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Second Section



ANGELINE SHAMOUN and Allison Chlason had a great time frolicking in the new swimming pool.

## • ANNOUNCEMENT • Guards named



CAL SANDERSON

Mr. Gord McMILLAN of the ACTON CANADIAN TIRE Store wishes to announce that Mr. CAL SANDERSON has joined the store as a licensed mechanic. Cal is from Ballinacraig and is ready to look after all your mechanical problems.

Acton has its full complement of three crossing guards now, and also three substitutes.

The guards on duty now are Bill Carmochan, Mrs. Pat Robinson and Esther Taylor. The new substitutes are June Gerth, Elizabeth Dr.; Helen Bittorf, Main St. N. and Lenora McKinnon, Elmore Dr.

## New altar dedication

The scheduled dedication of the new altar at St. Alban's church will take place tomorrow evening (Thursday). Former clergymen will be back and the church is expected to be full for the special event.

The Rev. Laurie Duby carved the altar.

## No fires in Acton

"There were no fires in Acton this week," Mick Holmes told the Free Press. "No excitement at all."



OOHHH! That looks cold! Various diving styles were demonstrated during public swimming hours Saturday, Sunday and Monday at the new pool.

# First swimmers make a splash

After months of ifs, ands, buts, whens and maybes, the Acton swimming pool finally opened for use on Thursday, November 7.

After a few teachers who sneaked in on Wednesday, a grade 11 co-education gym class was the first to use the pool.

It was nothing spectacular. There were no ribbon cutting ceremonies, no champagne broken on the diving board, just a splash as two students stepped into the shallow end to be assessed by gym teachers Anne Poole and Bruce Andrews, and student

pool supervisor Diane Ferris.

Many swimmers Saturday was the first day for public swimming. Between one and 5 o'clock, there were 172 people testing the water for the first time. On Sunday there were 290 during the same hours. The holiday Monday saw at least 250 swimmers.

The pool capacity is 225 at one time. The above figures are totals of each day, and not how many were in the pool at one time.

Last night, (Tuesday) was the beginning of the regularly scheduled programs. Fees charged presently will be reduced when the lockers, which are on order, arrive. The extra ten cents, now charged, is the salary of the tote room staff in both the men's and women's change

rooms, according to Anne Pickering, pool supervisor. There are four lifeguards on duty at all times, as well as two tote room staff, a cashier and Anne Pickering. There is a total staff of 17.

Postponed The advertised Wednesday afternoon swim, which was planned by the recreation department, has been postponed until after Christmas. The board of education has asked for this time.

Miss Pickering felt that the opening few days ran very smoothly. Everyone followed the rules and regulations set down by the department of health, and no one was hurt. The high diving board (three metre) was opened around four on all three days. This was handled very well, and no one received any injury.

According to Miss Pickering everything is "just for safety's sake." All the rules to be followed are there for a reason. It is for this reason and her high esteem for her staff that she felt everything went so smoothly.

Registrations for bronze and leader lessons are to be held on November 16 and 23. It is hoped that the future staff for the pool will be eventually taken from this group.

"I would like to mention that the public swimming hours are to be changed for the next two weekends," Miss Pickering said. "On the two Fridays, November 15 and 22 we will be open from 7 to 8:30 p.m. On the Saturdays, November 16 and 23, from 1:30 to 3:00 and again from 6:30 to 7:30 the pool will be

operating for the public. On just the one Sunday, November 17, the hours are changed. They will be from 1:30 to 3:30 and 6 to 7:30. We would really like to see everyone out."

The reason for the changes is because the Red Cross is holding an instructor school at the pool on these days and times have to be altered to accommodate them.

Spot check Every hour at the pool there is a spot check. A whistle is blown three times, to tell everyone to leave the pool immediately. The water is then checked for drownings, injuries, etc.

So far, according to Anne Pickering, there have been no arguments about leaving the pool.

## Group rates

Special group rates for users of Acton's new swimming pool, when it is not being used by the Halton Hills recreation department or the Halton Board of Education, will be a flat \$10 an hour, plus \$5 for each lifeguard required.

The number of lifeguards needed increases as the swimmers increase. The group rates recommended by the administration committee are \$15 an hour up to 20 people, \$20 an hour from 21 to 75 people, and \$25 for from 76 to 150 people.

