



BOB SMITH gets set to hurl the javelin. Bob represented Acton District High in the senior boys' event at last week's Halton County championships at McMaster University. — (Staff Photo)

## ACTON HIGH

By Mary Ann Freuler

The appearance of "The Freedom Five" at our high school was one of the two assemblies scheduled last week. The musical group consisted of two attractive females and four young men who alternately played musical instruments and sang.

Their message was to look to the brighter side of things and do something positive about the condition of our world other than giving unconstructive criticism. Their selections were of the nature of music familiar to its Student Council.

The second assembly, Friday, enabled those running for next year's student council, to present their platform. Those nominated for the position of secretary were Nancy Abram and Dianne Bousfield. Robert Ellerby is once again trying for the office of treasurer, against George McPhail. Vice-president's position is the only one in which three students are running, Sean Aherne, Lynn Marshall, and Wendy Hannah.

By acclamation Hank Wissenz is next year's president. Elections Tuesday. Most speeches were to the liking of the students but it seems some teachers are concerned over the students' opinion of needed changes. Elections took place on Tuesday by classroom voting.

**Mediterranean night**  
Mr. K. Black, Mr. H. Patterson and the Mediterranean students headed a very interesting program last Wednesday night. Display tables scattered the rear area of the gym showing souvenirs from the visited countries.

Mr. Black served as commentator on a series of slides which was followed by a movie made by Bob Smith.

After the program visitors were invited to stay for a social period and refreshments were served.

**Victory dance**  
The final dance of the year, a victory dance for the new student council reps, will be held this Thursday. "Mitschild" will be supplying the music for the evening. Dress is neat but casual. A guest list must be signed for those outside the school to attend and the person must be signed in by a member of the opposite sex. Why not plan to come?

### Law trip to court

By Brenda McClure  
On Monday, May 17, the Grade 11 Law Class visited the Supreme Court of Ontario sitting at the Halton County Administrative Building in Milton.

The class left the school at 1:30 under the supervision of our Law Teacher Mr. McGillivray and arrived in Milton in time to attend the 2 o'clock session. We were fortunate to be given instructions before the session by the Sheriff Mr. Sprowl. He told us to be quiet, not to laugh, whisper or even crack a smile.

**Affable judge**  
After such a warning we were pleasantly surprised to find that the Judge was a man with a good sense of humor who tried to make the case interesting and clear for us.

We heard part of a civil case which concerned a dispute over land. We really enjoyed the case and learned a great deal from it and from the comments of the Judge. It is certainly interesting to see things we have learned about in class, actually taking place before our eyes.

## Open House at high school

Students and teachers are preparing for a final fling before June exams begin. On Tuesday, June 1, the annual Open House will be held at Acton High. Enthusiasm for the evening is unusually high, so an impressive show is to be expected.

There will be displays of projects and class activities in each classroom, including poetry collages from the English department and artwork from art students. Mr. Black will be hosting an exhibit on the Mediterranean cruise.

Among the special activities will be a showing of the school film, a French cafe and an analysis of Fairy Lake water presented by chemistry students. The creative drama class has arranged a dramatic presentation to highlight the evening.

This year's Open House promises to be both informative and entertaining. For a stimulating display of the talents and efforts of Acton High's staff and students, don't miss Open House — June 1, 7:30 p.m.

## "Indian" trip for 79 students

Last week 79 grade 10 students went by school bus on a field trip to study the customs and habits of the North American Indians. This was in conjunction with the English text book I Am An Indian, being studied in Grade 10, and also to find information for a current Indian project which is due next week. Half the group attended the day-long trip on Tuesday, May 18, accompanied by Librarian Mrs. Ott, while the second group went on Thursday May 20, with their English teacher, Mrs. Hurst.

### Woke up

First thing in the morning, we visited the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto. That woke everybody up! We had an hour of lectures on British Columbia Indians and the Plains Indians. This was to aid us in our project. Our guide expressed the need for today's society to develop an interest in our Indians' problems and to recognize their unique heritage.

### Compare ways

We were able to view the fascinating way in which the Indians accommodated

themselves amply, using what was available in their environment — beaver skin hats, cloth of woven cedar, ceremonial dress of shells and bone and buffalo-skin tents. The displays illustrated how, in many ways, the Indians were just as primitive in matters of religion and development as was the white man.

### Brant museum

After lunch we travelled to the Joseph Brant museum in Burlington. We delved into the character of a very amazing and brilliant man — Joseph Brant. There were many artifacts and remembrances of Brant and his Mohawk tribe. Among other things, we learned from our guide about Indian superstitions.

Do you know why famous Indian corn husk dolls were fearless?

### Evil spirits

It was to prevent evil spirits from entering the body of the doll and harming the owner.

We arrived back at school at 3:20 much more aware of the customs of Indians in the past, and of the problems of Indians today.

## Oral French tests at h.s.

On Thursday May 20 all Grade 9, 11, and 12 students of French at Acton High School were tested orally by a "squad" of French teachers and specialists.

The test consisted of a private interview entirely in French between the examiner and the student. After a few minutes preparation time, each student was asked to read a paragraph. He was marked on fluency, intonation, and pronunciation. Afterwards, he was asked to reply to 5 questions in French concerning what he had just read.

## Boys' club welcomes members

Acton boys' club, started by Roy Wood, is now making good use of the Y facilities.

The Road Runners meet every Monday at the Y.

All boys, ages 12 to 16, are welcome to the boys' club every Tuesday evening from 6.30 to 9.30.

There's table tennis, pool, darts and other games for the boys. The pool table was donated by Sid Barons.

