



SOFT AS KITTEN! That's how this beautifully marked steerhide rug felt to two year old Kelly Harrison. Beardmore and Company donated the rug to the Blue Spring Scout Reserve. The rug will add to the decor of the Reserve living quarters on the Fifth Line, west of Acton. Standing behind l. to r. are Acton 1st Pack Scouts Steven Conroy, Kevin Harrison and Ricky Jackson. First Acton Pack also donated a steerhide rug similar to this one to the Reserve.—(Staff photo)

OUR READERS WRITE:

Lorne Scots recruiting successful

Lorne Scots (P.D. & H) Regiment, Brampton, Ontario.

Dear Sir,
On behalf of the Lorne Scots, I would like to extend our appreciation for your co-operation in supporting our recent recruiting campaign.

The drive was the most successful we have held in recent years, with more than

100 students applying. We feel the success of the campaign was due to the support we received from the municipal councils, board of education, local Canada Manpower agencies and the news media in Halton and Peel Counties. Thanking you again, I remain,

Yours truly,
J.L. TEJ Wieland,
Information Officer.

Must contribute to vital community

Box 396,
Acton, Ontario,
Feb. 13, 1971.

The Editor,
Acton Free Press

Dear Sir:
I would like to comment on the letter from "ex-do-gooder". One can only assume that this person has given much of herself and is discouraged by indifference and lack of gratitude.

Three points are mentioned:
1. Reaching the needy. Clarification of our aims is probably needed. The committee's immediate goal is to establish a used clothing shop to serve budget minded people as well as low income or welfare families who can better use this saving for other basic needs. The long term goal is to get enough citizens working together in the hope that their various interests and energies can be mobilized and used constructively.
In our more optimistic moments we envisage an active, central community centre serving the needs of all segments and all age groups.
2. Receiving thanks. Our volunteers will expect little tangible thanks. Hopefully, some satisfaction will come from meeting interesting people, working and sharing

with others. This could be the prescription for some who find the winter a burden and bemoan each day until spring rolls around again.

3. Free loaders. There will always be some but this doesn't excuse our lack of commitment or concern.

To me, membership in a community involves a measure of responsibility to that community. Everyone has something to offer, but the "free loader" escapes his responsibility by convincing himself that his efforts will make little difference or that problems are so great he can do little to effect change.

One of the few areas of agreement amongst behavioral scientists these days is a basic assumption that the giving self usually ends up a happier, more interesting person with a high level of self respect. Self respect is a good measure of the mental health of an individual and such individuals contribute to a self respecting and vital community.

Should "ex-do-gooder" or others see fit to share their experiences we would more than welcome them. In this way they could help us avoid at least some of the many pitfalls we know are ahead.

Sincerely,
Alma Swetman

Heart disease everyone's problem

APPRECIATION FOR HELP IN HEART FUND CAMPAIGN

Dear Mr. Dills:
Heart Month in Canada is now over, and on behalf of the Canadian Heart Fund, Ontario Division, please accept our sincere appreciation for your co-operation and assistance during our financial campaign in February.
Our objective this year was \$1,050,000, and although all returns are not in, we are quite hopeful that our objective will be attained - even surpassed.

Without your willing co-operation in communicating our needs to the public, the Canadian Heart Fund would not be able to express such an outlook.

Heart disease is everyone's problem - and again our thanks for helping us bring to the attention of the public that research should be everyone's responsibility.

Yours very truly
CANADIAN HEART FUND
(Ontario Division)
Esther M. Richards
Director of Public Relations.

Canine capers trouble twp's rural residents

Man's best friend has become a bit of a nuisance for residents of Nassagaweya Township, township council agreed at their meeting in Brookville Wednesday.

Township clerk Campbell Thompson told council his office had received an average of two complaints per week concerning dogs emptying garbage.

Apparently the culprits usually attack during the night. While council sympathized with the victims of the midnight marauders, they felt no action could be taken.

Part of rural living

"There is really nothing we can do. This is just part of what you have to put up with if you want to live rural," he said.

Councillor Art Gibson suggested the only answer was a strong lid on the garbage can. "We really can't do anything. It would cost us a leg and an arm to have them picked up and they breed faster than we can pick them up," he said.

Too smart
Deputy Reeve Don MacMillan noted even if they had the area

patrolled it seemed only the friendly pets were caught and the real culprits were a mile away before Humane Society officials reached the spot.

Council agreed residents would either foot the bill for having dogs picked up or take steps to protect the garbage themselves. The problem is complicated by the collection schedule. Garbage is picked up early in the morning, which means it has to be put out at night or very early in the morning. That gives the midnight marauders the advantage.

Should be able to pile manure where, when they want

Farmers in Nassagaweya should be allowed to pile manure wherever and whenever they want to, Nassagaweya Councillor Jim Watson said during a discussion on the Toronto-Centred Region Design for Development and the Halton Federation of Agriculture's brief in reply to the report.

They should buy the land at the going price.

Like it or leave
He urged people coming out from the city to live to get used to the smell of manure, or pack it up and go back to the city.

Councillor Art Gibson felt the report should not be acted upon until the location of the new airport was settled. He said if the airport settled in Nassagaweya the Toronto-Centred Region report would be useless.

After considerable discussion, council approved the brief.

NASSAGAWEYA Township Council BRIEFS

At the regular meeting of Nassagaweya Council Wednesday, Council:

—Learned Puslinch Township was contemplating buying more machinery for snow removal and agreed this would alleviate problems on the boundary roads between Nassagaweya and Puslinch, Nassagaweya Council had received complaints earlier.

—Received requests for financial support from Milton Parks and Recreation Committee and Campbellville Community Centre's Board.

—Granted \$500 as an advance grant to Milton Area Fire Department.

—Accepted an invitation to tour Milton Quarry and see the firm's plans for the future.

—Agreed to the formation of a committee from Milton, Esqueping and Nassagaweya to investigate the potential of a site at Milton Brick for a dump.

—Granted a wrecking yard permit to Roy Woods.

—Granted licenses for quarry or gravel pits to Milton Quarry.

Sherman Sand and Gravel, Campbellville Sand and Gravel and Mrs. Margaret Currie.

—Authorized the purchase of a dictaphone, typewriter and adding machine for office purposes.

—Received an apology and a copy of a retraction from the *Guelp Daily Mercury* concerning an inaccurate story published recently. The story in question reported clerk Campbell Thompson as resigning from his job as clerk when he resigned from a committee of council and retained his position as clerk.

Appoint reps to committee

Reeve Hill and deputy-reeve Miller will represent Esqueping Council on a committee to discuss the proposed sanitary land fill dump site on the property of Milton Brick. The proposed Esqueping site would serve Milton, Esqueping and Nassagaweya.

Council has also decided to try to set up a meeting with Indusmin Quarries concerning the future of the township's present dump site on land leased from Indusmin near Acton.

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