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'Everyone loved' youth killed in car crash

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Pretty, popular, kind and caring, Whitchurch-Stouffville's Janette Montgomery will be sorely missed, according to her aunt.

The 17-year-old student at Cardinal Carter Catholic High School in Aurora was killed in a crash in East Gwillimbury Sunday morning.

"Everybody loved her," said aunt Jeanette Montgomery, for whom she was named. "She was fun to be with. She had a great sense of humour and was just a fun kid to be around."

Ms Montgomery was driving west on Green Lane near Hwy. 404 shortly after 9 a.m. in the 1987 Cadillac Eldorado given to her by her grandfather weeks earlier.

"My father wanted to put lots of metal around her to protect her," her aunt said.

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JANETTE MONTGOMERY: 17-year-old Whitchurch-Stouffville resident died in weekend accident.



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Tom would be proud

Meghan Henriques (left) of Four Seasons Tree Care and Emily Alton of Gallo Real Estate go for the ball during the finals of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Soccer Club's Tom Morton Cup Day at Stouffville District Secondary School Saturday. Four Seasons won the under-10 game 1-0. Mr. Morton, the club's former head coach and president, died this summer. See results on page 19.

FOUR PEOPLE DEAD, FIVE CRITICALLY INJURED

Death, destruction on region's roadways

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A rash of death and destruction on York Region roads has police scratching their heads.

"We just don't know what's happening out there," York Regional Police traffic enforcement bureau Sgt. Dave Mitchell said. "We're being tested to the max right now."

Four people have died and five more were critically injured on York Region roads this past week.

Three York Region residents were lucky to escape with their lives after a dump truck rammed two cars at Mulock Drive and Yonge Street in Newmarket just before 9 a.m. Tuesday, police say.

The dump truck was travelling north on Yonge shortly before 9 a.m. when it plowed into a Pontiac Grand Prix and a Nissan Sentra, almost destroying both vehicles.

It took 45 minutes to extricate the driver of the Nissan, a 61-year-old Keswick man, who was taken by air ambulance to Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre with serious injuries.

Howard Lerner was driving the Pontiac and was taken to Southlake Regional Health Centre with a concussion, deep head and facial lacerations, three broken ribs and has a two-inch cut to his spleen.

"All I remember is driving to a client appointment and when I woke up I heard voices telling me to be calm and that they'd get me out," recalled Mr. Lerner, 48.

"I remember driving westbound on Mulock and crossing the intersection

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