

# The Acton Free Press

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Second Section

## Voices lift in song for music festival

Thousands of voices lifted in song last week as students from 14 North Halton schools competed for trophies, shields and medals in the North Halton Music Festival.

Brookville School hosted the first day's events on Tuesday while Stewarttown School's auditorium was opened for the Wednesday session. On Thursday evening 1,000 participants, parents and friends headed for the Milton District High School auditorium where all the first prize winners gave a concert.

An institution in Halton, the festival drew large audiences for all three events. This year was the first time the northern section has moved out of Acton schools.

Adjudicator was John Sidgwick of Toronto, director of the Toronto Orpheus choir. His witty remarks and constructive criticism were well received by the audiences and he was given an ovation for his thankless job of selecting winners in classes with as many as 13 entrants.

Music Festival Association officials had arranged a neatly timed, smoothly running competition. President this year was James Zehr of Brookville, with Mrs. Glenda Benton of Acton the secretary-treasurer.

Here are the complete results from the two days:

**TUESDAY WINNERS**  
Girls' solo, grades 4, 5, and 6: Bonnie Hill, Bruce St., Milton; Laurie Logan, W. I. Dick, Milton; Paula Kitching, Brookville, 12 entries.

Boys' solo, grades 4, 5 and 6: Tommy Peritt, Pniew; Scott Dredge, Brookville; Steve Brunelle, M. Z. Bennett, Acton, 12 entries.

Girls' solo, grades 1, 2 and 3: Beth Barr, J. M. Denyes; Temera Henderson, Campbellville; Sonja Baker, Brookville, 13 entries.

Boys' solo, grades 1, 2 and 3: Tommy Frost, Norval; Wade Vickery, M. Z. Bennett; Wally McKay, J. M. Denyes, 11 entries.

Primary choir, kindergarten to grade three, seven rooms and over: W. I. Dick, Speyside, Brookville, Nine entries.

Primary choir, grades one to three, six rooms and under:

Bruce St., Norval, Milton Heights, Four entries.  
Junior choir, grades 5 and 6, seven rooms and over: Glen Williams, Pniew; J. M. Denyes, Eight entries.  
Triple duet, M. Z. Bennett, Speyside, Glen Williams, Nine entries.

**WEDNESDAY WINNERS**  
Girls' solo, grades 7, 8, Cindy Lee, M. Z. Bennett; Ingrid Boomhower, Brookville; Muriel Holmes, Robert Little, Acton, Seven entries.

Boys' unchanged voices solo, grades 6, 7 and 8: Jim Cosulich; Martin St., Milton; Richard Rocher, Robert Little; Steven Brunelle, M. Z. Bennett, Five entries.

Boys' unchanged voices solo, Joe Soulier, Brookville; Ron Louttet, M. Z. Bennett; Tom Elliott, Martin St. Five entries.

Junior choir, grades 4 to 6, six rooms and under: W. I. Dick, Bruce St., Norval, Four entries.

Boys' unchanged voices choir, M. Z. Bennett, Stewarttown, Brookville, 10 entries.

Grade 4 choir, Pniew, Brookville, M. Z. Bennett, Eight entries.

Senior choir, grades 7 and 8 Brookville, M. Z. Bennett,

Stewarttown, Six entries.  
Boys' changed voices choir, Stewarttown, M. Z. Bennett, Brookville, Four entries.  
Triple trio, grades 7 and 8, Stewarttown, Brookville, Robert Little, Seven entries.  
Triple duet, grades 5 and 6, six rooms and under, Bruce St., Norval, Campbellville, Three entries.

Three officials of the Halton County Board of Education extended greetings to festival participants and audiences. George Pelletier of Burlington spoke on Tuesday, William Lawson of Esquesing on Wednesday, and L. D. Wood of Oakville at the Thursday concert.

Two students, Marlene Hume of Stewarttown and Karen Pierce of Brookville, introduced the adjudicator during the competition days. A prize was presented Elizabeth Catling, Stewarttown student, at the concert for designing the program cover.

Others on the festival executive included former area superintendents W. I. McNeil and O. G. McDowell, past president Jack Reed of Georgetown, vice-president Raymond Morrison of Milton, trophy convener Mrs. R. Frost of Georgetown, assistants Mrs. S. Brunelle and Mrs. R. Appleyard, and Halton's northern area assistant area superintendent E. S. Lavender.

Festival officials extended appreciation to principals K. Trovbridge of Brookville, R. Chatten of Stewarttown and R. C. Hunter of Milton High for the use of their schools. Special mention was made in the program to those who give donations to support the festival work.

Women's Institutes - Acton, Campbellville, Scotch Block, Bancroftburn, Ashgrove, Limehouse, Ballinad, Dublin, Mountain Union, Hornby, Norval, Silverwood, Esquesing, Nassagaweya.

I.O.D.E.: Lakeside Chapter, Acton; Duke of Devonshire Chapter, Acton; John Milton Chapter, Milton; Sarah Martin Chapter, Milton.

Acton Public School Board, Esquesing Area School Board, Nassagaweya Area School Board, Milton Public School Board, Acton Lions, County of Halton, Bruce St. Home and School Association.

And the trophy donors: John Milton I.O.D.E., Milton; Lakeside I.O.D.E., Acton; Milton Home and School; Kinsmen Club, Milton; Bank of Montreal, Acton; Apple Products, Glen Williams; Acton Home and School; Miss Ruth Evans; Milton Public School Board; White Oak I.O.D.E.; Countess of Strathmore I.O.D.E., Georgetown; Duke of Devonshire I.O.D.E., Acton; Rotary Club, Milton; Bank of



STEWARTTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL won second prize in the boys' unchanged voices competition at Wednesday's festival. (Staff Photo)



ROBERT LITTLE triple duet competitors at the Festival were Helen Gunther, Becky Baxter, Martha Long, Kathy Frost, Kim Krestler and Karen Norton. They weren't judged in the top three. (Staff Photo)



ELIZABETH CATLING of Stewarttown Public School, who designed this year's program cover for North Halton Music Festival, received a cheque during Thursday's festival concert.

Commerce, Georgetown; Bank of Nova Scotia, Milton; Halton Music Festival; Sarah Martin I.O.D.E., Milton; Mountain Union W.I., Campbellville W.I.; Ebenezer Church Choir; Acton W.I.; Esquesing School Area; North Halton Music Festival; Ashgrove W.I.



BROOKVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL in Nassagaweya township entered this senior choir and won first prize over five other choirs in the festival, singing "My Love's an Arbutus".



STEWARTTOWN SCHOOL triple trio sang their way to first place against six other triple trios at the music festival Wednesday. They included Janet Storey, Anns Kramer and Debbie Front in the front, Lynda Sayers, Colleen Burns and Dorothy Newton in the second row, and Louise Kiteley, Marlene Hume and Janie Critchall in the rear.



STEVEN BRUNELLE accepted a new Music Festival trophy from Mrs. C. Austin, representing Ashgrove Women's Institute. He was a member of the first place winning M. Z. Bennett triple duet Tuesday of last week. (Staff Photo)



BANK OF NOVA Scotia trophy for triple duet competition was presented to Speyside representative Susan McPhail by Milton branch manager Mr. Dicola. (Staff Photo)



CINDY LEE of Acton's M. Z. Bennett school was winner of the grade 7-8 girls' solo class at the festival Wednesday.

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