

# NOTES FROM ACTON HIGH

**By Mary Ann Frazier**  
Interviews for this year's prefects began last week. For the first time, the entire school body was given an opportunity to try for the position. Individuals could apply for the position and some of the better candidates were asked, personally to attend an interview. A committee of both staff and students were selected to interview those students who were interested. Mr. Rowley is the head of the Steering Committee.

**Name cheerleaders**  
The Senior Cheerleaders are Dianne Frank, Anita Thibodeau, Janis Hillman, Betty Klauer, Sue Powaduk, Dolores Jordan, Pat Dunne, Margot Matheson and Bonnie McKenzie as the fill in. The Junior Cheerleaders are Bonnie Bristol, Cindy Lee, Dianne Timbers, Karen Atkinson, Judy Thibodeau, Valerie

**Mitchell, Brenda Browne, Dorothy Pargeter with Deb Martindale as the stand by.**  
**Field trip**  
Grade 11 and 12 Business Machines and Data Processing classes had their first field trip last Thursday. Accompanied by Mr. I. McGillivray and Mr. B. Shean, the students visited the CNE Data Processing Convention on the Exhibition Grounds. IBM machines, calculators and all types of business equipment were on display.

**Betterment**  
The Staff Students Relation Committee held their first organizational meeting last Thursday. This group is made of staff and students who are interested in the betterment of the school. Mr. Brian Skerrett is once again the head of it.

## Electronic wizardry

# Changes in business education at A.D.H.S. include computer

The high school students who travelled to the Data Processing Conference in Toronto last week saw many things that were strange to them. However, a new course introduced in Business Education this year will offer them the opportunity to familiarize themselves with some of the electronic wizardry they witnessed.

**County benefit**  
Director of Business and Commerce, Ian McGillivray is enthusiastic about the new course: "This is one way in which the County Board System has benefited us — a school our size could never offer computer facilities on its own. We still have the regular accounting and secretarial programs along with some Marketing and Law, he points out, "but this new course is something that students might really get worked up about."

the course. Finally, the students will survey the parts of a computer and will learn a computer language which will allow them to write problem-solving programs. Their programs will be run on an IBM 1130 which has been installed at the new Lord Elgin School in Burlington and which has been made available to schools in Halton County.

**Social implications**  
The social implications of today's computer technology — machines replacing men, invasion of privacy, etc. — will obviously be an important part of

towards the "outdoor education" philosophy. "Certainly, the classroom is the place for theory," says principal Dave Katz, "but real learning occurs when the theory is seen in practical application."

Outdoor education can refer to any organized learning situation outside of the school and might be regarded as the new terminology for "field trips". It is new only because it has been placed in a new perspective. Reversing the idea that "if you know the theory, you'll be able to put it into practice", supporters of the outdoor education philosophy claim that the theory is best learned and understood by seeing it applied.

**Comes alive**  
"The classroom can be a sterile place," comments Ian McGillivray, "but outdoor education can make it come alive." Obviously, the new emphasis will result in a greater number of

ventures outside of the school. And what the students see and learn, they will have done first-hand.

**School store**  
Although outdoor education has the advantages of making learning more interesting and meaningful, it is not always practical. The Business and Commerce department has an alternative: if you can't take the students into the outside world, bring the outside world into the school. This is exactly what teachers Ian McGillivray and Boris Shean have in mind in connection with a school store.

Business students and primarily the marketing class will be trying their hand at some real commercial activities right in the school — buying, selling, advertising, and (hopefully) making a profit. The venture should prove to be a valuable experience for the young entrepreneurs and will provide a much needed service to the student body.

**Elect directors**  
A make-shift store operation had been unveiled on the first day of school, but it was intended to sell only a few essentials until such a time as the marketing class could take over. Now a board of directors has been elected; it is made up of students Randy Coker (president), Ron Waites, Steven Milne, and Nancy Gibson. Purchasing agent Wayne Barnaby is in the process of contacting suppliers and hopefully the school store will be able to start full operation within the next few weeks.

## Dying Earth seminar

Sheridan College will participate in "Our Dying Earth" a one-day seminar on pollution to be held October 17 at the Brampton and Oakville campus. Our Dying Earth, a name chosen by a Sheridan student, resulting in a slogan contest, is being jointly sponsored by Sheridan College, the Oakville and District Labor Council and

the Brampton and District Labor Council. Along with a planned program of events starting at 1 p.m., there will be numerous displays and exhibits located throughout the campuses. Sheridan College students will act as information hostesses and guides during the event.

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## Student reports on conference

**BUSINESS EQUIPMENT AND DATA PROCESSING CONFERENCE**  
**By Barb Beler**  
On Thursday October 8, a group of business students from Acton High School went on a field trip to Toronto. Under the supervision of Mr. Shean and Mr. McGillivray, the students left the school at noon and travelled by bus to the Exhibition Park. The purpose of this outing was to attend The Canadian Data Processing Conference. The theme of the conference was "Understanding Computer Capability and Profit Potential."

computer, it is only a machine capable of answering simple problems. However, its function extends far beyond this. The computer is today's problem solving business tool.

**Try machines**  
The students of Acton District High School found this Business Show extremely interesting. All were welcome to try out the various machines that were on display at the conference. Questions asked by the students were answered in detail by representatives of the Data Systems Division of each respective company.

**Computer's role**  
A large number of people seem to lack confidence in the modern applications of today. This results from not appreciating the full role the computer can play in any given business. To many persons who are unfamiliar with the various functions of the

Even though the group was unable to stay long, everyone enjoyed themselves. The majority of the students are looking forward to a similar trip in the near future. All in all, the Data Processing trip was a success.



FOUR A.D.H.S. students inspecting a display at the business equipment and data processing conference are Steven Milne, Mike Gervais, Janice Drew and Wayne Barnaby.




PHIL MORRIS (left) finished first in the senior boys' cross country race at Acton District High Wednesday, September 30, while Bob Andrews placed second and Gary Hall of White Oaks Secondary School Oakville placed third.

In spite of Morris' win in a remarkable time of 14.11 for the 2 1/2 mile race, White Oaks won the team title. ADHS will host the annual cross-country meet for all secondary schools in Halton, Monday October 19. —(Staff Photo)

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OCT. 17th



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INSTALMENTS ARE DUE AS FOLLOWS

FIRST INSTALMENT	MAY 15
SECOND INSTALMENT	JULY 15
THIRD INSTALMENT	SEPTEMBER 15
FOURTH INSTALMENT	NOVEMBER 17

According to the Tax Collection By-law a penalty of 1 per cent, per month or fraction of a month, will be added on the amount remaining unpaid after the 15th day of May.

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