Fresh Tracks.

By Barbara McIntosh

REFLECTIONS ON THE TEEN-AGER

To the average adult, the teenager is the confusing, irrational element in society. With little consideration for others, he plods through those eight, long years clad in tight jeans and shaggy hair,. questioning every established rule, resenting any form of restriction or authority, and believing he is God's answer to the universe.

On one side, parents tell him he is in the best years of his life; on the other, they pray that he will soon grow out of them, the sooner, the better.

He is too old for a regular allowance, yet too young to invest his savings in a new car without his parents' consent. He is too old for a baby-sitter, yet too young to throw a parent-free party.

He faces basically the same problems his parents did in their teens, but he cannot be expected to apply the same solutions. He has grown up under a completely different set of conditions - in a world of mass communication, growing internationalism, and constant change. It is not surprising that he speaks a different language than his parents.

Today's teenager is confused. The Church is no longer the unquestioned authority for moral and social decisions. In school he is taight that man is a product of evolution. He cannot discard the proof of science, yet he cannot ignore the need for a God to give life meaning.

The teenager wonders about his purpose. Is he to strive for the greatest happiness for himself? Can he ignore the millions of empty stomachs in Asia, or the struggling young nations of Africa? Does he have anything to offer society? Does society want what he has to give?

He questions. He questions rules he had no part in making. He resents restrictions which limit his creativity or infringe on his personal freedom. He questions the wisdom of his elders when he sees the war memorial in the town park, or hears a government official deny a fellow student education because his skin is black.

He fears. He fears that he may never be given a chance to prove himself. He lives in the constant conscious fear of annihilation by the pressing of a single button. He fears the pains of aging.

But he dreams - of building a better world where all problems are solved. He hopes for lasting peace and an end to racial and religious prejudice. He hopes for success.

Between the ages of 12 and 20, he is too young to really know and understand, but too old to ignore his problems.

He conforms to be accepted by the group, but strives to be an individual.

He pretends to search in groups, but wants to find the answers by himself.

Kim Edser, one of Acton's fulfill a number of tasks:

For the Gold Cord, she had to from countries around the world.

newest residents, is also its first

Just 15 years old, Kim re-

ceived the award on April 26, in

Toronto. She moved here with

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed

Edser, this March from Toronto.

goal of every Brownie, Girl Guide

and Ranger. As such it requires

a great deal of time and skill,

and a devotion to Guiding over a

Kim won her First Class in

March 1986 and her All-round

later. She moved up from Guides

The Gold Cord is the ultimate

Gold Cord Ranger.

long period of time.

to Rangers last year.

## Ballinafad youth—star cadet

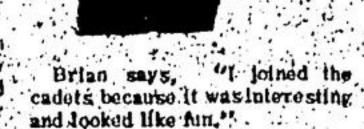
For Brian Wood, high school Cadets is a way of life. A grade 11 student at Erin District High School, he boasts an outstanding list of accomplishments and awards.

Brian was recently promoted to the rank of Captain which makes him second in command of the Erin Corps.

In grade nine, he joined the Cadets, which is affiliated with the 11th Field Royal Canadian Artitlery Regiment in Gueloh. The Commander of the regiment, Li. Col. D. G. Ingram, C.D. inspects the corps every year. During his first year, Brian was solected as Best First Year Cadet at Annual Inspection. .

The past two summers, Brian has attended a six-week course. at Camp Ipperwash, Ontario, and last year, along with two other Erin cadets, two weeks were spent at Farnham, Quebec, as part of a Centennial Year exchange between Quebec and Ontarlo cadets. While there, they were taken on tours of Montreal,. Quebec city and Expo '67.

In this, his third year, he has been promoted to Captain. At the Annual Inspection on Friday May 10, Brian received the 11th Field Artillery Award for the cadet who has made the most outstanding contribution to the cadet corps during the year.



He is now a Master Cadet, a First-class Shot, and a qualified St. John's First Alder-Cadets are taught hunter-safety, first aid and survival fechniques, as well as self-discipline and cit-"Cadets are interesting and

worthwhile. For any boys in Acton who are interested, there is an 'open' corps every Saturday morning at the Guelph Armourles. This year, Brianplans to attend

the National Cadet Camp at Banff for six weeks.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wood of Ballinafad.



THE BONNIE AND CLYDE LOOK A hunt through the attic for rejects from the 1930's could make you the best dressed person around town.

### Guidance students

On Friday, May 10, Dr. Embrack and Dr. Vanderbent spent approximately one hour with Guldance students of the 9A

First gold cord Ranger girls at the camp prompted her to choose Sweden for another 20minute speech on the politics, Kim is a grade 10 student in economics and culture of a for- the Acton High school. She ad-

(2) The first-aid badge, by successfully completing a St. John's Ambulance course. (3) The citizen's badge, by giving a history of Canada's government, the operation of Parliament, and a description of how weekend camp, which involved the city." one becomes a Canadian citizen. planning menus and helping to (4) A three-month service as

supervise food preparation. a Cub pack leader. There can be little argument (5) A twenty-minute speech on that the Gold Cord is not easily her experiences at the National obtained and something to be Cord (blue and white) two weeks Heritage camp on Morrison Isworn proudly. land last summer. This was an

Guiding is a family tradition with the Edsers. Kim and her talk on professions

The topic of the discussion was "Professions and Professionals". The students were most impressed by the varied background of the doctors and the doctors said it was a new experience for them to talk in such an informal manner with the students.

mother are taking over the leadership of a Guide troop in Acton

mits, "I don't know what I want (7) Finally, she had to per- to be yet." When asked how she form three tasks. Kim chose to liked her new home she replied, teach a guide company to march "It's a pretty nice place once and use a flag correctly, and you get used to it. I think small served as quarter master for a towns are much friendlier than

### Young people confess faith

Sunday, May 12 was a special day for the people of the Christian Reformed Church of Acton. On this day eleven of their young people made public confession of their faith.

The Rev. P. Brouwer conducted the service and based his sermon on St. John, chapter 21, vs. 15 - 17. The theme was "The Love of God." He urged those young people to dedicate their lives completely to God and His service. Not only are we God's people on Sundays but also in our daily lives we must show evidence of this belief.

The young people who made confession of faith are Andy Bowman, Sandy Sinclair, Ris Duiker, Rink Duiker, Grace Kamminga, Jack Friend, Nelly Huisman, Albert Jensen, Cathy Krul, Fred Barens and Albert Viletstra.

(And those still young enough to remember). We are starting a new page especially for you and welcome any information you ions on what you would like to read on the page. Call Barb McIntosh: 853 2010



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