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The Decline and Death of Chivalry

The dictionary defines "chivalry" as the quality or character of the ideal knight - neat, handsome, healthy, happy, intelligent, loyal, courageous, honest, incorruptible, true-blue, and always willing to come to the immediate aid of a damsel in distress.

Somewhat, such a lily-white analysis doesn't fit the average young man of this generation.

Those who make an attempt at playing Sir Lancelot are dubbed 'square.' There are few willing to give up their seat on the bus, open a car door for a date or allow the girl to pass through a door first, not to mention rushing forward to uphold the honor of a lady.

Obviously chivalry is confined to boys, because nowhere in written history is there any mention of a female knight. But today, chivalrous conduct is just not the masculine way to act.

The really romantic type of boy almost totally vanished at the end of the nineteenth century. Roses, poems, and mandolin serenades over the telephone are not accredited ways to make time with the modern girl.

True, large amounts of mushy-gush, are guaranteed to send a girl coughing for air. Yet no woman can resist a rose unless she's allergic to them, and a poem would be a boost to any female ego. (The mandolin could be a bit much.)

What a pity, few men are willing to put any thought into their courtships, beyond remembering their date's name and how much she likes her hamburger.

However, the male is not entirely to blame for the decline and death of chivalry.

When girls began wearing grimy jeans and boys' shirts, they lost some of their feminine charm.

By trying to prove they can do anything like one of the boys, it is not surprising that they often get treated like one of the boys.

The long struggle for equal rights has produced a breed of women who are independent, self-assured, ambitious and even at times, aggressive. They are in constant competition with their male classmates in school and on into the working world.

One can't expect special privileges in a competitive environment. Women fought for equality, and in the process murdered chivalry.

It is up to the girls to revive gallantry.

Mary must push through the door ahead of Joe with a sweet, "Thank you very much." She must take Jim's seat on the bus while he is standing to help her balance a slipping bag of groceries. She must never be content to tag along a few steps behind, like a faithful, adoring canine.

Yet, perhaps the most effective way to revive gallantry is a return to the fragile, feminine image once more.

This means no hair rollers on the street, no grimy jeans at a dance, and no Indian wrestling in the park.

Cringe from big dogs and thunderstorms, bruise easily, and pretend to be slightly inferior in matters of intellect.

It could be worth it.

Students scrape barrel summer jobs scarce

Why wait for spring - let a student do it now.

This coming summer could be one of the leanest years for students trying to earn money during their vacations. The problem: more job-seeking students than jobs.

In Ontario, over 475,000 secondary school students will flood the work market. Surveys indicate that nearly half the population between 14 and 17 years of age, look for work at some time during the year, mostly during the summer months.

In an effort to alleviate this critical summer job problem, Canada Manpower Centres in Toronto and other Ontario cities are mobilizing community and civic resources to solicit job vacancies from employers and homeowners.

At our local Manpower Centre in Brampton, a program for "Summer Employment Service" is in full swing. The aim of the service is to find summer jobs for about 500 university, college and high school students in the area.

Employers in the Brampton area, have been urged to place orders for students, by special letters, paid newspaper advertisements, and radio announcements.

In addition Manpower counsellors have personally solicited vacancies for students both by visits to employers and by telephone calls. Posters have been displayed in conspicuous positions around the district.

One bright spot in the summer employment picture has been activity by CMC Student Placement Officers at universities and post-secondary schools in recruiting students for summer agricultural work.

Pamphlets on agricultural wages and working conditions were distributed on campus in April and many students have already begun farm work.

The Acton summer job situation appears to be as grim as any. Many university students have already been forced to commute to Guelph and Georgetown for work.

As high school exams finish next week, the number of job-seekers will rise even further.



"ALOHA TO MY LUAU". An Hawaiian-style party in the back yard or patio can be a refreshing change from the frequent frantic Go parties this summer.

Luau - party with a difference

Summer time is party time and the party with the big difference is a Luau.

The traditional Luau is a feast that blends all the tastes of the many cultures in the south sea islands - Chinese, Polynesian, Japanese, Filipino and of course Occidental.

By making use of the wide range of canned and frozen Oriental convenience foods now available in stores, you can recapture the Luau spirit in your own back yard with a minimum of fuss and a maximum of exotic flair.

