

# Claremont's carnival queen will be busy girl in dual role



Fifteen-year-old Christina Cece (centre) will perform a dual role this year as Claremont's Winter Carnival and Sesquicentennial Queen. Christina was the judges' choice from ten entries in a Pageant Friday night. Her attendants are Jennifer Greer (left) and Sonia Cece (right).

By JIM THOMAS  
**CLAREMONT** — Fifteen-year-old Christina Cece is Claremont's 1988 Winter Carnival and Sesquicentennial Queen.  
 She was selected from a group of ten entries at a Pageant Friday night in the Claremont Community Hall. Her attendants are Sonia Cece, 14, and Jennifer Greer, 15.  
 Judges were Sharon Logan, Town of Pickering Recreation Co-ordinator; Laura Spence, Research Nurse on the staff of Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto; and a resident of Claremont and local businessman Bill Edgar.  
 The master of ceremonies was Allen Graham.  
 Other Pageant participants were Leanne Redshaw, Shannon McGinnis, Tara Young, Trudi Wilson, Gill Livingston, Stephanie Wollin and Aysla Banyard.  
 Entertainment for the evening was provided by magician David Houston, better known as Shakespeare.  
 Christina will reign over Claremont's Winter Carnival activities Jan. 27 to 31 and also the Community's 150th birthday party in June.



Pretty Christina is crowned by Samantha Creel, Carnival Queen of '87. Claremont's five days of winter activities begin Jan. 27 and conclude Jan. 31.



Samantha Creel — it says, right here, comments MC Al Graham as he introduces the 1988 Winter Carnival Queen to the audience. All queens from four previous years were in attendance.

Poised and smiling, Christina proudly recounted her family's Italian heritage in her address to the audience. She, her sister, Sonia, and brother, Chris, 8, moved to Claremont with their parents, Ralph and Pina Cece, seven years ago. Christina's a Grade 10 student at Pickering High. Interests include painting, volleyball, downhill skiing, and snowmobiling. She's hoping for a business career associated with fashion.  
 Christina said she and Sonia entered the Pageant separately. She expressed strong support for both the Carnival and Sesquicentennial programs and wished to play a part.  
 The queens of former years were all in attendance: Laura Vale (1984), Karen Carson (1985), Susie Pelkinen (1986) and Samantha Creel (1987). Samantha presented the crown to her successor. The girls received a host of gifts courtesy Claremont, Stouffville and area merchants.  
 A very important part of upcoming activities and Friday's ceremony was Mr. CWC, the Carnival mascot. He was officially introduced by Mr. Graham.

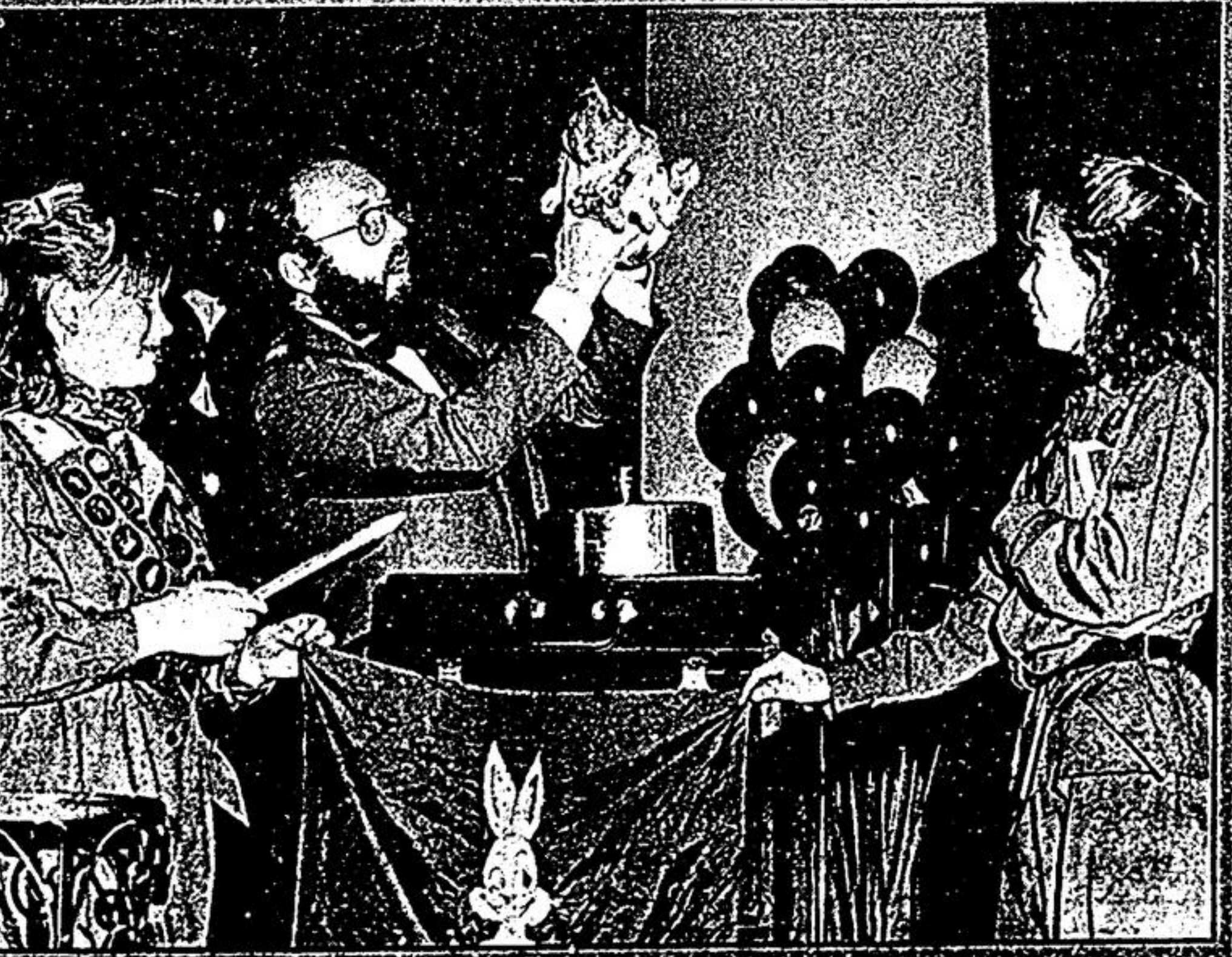


Sonia Cece, 14, a Pageant runner-up, gives sister Christina an affectionate kiss after the judges' decision was announced.



Carnival mascot, Mr. CWC, chats with MC Al Graham on stage following his introduction. He and Christina will be the busiest people in Claremont next week.

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Christina Cece, 15, and her attendants, Jennifer Greer and Sonia Cece, were crowned at the Claremont Sesquicentennial Pageant Friday night.

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