

# Young author Jaclyn Mason winner of provincial award

A budding Stouffville author was the only winner in a provincial writing contest. Jaclyn Mason won this year's Young Authors/Jeunes Ecrivains Awards, sponsored by the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association. "I didn't think I would win it," admitted

Jaclyn. "I was really excited when my teacher told me." Jaclyn, in Grade 4 at St. Mark Catholic School, was hand-picked for the competition by her teacher. "My teacher told me to write a 3,000 word story." Teachers from across Ontario chose the

best story or poem from each grade in their school for the contest. Seventeen English-language and 31 French-language regional finalists were selected from more than

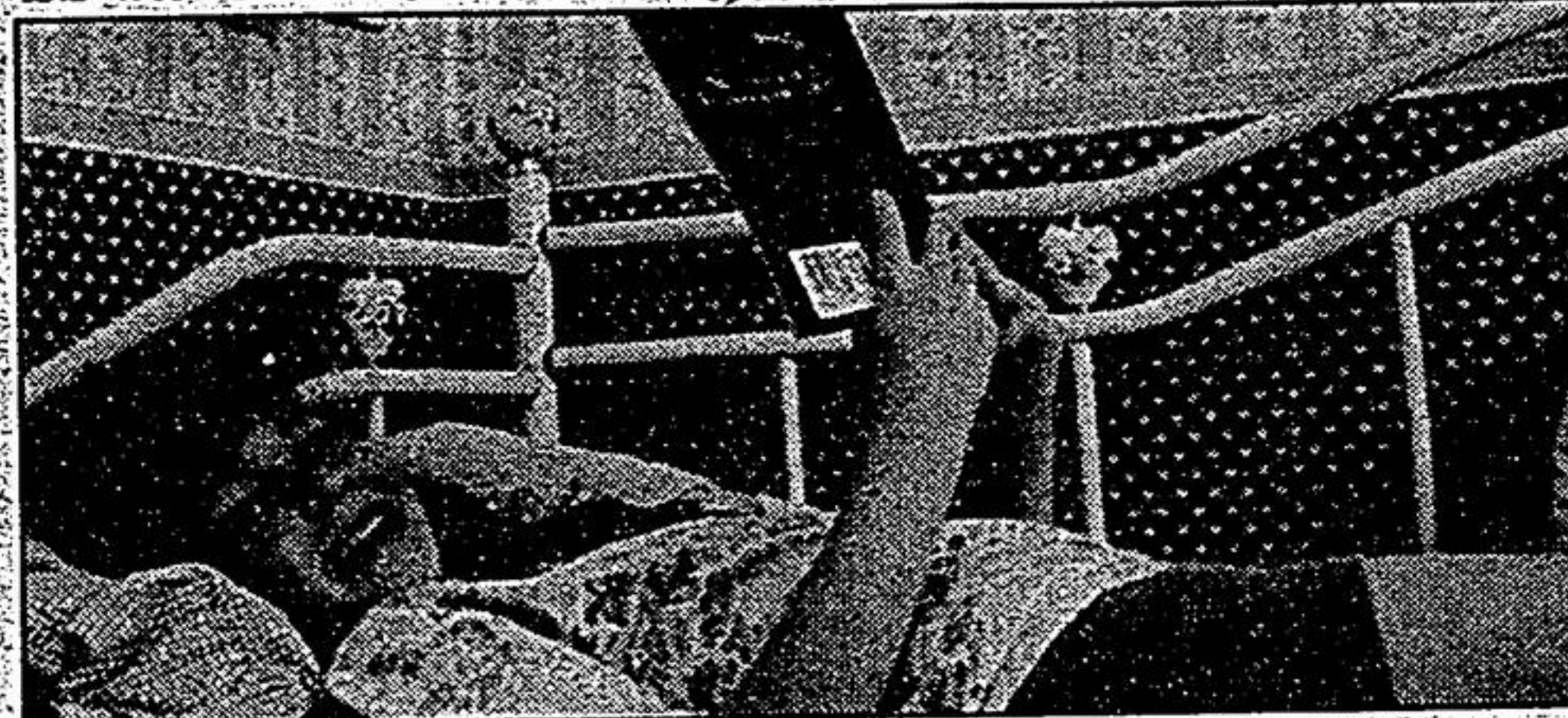
300 entries. Jaclyn, a Titanic buff, wrote a story entitled A Friend Forever about two girls on the famous ship. "I was really interested in the Titan-

ic, so I wrote a story," said Jaclyn. The aspiring author who has been writing short stories since Grade 1, also enjoys reading and studying various forms of dance including jazz, ballet and musical theatre. "It's like a play but you dance," she said. Writing runs in the family. Her dad, Jim Mason, is the managing editor of The Stouffville Sun.

This isn't Jaclyn's first award. She won a \$10,000 college scholarship when she was one year old through Johnson and Johnson's Adorable Babies Calendar Contest in 1990.

What does Jaclyn see herself doing in the future? "I want to write stories and illustrate them."

~Jordan H. Green



WRITE ON: Jaclyn Mason, an award-winning young author, lies in bed reading a book on the Titanic. Photo by SJOERD WITTEVEEN

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TOOGOOD POND SEDIMENT REMOVAL AND RESTORATION PROJECT  
NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF DETAILED DESIGN**

The Town of Markham, in partnership with the Rouge Park Alliance, the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority and the Great Lakes 2000 Clean-Up Fund, have undertaken the design of works to enhance Toogood Pond as an environmental and recreational amenity. The project site is located north of Carlton Road and west of Main Street in the Village of Unionville and includes Toogood Pond, dam structure, park and pavilion.

Limit of works includes the removal and disposal of approximately 5,500m<sup>3</sup> of sediment from the pond bottom, the construction of a fishway to provide for the migration of fish around the existing dam structure, various shoreline treatments to mitigate erosion and enhance aquatic habitat, shoreline plantings, walkway and site improvements.

The Town has planned this project under Schedule B of the Class Environmental Assessment for Municipal Water and Waste Water Projects. The detailed design has been completed and this notice is being placed in the public record for review. Subject to comments received as a result of this notice and the receipt of all necessary approvals, the Town of Markham intends to proceed with the construction of this project.

The design drawings will be available for review for a period of 30 days, commencing on July 17, 1997, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, at the Clerk's Office, Town of Markham.

Interested persons may provide written comments to the Municipal Clerk, within 30 days of July 17, 1997. If concerns regarding this project cannot be resolved in discussion with the Municipality, a person may request that the Minister of Environment and Energy bump up this project to a Schedule C or individual environmental assessment. Bump up requests must be received by the Minister within 30 calendar days from July 17, 1997. A copy of the bump up request shall be sent to the Town Clerk. If there is no bump up request received by August 15, 1997, the project will proceed to construction.

This notice issued July 17, 1997.

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