

# New award at MZB

Mrs. Elmer Smith presented for the first time a new award in her husband's name, at the M. Z. Bennett school graduation banquet last Thursday evening. The Elmer Smith bursary was provided from the proceeds of the community's principals' party, when both Mr. Smith and Mr. McKenzie were honored. Winners of the award this year are Patty Gordon and Walter Kwiatkowski.

Peter Zions was valedictorian for the grade eight classmates at M. Z. Bennett. Guest speaker was Acton's ex-mayor Les Doby, who was introduced by Jane Wissens and thanked by Debbie James. Gord Dewar and Christine Arbie received the athletic awards from teachers Letherland and Boycott. Ray Green received the Duke

of Devonshire chapter I.O.D.E. award from Mrs. Ann Mowat and Maureen House the Legion Auxiliary award from Mrs. Binden.

Tracy Tyler accepted the student council award from Debra Neely.

Barbara Turkosz welcomed the parents and guests and acted as master of ceremonies.

Debra Neely said grace and Christine Arbie expressed appreciation for the delicious hot and cold smorgasbord, planned and prepared by grade eight mothers, convened by Mrs. Gordon.

In the committee planning the annual banquet were Janice Ellerby, Mary Vinski, Karen Paton, Walter Kwiatkowski and Gene Braida. Sound Conspiracy played for the lively dance that followed.

Viking explorers are thought to have visited Labrador about the year 1000 and fishermen from southwestern Europe were working the Grand Banks possibly 50 years before Columbus discovered the New World.

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**Offer school for sale: 50¢**

The Richmond Schoolhouse, donated to Halton County Museum a few years ago, was offered for sale to the Town of Milton for 50 cents during a recent meeting of Halton Regional Council.

Burlington Mayor George Harrington presented a motion to council Wednesday offering the school for sale and the motion carried, amidst laughter. Not all councillors voted on the matter but those not voting are deemed to be in favor of a resolution.

Milton Councillor Jim Watson opened the discussion when he asked what the plans were for the one room school house. He noted it had been given to the Museum Board for \$1 from Nassagaweya Township on the agreement the school would be restored and used as a model of what schools were like in the early 1900's.

Can't get enough staff  
Oakville Councillor Terry Mannell noted the museum staff was unable to get sufficient staff approved, let alone funds for refurbishing the school. He agreed it was a waste to see it as it is, but said he hoped funds could be budgeted for in the future.

Later in the meeting Mayor Harrington presented his motion and it was endorsed by council. After the meeting Milton Mayor Anne MacArthur said she hadn't taken the result of the vote seriously.

Regional Chairman Allan Masson and Solicitor Noel Bates said, however, there was no reason to believe the resolution wasn't for real. "The museum people will be mad about that," Masson said, shaking his head.



Grade eight graduates of the Robert Little school

GRADUATING PUPILS of Robert Little School are row one, Rhonda Speaker, Selina Schmidt, Kathy Toth, Julie Townsley, Sandra Spear, Kim Livermore, Cindy Kleine Deters, Kathy Johnston, Kathleen Cheyne, Karl Aitken, Debbie Oakley, Kim Closson. Row two, Melanie Hokinson, Anne Fitzner, Diane Baginski, Lynda Shadbolt, Cindy McGilloway, Debbie Hickling, Eileen Bastell, Robin Marshall, Arlene Wilson, Neveen Kamel, Judy Pink, Valerie Graham, Karen McDowell, Carol Buffett. Row three, S. Scott, Henry Roach, Bill Waites, Tony Geng, Charles Ancker, James Behm, Gord Degen, Terry Bateman, Bob Nolan, Don Porty, John Watson, Peter Neilsen, David Murchison, Terry

Winters, Harold Galbraith. Row four, Kim Jackson, Shelly Crooks, Nancy Shoemaker, Geraldine Schonnop, Patricia Nessett, Carole Staley, John Nessett, Rob Peterson, John Smith, Paul Boucher, Henry Smith, Stan Petric, Scott Oakley. Row five, Bill Waites, Lesley Carter, Marilyn De Bruyn Bruyn, Frances Barends, Lorrie Jones, Connie Taylor, Jeff Gordon, Chris Swetman, Ralph Bowen, Kim Wood, Sylvia Gordon, Leslie Chamberlain, Christine Pallagi, Scott Malcolm. Row six Paul Bowen, Rick Gibson, Margaret Huxley, Karen Tuffin, Denyse McDougall, Sandra Preston, Kim Jackson, Eunice Gibb, Sharon Cunningham, Ann Porte, David Waverly, Simon Wilson.



M. Z. Bennett school graduates group photograph

GRADUATING PUPILS of M. Z. Bennett school are, row one, Sylvia Scott, Teresa Luty, Nancy Collett, Stella Brigden, Lisa Near, Debra Neely, Janet Wissens, Heidi Zeissig, Maureen Rouse, Beth Reynolds. Row two, Patti Gordon, Mary Vinski, Sharon McQuade, Carol Burton, Debbie James, Lynn Mellor, Kathy Upton, Karen Paton, Lynn Elliot, Tracy Tyler, Michelina Pupo. Row three, Ron Haefner, Doug Jordan, Mark Withers, Dave Alchin, Randy Upton, Gord Chafe, Gary

Lumbers, Ray Green, Jack De Wilde, Frank Andrews and Gene Braida. Row four, Debbie Andres, Cheryl Hunter, Barbara Turkosz, Dee Heppburn, Gordon Bruce, Walter Kwiatkowski, Peter Zions, Martin Van Opstal, Janice Ellerby, Christine Arbie, Shirley Andrews. Row five, Randy Turkosz, Dave Williamson, Steve Baillie, Mark Gourlay, Tim Daigle, Don Harding, George Binden, Peter Debenham, Doug Darby, Paul Brunelle, Russell Lee, John Thompson.

