin with the Miss Whitchurch-Stouffville Pageant at the High School, June 21 and conclude with a giant fireworks display in the Park, July 1.

A Festival feature is the Good Brothers Concert in the arena, June 22. Tickets are available at the Town Recreation Office, (640-3768), and Guaranty Trust, (640-4000).

Editor's Mail

Pleasant memories

Dear Editor
I had reason to spend several weeks in Stouffville this spring. As it was the place of my birth and I grew up there, I found it most heart-warming to learn Stouffville had not changed that much from my childhood days.

Everyone I came in touch with, reached out a warm and friendly hand. Neighbors still seem to help neighbors and a friendly hello is heard as you pass someone on the street. It restored my confidence in mankind.

You do not find this in larger towns and big cities.

Do not grow too big or change too much. Stand up and be proud you live in Stouffville.

I was pleased to be part of the community once again, if only for a short while. It will live with warmth and affection in my memory.

Sincerely,
Phyllis Armstrong,
Vancouver, B.C.

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