REFORM, RENEW, RESTRUCTURE THE NEW 3 R'S

New methods must be sought by educators

BY MARIE JACOBS, GDHS PRINCIPAL

Special to The Gemini
Georgetown District High
School staff and parents are
hard-pressed to keep up with
the many changes and potential changes in education and
to inform stakeholders about
them. For example:

the Halton Board recently released its report on Accommodation and School Programs Renewal, decisions on which are to be made by Dec. 19.

the Provincial government has released discussion papers on Guidance and Career Education, Curriculum for Ontario Secondary Schools, and Ontario Secondary Schools.

views on The School Boards and Teachers Collective Negotiations Act and "Who Does What" (re: educational funding; school boards and municipalities' roles and responsibilities) have been completed.

School Councils and a College of Teachers were just implemented this year.

Input is due by Nov. 30 on

GDHS NEWS

Training's proposals for implementation of a 37 credit (at 90 hours, each) high school diploma (compared to the current 30 credit at 110 hours, each). Booklets entitled, Excellence in Education: High School Reform, were sent home with high school students. Members of the public are welcome to pick up the booklets at GDHS.

GDHS' Parent Advisory
Group will be preparing their
response to Secondary
School Reform proposals and
reviewing the School Programs document, Nov. 22 at
1 pm in the library. All parents are welcome.

We encourage employers to review and respond to the ministry proposals as well. Employer input on opinions for co-operative education, as well as other areas, is needed.

Staff is very concerned about the impact and timing of the many changes being proposed at a time when more than \$1 billion is to be removed from education.

Belts tightened with cutbacks, W.I. group told

BY NOREEN VAN LEUWEN, P.R.O.

Special to The Gemini

The November meeting of the Norval Women's Institute was hosted by Norma Thompson. President Gisela Malchin opened the meeting by reading an article from a newspaper entitled, Legion reminds us why we remember.

Lisa Alexander of RR 1
Norval has won the 1996
Women's Institute bursary.
A letter was read from Ontario Works Halton Hills.
Norval W.I. will exhibit
Tweedsmuirhistorical books
in Norval Presbyterian
Church on Lucy Maud
Montgomery Day, Nov. 30.

It was suggested we could buy a park bench for Norval to commemorate our 90th anniversary. Our faithful member Gladys Chester passed away Nov. 7, in her 98th year. She will be long remembered.

Roll call for Family and Consumer Affairs program was, "Name a community service and it's purpose." Members and two guests answered. Norma Thompson

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NORVAL W.I.

introduced the speaker, Shirley Andrechek, a nurse at Georgetown District Memorial Hospital for seven years. Shirley is manager of Community Outreach in the hospital and Georgetown district.

She is co-ordinator of programs for diabetes, heart to

heart, and asthsma.

Exercise is recommended for the emotional factor of these diseases. Shirley is also co-ordinator of Senior's Activities and Housing.

Modern technology is so advanced that much less hospitalization is required for post-operative patients now, she stated. GMDH has one general surgeon full-time and others that come and go. We all have to tighten our belts with cutbacks, with each person having more jobs to do, she concluded.

Norma thanked the speaker with a gift of flow-

Dec. 5 we are to attend Globe Production's Camelot and afterwards to the home of Aileen Nixon.

Is provincial streamlining of environmental protection putting the environment at risk?

HEAR KATHLEEN COOPER

Environmental Specialist from CELA*

for an INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS of the changes and information on the proposal to privatize Ontario's water resources!

P.O.W.E.R.

(Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Georgetown District High School 7:30 pm • Tuesday, Nov. 26, 1996

Speaker first and AGM to follow. Everyone welcome!

* The Canadian Environmental Law Association (CELA) is a non-profit group established in 1970 to use existing laws to protect the environment and to advocate environmental law reforms.





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