

M.Z. Bennett news

by Adele Tilton
Remembrance Day is here, said many grades in the school are into projects or in some way involved in this special day and on Wednesday, Nov. 10, we will be having an assembly to remember those who died for us.

In the music world, on Thursday November 18, a total of 60 students will be going to O'Keefe Centre in Toronto to see the ballet "La Fille Mal Gardée" which is being presented by the National Ballet Company of Canada. The students will be leaving at 12:30 p.m. and returning about 5 o'clock.

Concert
"Music '76" will take place at Acton high school on Sunday November 21 at 7:30 p.m. Four schools will be participating in this concert: M. Z. Bennett, Robert Little, Brookville and the Acton high school band. The concert will feature small and large choirs, instrumental groups, band and vocal presentations, ukulele singers with some folk songs. Some songs being practiced are Song Sung Blue, This Land is Your Land, and Give Us a Place to Stand. There will also be a selection of songs for the assembly on Wednesday including a song written by an Actonian, H. Freuhler, called "The Hymn of Canada."

On Thursday there was a senior boys' volleyball tournament against Robert Little school. There were four games played with M. Z. Bennett winning three of them. Congratulations, boys, on some well played games.

Hot dog Day
Last Friday the first Hot Dog Day was held. On the whole it went pretty well and most of the students enjoyed themselves.

Kindergarten children sent a special thank-you letter to J. Krul and D. Price who came and showed carpenter's tools and how they are used in building. The children now have a carpenter's bench in their room and are trying their skills at building.

On Friday nights the gym is available for staff members to come and enjoy basketball, volleyball and badminton.

The field hockey match between Stewarttown and M. Z. Bennett ended in a 3-0 win for our girls, last Friday.

Robert Little news

By Sharon Bendicks

This year Robert Little students will remember those who served in the wars through poems, songs and assemblies.

On Tuesday, Mrs. Gibson's English classes (grade eight) presented their feelings concerning Remembrance Day to the intermediate grades. They presented a radio program on the two minute silence, a hospital scene during the war, a skit called Who Shall Dwell concerning the fact that both sides are enemies to the civilians plus other numerous songs and poems of wartime.

Inter-House Competition
Fifty Collages are being judged by Mrs. Mellor. Mr. Kirby has created a new art contest in which teams will be judged on their ability to create a team crest. The collages have been practicing for "concert '76" on Nov. 21.

European Handball is coming to an end. The last game will be played on Nov. 8.

The grade four students of Robert Little went to the art museum in Kleinburg, Ontario on Oct. 23, to look at Indian and Eskimo Art. The students made replicas of their favorite art piece by sketching. The gallery kindly loaned prints which are displayed on the school walls for all to see. They will be displayed until the middle of December.

The grade four students are studying Eskimo art and they made an excellent display in the front foyer.

Full Lunch (for customers) are 600 hot dogs and 500 donuts. Sheets for this week were handed out last Friday.



MONICA LAWSON, a Sudbury native, is teaching grade three students at M. Z. Bennett. Mrs. Lawson likes Acton and feels at home in a small town.

Monica Lawson likes life in Acton

It took a while, but Monica Lawson finally has the teaching job she always wanted. Mrs. Lawson, a grade three teacher at M. Z. Bennett School grew up in Sudbury, where she also attended Laurentian University. Although she wanted to attend teachers' college, Mrs. Lawson and her husband moved to Cambridge, England, where he was studying for his doctorate. After a year

here, they returned to Toronto in November of 1974.

The grade three teacher then worked in an office until she could start her studies in the Ontario Teachers Education College. The Lawsons have now made their home in Acton where both are contented. Both are used to fairly small towns and enjoy the quieter, more peaceful atmosphere here. "It is more like home," says the newcomer.

Acton high notes

by Jennifer Rowe

How does the old saying go? Time flies when you're having fun! Well, I don't know about having fun; however here we are half way through the semester already. Last Friday Miss Wanda Hall and Mrs. Cole took Grade 9 Geography students to Stelco Steel Factory in Hamilton and to an oil refinery in Toronto. Today (Wednesday) Clare Henderson took his grade 13 English students to see the play "Artichoke" at the Tarragon Theatre.

Also today there was an assembly for Remembrance Day. The theme was not remembering, but trying to "imagine".

This week the student Association with your help

Fruit course

"Featuring Fruit" has proved popular this fall with 17 Halton 4-H Homemaking Clubs. Leaders and members have been studying fresh fruits from Ontario and around the world, processed fruits and their uses, pastry making and fruits used as party fare. As well as the special skills developed in cooking, the 4-H members have been developing responsibility as members of a group and as members of a family. Achievement Days will be held at E. C. Drury School to complete the project. Visitors are especially invited to attend the afternoon programs to hear the club presentations regarding fruit varieties and uses. Record books and pastry desserts will be displayed.

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Collect glass for fund-raising drive

Two and a half tons of glass were collected by members of the high school Outers Club on Saturday during their second glass drive.

Two trucks belonging to the B. C. Field and Goy Carriage were loaned for the day and were driven around town picking up boxes of bottles, jars etc. Once back at the high school, the students broke the glass into barrels and took it to Dominion Glass in Brampton. There, they received \$45 for their day's work.

