

## Gus Elliott new vice-principal here

With ten years teaching experience under his belt, and an additional two years as vice principal of Burlington Central public school, Gus (Angus) Elliott comes to M. Z. Bennett fully qualified to act as vice principal.

Mr. Elliott received his own public school and high school education in London, Ontario. His post-secondary education was at Sir Wilfred Laurier University, at that time

named Waterloo Lutheran. Centennial public school in Georgetown saw Mr. Elliott teaching English and Math for five years before heading up north to the Sudbury area for another five year stint. When he returned, he was made vice principal in Burlington.

The Georgetown resident is interested in sports and has been involved in coaching in the past.



NEW M. Z. BENNETT school vice principal Gus (Angus) Elliott comes to Acton from Burlington Central public school. He is living in Georgetown.

## Acton High Notes

By Jennifer Rowe

Welcome Back! Once again the school doors open to welcome students back to the world of classes, books, teachers, and yes homework, studying and tests. Some students are here for the first time, some for their last, and others just working their way through.

First of all, let's welcome those new students to Acton High. Whether you be a grade 9, or a transfer from another High School, we at Acton High welcome you and hope that you will enjoy it here.

Wednesday began with an assembly in which Dean Fink, our principal delivered his new school year message and introduced the new members of the staff.

The new vice principal Lyn McLaren also said a few words to the students. New teachers at Acton High are Nancy Clark, Pat Kastner, Ross McGill, Aileen Spencer and Ruth Wilson. We hope that they will also like it here in Acton.

On Friday there was an Athletic Assembly in which the Athletic Society presented a very impressive program. Included in this were a slide show of last year's Athletic activities, the introduction of team captains and an explanation of athletic awards and trophies that can be

earned.

In past years, this activity has proved to be well-organized and successful and I am sure that they will once again add greatly to the "goings-on" at Acton High.

For all those sports-minded students, a baseball team has been organized. This co-ed team has begun practises and will take part in a tournament on September 28. If all works well perhaps individual boys and girls teams will be organized for next year.

A new group that has been formed at Acton High is the Student Association. The idea behind this group is to assemble members from all the various clubs and work together to organize school activities.

Don't miss the Acton High School display that will be in the Arena at the Acton Fall Fair this weekend. When hunger strikes be sure to visit the Athletic Society's food booth also at the fair.

On Monday evening a Parent's Night will take place at Acton High. This will give parents an opportunity to meet teachers, both new and old.

This is your column, so if you have any news you would like to see in print just let me, Jennifer Rowe, know or leave it in the office for me. I need your help! Thanks!

## Softball tournament may be start of league

September 28 will mark a first for Acton high school. On that day the school will host a softball Tournament involving Arthur, General Wolfe, Milton and Acton high schools.

As a rule, high schools in Canada do not have softball teams. However, many students have expressed an interest in playing ball. So this year's tournament is an experiment which may lead to the formation of a league.

This will be a co-ed tournament. Coaches Rick Boyehuk and Boris Shean started practises on Monday, with 30 boys and 16 girls trying out. More

are expected for the tryouts even though the tournament team will be limited to 18 players: nine boys and nine girls.

If the tournament is successful and enough interested schools can be found, Acton high hopes to field both boys' and a girls' team in the spring.

There is no truth to the rumor that they'll be called the Acton Blue Jays according to Mr. Shean.



## Pat Kastner is English teacher

by Kathy Toth and Charlene Perocesi

This week Acton high school welcomes Miss Pat Kastner, one of the new teachers, who comes from Belleville. She was born in Oshawa and moved to Peterborough at the age of seven. Pat went to school there and considers Peterborough as being her home town.

Miss Kastner lived in Belleville where she taught at Bay-side Secondary school for six years. This school was new then so she is looking forward to teaching in the new high school next year. Pat felt she needed a change and wanted to teach in a small town where she finds the people pleasant. She moved to Oakville and teaches remedial grade 9 English and regular grade 11 English at the high school.

Miss Kastner's hobbies are reading, tennis and cross-country skiing. She also likes making her own crafts such

as wall hangings. Pat likes fresh vegetables and fruit. Her astrological sign is on the cusp of Aquarius and Pisces as her birthday is February 19, the changing date.

PAT KASTNER is one of the newest additions to Acton high school. She comes to Acton from Belleville. Peterborough is the English teacher's hometown.

## Limehouse teacher rehired

Halton Board of Education announced Thursday the reappointment of Josephine Ng to a teaching position at Limehouse School.

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## Goodin bows out of board election fight

There will be at least one new trustee on the Halton Board of Education after the December 6 election since Oakville Trustee Dick Goodin announced this week he won't run for re-election.

Goodin, first elected in 1967 to the Oakville Board of Education by topping the polls, said he is retiring to make way for someone new.

