

Clean-up planned at library creek

Acton residents viewing the school creek who feel they'd like to get in and do some housecleaning should forget it! Under the Credit Valley Conservation Authority Program 26, one of three crews of students will be spending some time this summer doing the job for them.

The local stream is on the list of clean-up jobs planned by the C.V.C.A.

Susan Cooper, technical adviser for the crews, says old tires, debris and foreign items which would impede the flow of the stream will be removed along its whole length in town.

School creek is also known as Henderson's Creek.

Program 26, formerly called project S.W.E.E.P. is one part of Experience '75, the name given collectively to all student programs administered by the Ontario Provincial Government's Youth Secretariat. Purpose of the program is to supply meaningful employment for students undertaking work projects beyond what the normal Authority staff can accomplish during the summer months.

Twenty-eight students from high school and university have been employed for periods of ten to 18 weeks.

They are divided into four work crews.

One technical crew is doing an ecological survey of the Silver Creek conservation area. Three others will be working throughout the watershed on various labor-intensive projects.

This year's roll shows no Acton students among those on the program. Miss Cooper says that approximately 200 applications were received and jobs were filled, basically, in the order of submission.

Besides the school creek, Silver Creek in Halton Hills is scheduled for a general clean-up.

Erosion control in various locations along Cooksville Creek in Mississauga, a clean-up of the Credit river in the town of Erin, and roadside clean-up throughout all municipalities within the Credit river watershed are included.

The first group of Program 26 workers will be on the job starting June 9. "These will be university students," said Miss Cooper. On June 23, high school students will begin on the program which will run until September.

The adviser says that as exact dates of projects have not been scheduled, she can't say when the library creek clean-up will begin.



A NEW FACE patrolling the town streets is that of Ontario Provincial Police constable Jerry Gibson of Milton. Officer Gibson lives in Milton with his wife and son. He has been working here for one month and was with the Milton detachment of OPP for four years.

Clean area, says local committee

The supervised swimming area at Prospect Park is "a mess" and Acton Recreation Advisory Committee would like to see it fixed up.

At the bi-monthly meeting of the committee, the park was toured. At that time children were swimming in the water, using picnic tables as rafts. It was felt that this is not only dangerous to the children but also ruins the tables, which are public property.

The garbage cans were lying on their sides, with the contents blowing in the wind across the park, with heavier items in piles, fair game for animals.

It was suggested by one of the committee members that the tables be chained to the ground to prevent them from being moved, with the same being done to the garbage cans.

Swimmers It was also decided the life guard tower needed painting as it is a trap for silvers and cuts in its present condition. John Cooper, recreation coordinator, told the group that he and Anne Pickering, Acton

swimming pool supervisor, have recommended to council that scuba divers be hired to investigate the condition of the swimming area's bottom. In this way, it will be known if there is anything of danger to swimmers in the water. Committee member Pete Papillon agreed with this move as he had fished a large mess of barbed wire from the lake by his home.

Wackley eyes NDP candidacy

Don Wackley, a 44-year-old Milton area resident announced Tuesday he will be a candidate for the NDP candidacy in the Halton-Burlington riding and hopes to represent the party, in the next provincial election.

Wackley, a media consultant, lives at 7010 Bell School Line, Milton.

Roving ducks

The ducks from the Beardmore pond are straggling neighboring streets these days. They feel so much at home they're laying eggs on the lawns, causing homeowners to make big detours with their lawn mowers.

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Arthur Maloney first ombudsman

Arthur Maloney, R.R. 1, Campbellville, has been appointed Ontario's first provincial ombudsman. Mr. Maloney, one of the country's top criminal lawyers, is giving up his legal practice to accept the position.

He will earn about \$60,000 a year and his post has a tenure of ten years. He'll be the province's top paid employee.

The Maloney family has a home on the Guelph Line and he has become well-known in the district.

He was guest speaker Victoria Day weekend at the annual Rockwood ecumenical service, when his topic reflected his lasting interest in civil liberties. He spoke then of controversial surrounding decisions for the common good.

The government had announced its intention to establish the office of ombudsman in March.

The role of the ombudsman is to investigate decisions, recommendations and acts committed or omitted in the administration of the work of the Ontario government. Mr. Maloney will do this either in response to complaints received from an individual

or organization, or on his own initiative. He will recommend appropriate action.

In recommending Mr. Maloney in the legislature, the Hon. William Davis called him "one of our most distinguished citizens... from a family renowned for its contribution to political life in Canada and Ontario." His father was a federal member of parliament and his brother and grandfather were both members of the legislature. A lawyer, he served as member of parliament for Toronto-Parkdale from 1957 to 1962.

He has been elected five times as a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada and is chairman of the Society's own Professional Conduct Committee. He is a former director of the Harold King farm to assist former prisoners. He served on the advisory committee on the treatment of offenders to the Minister of Correctional Services and was a member of the province's task force on policing two years ago. Recently he undertook a review of police complaints procedures for the Metro Police Commission.

After Mr. Davis put forward

Forward \$200 to Bangladesh

As a result of the Oxfam trade fair, \$200 will be sent to the Bangladesh Rural Action Committee toward the purchase of a printing press. Catherine Harvey, Ontario director of Oxfam, had told the local group of the project in Bangladesh this winter, and they then decided to raise money for it.

The trade fair in St. Alban's hall brought craftspeople together to display and sell their wares. There was also a large display of Oxfam articles made by needy native people from Africa and South America.

Organizer Daphne King said most people were content with the day although attendance had not been as large as hoped. She expects if the event is held annually it will become better known and more shoppers will come. The organizers learned a lot from the first trade fair experience she said.

Mr. Maloney's name it met with immediate acceptance by all parties.

Legislation outlining the job's responsibilities will be introduced very soon.

Ontario will be the seventh province to have an ombudsman.

Mr. Maloney expects to wind up his legal practice and the trials he is currently engaged in by the end of June and will be available to begin his new job early in July.

He will give up his membership in the Conservative party.

Symptoms of hot weather?

There was a surprisingly high number of liquor seizures in Acton this week—11, according to police. There was one impaired driver and two persons charged with being intoxicated in a public place.

Thefts

Thefts at the high school have been reported to Acton O.P.P. the last week.

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