

# NOTES FROM ACTON HIGH

By Corie Maxwell



basketball, badminton, track and field, gymnastics and volleyball.

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The Student Council is on the warpath to clean up the cafeteria. A few effective announcements have helped the situation considerably, and lets keep it that way.

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A badminton club has started under the supervision of Mr. J. May and Mr. B. Coats. Eighteen enthusiastic bird chasers, mostly of the male variety, attended the first meeting. More members are welcome, Tuesdays, at four o'clock.

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In a house league basketball play, Juicy Lucy swept all four games from the Jungle Bunnies. Thor and the Wunder Squad are presently battling with Underground. The teams are divided into junior and senior categories, with grades nine and ten the juniors, and the remainder in the senior section. Girls and boys play separately, with four games being played each week.

A repeat of the 1970 coat roast was staged last week, but on a somewhat smaller scale. A girl's coat caught fire in a locker, and smoke was seen escaping from the vents. Quick action from the caretaking staff, and teachers, Mr. B. Shean and Mr. C. Rognvaldson prevented any further damage. Fortunately, the mishap occurred during the morning announcements, so few students were in the halls to intervene.

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An extra sports program has started, with a different sport being played at four o'clock daily. The respective sports are



BRUSHING UP ON their etiquette, before they visit England during the winter holidays in March, Acton High students enjoyed afternoon tea last Friday. Debbie Papillon pours for teacher Brian Skerrett, who will also make the trip. Other

girls l. to r. are, Cathy Ashley, Joyce Denny and Susan McPhail. A group of students will fly to England for a 10 day visit March 17.—(Staff photo)

## Andrea Broostad '72 Young Voyageur

Congratulations to Andrea Broostad, who has been chosen our "Young Voyageur" for 1972. Andrea will be travelling to British Columbia this summer. Andrea was chosen from the grade 11 pupils by this grades' teachers. Considerations are marks, age, character, attitude

and travel experience. The purpose of the program, in its eighth year of operation, is to promote better nationwide relations among students from different parts of Canada. Last year, Pat Dunne and Dave Tomlinson visited Montreal as our Voyageurs.

## Mid-March completion

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In Acton High's new resource centre the "finishing touches" are all that are left to be completed.

Workmen predict the addition to be completed by the middle of March.

## Judo tourney

The small terrazzo tile is to be put on the floor this week, besides adding ceiling tiles and light fixtures. All the heaters have been installed and the painting of the interior is close at hand.

Acton judo enthusiasts will be participating in a judo tournament at Georgetown high school Sunday, starting at 10 a.m. There is a small admission charge.



MRS. VADEIKA'S Grade 3 class at M.Z. Bennett School took on a Mexican atmosphere last Friday as students wound up their studies

of Mexico with a program attended by parents and students from other classes in the school.—(Staff photo)

## Poster contest not banned — Board chairman

Esquering council has received a copy of a letter from E. Bodnar, chairman of the Halton Board of Education to D. W. Brown, town clerk of Oakville explaining why grade 5 students did not compete in a fire prevention poster contest.

The township council has thrown its support behind the Oakville council, who may have based their decision opposing the ban students from the poster contest on false information. "A telephone call to E. T. Thorndyke or R. K. Seif would have clarified the situation," said Bodnar in his letter.

### Visits halls

Esquering believed grade 5 students were banned from competing in a poster painting contest for Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 3 to Oct. 9. However, a large number of students with their teachers visited the fire hall, and members of the fire department have come to the schools to acquaint students with fire prevention, fire hazards and the Fire Department itself.

Bodnar stated in his letter that various organizations seek student involvement and he supports such activities in the community, and they could be worked into the school program.

E. T. Thorndyke, in a letter dated June 1, 1971 to Inspector P. J. Campbell of the Fire Department, he stated the poster contest for grade 5 students would serve as a useful purpose and it would draw the students attention to fire hazards and fire prevention. Each grade could participate in such activities annually on an optional basis, which could be worked into their art program. Monetary awards for contest winners could be turned over to charity, and the

class could be awarded with a thank you letter, which would be sufficient, according to Thorndyke.

### Approval for visits

The Fire Department was given permission to distribute poster painting information to schools under the Halton County Board of Education, and with the approval of the principals, visit classrooms.

Inspector Campbell, replying to Thorndyke's letter, said the "fire department would not be conducting an annual poster contest in schools this year." The Fire Department would contact Thorndyke about a poster contest within guidelines set by the fire department within the community.

On Sept. 13, a memo was sent to the schools that an outside organization was requesting help from students in grade 5 art activities for Fire Prevention Week. Finished posters could be displayed in neighboring stores, or may be sent to the fire department. Upon completing the poster, the fire department would come to the schools and award the students with a Junior Firemen's Wallet card.

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## 50 students

# Will collect glass to raise trip funds

March 17 is a very important day for many Acton High School students.

