

NOTES FROM ACTON HIGH

By Mary Ann Frealer

"That's the best assembly we've ever had." That statement rang through the halls of Acton District High School last Friday after a performance of the Tramp Champs. The members of the team entertained in a hilarious skit form, with one acting as the champion he was and the other playing the role of a half-witted assistant. They held the attention of the student body at all times.

Getting on the more serious side, they explained safety on the trampoline and showed the spectators the basic steps. They then added variations to these basics and performed full routines.

Asked to try

The highlight of the assembly was when two students were chosen to participate on the trampoline. George McPhail was the first victim who mastered the task of the knee drop. Randy Coker was the other. His specialty was the seat drop. To Randy's surprise, he was folded up into a basket ball and bounced across the trampoline.

Mr. Cristello served as master of ceremonies for the event. Ken Broderick was also present at the school on Friday. Mr. Broderick has played as goalie for the Toronto Marlboroughs and Canadian National Team. He plays for the Minnesota North Stars of the NHL.

Students of Mr. Keith Black's class had the opportunity to speak with him in the morning. The afternoon health classes were given the same honor.

Mr. Broderick gave a short history of himself in relation to hockey and then invited questions and discussions.

Sadie Hawkins dance

The Student Council sponsored a successful Sadie Hawkins Dance last Friday. The theme was "Sadie Goes Twin" and music was supplied by a Toronto group, Starbuck. Although the attendance was fair, they had hoped for more.

Prizes were given to the best dressed couples. First prize was given to Heather Strongtharm and Cameron Gibson, who were clad in matching farmer overalls and heavy boots. Cameron sported a corsage of vegetables.

Hank Wissenz and Lynn Bender were given second prize. Hank should be commended for his courage to wear a skirt. Third prize was given to Laurene Rennick and Dave Hodgson who wore grub denims and identical tie-dyed shirts. Mrs. J. Cristello, Mr. H. Swallow and Carol Patterson were judges.

Mr. Cristello served as preacher for the evening. For the price of a dime, couples could be married. However the licence expired at 12 p.m. Nov. 28.

Friday movie

The movie "Doctor, You've Got To Be Kidding" will be shown at the school this Friday at 8.30. Signing in is not required as it will be open to everyone from public school to adults. On a recent poll, this movie was voted number one by the student body.

Calgary goal

Calgary! Yes, it seems like Calgary will be the city visited by grade twelve geography students this year. This city was the most popular choice of Mr. Keith Black's class.

The grade twelve course deals with the topic of Urban Geography. In the past, it has become a practice to make an

extended field trip in order to apply the lessons learned during the school year. After much discussion, it was decided that it would be nice to visit a Canadian city, as former trips always involved American cities. Hence, Calgary was the first choice of the class.

Start saving

Plans are being made to make this trip in April. Because of the distance it will prove to be expensive, so the students are already working on money raising schemes.

Not only was Mr. Black a new teacher to the school, but he also brought an abundance of new ideas. Among these ideas is that of a "Work Committee". If you have any jobs you would like done, then you can hire someone from the participating class. The students are willing to do anything from baby sitting, to snow shovelling, to floor waxing, to barn painting.

Phone for help

If you have an odd job, please call Nancy Frost at 853-2375. She will notify a person in the class to do your task. Set rates are being made, varying with the circumstances. You won't find a group of more enthusiastic workers.

The students are planning to sell Christmas trees in the festive season. Why not save your order for them?

The sale of firewood has also been undertaken as well as the sale of used auto parts. Some of the girls express an interest in a fashion show. Bake sales and car washes are also in the wind.

The money from all these events will be totaled and divided equally among the students. If the town folk are as enthusiastic as this class, there should be no problem in greatly reducing the individual's cost.

All students get kick from Durango and Rick



DURANGO COY casts a huge spider-like shadow as he performs a difficult backward somersault on the trampoline.

Up, up and away... with the Trampchamps! Acton high school students watched with fascination as Durango Coy and Rick Kinsman, Canada's top trampoline artists, gave a demonstration at the school on Friday morning. The two bachelors have now made a full-time career of trampolining, and are currently playing at the Victory theatre in Toronto. They were also going to visit Georgetown high school last Friday.

Learned in forces

The two men teamed up at last year's C.N.E. and gave demonstrations at Aquarama and outside the Automotive building, and have performed in Quebec and the U.S. since. They both learned trampolining at Base Borden.

Rick is a Canadian champion, and hopes trampoline work will become an Olympic event.

Durango was Rick's coach at one time and he is a former president of the Canadian Trampoline Association. He took a team to the world championships at Lafayette, Indiana, in 1966.