## R.L. graduation

Public school life culminated Thursday for the grade eight graduates of Robert Little school with a banquet, program and dance. Former principal G. W. McKenzie was the guest speaker, proudly congratulating his former pupils all dressed in their best for the occasion. He also presented a new award, the G. W. McKenzie bursary, to Diane Baginski and John Watson. Two awards had been instituted with the proceeds from the community principals' retirement party. These awards will be given annually for ten years at each school.

Cindy Kleine-Deters gave a valedictory address which was praised by staff and fellow students. She very capably expressed the groups' thanks to their teacher and parents.

Neveen Kamel represented her class in speaking of the gifts they were leaving, and Debbie Hickling and Harold Galbraith presented three vases to the school. Principal Hazel Allen responded.

The Legion Ladies' award was presented to Cindy Kleine-Deters by Mrs. A. Gordon; the Duke of Devonshire I.O.D.E. award to Sylvia Gordon by Mrs. H. R. Force.

Mr. Allen presented diplomas and Karen Knygh and John Kavanagh presented other awards. Mrs. J. Gibson presented a special award to Nancy Shoemaker.

Introductions  
Richard Gibson introduced the speaker and Mr. McKenzie was thanked by Eunice Gibb and Peter Nielsen.

Chris Swetman introduced the head table guests. Carole Staley expressed appreciation to Mrs. Ken Marshall who made corsage and boutonnières for all the grads. Scott Malcolm gave thanks to the mothers who prepared the delicious cold dinner.

Nancy Shoemaker and Lorna Sayers played a piano duet and Charles Ancker a piano solo. Disc jockey from Toronto kept the dancing lively. He explained he had missed his own graduation party and this was his first.

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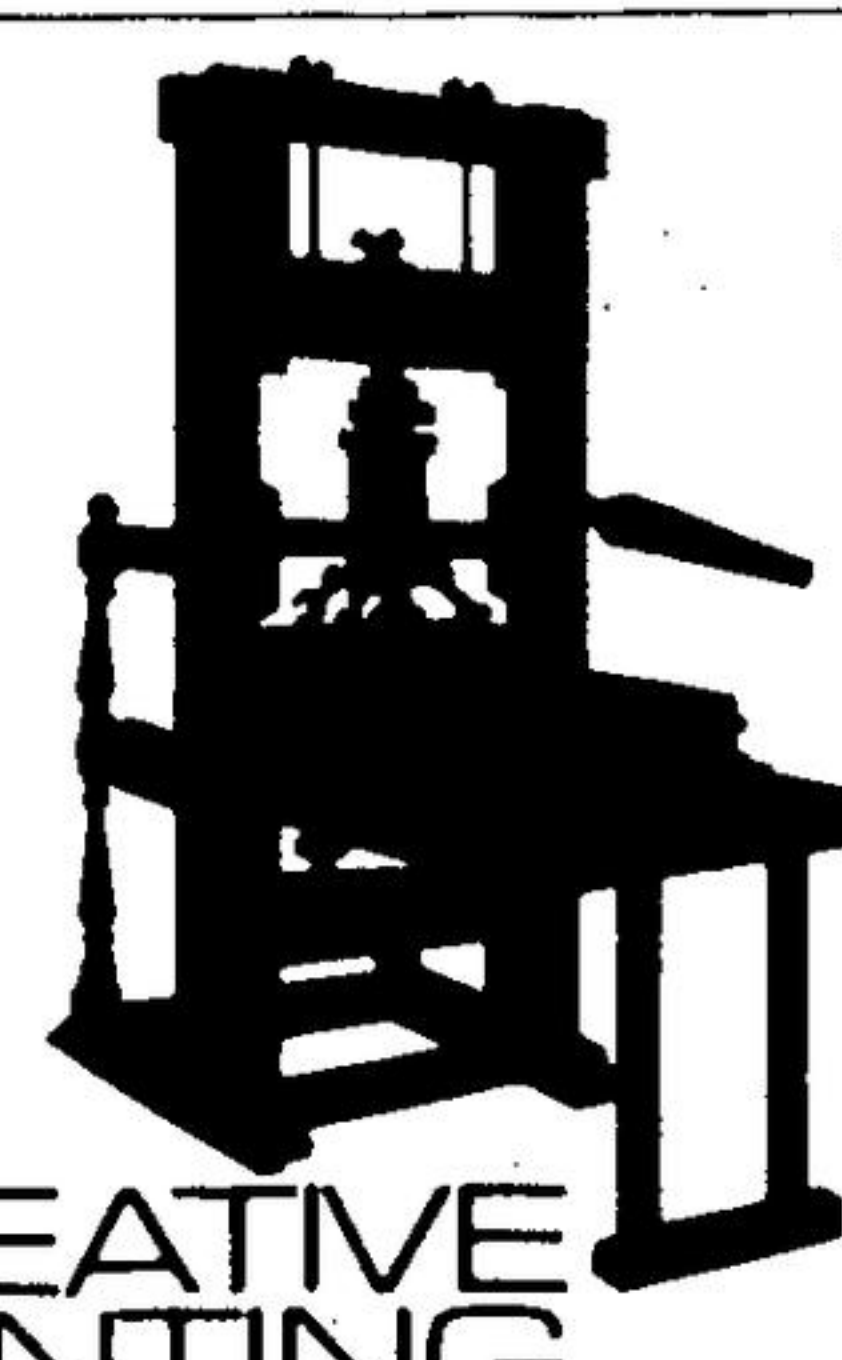
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