

WHEN THE BIG TRAILER moves out of Acton, with it will got the facilities and a teacher who has provided many worthwhile hours for students young and older who took advantage of a Sheridan College skill course casually conducted in the mobile unit parked for the last eight weeks behind the Robert



Little Public School. Picture 1: Jeff Salt, 10, an MZB student is being coached by the teacher as he works on his particular piece of pottery; 4: he proudly displays his sugar bowl completed; 2: Sandy Pratt, 14, an Acton High school student polishes off a frog image pitcher which has required both skill and imagination to design; 3: Sandy is back at the wheel preparing to knock off another intriguing piece of artistry; 5: A talented student from MZB, Adele Titon, 10, a grade 5 student, expresses her interest in the course, "I just love it" and, although Adele enjoys all phases of art, pottery is her favourite.

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RELAX

Sheridan trailer offers opportunity to develop skills

By Lorraine Root For the past eight weeks course" said Elaine Foote, creativity where skills have Sheridan College open concept program involving both the very young and older

Operating under the Community Services Branch. school children have been offered opportunities to develop craft skills extending to five hours a week, one hour per day, in a program which has included a choice of pottery, puppetry, macrame, batik and tie die, leathercraft, and off-loom weaving, with all courses under the

Retarded, it was reported at

North Halton Association for

the Mentally Retarded, last

day camp for the retarded

operated in the area. Through

the co-operation of recreation

departments in Acton and

Milton, the camp was con-

ducted at Pineview School, It

A branch of Youth Across

Canada for the Mentally

Retarded was formed in

Georgetown. This group of

young people helped in the

day camp and took the

children on social outings. Third highlight of the year

was the government licencing of Tinkerbelle Nursery for

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was well attended.

pre-schoolers.

For the first time a summer

the mobile trailer which has the teacher in charge of the been parked unobtrusively unit. "We are, instead, atbehind the Robert Little tempting to introduce pupils public school in Acton has to working in a studio situabeen a place of productive tion as individuals as opposed to a structured classroom." been developed and crafts in some cases Miss Foote's encouraged as part of the proteges have been children requiring enrichment in their school curriculum but, mostly, it has been incorporating the special Sheridan crafts with regular art lessons.

Elaine has been affiliated

program for the past two years as it has been operating in both Halton and Peel counties. She feels that, although it has been interesting to move about in smaller communities such as Campbellville, Pine View, Norval, Belfountain, Caledon leadership of professional and Palgrave, feasibility of conducting programs in the

historian, Edna Dance;

research, June Beeney; home

care, Edith Davies; Bulletin,

Julie Conroy; membership,

Pat Garton; programs,

Charlie Clifford; finance,

development, Jake Kulken,

president drew the ticket of

Jim Dougall of Scarborough

who won an afghan raffled by

the Georgetown Ladies'

25 MILL STREET

with the trailer teaching

N.H.A.M.R. Elects Russ Hunt president This year was rewarding the organization are: adult for the North Halton services, William Treahy; Association for Mentally education. Les Griffiths; recreation, John Packer; the annual meeting of the residence, Leo Virus; publicity, Alan Beeney; nursery, Edith Hilfman; campaign, Erv Hinds;

> Dennis Jackson; camp and YACMR, Richard De newly elected

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better populated areas with more complete facilities, is now showing itself. Miss Foote expects that very soon now, decisions will

be made to keep the mobile education centre permanently involved in the largely inhabited communitles. The trailer has not lent itself exclusively to children

but has also offered extensive craft courses for adults in the Acton community including off-loom weaving from working with wool from fleece through to the completed articles, and pottery, painting and weaving classes. Teachers involved

Mrs. Ethel Bessem was the teacher on the children's leather-craft time-table, Mrs. Dorothy Goodwin of Limchouse the weaving teacher, Mrs. Ruth Complin of Norval, painting and teaching pottery and off-loom weaving was Elaine Foote of Brampton's Sheridan College

The youthful teacher who enjoys watching adults and children working together constructively feels the trailer centre could, con-ceivably, decide to establish Bolton, Caledon, and Acton, as its regular set-up grounds.
Elaine says she has enjoyed
her weeks in Acton and has
been impressed with the
hospitality which both the
children and residents have bestowed on her plus their enthusiastic participation in

the classes. "I would like to have seen more adults involved," she says, but added that she feels that, when the trailer moves into town next year, this year's classes will have created the necessary interest for more people to register in the '74 sessions.

As it stands now, the big unit will move out about Christmas time. The \$2 fee for the children's courses has been minimal in comparison

to the instruction they have coming to Canada and obtained. Many of the graduating from the Sheridan students have not only added to the quantity of merchandise for seasonal Christmas gifts but have also cultivated keen Interests in basic hand skills thus providing potential leisure hour activities as well as a healthy understanding of the warp and woof skills of their

ploneer ancestry. Elaine Foote, teacher coordinator of the college trailer is, herself, an example of diversified versatility as she relates her background as graduate social worker from Concord, New Hamp-

College School of Design. A delver in the craft of pottery for the past eight years, she is presently working on a night university course in psychology and, at the same time will soon be a licensed pilot graduating from the Brampton Flying School. Next year she hopes to spend some time working on an Indian reserve although she plans on being in the driver's seat when the trailer centre

rolls into Acton again. Next stop for the mobile

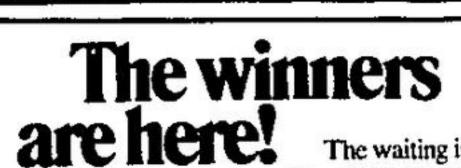
approximately 15 pupils per class with interest accruing

"The trailer school actually has a capacity to accommodate 300 children."

said the enthusiastic teacher who said she looks forward to next year's sessions ex-panding to include many

more students both adult and Paranters and and an annual an annua LET HOMESTEAD





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