Workout routine

Durango is also an actor and an interpretive dancer and was with the Toronto workshop productions.

The two have worked out an act with Durango doing the comedy and Rick the straight man. They involved Randy Coker and George McPhail in the act at the high school.

They expect to perform at all the high schools in Halton and they'll be back at the C.N.E. next summer.

400 Club

Lucky winners in last week's 400 Club draw were: Dorson Frizzell, Craig Weldon, Jack Jardine, Keith Andrews and John Shadbolt.

Home economics group visits Sheridan

By Cathy Slingerland and Debra Streets

A group of interested students from A.D.H.S. arrived at Sheridan College in Oakville at 7:30 last Thursday night and were allowed to wander through the College to see the various departments until the Fashion Show was to begin.

The first thing that struck us when we entered the building was the unusual architecture, the informal atmosphere and the assorted photographs which lined the walls.

42 machines

Some of us, while wandering through the building observed the Fashion and Design room which included 42 sewing machines, a silk screen printing procedure in action, and drawing boards and graph tables for advertising and animation projects.

Before the Fashion Show began we saw several animated cartoons which were interesting and amusing. The students had produced these themselves.

We went into the art room where some of the students' art was set up. The themes and media were quite varied. Everything imaginable had been used to produce a piece of artwork — from fishbones, nails, plastic and cigarettes — to wire and screws.

Upstairs, we observed a photography class in action.

One male model

At 9:30, the second Fashion Show started with models displaying evening and casual clothes designed by first and second year students. Some of the costumes were made of fur, leathers, suede and crepe. The models were professionals adding their poise and personality to the garments. There was only one male model who displayed his own creativity. His specialty was leather work.

We arrived home at approximately 10:30 after a very enjoyable and educational evening.

We would like to give our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Fleischer, Mrs. Skerrett and Mr. May for giving up their time to drive us to the College.



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New secretary at high school

By Ursula Fiedler and Anne Cavlovic

Mrs. Betty-Lou Bowden joined the Acton High school staff of office secretaries on November 16. She will be at the high school on three-day a week basis.

A graduate of the four-year commercial course at Earl Haig Secondary School in North York, Toronto, her first position was at St. Andrew's Junior High School. She worked in North York for the Board of Education and for a number of Junior High Schools.

Three children

Tammy-Lee 4½, Scott 3½,

and Todd 1½ have kept her very busy and it has been five years since Mrs. Bowden has worked as a secretary.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Bowden have a Canadian background and have spent most of their lives in Toronto. Later they moved to Georgetown where they have lived now for 4½ years. Her husband Mike Bowden is a computer forecaster for American Motors in Brampton.

Meets people

Having spent five years at home being a full-time housewife she accepted the position at the

High School for the chance to meet people. Mrs. Bowden likes her work and the staff here at



BETTY-LOU BOWDEN

Acton "It's also nice to be back with students". She stated "I feel closer to life and now I know what's going on."

Students decorate six store windows

Six Acton stores have their windows gaily decorated for Christmas, thanks to the grade 11 and 12 marketing classes from the high school. There were 38 students involved in this unique project and they divided into teams to prepare the window decor at Nielsen's clothing, The Family Store, Esquire Shop, Cameo Boutique, Dollar Daddy and Gordon's Hardware.

All the work was done voluntarily and arranged through the Chamber of Commerce. This personal approach to their studies in marketing comes just

at a time when store keepers are beginning to be busy and appreciate help.

Students thought of designs and arrangements and then discussed their suggestions with the store owners. Modifications and improvements resulted.

The store owners supplied the materials, and the eager young designers did all the work. The students were very interested in their novel project.

Due to the better communications among staff and student Mrs. Bowden seems to prefer smaller schools. She finds that her job entails not only typing letters but also being a part of the "public relations" work with the students and parents.

Various hobbies

Swimming, decorating, sewing, and curling are among her many hobbies. Her husband is an active referee in Acton Hockey.

Having worked in various schools, hospitals, business offices, Mrs. Bowden wants to broaden her outlook and we know that she will be an active participant in our school affairs. Glad to have you with us, Mrs. Bowden, and we all wish you the best during your stay at Acton High!

Collision

The deer escaped but \$100 damage resulted to an Acton man's car when it collided with a deer on Guelph Line Nassagaweya near 25 Sideroad Wednesday evening of last week.

Driver of the car was Ronald J. Papillon, 80 Roseford Terrace, Acton. Milton OPP investigated.

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We stocked up heavy in order to give everyone a good choice, but, with only seven days left 'til Christmas, we're certain you understand that some sizes, colors and styles are bound to go first.

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