

Grade 9s take over the work world (for a day)

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On Nov. 9, all across Ontario and the rest of Canada, Grade 9 students ventured out into the work world for the third annual, Take Our Kids To Work Day.

This program, endorsed by the school boards and sponsored by the Learning Partnership and Halton Industry of Education, encouraged parents to take their kids to work to give the students an opportunity to explore career paths, see what a work day consists of, and to inspire students to get an education.

At Bishop Reding the program was co-ordinated by Mr. Rattray and Mrs. Amlinger.

This year brought a 15 per cent increase in participation

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from last year, allowing 85 per cent of the Grade 9 students to enter the workforce with their parents, friends, and relatives.

The day gave BR students Elizabeth Boyd, Brian Cole, Annabelle Fajloun, Andrea Husar, Amy McDougall and Leanne Neil a unique lesson, teaching them skills such as E-mailing, filing, accounting and working as a cashier. Although there were mixed feelings about the "real world," leaving some reconsidering their career choices, all agreed it was a worthwhile program.

Take Our Kids To Work Day has left its impression on this year's Grade 9s - giving them some knowledge

needed in the future and allowing them a look at what lies beyond the walls of the office building.

Whether the students were working at Maple Leaf Poultry or being the manager of a club for a day, one thing is certain: they all had a valuable learning experience as well as some fun.

On Nov. 11, Bishop Reding students remembered in a very special and unique fashion.

The Remembrance Day celebration took advantage of the many talents and efforts of the students and staff involved in the Arts Department.

Through the use of visual arts, vocals, music and drama, the Remembrance Day celebration took a look at the

loss and the trauma that soldiers went through for our country's freedom. The letters, prayers, memories, and music shared by Mr. Goodale, Mr. Ray Jones, and Mr. Ray Waters of the Royal Canadian Legion created several memorable moments for the students, allowing us the smallest peek at the true effects of war.

The moment of silence allowed those attending to take a true look at themselves, at our country's, and our world's histories, reminding us not to close our eyes and forget, but instead, to remember.

Experience rewarding, group told

SILVER-WOOD W.I.

At the October meeting of the Silver-Wood Women's Institute, members and guests were asked to name a city or town in Africa for the roll call. Joanne Mackie, the guest speaker, is a retired Family Studies teacher who formerly taught at Stewarttown and Milton and is now on the international Board for Home Studies.

This position has taken her to Swaziland on the south-east coast of Africa. Swaziland is a country of 900,000, 60 per cent of whom

are women. Income is judged by the number of cattle. The bride price is six cows, which is given to the parents of the bride.

Traditionally a man can have as many wives as he can afford, with each wife having her own house.

Grandmothers raise the children, as the mothers are of working age. In the rural areas women tend the crops, care for the children, and supplement their income by mak-

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Busy year for sororities

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The 1996/97 sorority year kicked off in August with a great dinner hosted by Jazzy Campbell. Five new members were welcomed: Vera Bedard, Maureen Craighead, Barb Fuller, Norma Tripp, and Dorothy Zebedee.

September was a very busy month with the social, ways and means, and service committees starting up. Our service projects for this year will be Halton Women's Place and the Cancer Society. With 20

members, our chapter is stronger than ever and we anticipate a lot of community involvement, and fun.

One of our members, Jan, was married in June and we extend our best wishes and happiness to Jan and her new husband.

Some upcoming social events will include: local theatre outings, dining and entertaining. We look forward to a year full of learning, friendship and fun!

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ing such crafts as baskets, brooms and whisks. Joanne shared many interesting experiences and gave us an understanding of life in Swaziland.

During the business of the meeting, highlights from the Fall Board Meeting were reported. The knitted squares for Zambia project were a great success. Larger-sized squares are also welcome as they are easier for the handicapped to sew into blankets for the ill, the young and the elderly.