There were 25 people helping out in the drive, either out collecting or canvassing. Outers President Paula

Kitching told the Free Press the club has arranged to pick glass up twice a month at the Legion, a local hotel and one apartment building. She says she hopes to be able to pick up twice monthly at the other apartment dwellings in town, soon.

The glass drive is part of a fund-raising campaign by the Outers to purchase two canoes. Miss Kitching says the Outers appreciate the citizens of Acton saving their empty bottles and jars. She realizes, she says, that a few streets in town were missed and she hopes it will not happen next month.

Scout and Guide news

by Mark Rowe

Most sections had a fair turnout for the annual Remembrance Day parade on Sunday. Both the Scouts and Guides laid a wreath this year at the ceremony. The third Brownies had their private wreath as well again this year.

Stuck at end
It was most unfortunate that the Scouts and Guides were stuck at the end of the parade again this year and were given such a bad view at the cenataph. I realize that many feel Remembrance Day to be a sad, strictly adult day for remembering the follies of the past, but what of the future?

If the children are shoved to one side, they cannot understand what it is all about. No wonder many people fear that it will die out in the future. It is hard to pass on a lesson that we learned, but we must try to if world peace is to be sought after. I hope that next year, the children will not be forgotten, lest they forget.

Meeting
November's group committee meeting was held last night at the Scout Hall.

A hike is being planned jointly by the first Acton Scouts and second Acton Guides. Besides the Christmas party and toboggan party this is the first event of this kind. Let's have co-operation all around and make it successful.

Add barn

The Ontario Agricultural Museum at Kelso is calling tenders on another new wooden display barn for large agricultural implements.

Tenders are open until Wednesday, Nov. 24 and plans are available at the Museum or from the Ministry of Government Services in Toronto.

When it is completed, the Museum expects to be able to house 50 large pieces of exhibits in the three barns.

Second Acton Guides
by Jean Vaughan
The girls of the second Acton Girl Guides elected their new Patrol Leaders by secret ballot with the following results: Theresa Conroy, Lily-of-the-Valley Patrol, Cindy Pettibone, second; Ruth Alexander, Pansy Patrol; Jaye Gerth, second; Patricia Henry, Poppy Patrol; Connie McCristall, second; Nadine Ewart, Red Rose Patrol, Lynn Gordon, second.

The patrols were selected by drawing names but the Patrol Leaders chose their own seconders from their patrol.

With the Patrol Leaders in charge, the girls planned a Halloween party with a varied, fun program. Everyone wore a costume and voted by secret ballot for first prize winner Lynn Gordon as Minnie Mouse and second prize winner Dawn Cook as Raggedy Ann. We volun-

teered one game called the "Haunted House". Mrs. June Gerth, our guest for the evening, guarded the door to the "House" and tried to keep the costumers calm until it was their turn.

With spooky howling and screaming in the background, Shirley Duncan blindfolded the girls and Roberta Trotter and I, Jean Vaughan, led the 'ghouls' one at a time through the "Dead Man's Galley." They felt their way past eyeballs, powdered noses, pickled intestines, dry bones, quivery stomachs and many others. The P.L.s. had many good games and a system planned for prizes for the groups who won the most points. The girls brought loads of food including a Halloween cake baked by Ruth Alexander.

We presented a plaque for October to the Patrol of the Month for their Guiding attitude and good patrol spirit; Poppy; Patricia Henry, Carol Chappel, Linda Dunceliffe, Lisa Mason and Connie McCristall.

The P.L.s. did a fantastic job of organizing the party. The point of Guiding is to learn to make decisions, to plan, to "Be Prepared" and to call on the Guiders for guidance rather than leadership.



SMASHING BOTTLES INTO barrels are Acton high school Outers club members. Foreground, Bernie Harding takes care not to rip his gloves on the sharp glass, in one of the final stages of the glass drive on Saturday.

Local students at Waterloo campus

Acton High school students will be visiting the University of Waterloo campus this Friday to take part in a Waterloo "Arts Day."

The students will be able to attend a wide variety of classes, take notes, ask questions and participate in discussions.

"The idea is to give them some understanding as to what is involved in university education," says Charles Crookford, high school liaison officer for the University's Faculty of Arts. "They will also be able to meet with an academic counsellor if they have any questions concerning the programs and courses in which they are interested."

Students will be able to select from approximately 70 courses to be offered during the day, encompassing a wide range of subjects from languages to humanities and social sciences.

(Other schools attending will be Western Collegiate Institute, N.A. Boylen second-

ary school, Toronto, Ching-uacousy secondary school, Bramalea, Pauline Johnson Collegiate, Brantford, Thistletown collegiate institute, Rexdale, Sir John A. MacDonald, Agincourt, Scarlett Heights Collegiate, Weston.

Merri-Munchers have November meeting

The fifth meeting of the Rock-a-long Merri-Munchers was held on November 6 at Mrs. McDuffe's. After the meeting was opened with the Pledge, the minutes were read and approved. The roll call was "Where my ancestors came from."

The group discussed their party briefly and suggestions were made of what they could have for a program.

Elaine Donnell demonstrated pizza which was very delicious and some members agreed it was better than a store-bought one.

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