

# \$500 Cheque is Bonus for Being First to Pay Loan

A cheque for \$500 from the Ontario Association for the Mentally Retarded and the verbal promise of the use of a building in Hornby, has greatly increased the chances for an adult workshop for mental retardates in the North Halton area.

At a meeting in the Sunshine School on Thursday evening, vice-president of the Ontario Association for the Mentally Retarded, Arnold Gibbard, presented a cheque for \$500 to the North Halton Association. The cheque was presented as a bonus to the local Association, because it was the first association to borrow with financial backing from a special reserve fund and was also the first association to completely pay back the loan.



**MRS. PEGGY TREAHY**, 49 Weber Drive, Georgetown, president of the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded, accepts a cheque for \$500 from Arnold Gibbard, vice-president of the Ontario Association for Retarded Children, and chairman of the telethon committee. The NHAMR was the first association to take advantage of a loan system made possible by a TV telethon program a few years ago.

Several years ago \$5,000 was borrowed from the bank by the North Halton Association and the Ontario Association backed the loan. The North Halton Association paid back the loan plus \$712 interest. The Ontario Association made a profit on the transaction and in return the cheque for \$500 was presented on Thursday night.

North Halton president Mrs. Peggy Treahy announced that the \$500 will be used for an adult retardate workshop. She also stated that the Association has been promised the use of the old Hornby School when additional accommodation at Pineview is completed. The combination of the cheque plus the promise of the school would make the proposed adult workshop a reality in the fall.

**Work of Retardates**

Special feature of the Thursday night meeting was the presentation of slides and a talk by William Berendsen, co-ordinator of Adult Services for the Ontario Association for the Mentally Retarded. The films illustrated how adult retardates can become useful workers for industries. More than 60 industries in the North part of the country were invited to attend the meeting but representatives were present from only two industries, Beardmore and com-

pany of Acton and Smith and Stone of Georgetown.

Some examples of adult retardate work included: 50,000 pretied ribbon bows prepared by retardates were sold at three Toronto department stores; a stockroom worker at a retardate workshop in Sarnia became an efficient that he was hired by an oil company to work in their stock room; five million discs for use on dial telephones were prepared by members of a London workshop and not one single disc was rejected (the achievement earned the workshop an award as a preferred vendor) and in Cooksville adult retardates assemble and pack large outdoor lighting fixtures.

## MRS. MURIEL BARR HEADS BAHAI'S LOCAL ASSEMBLY

Georgetown Bahai's met on April 20 at the home of Mrs. Davina Barber for the annual elections when voting took place for the nine members who will comprise the new Spiritual Assembly for Bahai year 122. New officers were also elected at this meeting.

Mrs. Muriel Barr is chairman, Joe Emerson vice chairman, Wayne Miller treasurer and Mrs. Don Miller, secretary.

All voting took place by secret ballot and Mrs. Ivy Penny served as teller.

Chairman last year was Ernest Barker. He left town in September so Donald Miller was elected chairman for the balance of the year.

First meeting of the new assembly took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Emerson on May 8 and during the course of business several committees were set up to take care of local Bahai affairs, such as feasts, local teaching work, extension teaching, publicity, welfare, library, archives, and social events.

## Present Golden Bar and Hand At Mom and Daughter Banquet

The Mother & Daughter banquet of the 8th, 9th and 12th Brownie Packs of the north Georgetown District was held at St. Andrew's Church on April 20th.

The meeting was opened with Rev. K. Johnson saluting Grace. After a dinner served by the Ladies of the UCW, Rev. Father DeVent spoke briefly to the Brownies and Mothers. Patry Syme presented a gift to Father DeVent. Brown Owl Mrs. D. Hurlings introduced the head table guests and the ladies of the UCW were thanked by Brown Owl Mrs. A. Syne.

The guest speaker Mrs. G. Hills, Halton Division Commissioner, who spoke on the new age grouping for Brownies and Guides. Brownies may now be enrolled at the age of 7 years, if there is enough room in the Packs and may go into Guides by their 10th birthday. Guides will be enrolled at 10 years and must leave by their 14th birthday after which they may become Rangers.

Mrs. Hills then spoke briefly on the changes that have come through for the Brownie and Guide tests. Mrs. A. Syne, Brown Owl of the 8th Pack thanked Commissioner Hills for her very interesting talk.

North District Commissioner Mrs. K. York spoke very briefly and made the following presentations.

Golden Hand to Patty Anne Cole and Karen Leonard; Golden Bar to Pam Little, Kathleen Heeney, Wendy McIntosh,

Leslie Freeman, Debbie Brick, Laurie Wiles.

