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Attendance at S.D.S.S. levels off

STOUFFVILLE — It may be just the lull before the storm, but the tidal wave of students expected at Stouffville High from Markham and Unionville hasn't materialized.

"We anticipated a flood, but it didn't happen," Principal Peter Bright told The Tribune, "apparently house construction in the Markham-Unionville area has slowed down a bit."

Unless there's a sudden surge, the September enrollment at S.D.S.S. should be about 800, Mr. Bright said. This is an increase of 50 over June.

The school can comfortably accommodate 950, he stated. Unionville High School is at capacity with 1,650 registered there, Mr. Bright revealed.

The less-than-expected attendance will not effect teacher numbers here. There are 54, up from 52.

New students, contemplating enrollment at Stouffville, should phone the school and make appointments to see the Guidance Counsellor between Aug. 31 and Sept. 4, the principal explained. Former students are to come Sept. 1 between the hours of 1 and 4:30, 6:30 and 9 p.m. Time tables and locker spaces will be handed out.

The principal says he's pleased with the interior look of the building, from painted walls to polished floors.

"Maintenance wise, we're in excellent shape," he said.

He's particularly pleased with the remodelled Foods Room, part of the Family Studies Department. Cost of renovations totalled in excess of \$137,000.

Mr. Bright described the area as "a room students will feel proud to be in." Teachers are Ann Wilson and Nancy Magel.

The gymnasium floor has been refinished and now boasts a mirror-like surface.

Mr. Bright said members of staff had returned to school early some three weeks in advance, so that everything's completely organized for re-opening Sept. 8. "The first day will be full go," he said.

With ten new people on staff, Peter and Susan Bright are hosting a get-acquainted party at their home in Newmarket, Sept. 4. The year's first assembly is set for Thurs., Sept. 10. The committee in charge of the Terry Fox Walk will attend and show the film "Never Give Up On A Dream." It's meant to encourage participation by S.D.S.S. students in the Marathon of Hope, Sept. 13. Residents of the community are invited.

Speak out

To-night's the night. An all-candidates meeting will be held at Stouffville District Secondary School. The time is 8 p.m.

The four York-Durham standard-bearers are expected to attend — Bill Ballinger (Liberal), Ken Canning (Family Coalition), Donna Kelly (NDP) and Ross Stevenson (PC).

The evening's MC is George Schlukbar, the Town's chief librarian.

Opening remarks will be limited to five minutes with opportunity for rebuttal. Questions, both written and verbal will be invited from the floor.

The meeting's organizer is Harry Bowes, Board of Education trustee for Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Deadline

MARKHAM — There's only one week left to file entries for the 1987 Markham Fair.

The deadline is Wed., Sept. 9.

"They're coming in well," secretary-manager Tony Arkell told The Tribune, "we're very pleased."

Fair dates are Oct. 1, 2, 3 and 4.



Fair Queen '86 honors her successor

Lori Thompson, (right), of Stouffville, the Queen of Markham Fair '86, officiated at the crowning ceremony honoring her successor Wendy Kopp, (left), of Markham, Friday night. Wendy was the judges' choice from nine entries. Runners-up were Annette Hansen of Uxbridge and Susan Jones of Markham. Markham Mayor George Macdonald was the guest of honor.

Walker

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Uxbridge Fair days

UXBRIDGE — Hi-ho come to the Fair!

The 123rd annual Uxbridge Fair opens Sept. 12 and continues through Sept. 13.

The president is Robert Mercer. Vice-presidents are Nancy Hannah and Ron Herrema. The secretary-treasurer is Marlene Pollard.

"It's community life in action," says Mr. Mercer, "with lots to see and do."

Saturday's program includes — Prince Philip Games, English Horse Show, 4-H Dairy Show, Youth Horse Show, Sheep Show, Dairy Cattle Show and a Kiddies Tractor Pull.

A Pet Show is planned for 2:30 p.m.

The General Exhibits Building and the midway open at ten.

Activities will conclude with a Demolition Derby at eight.

Liberals move ahead Town poll indicates

By BRUCE STAPLEY

STOUFFVILLE — Believe in polls? If so, a pre-election survey conducted in Stouffville Monday is good news for Durham-York candidate Bill Ballinger of the Liberals.