Not only is it the last day of school for the winter break, but it is also the day that 50 students begin their nine-day visit to the United Kingdom. These lucky students, accompanied by Mr. K. Black, Mr. B. Skerrett and Mr. and Mrs. D. Katz will spend five days in London, England and four days in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Besides visiting such places as Stratford-on-Avon, Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace, these travellers will see some aspects of the English Theatre, the United Kingdom railway

system and the natural British tradition.

### Canvass town

In order to cut down on expenses for this trip, the students have decided to collect glass bottles and jars for recycling. On Saturday, Feb. 19, students will be canvassing the town for all the glass that is available. The students have three trucks available to them to haul the bottles and jars. If you wish to render assistance to these students and at the same time dispose of those bottles that you could never find a place for, simply put them in a box and they will be picked up on Saturday.

These trips provide students with a living experience of the cultures of other countries and the students are eager with the anticipation of this new experience!

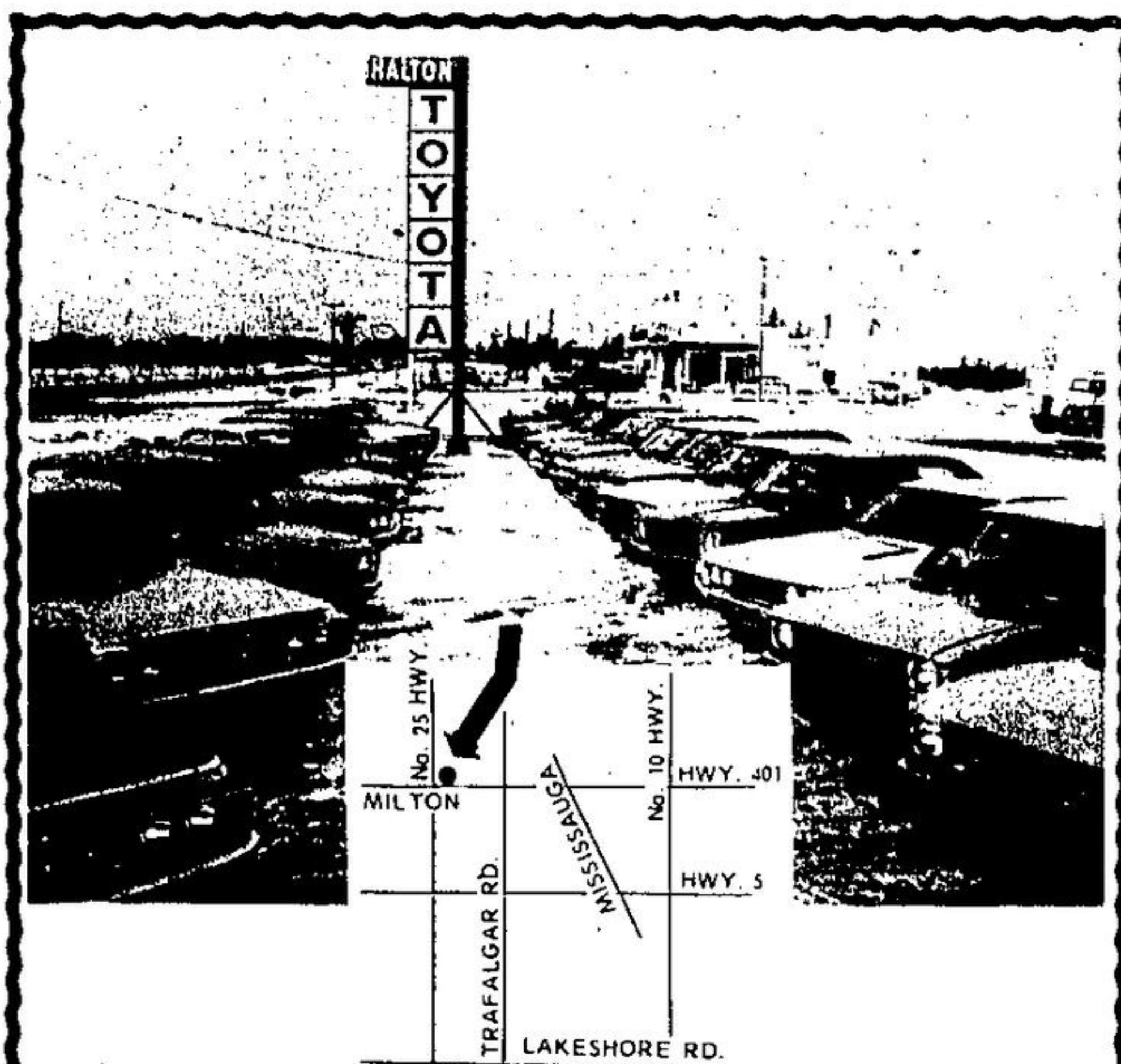


SENORITA Diane Hickey danced at the Mexican hat dance at the M. Z. Bennett grade 3 program last week.—(Staff Photo)

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