### \$100 donation

To help the club get started the Y's Menettes donated \$100 for games and other necessities.

Andrew Welch is now helping supervise. Other supervisors are needed. Anyone willing to help out is asked to call Al Tremills 856-4423.

## Halton County meet

# ADHS athletes set four new school marks

Competing in the first ever Halton County Secondary Schools' Track and Field championships at McMaster University last week, Acton high school athletes established four new school records and chalked up a total of 49 points, even though, with only 21 competitors they were the smallest contingent

and represented the smallest school in the county. Sparkplugs of the remarkable showing were middle distance man Phil Morris and Maureen Gerth, a promising 14-year-old, who is only in Grade 9.

Morris, who also starred with the ADHS senior cross-country

team, captured the senior boys' 800 metres and placed second to Bill Maanday of Oakville Perdue in the 1600 metres.

### New record

Miss Gerth topped all competitors in the midget girls' shot putt, with a loss of 32 feet 9 1/2 inches, a new ADHS record. Winning marks in all events will be counted as Halton County records, since this was the inaugural meet.

Other new school records were established by Shirley Mitchell, who placed second in the senior girls' shot putt with a heave of 30 feet, Roger McEachern with a time of 58.1, good enough for fifth place in the midget boys' 400 metres and Steve Van Fleet, who hurled the javelin 135 feet nine inches, for a sixth place finish in the junior boys' event.

### Roger second

McEachern also walked off with the second place ribbon for a leap of 17 feet, seven inches in the midget boys' long jump. A vault of 10 feet earned Bob Andrews a tie for fourth in the senior boys' pole vault.

### First six finishers in each event

parking on the west side of Main Street.

10. The engineer is to arrange an inspection of exits and entrances to commercial establishments and submit his recommendations.

11. The engineer is to submit his recommendations on the new water supply submission by International Water Supply.

12. The clerk is to contact the Department of Highways regarding the proposed study on the overpass at the CNR crossing on Main Street.

9. The clerk is to check with the Department of Highways on the

## Sunshine students join safety contest

Students at Sunshine School near Hornby placed well in the safety poster contest held by the United Community Travellers for students in schools for the retarded across Ontario.

The winners of the Ontario contest go on to an Ontario-Quebec contest and then an International contest in New

York City in July.

Francis Leben won a first in the recent contest while Lucette Lebrerton finished second and Bruce Armstrong, Karen Bell, Gary Elliott, Charles Aldwell, Gayle Caves and Paul Smith from Sunshine competed and did quite well.

## Committee tours make 12 points

Group tours of Acton are not subsidized or promoted but the public works and utilities committee of Acton council toured the town May 3 with engineer Ken Hyde in attendance. They began at the new entrance to Fairview Cemetery and wound up in the Glenlea subdivision, reconvening at the town office where information was pooled.

Twelve decisions were made on different areas of town as the result of the tour. They are:

1. Cobblehill Road - Storm Drainage — No action to be taken until the senior citizens' development is completed. Then a further inspection will be made.  
2. Ransom Street - Apartments — Mr. Hyde to check property site plan and drainage to Main Street. The committee to discuss with Alteo Construction Limited the feasibility of draining this apartment block to the rear through Alteo's proposed town housing.

3. The committee discussed the necessity of a topographical map of the town in order that grades can be determined. Mr. Hyde will obtain quotations on the cost of having a map prepared.

4. All commercial and industrial building plans are to be referred to the town engineer prior to the issuance of building permits, with a \$200 cash deposit to be received to insure all engineering requests have been fulfilled.

5. Entrance to Elizabeth Drive — The town to have the surveyor re-establish the surveyor stakes from Main Street in past the first residence on the right.

6. Re-surfacing of roads — The engineer is to submit prices on sully seal and 1/2" asphalt for

## JUNE IS HYDRO MONTH!!

# WIN A PRIZE

## Attention All Local Domestic Users Of The Acton System

HOW MANY APPLIANCES AND ELECTRIC USERS DO YOU HAVE IN YOUR HOME?

FIRST \$20<sup>00</sup> CASH PRIZE  
SECOND \$10<sup>00</sup> CASH PRIZE

In the Event of a Tie, Prizes Will Be Combined and Paid Out Pro Rate

## THE JUDGES' DECISION WILL BE FINAL

The winners will be checked out to see that they have these electrical appliances.

### HOW TO ENTER THE CONTEST

Fill out a list of electric uses contained in your home. Regularly installed house lights and lamps may only be counted as one unit in each category.

### FOLLOW THIS SAMPLE LIST

House Lights	Toaster	Television
Pole Lamp	Waffle Iron	Radio
Table Lamp	Sandwich Grill	Lawn Mower
Furnace	Knife Sharpener	Hedge Clippers
Sump Pump	Can Opener	Snow Blower
Humidifier	Tooth Brush	Electric Blanket
Air Conditioner	Curling Iron	Heating Pad
Stove	Bench Saw	Hair Dryer
Heater	Planer	Hot Water Heater
Exhaust Fan	Jig Saw	Patio Lights
Fireplace	Drill	Post Lights

## ONLY ACTON HYDRO USERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

(Employees of the Commission are exempted)

ENTRIES MUST BE IN AT THE HYDRO OFFICE BY JUNE 15

### DID YOU KNOW?

It only costs 4c per hour to operate one kilowatt of installed load. A tea kettle being 1500 watts or 1 1/2 kilowatt costs only 6c per hour to operate. 1000 watts = 1 kilowatt.

## Hydro Is Yours - - - Use It!!

## Students and Staff

of the

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Tuesday, June 1st

7.30 P.M. to 9.30 P.M.

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