

Bike Trek set for Sept. 21

The Halton Lung Association's BikeTREK is on the move and growing.

Starting and finishing at Coronation Park on Sept. 21, participants can choose from three distances, 20, 60 and 100 kilometres.

The 20-kilometre route is designed for those who wish to wheel the event any way they want – inline skate, bike, skateboard, stroller – anything on wheels. This route will also be set up for a family scavenger hunt with rewards for the most collect-

ed items but also a simple pledge ride for those not participating in the hunt.

The 60 and 100 kilometre rides will take cyclists to Burlington and Milton.

There will be a small registration fee for all three rides to offset costs.

BikeTREK proceeds will go towards the *Lungs Are For Life* education program for all grades from Kindergarten to Grade 12.

For information, call the Halton Lung Association at 905-847-1033.



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Double cohort high school graduates receiving \$1,000 Angela Bruce IODE bursaries are, from row from left, Lisa Cahill, White Oaks North; Alaa Ahmed and Louise Compton, White Oaks South; Martina Kunovic, St. Ignatius of Loyola, Merrian Keegan Award, \$8,000 over four years; Litsa Sotiriou, St. Thomas Aquinas; Jenna Schmalz and Michelle Stockstill, Oakville Trafalgar; middle row from left, Joyce Kim and Kamila Kruzel, St. Ignatius of Loyola; and Brennen McCrae, Queen Elizabeth Park; and back row from left, Evelyn Jackson, Iroquois Ridge; Jolene Cooper and Alya Saab, T. A. Blakelock; Lianne Biggar, Iroquois Ridge; Todd D'Amico, Queen Elizabeth Park, and Matthew Bak, St. Thomas Aquinas.

Angela Bruce IODE celebrates 70 years

The Angela Bruce Chapter IODE is celebrating its 70th anniversary. The not-for-profit organization was chartered on June 16, 1933. It was named after Angela Bruce, the wife of a Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.

The Chapter's celebration includes presenting \$27,500 in scholarships including the Merrian Keegan Award, \$8,000 over four years; \$1,000 bursaries to 15 local double cohort high school graduates; \$2,000 each to four adult female students at Sheridan Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning, plus \$500 to a Sheridan music student.

The Chapter's original membership was 24. During the ensuing years there have been 37 regents or, as they are now called, presidents. Today, Wendy Kato occupies that office and the Chapter has 69 members.

The original location of the IODE Opportunity Shop was on Oakville's main street in Oakville (1944) and since March of 1990 it is on the corner of Kerr and Rebecca Streets. During the Second World War its goal was to raise funds to purchase socks and sweaters for the men and women in the Armed Forces. The Lorne Scots Regiment was adopted and furnished with phonograph records and books.

During WWII other organizations were also supported by the Chapter, such as the Women's League; the Red Cross; the Royal Canadian Legion and the navy ship HMCS Oakville.

Today, this store is the main source of the Chapter's funding. The entire membership takes turns volunteering many hours at the shop. Used clothing and household articles are sold at very reasonable prices. The shop is open weekdays from 12 - 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Currently, revenue from the store is returned to the community through education, bursaries and donations. Angela Bruce Chapter supports many projects within the Oakville community, such as awarding bursaries every year to graduating students in each of Oakville's secondary schools and to adult students at White Oaks Secondary School and

Loyola graduate wins IODE's Merrian Keegan Scholarship

Martina Kunovic, 17, a Grade 12 graduate of St. Ignatius of Loyola High School with an average of 93 per cent, is the winner of the Angela Bruce IODE's 2003 Merrian Keegan Scholarship – \$8,000 over a four year period.

She has been an outstanding and active student, on the Honour Roll from 1999 through this year and winner of the Student of the Year and Academic Achievement Awards in 2001-2002.

Involved in a number of school activities, Kunovic has been a member on such committees as Social Justice, Rage of Order, Student Council, Yearbook and the Debating Team. She has tutored in mathematics and worked with special needs children and found time to play on the school's midget and junior volleyball teams.

Outside of the School, Kunovic's involvement has included being a member of Holy Trinity Parish and a lector for Sunday Mass. She is a member of the Parish Youth Group, and was youth co-chair of her Parish World Youth Day Committee in 2002.

A winner of the Optimist Club Oakville Student Youth Appreciation Award in 2002, she is one of three student trustees with the Halton Catholic District School Board and a member of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council.

Although a dedicated school student, Kunovic has found time for the past two years working as a supervisor at Le Dome Banquet Hall.

Sheridan.

Among others, the Chapter also supports Sleeping Children Around the World, Ian Anderson House, DARE, CNIB, the Salvation Army, SENECA,

Fareshare Foodbank and other local charities. The chapter also makes generous contributions to the Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital.

In recent years the club's other

fund-raising projects were targeted towards specific institutions. This year's proceeds from the annual Bridge-Luncheon will go to the Lions Foundation's Dog Guide Training Centre.

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