

"Girl Next Door" Stays at S.D.S.S.

By JIM THOMAS
Should I or shouldn't I? For 16-year-old Vicki Smith of Roundry Crescent, Markham, choosing a school for the start of the fall term was a tough decision, possibly the toughest decision she'll ever have to make.

Many of her friends were switching over to the new high school at Unionville. Others, because they live at Stouffville, were staying on at S.D.S.S.

Vicki decided to stay where she started—at Stouffville. In fact, she plans to complete her Grade 11 there. She's presently a student in Grade 11 and our "Girl Next Door."

"I don't regret it," says Vicki. She appreciates the smallness of S.D.S.S. and the friendliness of the students and staff. Particularly, she appreciates her special friends—Joanne Fockler and Kelly Rae. She claims they've influenced her life greatly and she hopes to retain their friendships long after graduation.

Vicki moved to Markham from Scarborough with her parents, Gord and Diane Smith and older sister, Chris, two years ago. She plays hockey and fastball in Stouffville. Volleyball's another favorite sport.

Although transportation between the two towns could present a problem, Vicki says her parents are very helpful in this regard. On occasions, she stays over with Joanne or Kelly. She admits looking forward to obtaining her driver's licence, possibly this month.

Theatre Arts is Vicki's favorite subject. Mrs. Stamatou's her favorite teacher.

Vicki's been to The Bahamas and hopes some day to visit Australia.

As to a future career, Vicki's not quite sure. "I just want to be my own boss," she says with certainty.



Sixteen-year-old Vicki Smith of Roundry Crescent, Markham, is a Grade 11 student at Stouffville High. Vicki enjoys most sports, especially volleyball, hockey and fastball. Theatre Arts is her favorite subject.

—Jim Thomas

High News

Bucket ball champs

By CHRIS GARBUTT

Now that students have completed exams and are anxiously awaiting results, there are many things to do around S.D.S.S.

To alleviate the post-exam depression, the Athletic Council held its third intra-mural of the school year. Bucket Ball is an exciting sport, exclusive to Stouffville High. It is similar to basketball except a volleyball is used instead of a basketball and garbage bins replace hoops.

Competition was fierce with the victors in both divisions having to go all-out for their wins.

JUNIOR DIVISION

The Junior Division was captured by a tough and determined Grade 9 team. Members of 9G01 follow—Sandra Mitchinson, Cindy Morton, Audrey Brummel, Ursula Benders, Michelle Barker, Ted Stonehouse, Chris Topping, Chris Winn, Bruce Hachey and Todd Townend.

SENIOR DIVISION

The Senior Division set an even fiercer pace. The champion was 11G01, but not without protest. The Grade 13's felt everyone was ganging up on them. Nevertheless, the Grade 11's triumphed, gaining a well-deserved victory. Team members follow—Linda Hachey, Jane Anderson, Mary Sled, Lisa Zeck, Karey White, Pam Powell, Annika Hannan, Patricia Benders, Paul Sinclair, John Brummel, Darren Montgomery, Burke Bridgman, Brian Lilleberg, Tom Letkeman and Rick Poell.

IMPRESSIVE WIN

In other sports news, the senior boys' basketball team came up with an impressive win. This could be the key to turning around an otherwise not-so-impressive season. The senior girls volleyball team continued their success. At

press time, they had yet to lose a match during regular season play.

Tryouts for badminton begin this week.

PLAN DANCE-A-THON

Rumors of a Dance-a-Thon are true. This is the second "a-Thon" held at S.D.S.S. this year. If walking isn't your thing, then maybe

dancing is. The Dance-a-Thon will be held on Valentine's Day, (that seems appropriate). It will begin at 1 p.m., and continue ten hours. As with the Walk-a-Thon, pledges must be handed in prior to the event. This marks the first Dance-a-Thon in three years so, grab a partner and don your dancing shoes.

Fly-up ceremony held at Goodwood

GOODWOOD — Six Tweenies advanced to Brownies and three Tenderfoots were promoted to Guides at an impressive ceremony, Monday, in the Goodwood Community Hall.

The Tweenie leader is Ceci Farquharson. The Tenderfoot leader is Louise Renwick.

Promoted to Brownies were Stephanie Kennedy, Maggie

McManiman, Emily Mahood, Katie Renwick, Julie Taylor and Meighan VanNostrand.

Advancing to Guides were Patricia Renwick, Melissa VanderGulik and Kim Evanoff.

District Commissioner Nancy Hannah of Uxbridge attended the ceremony and congratulated the girls on their success.

Appreciation

Dear Jim:

On behalf of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Youth Club we wish to thank the merchants who made our Christmas Dance so successful—Card's Hardware, Stouffville Fish and Chips, Canadian Tire, Widdifield's Drugs, Movies Plus, Paul's Hairstylist, Jardine Jewellers and the Stouffville Restaurant.

It's very gratifying when the business community shows so much interest in this age group.

Special guests including Lion Al Stacey, Santa Claus, Jim Mason and yourself prove to the children that other adults besides their parents care.

The attendance at each dance has always exceeded one hundred children. The interest proves this is a wonderful activity and that the Club needs continued support from parents and the community.

Thanks to you Jim and members of The Tribune staff for your co-operation.

Sincerely,
Julia Plewis,
Linda Wagg,
Daphne Goldman



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