

Find money conquers all

By Rick Rocher
On Wednesday, November 21, 14 grade 12 French students and four teachers travelled to Guelph to see the French production of *L'Avare* which translates as *The Miser*. Before leaving, everyone enjoyed a delicious cold plate supper at the school.

The basic plot was about a miser's marriage plans for his children and of course, his money. His daughter Elise was told that she must marry an associate of her father but, in reality, she was in love with her father's servant Valere. In the meantime Cleante, the miser's son, fell in love with a young woman called Mariane for whom his father also had plans to marry. This created quite a disturbance.

Part of the comedy revolved around the miser's thirst for money and his lack of trust towards everyone. But when he realized that he had lost his money, he leaned against his vault and replied, "Je suis mort"—I am dead.

His feelings and expressions were so fantastic, you could understand the basic plot without even knowing French. This event climaxed the plan and in the end everyone lived happily ever after. Mariane and Valere found out that they were brother and sister, Elise and Cleante were freed from their father's marriage plans and, last but not least, the miser discovered his treasure. So as he would say "Money conquers all."



CURSE YOU, Jack Dalton will be performed in mid-January. Practicing for the high school production are Sue Aichin and Jane Dougan. The other play is *Don't Touch That Phone*.

Keith Black at conference

By Carol Pickles
From Saturday, November 17 to Sunday, November 25, Keith Black, geography teacher at Acton High, was in San Francisco along with others from British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario, and the United States, attending a conference and convention covering the theme of "Future and Justice." These sessions covered education and how it should respond to society's needs.

This conference was held by the National Council for Social Studies. Among the topics Mr. Black found most interesting were the future in terms of the city, population, science and technology, life styles, education, and how will the future affect individuals. Mr. Black feels education is becoming irrelevant to life today, and he is trying to discover a method of keeping education more meaningful in terms of teachers and students.

The future Mr. Black's main interest was the section on the future.

Acton High Notes

By Janice Gibson
Mr. Black returned this week from his conference in San Francisco. Mr. Black spent all last week in the States and Mr. Bob Merry took over the geography classes.

The dance, last Friday night, featured 'Everyday People'. It can be said that many people missed one of the best dances this year. The group was good, but, unfortunately attendance was poor.

Acton's Eno Elbatrop Players would like to announce a slight change of plans. Due to some unforeseen difficulties this semester's Theatre Night will now be in January. We hope, that with this extra month to rehearse in, we can provide you with the best evening of entertainment yet produced by Acton High School's young performers.

With Christmas coming up rapidly, everyone seems to be busy making plans. Christmas activities at the high school are starting to be

organized. Year 8 students are planning the Christmas assembly. They are hoping to come up with some new and interesting ideas to make this year's assembly a success.

Increase at Sheridan

Sheridan College has experienced a 23 percent increase in student enrolment over last year's figure. This figure is representative of full and part-time students, but does not include the Credit Valley School of Nursing. The addition of the Credit Valley Campus alone would raise the enrolment another 8 percent bringing the total enrolment increase to 31 percent.

Halton and Peel regions accounted for 44 percent of the students enrolled in the present academic year, commencing in September. The remaining 56 percent came from outside the district.

Meet school nurse Mrs. Valerie Walters

Mrs. Valerie Walters, the new school nurse, was born in Norwich, England, but came to Canada as a child and settled in Cornwall, Ontario. When she was 17, Mrs. Walters went into nurse's training at Hotel Dieu in Kingston. The school was run by the Religious Hospitaliers of St. Joseph's. Mrs. Walters graduated in 1964, and then attended the University of Ottawa for a year.

For the last five years, Mrs. Walters has worked at Brampton-Peel Memorial and still maintains her job there. Before that, she had worked in Kingston and Montreal.



SCHOOL NURSE Mrs. Valerie Walters finds her position a good way to get involved with people and the community. She's the mother of two.

Good opportunity
An interest in community medicine helped Mrs. Walters to make the decision to come to the school. She feels this is a good opportunity to get involved with the community and give herself a more personal involvement. She enjoys working with young people.

Skiing and movie watching are hobbies that Mrs. Walters participates in.

Mr. Walters is a technical representative for scientific equipment for the Hewlett-Packard Company. The Walters have two children, both girls, aged 8 and 5. They are presently residing in Georgetown.

Domesticated, sentimental and romantic defines Cancer, Mrs. Walters' zodiac sign.

A.H.S. chess

By Ann Vanderlaan
Two weeks ago Acton won its first chess tournament. Last week the chess team looked for another victory but all chess games were postponed. This week Oakville-Trafalgar plays at Acton and Acton visits Georgetown.

Here is an explanation of how these school chess tournaments are conducted. The 28 players who enrolled in the chess club have been rated and each one given a number as to how well he plays. The top seven players meet the top seven of the other schools in the Eastern Division. In case of illness the next player in line will play. Seven matches are played, one point is given for each win, 1/2 a point for a tie. At the end of the season the two top teams of the Eastern Division will play-off for the Eastern Championship, on January 23 and 30, 1974.

Our top seven players at present are John Vos, Ian Coats, Hjalmar Tiesenhansen, Gary Pickles, Les Kidd, Eric Dubus and Alec Pitt.

Y's Men fix room

The room just inside the front door of the Y is being completely refurbished by the Y's Men's club. The former weight lifting room is getting new lighting and panelling.

It's expected to be used for adults and older teen groups for meetings and as a reading room.

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Compulsory subjects back at high school

The Government of Ontario has recently reversed itself in announcing the reintroduction of compulsory subjects in secondary schools. Prior to this, there were no obligatory subjects, though rarely would students forego basic studies such as English and Math. The philosophy was that students should have freedom of choice in course selection and that guidance departments had the ability to help the student choose wisely.

Now Education Minister, Tom Wells, has recognized the complaints of some educators and parents. In September 1974, courses in English and Canadian Studies will become compulsory.

Everyday people

By Kim Van der Eyken
The students of Acton High School were swinging Friday night when the *Everyday People* from Toronto came to play at our dance.

The band consisted of four men and one girl.

Loss
There weren't as many students as had been expected, resulting in a financial loss; but those who did attend, enjoyed themselves.

Teacher chaperones for the night were Mrs. June Levy, Brian Downes and Stefan Gnyas. This dance was the first high school dance Mr. Gnyas has chaperoned. He found it to be very orderly, but felt that there could have been a larger crowd.

Listening to the talk around school, the dance was a great success.

Public school children had Tuesday off, while teachers took part in special programs and parent interviews. There was a special session of public skating at the arena.



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The Council-elect for the Town of Halton Hills requests a written reply from residents in the area comprising the new Town of Halton Hills who would be interested in being appointed to serve on one of the following boards or committees:

- The Halton Hills Committee of Adjustment
- The Halton Hills Public Library Board
- The Halton Hills Planning Advisory Sub-Committee

Interested residents should forward their replies to the undersigned by December 19th, 1973.

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