

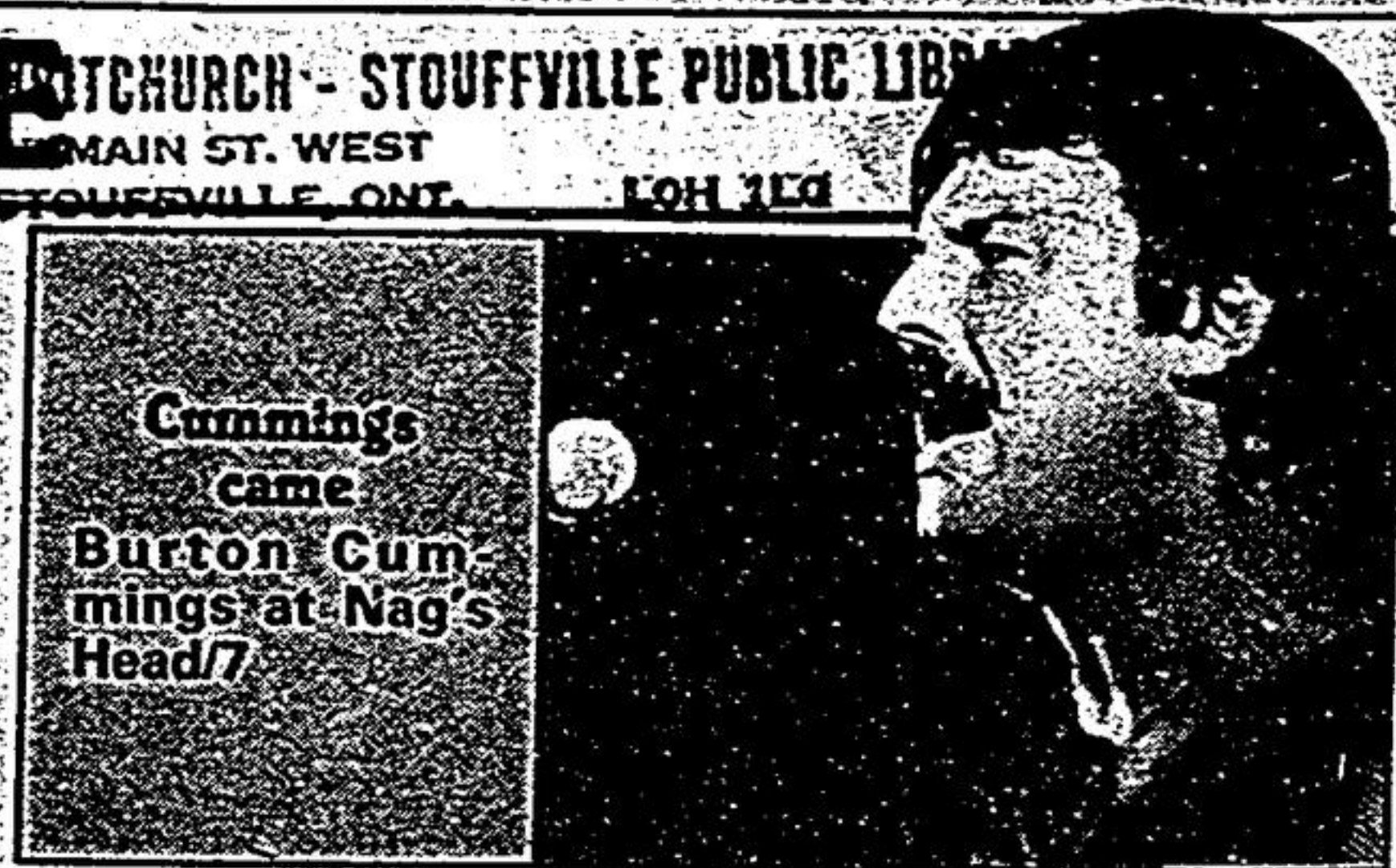
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## Margie Griffiths' fight is over



John Dike picks apricots from the tree in front of his home on Hwy 48 north of Major Mackenzie Dr. It's the first time the tree has borne fruit in seven years. Mr. Dike said the blossoms are usually damaged by spring frost, but a mild spring encouraged the fruit to grow. — Sjoerd Witteveen

### Community saddened at news of her death

The long struggle is over for Stouffville's Margie Griffiths.

The 20-year-old accident victim died Thursday morning while on a 10-day vacation at the Claremont Conservation Area.

The suspected cause of death was respiratory failure due to "blocked air passages," her twin sister, Mary, told The Weekender.

"It was quite a shock," commented close family friend Joyce Rowley, after learning of Margie's death.

Mrs. Rowley played an instrumental part in a special "patterning" process designed to aid Margie's recovery from brain injuries suffered in a tragic 1981 car accident.

Over 200 people volunteered countless hours in the program that began in September of 1983 and continued until April of last year.

Margie had been a patient at the Children's Villa Hospital in Richmond Hill since May of 1984.

Mrs. Rowley said she gained some comfort in the knowledge that the young girl didn't suffer at the time of her death.

Funeral arrangements were not available at press time.



MARGIE GRIFFITHS

### Uxbridge man dies in single car crash

A 20-year-old Uxbridge man is dead following a single vehicle accident on Hwy. 47 early Wednesday.

Brian Dart (Renaud), of Jonathon Street, was pronounced dead following the crash at about 3:40 a.m.

According to Durham Regional Police, Dart was a passenger in a 1979 Chrysler that was eastbound on Hwy. 47, about two kilometres west of the Brock Road intersection. The vehicle left the road on the north shoulder, entered a ditch and rolled over before coming to rest in a clump of bushes.

Both the driver, Douglas Boudreau, and Dart were thrown from vehicle.

Boudreau received minor injuries, police said. Damage to the vehicle is estimated at \$4,000.

A service for Dart was held yesterday at Low and Low Funeral Home in Uxbridge.

Boudreau, 25, of Conc. 6, Uxbridge Twp., has been charged with impaired driving and having more than the legal amount of alcohol in his system.

Police investigation is continuing.