It is easy to arrange your patio or backyard to provide the Luau setting. The food is served buffet style on tables covered with straw mats and decorated with flowers, fresh pineapples, coconuts, bananas and any other tropical fruits that are to be found.

Chinese lanterns can be hung from the trees overhead, and wind chimes can be set up in places where there will be a draft to provide the Oriental effect.

Greet each guest with a Lei. Traditionally these are necklaces of flower petals strung on string. However, since flower petals are not all that plentiful in this country, leis can be easily made from pieces of colored paper.

Ask your friends to come in bright sports shirts and gay dresses.

Hawaiian style records playing softly in the background will add the finishing touch to the Luau atmosphere.



This year's Canadian National Exhibition will mean rock bands, folk singers, electronic sounds, flashing lights, bright colors, the most lavish fashion shows ever presented, and non-stop dancing.

It's all part of the scene at 'Time Being' - the name of a gigantic youth show which will fill the Automotive Building and turn it into a swinging experience.

The Mezzanine floor of the Automotive Building will be turned into a miniature 'Yorkville' with streets of shops, boutiques,

and an unusual movie theatre. In the evening, big name Canadian and American pop music groups will entertain.

Electronic sounds will circulate through the 'action area' - a 60,000 sq. ft. area in the centre of the building. The flashing lights will be computer controlled from a central control room.

Among events scheduled, are twice-daily fashion shows produced by Miss Chateleine, and afternoon discoteque run by CHUM, psychedelic car-painting contests and marathon charity go-go contests.

CHUM announcers will MC the dances and broadcasts daily from a special studio in the building, and the Telegram will sponsor

a teach-in room in a special theatre on the mezzanine. Well-known public figures and political leaders will assemble for dialogues with young people.

Officials of the CNE, expect an estimated 3,000,000 visitors to this year's three-week exhibition.

Said Hugh Macgregor, Manager of Time Being: "What we're going to be putting on is a multimedia exposition - we've learned many lessons from Expo, and we're convinced that it'll be an exciting new experience for teens and young adults."

'Time Being' is to be put on by Industrial and Trade Shows of Canada.

Project action Donation to cancer society at first dance

The money raised by the recent Marathon Walk will be presented to the Canadian Cancer Society during a dance in the Community Centre this Thursday night.

The dance marks the first of the summer season's activities to be organized by Project Action. A band called the Blues Revue has been hired to provide the beat, and the dress is "casual but neat" (according to Project Action executives).

Things will begin to swing around 8:30 and the cost is \$1.25 stag and \$2.00 drag.

Carol Swackhamer goes on exchange trip to west

Miss Carol Swackhamer, R.R. 2, was chosen by a selection committee to participate in Rural Learning Association's Rural Youth Travel and Exchange Project to Alberta.

These rural young people, ages 18 to 22, accompanied by two leaders will go to Alberta for two weeks leaving Ontario, June 28. They will take part in a leadership seminar at Goldeye Camp in the Rockies, four such places as Banff, Lake Louise,

Johnson's Canyon and will attend the Calgary Stampede prior to an individual farm visit on an Alberman farm. They will return to Ontario, July 16.

This project is sponsored by Rural Learning Association in co-operation F.U. & C.D.A., Alberta and is subsidized by Citizenship Branch, Department of the Secretary of State.

Miss Swackhamer is a local school teacher.

Bob Bonnette talks to Rotary on Adventure in Citizenship

Twenty Rotarians were in attendance at the Rotary Club meeting last week to hear Bob Bonnette's report on his visit to Ottawa in May.

Bob was the high school student selected to participate in the annual Adventure in Citizenship project sponsored by the Rotary Club of Ottawa. He stayed at the Chateau Laurier hotel with over 200 other students from across Canada.

Bob visited most of the places of interest in the federal capital, the House and Senate Chamber. He spoke with several Members of Parliament during his stay.

The young speaker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Bonnette, Main St. N., was introduced by Ted Hansen and thanked by secretary Ron Lewis.

The attendance, content with

Leaders summoned home from training

The summer camping season is well underway at Blue Springs Scout Reserve. However, last weekend's camp was interrupted when the police were sent to summon one of the leaders home on an "urgent family matter."

Leaders' training courses began early in the spring.

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