

A lot of 'clowning around' at annual Legion Timmy Day



Timmy Day, sponsored by Stouffville Branch 459 of the Royal Canadian Legion, Sunday was every bit a Family Day as parents and children alike enjoyed the afternoon. Certainly four-year-old Erica Black did, in the arms of 'Bubbles the Clown.' Erica lives at 203 Manitoba Street, Stouffville.



Four-year-old Michelle Morin of Main Street, Stouffville, greets 'Oscar' (held by) Leads the



Karen Kennedy, 7, of R.R. #1, Stouffville, enjoyed the company of 'Rusty the Clown' and his pet chicken 'Cackles.' Bob Patterson came down from Newmarket to aid the Timmy cause.



Three was a crowd on the dance floor to Michael and Sandra Glascott of Guelph, Michael and Sandra were accompanied by daughter Tammy, age one and half.

Editor's Mail

Record set straight on teen house party

Dear Editor:

I'm writing this letter concerning The Tribune's Page 1 story on the teen house party (issue of Jan. 27), and a letter published last week (issue of Feb. 3).

As a close friend of the 'hostess,' I wish to clarify a few things.

The story, under the heading 'Some party,' stated that 'extensive damage was done to the interior of the house, broadloom and walls.'

This was an exaggeration. Obviously, your informant had his facts mixed up. There isn't any broadloom in the house.

Secondly, the 'crashers' didn't 'arrive by the hundreds' as police were quoted as saying.

In my opinion, the story was based on rumor and half-truths, not on facts.

I thought The Tribune was concerned about its people and not just meeting deadlines. I guess I was wrong.

Last week, Shelley Hannigan of Hemlock Drive made two important points. Even though the name of the 'hostess' was withheld, the street name and the age of the hostess were identified.

In my opinion, your newspaper didn't need to further upset the parents of the 'hostess.' Don't you feel they've suffered enough?

The story affected more than the 'hostess.' It affected ALL Stouffville teens. Maybe though,

after Town Council realizes what can happen when students 'find their own fun,' they will take the idea of a Teen Dance Social Club more seriously.

In the Feb. 3 edition of The Tribune, a letter was published from a 'regretful crasher.'

Even though the 'hostess' may never find out who wrote that touching letter, let me say thank you for her. After all, most of the people present probably didn't even stop to care about what had and would happen to her. However, the 'crasher' did care. He/she is someone worth recognizing.

Thanks also to those who did re-

turn the next day to help. It's nice to know some people cared.

Perhaps, in the reporter's opinion, this was good journalism. In my opinion, it was not.

I'd appreciate it if my letter could be published. It might help straighten a few things out. The 'hostess' deserves better.

Believe it or not, one good thing did come out of this. I learned a lot about a lot of people; about those who care and those who don't. I only wish there were fewer of the latter.

Sincerely,
A Friend
of the Hostess'

Life valuable from conception

Re. Tribune Story, Feb. 3, on "Court's Decision Re Abortion Creates Shock Waves In Town."

Dear Editor:

I was very pleased with the coverage provided by your newspaper with regard to the Pro-Life movement.

How sad it is that the Supreme Court and others feel it's a victory to declare the 'choice' of some humans to be more important than the 'right to life' of other humans.

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clarifies each human life, intrinsically valuable from the moment of conception to eternity.

One minor point of correction. My brother Mel, whom your newspaper quoted extensively in the article, works for another organization and is not President of Emmanuel International. But don't worry, even mom still gets us mixed up.

Sincerely,
Mark D. Middleton,
General Director,
Emmanuel International



Three-year-old Gingie Leuchner, Concord, sits with clown (in the over-flowing costume bridge) held by Brenda McNamee, daughter of Doug Goldham of Willowdale, Legion Branch 122, Guelph. Billie, a dog, is also part of the show.



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