Of the 25 people asked, "If the election was held tomorrow, who would you support?", thirteen replied the Liberals, four said the Progressive Conservatives, one indicated Family Coalition and seven were undecided.

This is a big switch from the week previous when twelve out of 27 people had no opinion. Then five favored the Liberals, four said NDP and two answered Progressive Conservative. Four said they wouldn't be voting at all. No cynical responses were recorded this time.

Strangely enough, the NDP

came up empty-handed in this latest round.

Monday's query produced another trend. The voter now is much more aware of who the candidates are and what they stand for than they were before.

For those still unable to associate a face with a name, it's Bill Ballinger (Liberal), Ken Canning (Family Coalition), Donna Kelly (New Democrat), and Ross Stevenson (Progressive Conservative).

Bill Ballinger's years of public service would appear to give him an edge at this point. "He's proven himself an effective, reputable politician," replied one man.

"He has a good understanding of young people," answered another.

Still another favored the introduction of "some new blood" into the Riding. "Ballinger will pro-

vide that," he said.

The majority feel Premier David Peterson deserves a chance to "run his own show."

"They must be doing something right," said a fourth respondent, "they ended their fiscal year with a surplus."

Concluded a fifth gentleman, "Ballinger is a reputable man who is running for a Party with a believable, reputable leader. I think they (the Liberals) should be given a chance to govern on their own."

Request school support for annual Terry Fox Walk

STOUFFVILLE — Sunday Sept. 13 is the Terry Fox Walk in Whitchurch-Stouffville.

The Tribune is issuing a challenge to area students to get involved.

The Terry Fox Plaque, sponsored by The Tribune and won last year by Summitview, will be up for grabs. Invitations have been extended to Orchard Park, Whitchurch-Highlands, St. Mark's, Ballantrae, Stouffville

Christian, Dickson's Hill and S.D.S.S.

Next week, the local committee comprising Dixie Sellers, Beulah King, Barb Schell and Bill Giles will visit in-town schools to encourage pupil participation. A film "Never Give Up On A Dream" will be shown Sept. 9 and 10. Pledge sheets will be distributed.

The 10 kilometer Walk will begin from Latham Hall at 1 p.m.