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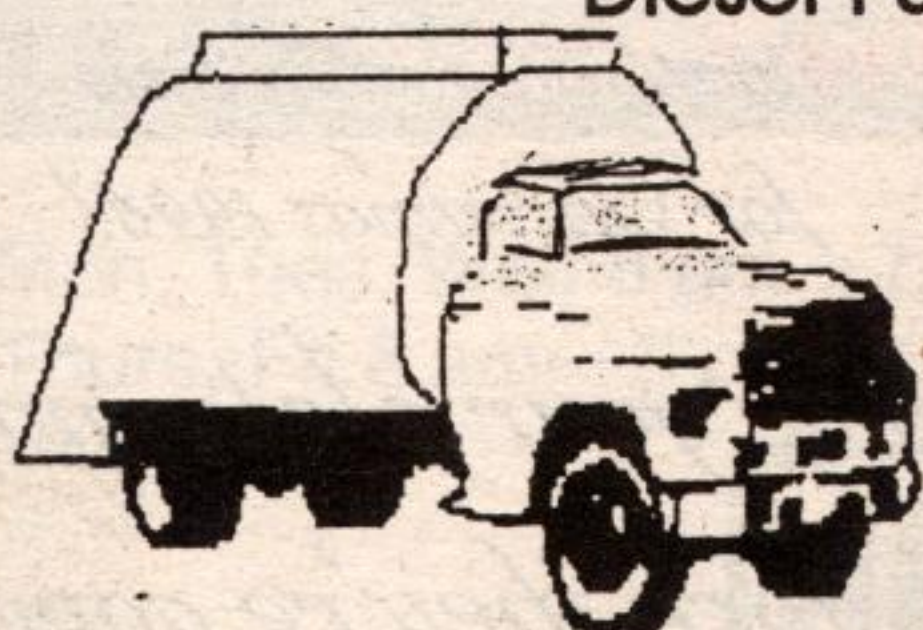
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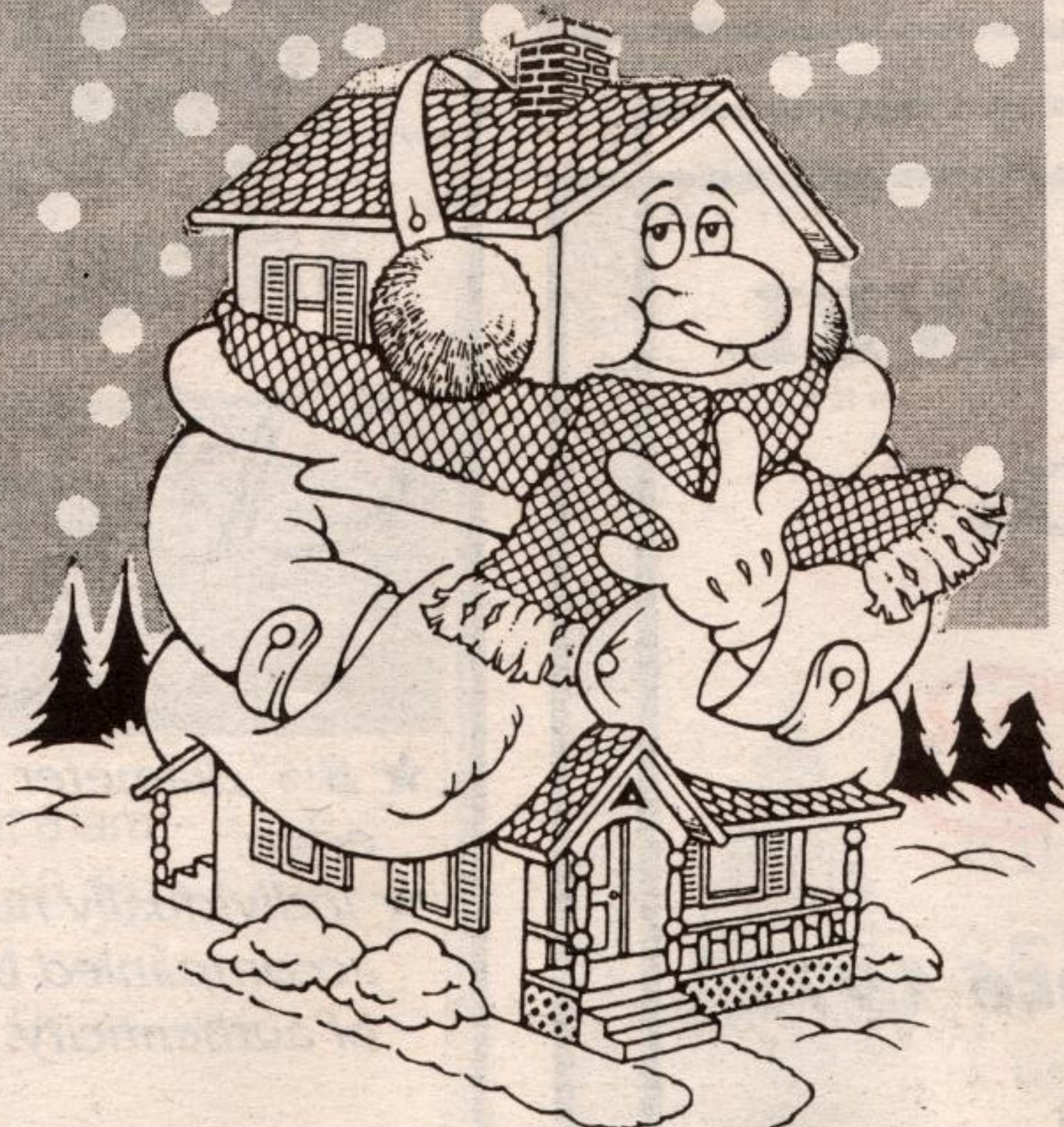
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