

Acton High Notes

By Janice Gibson
On Monday, Miss Jane Misener from East Elgin High School near Aylmer visited us. Miss Misener's school is going on the semester system next year and she was observing how the program works here in Acton.

Today, Bill Coats is taking some students to the Ontario Science Centre in Toronto. Thirty-five Year One students will be on the excursion for the day.

Thursday, some visitors from T.L. Kennedy Secondary School in Mississauga will be here. J. Agban, Mrs. H. Fried and N. Eisele, the vice-principal will be representing the visiting school.

Good rock

Stone Willow, the Toronto group that played at our dance on Friday night, was quite a success. The band played some good rock which the students really enjoyed. The Students Council made only a small profit, but was quite satisfied that the dance was a success.



JUDGES FOR THE M.Z. Bennett school public speaking contest were teacher Arlene Bruce, Rev. A. H. McKenzie, and high school vice-principal Ian

Downie. Principal Gary Dawkins congratulates Tracey Tyler for her excellent presentation.

Tracey Tyler top contender in M.Z. Bennett competition

Audibility, enunciation, and the ability to project, were key requirements at last Thursday's public speaking contest held at the M.Z. Bennett public school.

Students of grades six to eight were on hand to watch their six favorite class contenders participate. Each of the speakers had been chosen in their own classrooms by

classmates who had been pre-instructed by teachers, the basis of merit on which to judge.

Judging at the Thursday contest were teacher Arlene Bruce, high school vice-principal Ian Downie, and Rev. Andrew McKenzie.

Tracey Tyler, 12, a grade eight student, was chosen first for her ability to convey her subject, What It's Like to Give a Speech. She used the technique of dramatizing and managed to gain the empathy of her youthful audience as well as that of the judges.

Others participating and receiving judges' comments were: Janet Lowe, 11, who managed to transmit the humor and difficulties of first learning to ski, especially on hand-me-down equipment; Gord Chafe, 14, who spoke on A Bike Trip, and Grant Clarke, whose topic was My Baby Sister, conveying the trials and delights of anyone with a baby sister.

The contest was one held only within the M. Z. Bennett school. The trophy awarded was one originally presented by the late principal, Elmer Smith.

Thursday's winner, Tracey Tyler, will receive a smaller replica of the award. A plate, on which her name is engraved, will be added to those already attached on the larger trophy, to remain at the school for future contests.

Dublin 4-H Golden gals

The second meeting of the Dublin Junior 4-H club was held at Mrs. Ismond's. They picked a name for the club which is Dublin Junior Golden Grains.

Two more pamphlets were handed out. They were asked to identify six grains composed of barley, oats, corn, rice, rye and wheat.

They voted on a color for the duo-tangs which are yellow.

In the kitchen they split into two groups; one group made onion rice, and other digwoods. Everyone enjoyed them with tea.

Next meeting is at Mrs. Ismond's on Wed., March 6.

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Skaters pass carnival next

Acton Figure Skating Club has held two test nights this season, January 17 and February 21, with the following results:

Preliminary Figure, David McGilloway, Sharon Campbell, Kim Ottoway, Susan Kinal, Dianna Hickey.

First Figure, Carol McKenzie, Dawnne Streets, Kathy Toth.

Preliminary Dances: Dutch Waltz, Christine Baginski, Cindy Brouillard, Linda Osso, Sharon Turkosz, Christine Allen, Charlie Kinal, Elliott Newman, Lisa Thomas, Lori Jamieson, Karen McEachern, Paul Hudson.

Carasta Tango, Susan Kinal, Christine Allen, Lynne Kearley, Kelly Payne, Sharon Turkosz, Linda Osso, Cindy Brouillard.

Swing Dance, Susan Kinal, Dianna Hickey, Joanne De Shaies, Kim Ottoway, Joanne Hearn, Carol McKenzie, Rogers.

Junior Bronze Dances: Fiesta Tango, David McGilloway, Julie Townsley, Sharon Campbell, Debbie Turkosz, Carol McKenzie, Kelly Buchanan, Kim Jackson, Joanne Hearn, Dianna Hickey.

Willow Waltz, Debbie Turkosz, Carol McKenzie, Dawnne Streets, Sharon Campbell, Julie Townsley, Lori DeBruyn.
Ten Fox, Carol McKenzie. They are very pleased with

the results which averaged 80 percent pass. They will also be sending further tests to Ferguson on March 24th.

Cindy McGilloway went to a centralized test at Pinepoint Arena and was successful in passing her Blues and Kilian, two Senior Silver dances.

For the next five weeks they are practicing for the carnival on April 6. The themes this year are Old MacDonald's Farm and Holidays on Ice.

Kniteros cutting up

The fourth meeting of Osprings One Kniteros was held at Lauri Vlietstra's place. Roll call was how did you score on the quiz?

They discussed patterns. Laure Vlietstra demonstrated the straight binding and rolled edge while some of the girls were cutting their outfit.

No snow

Skiers are the only ones not happy about the spring-like weather.

Outers amass tons of paper, glass Saturday



AMBIDEXTROUS OUTERS Peter Arbic and Kathy Frost play cheery tunes on their mouthorgans while they sort and retie newsprint at Dills plant Saturday. Tons of paper are collected, put in the required neat piles, and pushed down the line to Carol Buchanan who's operating the bundling machine. Collections have been very successful.



CRAMMED INSIDE teacher Wally Rowley's van, Outers' club member Bill McCabe can only manage to move two fingers. The group collected tons of newsprint and used glass Saturday.

Cathy Frizzell

Enrolment mounts

An influx of new students, mostly from Kingham Hills estates, have forced changes at the Robert Little school. In February alone 20 new pupils were registered and more are arriving each week.

School enrolment started at 585 in September and is now up to 630.

Vice-principal Barbara Rennie has assumed new teaching duties and her former class has gone into the rotation system. A new class has begun, a split grade 3 and 4.

Principal Hazen Allen thinks that portable classrooms will have to be used next year if the increase continues.

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PACKED INSIDE a vanful of cartons after a day's collecting, Outers club member Yvette LeRoy can still manage one of her infectious grins.

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