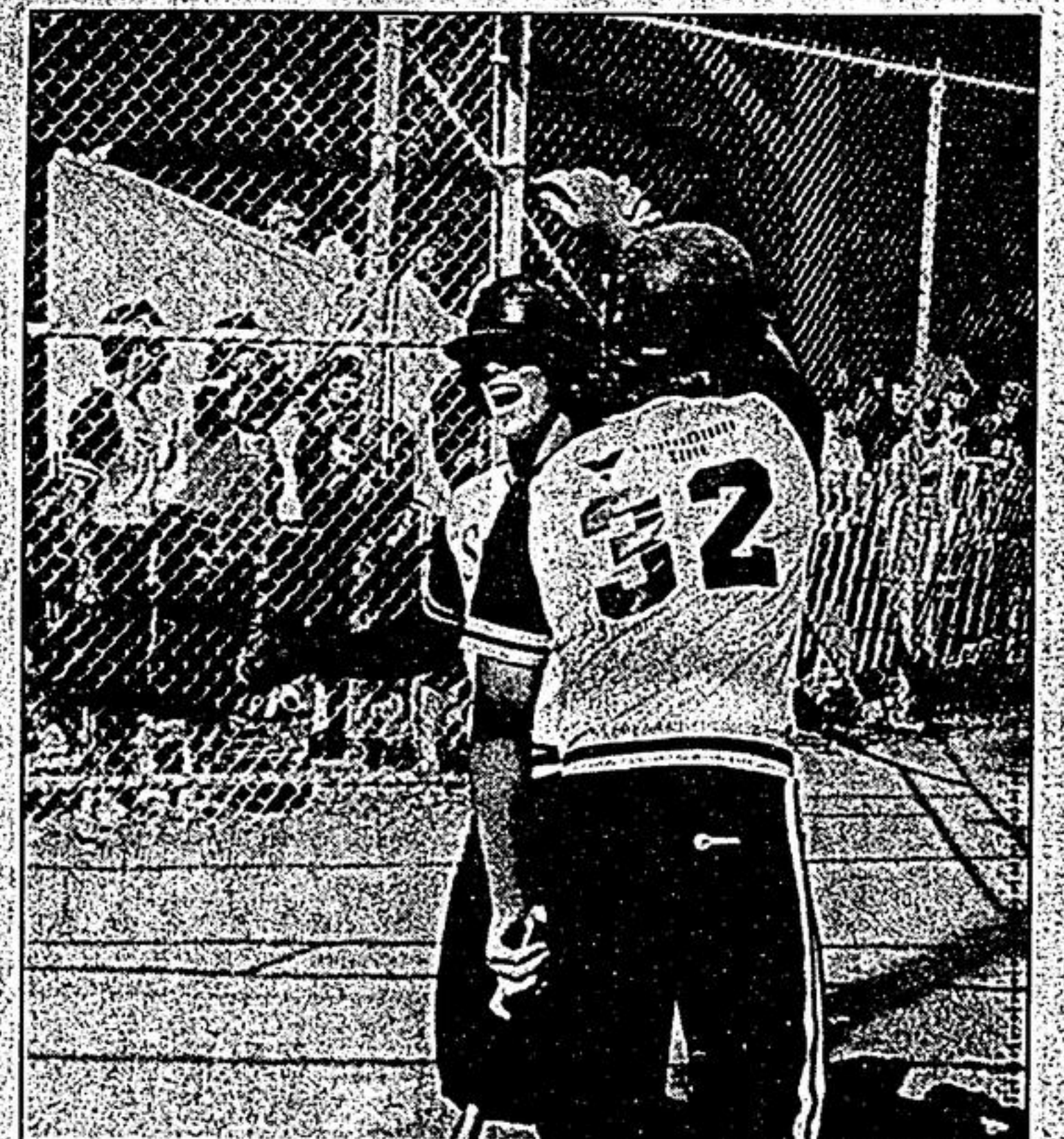
Bike-riders will be permitted. Participants will be assisted at Main Street cross-overs by Lions Club members, firefighters and ambulance operators.

Persons unable to file pledge sheets can still participate by paying five dollars.

Last year, 75 people took part, raising \$7,499. Of this amount, Don Anderson, now of Parkview Village, collected \$2,819.00. Dr.

Bill Murphy was second with \$630. Mr. Anderson, '76, won't be taking part this year. Mrs. Sellers said: "She admits his enthusiasm will be difficult to replace. She's hoping someone will step forward to take up the slack."

While the Marathon of Hope isn't a race, Peter van Nostrand of Vandrof, completed the distance in the fastest time, 35:55. Second was David Baxter of Alderwood Crescent, Stouffville at 38:16.



A hero's welcome

Stouffville pitcher Scott Evans receives a hero's welcome from Dan Larmer after slamming a two-run homer in Saturday's Bantam 'C' Provincial Championships against Bracebridge. Stouffville went on to defeat Napanee 3-2 Sunday and take the Title. For full story see Page B-1.

—Alan Shackleton



A lot of celebrating in '87

Ambulance an issue

YORK-DURHAM: Three weeks ago, York-Durham Liberal candidate Bill Ballinger made round-the-clock ambulance service a top priority in Whitchurch-Stouffville.

This week, Ross Stevenson, the PC standard-bearer also places 24-hour ambulance service high on his priority list. Stevenson promises to establish a committee comprising a doctor, a firefighter and several community-minded citizens to lobby the government for action.

"This committee," says Stevenson, "will document all pertinent information and present a set of recommendations."

The PC incumbent claims a citizen action group is essential to gain the attention of the Health Minister.

"Clearly, a large lobby group is needed since the former Member for Whitchurch-Stouffville, a cabinet minister, was unable to get any action from his colleagues," charges Stevenson.

Says Stevenson: "As MPP for six years, I have obtained helopads for both Port Perry and Uxbridge Hospitals. I should be able to bring results for the people of Whitchurch-Stouffville."

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Surrey Model
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