

"Girl Next Door" Donna exemplifies aerobics expertise

By JIM THOMAS
STOUFFVILLE — Donna Voemans, Rupert Avenue, Stouffville, is a part-time aerobics instructor at the Markham Village Women's Club, 144 Main Street North.

While the company carried a full-page advertisement in Saturday's Weekender, Donna herself is a walking, talking example of what exercise can do for you (and for me).

She's lovely. She's our "Girl Next Door." While some folks can only dream of approaching Donna's statistics, this 18-year-old sales secretary firmly believes in the product she sells — exercise.

But not to excess, she warns. "I teach to the client's level, not to my own," Donna explains, "a girl should work at her own pace."

Donna admits she's often asked the secret of her slim trim success. And she's only too anxious to tell her story.

Donna has lived most of her eighteen years in Stouffville. She has two brothers, Richard and Tim and two sisters, Sandra and Lori.

Her formal education years were spent at Orchard Park Public School and Stouffville High.

She was a participant in the 1984 Miss Whitchurch Stouffville Pageant.

For a time, she was employed on the staff of Parkview Home and enjoyed it there.

"I felt like one of them," she said, "it was a big thrill for me just to sit and talk."

While Donna's dream vacation is soaking up the sun somewhere in Greece, she's so far been satisfied with holidays in Florida and Jamaica.

Ah yes, there's a special male friend in her life. Donna and Michael Brownlee of Mississauga first met at The Windmills Golf and Country Club, R.R. 1, Unionville. She was a waitress there and Michael dropped in (during a driving rainstorm) to look over the course.

What he saw proved much more attractive. They dated the following week and have been keeping steady company ever since.

Donna speaks highly of her parents, who she helped every step of the way.



Eighteen-year-old Donna Voemans, Rupert Avenue, Stouffville, is a part-time aerobics instructor at the new Markham Village Women's Club, Main Street North, Markham. Donna's neat, trim appearance exemplifies the benefits of her expertise. — Jim Thomas

High News

H.S. French guests made many friends

By CHRIS GARBUTT
S.D.S.S. Reporter

The French students have returned to their home in Carpentras, France, and all we have left are the memories, (and a special T-shirt if you purchased one).

It was fun while it lasted. New friends were made and for most, (especially our guests), it was an experience of a lifetime.

In honor of the visitors, several events were held including dances, parties and a shopping trip to the T. Eaton Centre.

A main problem of this exchange was 'communication'. The Carpentras students, on their arrival, spoke about as much English as the average S.D.S.S. student speaks French. One can imagine the probable difficulties. By some manner or means, a line of conversation was achieved. Both French and English-speaking people were able to improve on their second language.

One student, Helene Horoyan, improved on her English greatly. Helene is 17-years-old, but quick to point out "I'm 18 very soon." She was understandably nervous on her arrival here, (her first trip outside France), but soon became close friends with her partner, Kelly Cowan.

Helene enjoyed herself immensely, finding it difficult to establish any top priorities. She pointed out that we spend a lot less

time in school here, (they have eight-hour-days in Carpentras), and we have a lot less homework. Kelly admits she's going to have a lot of catching up to do after the visit.

Plans are already underway for the second leg of this exchange. Students of Carpentras are undoubtedly looking forward to our students' return.

While on the subject of exchanges, the S.D.S.S. Choir and Sr. Band members can take heart. A music exchange is planned for next month with a school in Kentucky. The Kentucky choir and band will come here May 2 to 4. Stouffville will go there May 11 to 14.

In sports, the Sr. Badminton

Team travelled to G.W. Williams, Aurora to compete in the York North Tournament. Lisa Zeck and Anita Cheng were successful in capturing the Girls' Doubles Consolation. They now advance to the York Regional Championships. Other members of the team are: Derek Stem, Joe Risk, Ed Roberts, Wayne Cheng, Kelly Cowan, Paul Sinclair, Michelle Holden, Jill Keith, Teresa Li, John Greathead and Khalid Mirza.

This Friday evening is the Air Band Finals and an accompanying dance. The field of contestants has been narrowed to ten. It should be an entertaining event. Tickets are \$3.50 with an activity card; \$5.00 without.

Auction sale holds much local interest

STOUFFVILLE — An auction sale of local interest will take place Fri., April 18 on the property of Bruce Davidson, Ninth Line and 19th Avenue, Markham, 1 1/4 miles south of Stouffville.

The lineup of implements includes three tractors, (two Massey-Fergusons and an Allis-Chalmers); a Massey-Ferguson 4-furrow plow, a Massey-Ferguson combine, a New Holland hay baler, a Massey-Ferguson 17-run seed drill and a New Holland corn harvester.

Of particular interest to some will be the sale of a buggy and a cutter. Both are rare in this day and age.

The list includes many other items, prompting auctioneers Norm and Phil Faulkner and Earl Gauslin to begin the sale at 11 a.m. Lunch will be available on location.



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