

# Students to compete at nationals

Two Stouffville residents will be brushing up on their judo moves this week. Aartje Sheffield and Tammy Patterson of the Sheffield Judo Club have been selected to compete with the Ontario Judo Team at the Canadian Judo Championships. Aartje, who has been practicing judo since she was seven years of age, earned her fourth degree black belt in February of this year. This was a remarkable accomplishment as she had just given birth to her sec-

ond child only six months before. Aartje is one of the few females in Ontario who have earned the fourth degree black belt. At the age of 27 she is also one of the youngest women to accomplish this feat. Aartje founded the Judo Sheffield Club along with her husband Steven Sheffield. The Canadian Judo Championships are to be held in British Columbia on May 20 and 21.

# Tourney hopes for good weather

(From page 19) weather man as rain was forecast for part of the weekend earlier in the week. In the event of rain, Sunday afternoon's championship games

will be played on the holiday Monday. The tournament includes a dance tonight at Latcham Hall, along with an outdoor beer garden during the day.

# Spartans claim title

The host Stouffville District Secondary School (SDSS) team successfully battled the elements and their opponents, to win the Stouffville Spartans Fastball Tournament at the town park on Wednesday. The Spartans dominated all three games played enroute to the championship at the soggy competition, which was played despite rain which fell most of the day. The host squad started out with a mercy-shortened 10-2 victory over Father Bressani CHS. The Spartans scored seven runs in the second inning, with Ryan Jefferson's triple the big blow. Pitchers Ryan Burkholder and Jay Nesbitt combined for the three inning game. In game two, the SDSS unit bombed King City HS 16-0 in another three inning affair. Dan Tardella's first inning homer triggered a seven run outburst. Brad Hackert and Scott Clubine each

scored three runs. Burkholder and Nesbitt pitched the shutout. The Spartans routed Huron Hts SS 13-2 in the title match as left hander Paul Koert struck out 12 batters in the five inning match. Ian Ellis cracked a two-run homer and a triple for the Spartans. Shawn Sargeant had a two run double and a two run single. Graham Crowder also came up with a two run single. Ellis was named tournament MVP for the Spartans. A girls slo-pitch tournament originally scheduled for the same day was cancelled due to the rain. It will be played next Thursday. Ellis was the hero in Tuesday's York Region Secondary School Athletic Association contest as his two run homer in extra innings gave the Spartans a 4-3 victory over Bradford in the Stouffville team's home opener. With the score tied 2-2 after six regulation innings, Bradford took a 3-2 lead in the top of the seventh. But Ellis' timely round tripper made a winner of pitcher Koert. The Spartans are at home to Huron Hts on Tuesday at the town park.



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**RITZ CAGGIANELLO**  
Ritz Caggianello, 10, finished her bowling season at Markham Centre on a high note recently. Not only did she bowl the highest triple in the bantam age group of 747 and single of 344. But in doing so, she recorded the highest average of 173 in her age group. Caggianello also earned the honor of representing York-Simcoe Region in the provincial finals singles competition and finished sixth.

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