"I feel the people in my ward (Oakville ward three) have been good to me and it is now time for someone else to take on the responsibility," he explained.

Besides placing first in his first election Goodin has also lead the pack twice in battles to win a seat on Halton Board of Education. He was acclaimed in the last election.

He said he hopes the person the voters choose to replace him will be active and get things done.

Goodin said this year's election is so important for the future of education in Halton that all board members should come out and declare their intentions.

He declared he wasn't backing away from politics now because he thought he was in any danger of losing his board seat and said if he wished to continue he would be ready to take anyone on.



Dick Goodin

"I won't be disappearing from the education scene totally. I expect I will be attending some board meetings, sitting in those plush new chairs in the new board room, and giving credit where I think it is due, and niggling when necessary," Goodin warned.

In the past few years Goodin has been very vocal in his criticism of increasing teachers' wages, continual education tax hikes, and lack of discipline and meaningful standards in education.

## High school helps out

Staff and students of Acton High are busy working on the School's contribution to the Fall Fair.

As usual the Athletic Society will operate a food booth. Inside the arena there will be a High School display. This year it is being organized by our new Student Association. Teachers Dave Jones, Bill Taylor and Harold Swallow are working with the

Student Association to make this an exciting display.

For the first time, the school is working on entering a float in Saturday's parade. Staff members Jim Goring and Roy McMillan are organizing this endeavor.

These are some of the ways on which Acton High hopes to contribute to the success of Acton's Fall Fair.

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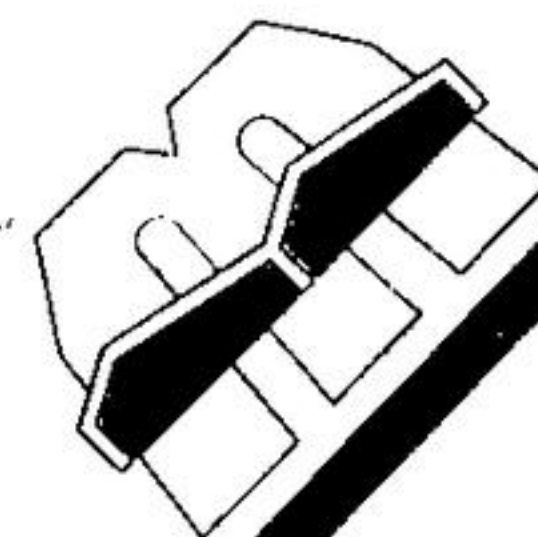
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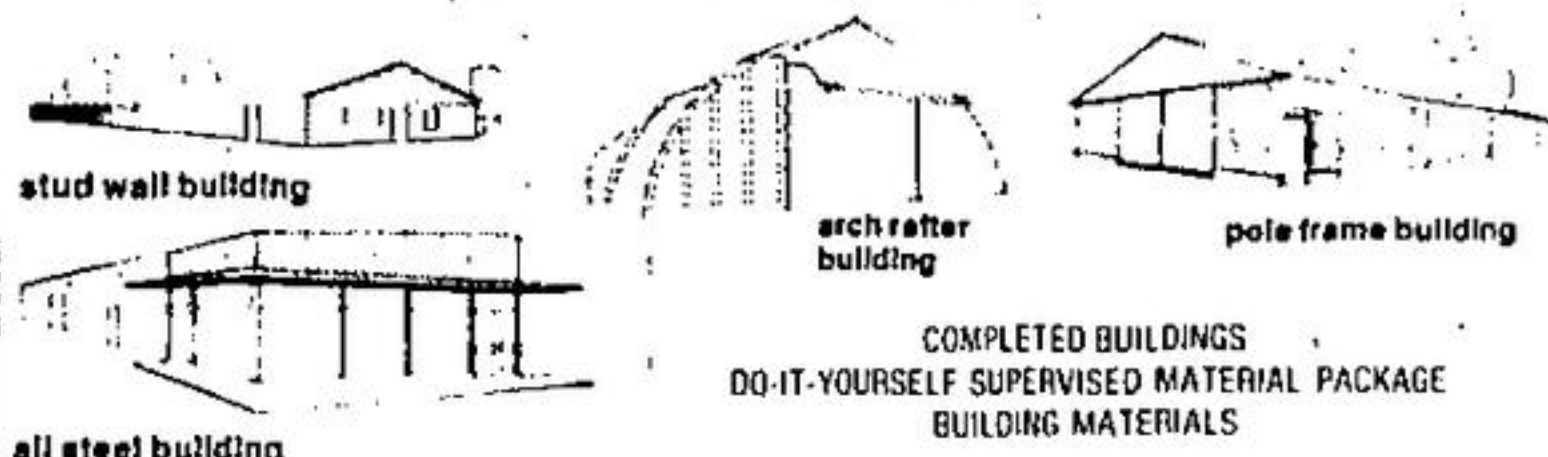
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