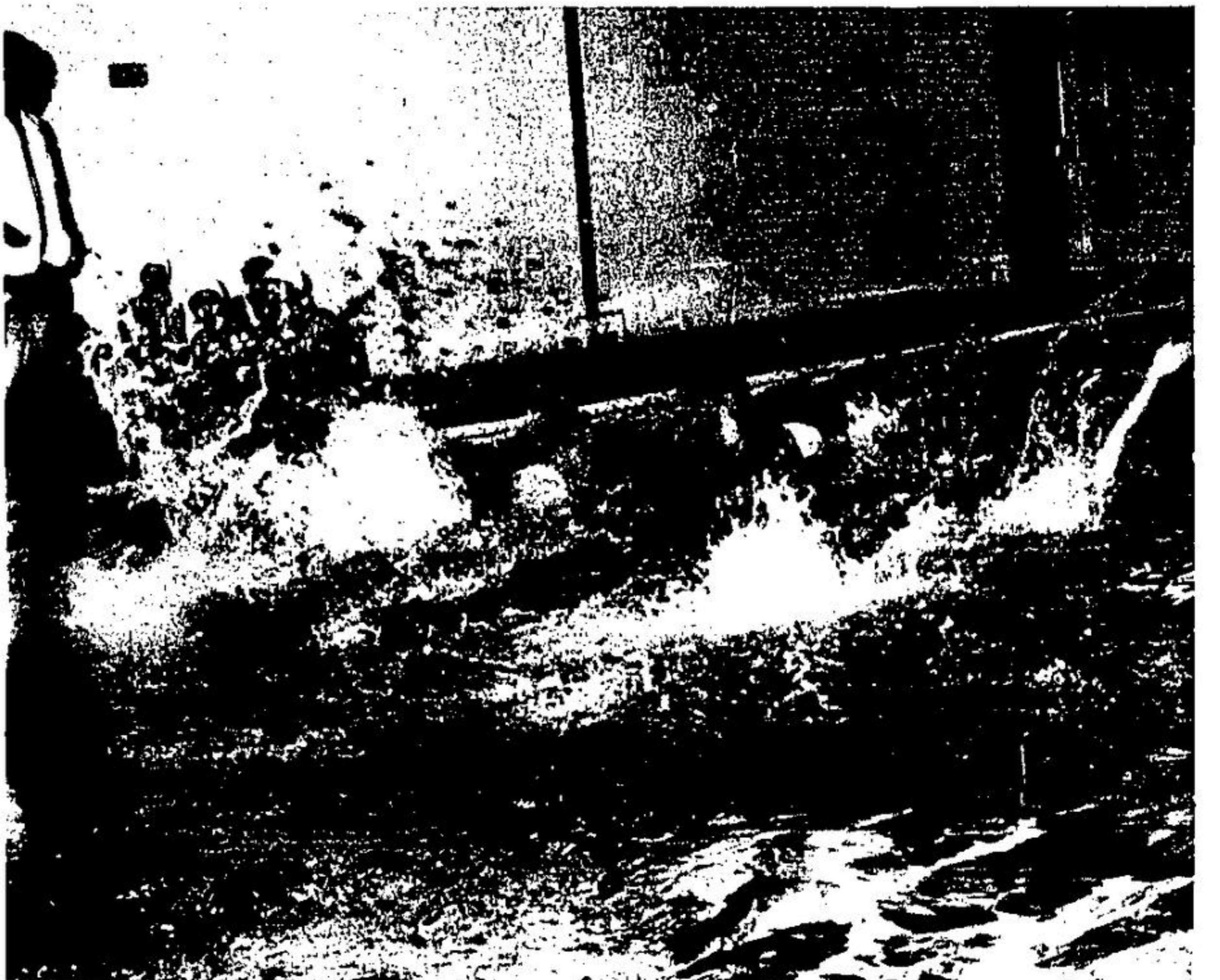
Of the eighteen on staff at the recently opened Acton swimming pool, 12 are from Georgetown.

The 12 are: Chris Hall, Liz Virag, Drew Markham, Lois Gummer, Bev Gummer, Kieran Woods, Kim Golden, Paul MacDonald, Pauline Heaton, Robert Heaton, and Carl Lince. The latter five names have their leader position.

Susan Shoemaker, Cathy Ashley, Karen Stewart, Lynn Fountain, Sandi Ross and Lynda Taras are the staff from Acton.

## Over \$1500

Over \$1500 was raised for the Canadian Rheumatism and Arthritis Association in this year's Rotary club canvass. Members went door-to-door and found a very good response. Rotarian Mac Sprowl was in charge of the campaign.



NO, IT'S NOT AN Olympic race! It is just the first class of students being observed by teacher Bruce Andrews, far left, during their grade 11

gym class on Thursday morning. All students must wear bathing caps.



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### ACTON LIONS CLUB POOL SCHEDULE

Recreational Swimming Hours

Monday	public swim	8.00 - 9.00 p.m.
	adult swim	9.30 - 10.30 p.m.
Tuesday	public swim	8.00 - 9.30 p.m.
Wednesday	public swim	8.00 - 9.30 p.m.
	adult swim	9.30 - 10.30 p.m.
Thursday	adult & family	6.00 - 7.30 p.m.
Friday	public swim	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.
	teen drop-in	9.00 - 11.00 p.m.
Saturday	public swim	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
	family swim	4.00 - 5.00 p.m.
	family swim	6.00 - 7.30 p.m.
	public swim	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Sunday	public swim	1.30 - 3.30 p.m.
	family swim	3.30 - 5.00 p.m.
	public swim	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.

Weeks of November 11 & 18, additional public swims:

Thursday	public swim	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
	adult swim	9.30 - 10.30 p.m.
Tuesday	adult swim	9.30 - 10.30 p.m.

Saunas will be open only during Adult Swims.

Please note there will be no swimming on Wednesday afternoons.

For information regarding lessons, pick up information at the Pool or Recreation Office.



NOBODY MAKES a better teacher than daddy, thinks four-year-old Andrea Andres. She had a delightful time in the new pool on Saturday afternoon.

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