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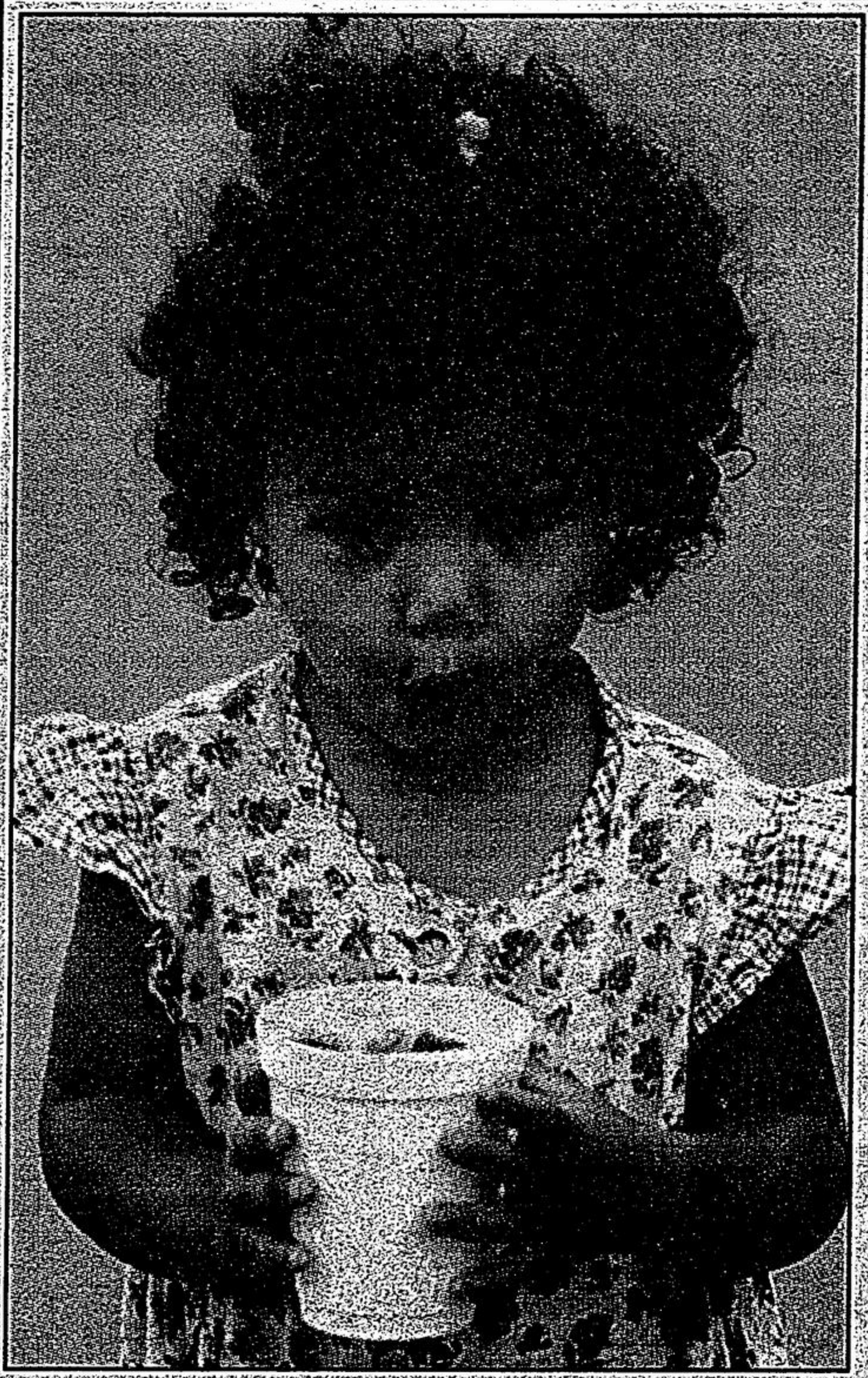
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**SWEET & SOUR:** Raven Travis had an ample supply of sour candies to keep her occupied at the ball park in Stouffville last weekend.  
 Photo by SJOERD WITTEVEN

## Local election races heat up in Stouffville

JOAN RANSBERRY  
 Staff Reporter

The municipal election campaign is heating up. Hours after it was reported by *The Tribune* that Ward 2 Councillor Mike Watson would not seek re-election in the ward covering Musselman's Lake and Ballantrae ward, two candidates came forward: Roland Kontgen of Forfordale Drive and Helene Johnson, president of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Chamber of Commerce.

Both announced that their names will be on the Nov. 10 ballot for Ward 2.

Former Ward 2 candidate Carol Davis said she's giving the position serious consideration.

"I'm very outspoken. I wonder if I'd last a week on that council," said Davis.

Neither Johnson, Kontgen nor Davis are strangers to the political scene. In the December Ward 2 by-election, Watson won with 154 votes. Davis polled 110 votes, compared to 106 for Kontgen. Richard Farmer, meanwhile, secured 91 votes.

In the '94 municipal election, Johnson ran a close second in Ward 6, losing to current Councillor Mark Kostanoff.



JOHNSON

Married to Ralph, Johnson lives in downtown Stouffville. Born in Musselman's Lake and educated in Bloomington, Johnson said, "My roots are in this ward. I'm a worker. I'm a digger. I'm not a drone."

The German-born Kontgen is self-employed and has lived in the ward for 20 years. Married to Babetti, the couple has three grown children. Kontgen hopes to build on his success in the last campaign. "I expect to do well this time. I feel confident," he said.

Mayor Wayne Emmerson is seeking re-election. It's expected that Emmerson will be challenged for the top post.

Vandorf resident and lawyer Christopher Dymond is the only candidate declared so far in Ward 1. Ivanka Bradley announced that she'll not seek re-election, at least, not in Ward 1.

Peter Dobrich, Preston Lake resident and member of Whitchurch-Stouffville Hydro Commission, is running in Ward 3, currently held by Councillor Margot Marshall, who's yet to make her future plans.



KONTGEN



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## Bennett not replaced

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville will not be in a hiring mood when the building director retires next year.

On Tuesday, Whitchurch-Stouffville Council decided not to put the wheels in motion to replace building director Bob Bennett, who's slated to retire in 1998.

Duties tied to the building director position "will be shifted" to other departments, said Emmerson.

"We are not looking at hiring," the mayor added.

The town's building director's salary is in the \$70,000 a year range.

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**Are welder gone**  
 Stouffville Battlefield Equipment Rental on Woodbine Ave. is out an \$18,000 piece of equipment after a break enter and their early Wednesday.  
 They forced entry by smashing the gate just before 3 a.m.

They made off with an \$18,000 are welder and caused more than \$200 damage.  
 York Regional Police are investigating.

to noon, starting Monday, Aug. 11, through Aug. 15.

For more information, call the church office at 887-5489.

**Kid's Club**  
 The House Hill Brethren in Christ Church is sponsoring a vacation Bible school at the Christian Blind Mission on Stouffville Road.  
 The theme is Fun at the Fair and runs daily from 9:30 a.m.

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