Mrs. D. Melcombe, President of the North District Local Association thanked the mothers for their cooperation during the past year and expressed their thanks to the Brownie and the Guide Leaders and the following Brownies presented flowers to their leaders and gifts to the head table guests, Zingra Middleton, Andre Walsh, Donnie Secord, Helen Dunlop, Lagarie Walsh, Sanders Munday and Denise Howlinson.

Mrs. I. Presgrave, Deputy Division Commissioner led the Brownies in a sing-song, and the meeting closed with taps.

## REGIONAL FORCE COULD REPLACE LOCAL POLICE

The possibility of legislation setting up regional police forces rather than the present local forces was mentioned by Mayor J. Gibbons Monday night, when a letter from Police Chief Roy Haley was read.

The Chief asked permission for Corporal Ted Scott to attend a School Guards Convention in Ottawa, and permission for the Chief himself to attend a Police Constables' Convention in Barrie. He also asked that consideration be given to a new police cruiser, since the present Chevrolet has eighty thousand miles on it. He suggested, too, that police liability insurance be considered.

Without commenting on the contents of the letter, Mayor Gibbons told of the proposed new legislation. He understood 202 municipalities with less than ten men police forces would be affected, he said, with the province looking after the training of the men.

"It sounds like a big improvement to me, and it would be much less costly," concluded the Mayor.

## Ryerson Grad Has St. Kitts Position

A Norval man was among the graduating class of Ryerson Polytechnical Institute on May 7.

Bruce Eyre received his diploma in electrical technology and has joined the staff of McKinnon Industries, St. Catharines.

His guests at convocation in the Ryerson Theatre included his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Eyre, Norval; his fiancée Miss Pamela Turnbull and Mrs. James Turnbull of town.

## It's Fireworks Time Again . . .

Parents, encourage your children to handle them properly. Never to throw them or put them in cans or bottles, etc.

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## Start German Language School If Enough Registrations Sent

For several months a German language school, for both children and adults, has been investigated by executive members of the German-Canadian Club of Halton County. At an executive meeting in Milton it was announced the idea is a definite possibility if enough registrations are received.

The school would operate for two-hour lessons on Saturdays in a rented class room in the J. M. Denyes School in Milton. If 35 children can be enrolled between now and the end of June. And if there is sufficient interest from adults a course in the German language can also be established for adults wishing to learn a second tongue.

Establishment of the Saturday school is virtually established, new president Fritz Schicht of Milton announced at Wednesday's meeting, as to date 24 children have been tentatively enrolled. Another 11 will be enough to pay the expenses of renting the classroom and paying the teacher.

Financial assistance will also be available from both the Canadian and German governments. Investigations have shown, K. Heeb, of the Federal German Language School Board and a representative of the Trans-Canada Alliance of German-Canadians, has promised to attend a public meeting here near the end of June to explain the operation of the school to interested parents.

The directors have advertised for qualified teachers and sev-

eral excellent replies have been received. After the public meeting the applicants will be interviewed for the position. One of the applicants was a man who spoke four languages and offered to teach French and Spanish as well, if there is need for it.

The school would begin next September and executive members said board of parents would have to be set up to administer the school. Texts and teaching aids are also available through the Alliance and the executive looks forward to a very successful educational project.

The local German-Canadian Club has been operating about three years, and has several members from all over Halton County, but most are in the Acton-Milton area. Several nationalities are represented among the members besides German, and one of the executive members is a Scott.

Social evenings and dances have been held monthly to raise funds, and the club operated a successful "Steer Roast" project at the Steam Reunion in Milton last fall.

Executive members from Acton include vice-president Dieter Geiskler and secretary S.

Salz. From Milton are president Fritz Schicht, treasurer Rudy Arbelter, and directors Dick Cairns and Hans Heyers. Seventh member is director Ernst Hamman of Brampton.

More information on the school can be obtained by writing to the club at Box 804, Milton Post Office, or telephoning 878-2016, Milton.

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## ENROL 5 GUIDES IN 6th COMPANY

On Thursday, April 22nd, at St. Andrew's Church, five girls were enrolled into the 6th Company of the North Georgetown District. Marilyn Zorge, Shelley Stevenson, Gaynor Rolfe, Kathy Rankin and Janet York were enrolled by Mrs. G. Archibald, Captain and the 6th Company, and Mrs. L. Thompson, her Lieutenant.

Marilyn Zorge was presented with a gift for selling the most hot cross buns in her company. Refreshments were served by the Guides at the close of the meeting.

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