"Girl Next Door"

Career in policing is Leslie's choice

By JIM THOMAS

LINCOLNVILLE — Like father, like daughter — fifteen year-old Leslie Snooks hopes to follow in the footsteps of her father and serve as a police officer.

"It's all I've ever wanted to do," says the pleasant Grade 10 student at Stouffville High. Mr. Snooks is a constable with York Region, working out of the detachment at Richmond Hill.

Leslie's our "Girl Next Door".

A former resident of West Hill, Leslie and her family moved to Lincolnville five years ago. She has four brothers, Chris, Todd, Brian and Daniel and one sister, Lisa.

Leslie has fond memories of her years spent at Whitchurch-Highlands School. "I knew almost everyone," she said. The teachers, she explained, were very personal, dealing with students on a one-to-one basis. Especially does she remember staff members, Mr Hopkins and Mr Bushells.

Leslie won the school's Athletic Award in Grade 8, an honor she treasures highly. She played the French horn in the band there, and also in the Jr. Band at S.D.S.S.

Leslie doesn't hide her love for sports, basketball in particular. She also enjoys horseback riding, cross-country, volleyball, track and field, swimming, jogging and cycling.

Church association is important. She and her family are members in the congregation of Goodwood Gospel Hall. Her father's superintendent of the Sunday School.

"What am I going to do out there?" Leslie remembers asking herself when her parents announced plans to move to Lincolnville. Strangely enough, between home, church and school, she has plenty to do.

Leslie says she found a real friend in Lisa Weatherill of Rupert Avenue, Stouffville. The two met in Grade 8 while attending a field meet at G.W. Williams Secondary School, Aurora. She hopes they'll remain friends through life.

Leslie treasures the memories of a family trip to Nova Scotia, six years ago. She hopes some day to go on a Caribbean cruise.

Leslie doesn't hide her respect for her mother and dad. "We're a close family," she says.

With four brothers and a sister, Leslie says there's always someone to talk to. "It's nice having people depend on you."

"We have our own soccer team," she concludes with a smile.

Fifteen-year-old Leslie Snooks of Lincolnville is a Grade 10 student at Stouffville High. Following graduation, she hopes to enter police college. Her father's an officer with the York Regional Force.
—Jim Thomas

Girls' volleyball teams

Set sights on titles

By CHRIS GARBUTT

Despite the snow and the cold, those February blues are virtually non-existent at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School.

Friday was 'Hat and Sunglasses Day' at S.D.S.S. This was another in a string of Spirit Days designed to generate enthusiasm. The response to this one was not as impressive as anticipated, but those who participated easily made up for those who didn't. There were baseball caps, fedora hats, checkered hats, colored and reflecting shades, and even a pair of checkered sunglasses. If variety is the spice of life, then things certainly were spicy at the school on Friday.

Students are still waiting for word on the fate of Hippie Day—or has everyone forgotten about it?

Also, last week, the girls' volleyball teams continued their winning ways in excellent style. The Juniors, now 10—2 for the season, won all four of their matches. The Seniors also won each of their four matches last week and are now way out in front of the rest of the league holding a sparkling record of 12 wins and no losses. On Thursday, they easily handled Newmarket, beating them 15—8 and 15—4. They then came out on top end of a hard-fought match against an always-difficult team from Sutton, beating them, in a best of three series, 8—15, 15—9 and 15—9. The Seniors have now beaten every team in the league. Both Juniors and Seniors are hoping to win Georgian Bay Championships.

But enough of what has happened in the past. Let's look forward to what will happen in the near future—particularly Valentine's Day. Yes, this should be the romantic week of the year. And what could be more romantic than entering a Dance-a-thon? It's 10 hours of dancing with that special someone—now that's romance!

For those of fainter heart, a Valentine's Dance will begin at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 14, to accompany the dance-a-thon. It will be less taxing physically, lasting only three hours.

Grade 8 Parents' Night

High School tour for moms - dads

STOUFFVILLE - For Grade 8 graduates of Ballantrae, Dickson's Hill, Orchard Park and Summitview Schools, the adjustment to high school is several months away.

However, for the principal and vice-principal of S.D.S.S., preparation time is NOW!

To alert students, their mothers and fathers to secondary school requirements, a Grade 8 Parents' Night is set for Thursday, (tomorrow night), Feb. 13.

The evening will begin at 7 p.m., with coffee and donuts. From 7:30 to 8:30, a presentation will be made relating to diploma requirements and course selections for Grade 9 students. In addition, the philosophy of Stouffville High will be explained.

From 8:30 to 10, tours of the school will be conducted in groups of eight. Teachers from each subject area will be available in their classrooms to answer questions. Parents will be encouraged to ask questions of student Prefects.

All parents will be given folders containing information on the evening's program, courses, school activities, events, and clubs.

Grade 8 students are also welcome, Principal John Nikifork said.

The following rooms will included in the tour of inspection:

Art, (Jane Warren); Business Education, (Erik Engelbert); Computer Studies, (Wayne Black); English, (Carol Stamatiou, Nevil Hodgson, Lisa Vervoorn); Family Studies, (Anne Wilson); Geography, (Ken Coulter); Guidance, (Bruce Johnston); History, (Gary Harding); Library, (Audrey Fullerton); Mathematics, (Ron Eldridge); Moderns, (Maureen Cunningham, Kathy Horak, Dale Grose); Music, (Peter Samuelson); Physical Education, (Jim Fletcher, Dave Connell); Science, (Reiner Hentschel, John Marshall); Special Education, (Carol Diamond); Technical, (Wally Currie, John White, Carl Roberts, Lawrence Rose and Charles Olito).

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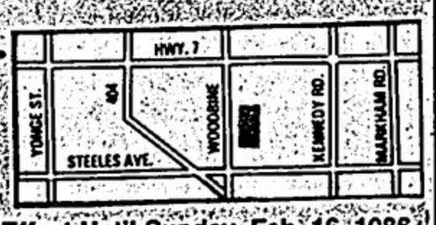

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