

"Girl Next Door"

# Lisa flies on skis

By JIM THOMAS  
She glides down the slopes with the greatest of ease. This daring young girl, with wings on her skis.

Eighteen-year-old Lisa Burger of Pine Orchard, Whitchurch-Stouffville, fits this description. She is a member of the ski racing team at Horseshoe Valley and our "Girl Next Door."

Lisa, a Grade 13 student at G.W. Williams Secondary School, Aurora, has literally "grown up" on skis. She took her first glide at age three and has been gliding ever since, sometimes faster than the wind.

Lisa comes from a family of skiers. Her parents, Werner and Janice; her brothers, Karl and Paul; and sister, Alice, are all associated with the sport.

Lisa is a member of the "B" team at Horseshoe Valley. She hopes to advance to the inter-club semi-finals.

This vibrant outdoors girl lives for the winter weekends. "Weather-wise, it's been a great season," she says. She has a close circle of skiing friends.

Lisa enjoys teaching others. She's encouraged several from school to give it a whirl, much to their satisfaction too. Following graduation, she hopes to ski with the university team.

In all her downhill dashes, Lisa's never incurred an injury, not even a sprained ankle, she says. She's keeping her fingers crossed.

Although an expensive sport, (close to \$1,000 for a complete outfit), Lisa considers it a good investment. A pair of skis should last four years.

During the summer, Lisa keeps in shape for the slopes by skiing on water. The family has a cottage on Lake Muskoka. Lifting weights is another exercise she enjoys.

Lisa received her elementary education at Whitchurch-Highlands. She speaks highly of G.W. Williams. After Grade 13, she plans to enroll in a B.A. degree course and later specialize in either Psychology or Law. She describes herself as "a Math and Science person."

Lisa has travelled extensively—to Cape Town, South Africa



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at age seven, coast-to-coast across Canada and to Florida. Sometime (soon) she hopes to visit Germany and Switzerland. The ski slopes of the Alps represent both an attraction and a challenge.

However, one challenge relates to the present as well as the future. It has to do with alcohol abuse. Lisa is concerned

"I've seen what drinking can do, lives lost and families destroyed. Some say I'm preaching, but I know a lot of young people feel as I do but are afraid to speak up."

Lisa says much attention's been focussed on drug abuse. But as far as she's concerned, alcohol is the No. 1 problem, not only with teens, but adults too.

# Variety at S.D.S.S.

By CHRIS GARBUTT  
It was an amusing February week at S.D.S.S., with an interesting array of activities provided.

It all began Wednesday. Was it a Spirit Day? Was it a holiday? No, it was Bus Evacuation Day! This brand new invention came as quite a surprise to students. They were given the morning off to participate! All sarcasm aside, the program was important to every boy and girl who will ever ride a school bus. During Bus Evacuation Day, students were shown a movie related to bus safety and participated in a simulated hazardous situation on a real bus.

Valentine's Day was filled with love and romance. Carnations were distributed as has been the custom at S.D.S.S. several years. What has not been customary is the Dance-a-Thon. This event, lasting ten hours, began with dancing in a reserved section of the gym. However, as time passed and paying customers arrived, the barricades disappeared. Proceeds will go to the school's foster children.

The other success story of the week belongs to the Senior Boys' Basketball Team. They won their game Friday and clinched a playoff spot.

The entertainment event of the year is set to go just over a week from now. Variety Show '86 will open Thurs., Feb. 27 and conclude Sat., March 1. Rehearsals have been going on all month and are now at a frenzied pace. Dress rehearsal is Feb. 25. A few of the acts are unique. These include feats of magic by Jill Keith and Sharon Moyer; an original song by Nancy Brownberger, accompanied by Geoff Tiller on keyboard; Jeff Bower on bass and Paul Rochester on drums. The Stage Band has a part and of course, the choir.



Marcy Pyke, President of the High School Students' Council, provides Dance-a-Thon participant Simon Gallop with a foot massage during the event, Friday night. Eighty-five students took part. —Jim Thomas



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