

# Students make career plans a year prior to graduation

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Undoubtedly, you're familiar with catchy campaign slogans like 'Save The Whales' and 'Stop Acid Rain'. On the lighter side, there's 'Reach Out And Touch Someone' or 'You're No Bunny Until Some Bunny Loves You'.

We here at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School have adopted our own slogan: It's 'Be Nice To A Student Who Just Received His/Her Report Card.'

Yes, on Tuesday, Feb. 17, students at all grade levels received their marks for Term 1.

I could elaborate, but details concerning Report Card Day are, for many, extremely unpleasant news to read about. (and for this particular student, even more unpleasant to write about!)

However, report cards weren't the only things distributed Tuesday. Option sheets for the 1987-88 school year were also handed out, reminding us that it's already time to begin planning for next year.

You're probably wondering what these two events have in common. Well, after figuring out what the different course codes

mean, (which is no small task), we sat down, a report card in one hand and an option sheet in the other and asked ourselves some fundamentally important questions.

I convinced myself I'd have to take Grade 13 Math, (which is no small task), and concluded a trip to the Guidance Office was in order to make sure I had all minimum requirements.

Call it co-incidence, incredible timing or just fate, but no sooner had I made this resolution than into my English class waltzed Mr. Doug McCammon, the school's new Guidance Department Head. Looking neat in a spiffy sweater and wearing an award-winning smile, Mr. McCammon did what he does best—guide people.

Following a brief presentation, he fielded a wide range of questions from "what university is best for me?" to "do I need Grade 13 to obtain a decent job?"

After speaking to students individually, he left for another class and another set of questions.

Yes, this week, S.D.S.S. was involved in 'student planning', what do I want to do next year? It concluded with a visit from York North MPP Greg Sorbara, Minister of Colleges and Universities. Once again, questions were raised, reflecting the seriousness with which Stouffville High is considering the years ahead.

All these things considered, we ask you to be 'Nice To A Student' this week. Planning the rest of one's life is no small task.

## Approve hospital design

STOUFFVILLE — Pre-tender plans for the new Markham Stouffville Hospital have been accepted by Provincial Health Minister Murray Elston.

The announcement was made Friday by Greg Sorbara, MPP for the Riding of York North.

Said Mr. Sorbara: "Acceptance of the pre-tender plans signifies

the Minister's endorsement of the design criteria and concepts as set forth in the drawing and specifications."

Under the Public Hospitals Act, the Ministry will be responsible for two-thirds of the total shareable costs of this project, the local Member added.



## Receives Conservation Award

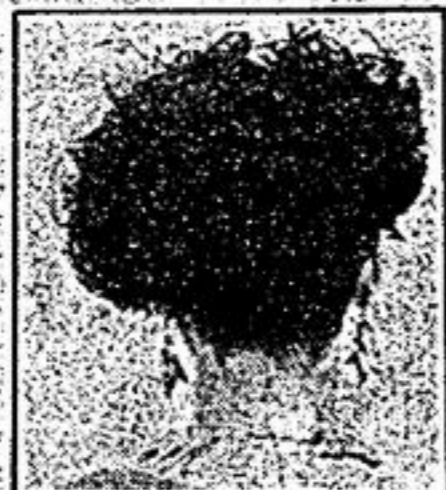
Mary Hopkins, curator of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum holds the Conservation Award of Honor received Thursday at a gathering in Newmarket hosted by the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority. The presentation was made by Town Councillor Jim Rae.

—Jim Thomas

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