

Robert Little news

by Sharon Bendicks

As the month of January progresses, things are back to normal. Extra-curricular activities keep intermediate students busy, some activities are choir, basketball and hockey teams, also cheerleading.

Hockey tryouts
Last Wednesday morning some of the grades 6, 7, and 8 boys tried out for the hockey team. All practices will be held on Wednesday mornings. The coaches this year are Mr. O'Driscoll and Mr. Coleman.

Anti-smoking campaign
Two guest speakers came last Wednesday morning and presented a talk and film. The guest speakers are Mrs. Armour, Program co-ordinator of the Halton Lang Association and Dr. Kober, a medical doctor. Both guests are from Oakville.

Choir
The boys 6, 7, and 8 choir started last week. Practices will be held Monday and Fridays at noon.

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Boys basketball
In a well played fourth quarter the Robert Little Boys Viking basketball team came from behind to defeat Fairview 27-20. The Viking defense was superb in the last six minutes. Game star was Glen Van Rijk with 15 points, Ken Anderson had eight points.

Basketball
The girls team participated in the Red and White tournament Saturday. The tournament was held in the Acton high school gym. In their first game against Fairview they lost 22 to 12. In their second game they beat out Rolling Meadows 21 to 17. In their consolation game they lost 20-15 against Martin Street. Robert Little is proud of the girls effort in this tournament.



FIRST GEORGETOWN and first Acton Scout troops joined forces last weekend and went camping at C. W. Barber Memorial Scout Camp near Guelph. The purpose of the camp was to prepare the boys for the district camp near Orangeville next month. Some of the Scouts attending were: back to front, Mike Schenk, first Georgetown, Yves Savard, first Acton, Sheldon Belcher and David Allan, both of first Georgetown.

Staying warm, first test in new high school course

Keeping warm will be one of the problems 20 high school students must solve if they are to pass a four credit course this semester that'll touch many topics such as: learning pioneer skills, building nature trails and getting the most out of local government.

The 19-week course which starts Tuesday will be taught by Dr. Paul Tamblin, a former Acton High School teacher. Students will travel most days to the 150-acre farm situated just east of Rockwood.

Some of the projects that'll be undertaken include the construction of a "self guiding nature trail" near the new high school site on Churchill Road North. Another is a fitness trail for joggers, Dr. Tamblin said.

Organic gardens
To earn the four credits students will also be required to devote 25 hours to learning and using a skill that may be

applied in town. The doctor cited organic gardens as an example that could include both flowers and vegetables.

But those first few days may prove to be a key test for the score of mainly grade 12 students. They'll have to ski or snow shoe to a wood lot in order to collect wood for a fire in an unheated building.

Forty-three students applied to enter the course, but 20 were selected from mainly senior students. The doctor explained that the more junior applicants may have difficulty with such projects as building the solar collector. But the main reason seems to be that the junior students will probably have a chance at the course next year, after the seniors graduate.

The group is pretty evenly split between girls and boys, Dr. Tamblin said.

Making quilts
One of the group's undertakings will have an historical

side to it. People who are skilled in making quilts or axe handles and such activities will be interviewed by students so that the younger people can learn. Students must learn the skill and write a paper on it or about the person in order to earn an "A" on that part of the course, Dr. Tamblin said.

The course was originally slated to include some 80 southern students from Lord Elgin High School on the Mounsbury Conservation Area. Last year the course ran, without Acton students, and cost \$3,000 in transportation.

This year the course would have been held closer to Lord Elgin, or it could have been dropped or a site for it had to be found closer to the north.

Another Acton High School teacher, Keith Black, offered the use of his farm for the course.

\$500 in damages

On Tuesday, Jan. 18 a car driven by Gordon Leach, R. R. 4, Acton, and a car driven by Hendrik Jansen, R. R. 4, Rockwood, were in collision on No. 25 highway just south of Halton Rd. 12. Approximately \$500 damage was caused to the vehicles.

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Acton High notes

by Jennifer Rowe

The past week at Acton High has not been extremely eventful as far as news goes, however students and teachers alike have been busy finishing off semester one.

Today (Wednesday) is the last day and students will

have Thursday, Friday and Monday off. Teachers are not quite so lucky for them these days are filled with meetings, evaluations and getting prepared for the second semester. Good luck to all those students who are leav-

ing Acton High and also for those who are staying!

Teacher leaving
With the coming of the new semester we will be losing one of our most valued staff members, Harriet Knor, the library technician known to most as "Harry" will be leaving Acton High due to her pregnancy. Harriet has been an important member of the staff and will be missed by everyone. Good luck in the future, be sure to come back and see us!

The drama club has been busy this last week having "try-outs" for "The Mad Show" for this year's performance. Break a leg!

Entertainment
The student Association is planning two evenings of entertainment for the students. On February 4, there will be a disc-jockey dance and on February 11, the local group "Mirage" will be performing. You heard them at the Christmas Assembly, now come out and hear them for an evening.

M.Z. Bennett news

by Adele Tilton

Well, on Tuesday our new principal as of February 1, was visiting the different classrooms and teachers and meeting the students. Mr. Magwood has also offered his services in the grades four to eight electives. He will be teaching first aid. The electives will take place every Friday afternoon from 2:30 until home time, except for the skiing elective. They leave at 12:00 and do not return until evening. Some of the other electives offered are bird watching, pottery, cribbage, euchre, chess and checkers as well as crafts.

Our basketball teams played Centennial School teams. Although our teams were beaten, they played well and showed good sportsmanship.

On Wednesday morning Mr. Sansom from the High School Theatre Arts Class came over to talk and get some of the grade 8 students interested in his theatre arts classes. We would like to thank him for taking the time to come and talk to us.

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Scout and Guide news

by Mark Rowe

New friendships and cold feet would be an accurate appraisal of last weekend. New friendships were made because first Acton Scouts and first Georgetown Scouts got together. The cold feet were due to the fact that the two scout troops went camping - outside!

They spent Friday and Saturday night sleeping under canvass at the C.W. Barber Memorial Scout Camp near Guelph. The purpose of the camp was to prepare the lads for the district camp near Orangeville in February. I'm sure many lessons were learned, for instance, that steel toes in work boots are not good for winter. When breakfast came they realized eggs freeze, so

does fruitcocktail, and beans. Boots also get mighty stiff. Some may have been cold last weekend, but hopefully now they will truly "be prepared" for the next winter camp.

Follow maps
Saturday afternoon the Scouts were given topographical maps of the Guelph area and they followed a map and compass course to the Guelph Air Park. After a much deserved rest they toured the hangers and watched some private airplanes take-off. They returned to camp where the leaders cooked them a hearty stew for supper.

Acton Scouters John Sharples and Mark Rowe took

Edwin and Eric Haugen, Calvin Robinson, George Henry and David Fuller on the winter camp. First Georgetown had 14 Scouts at the camp.

Ticket stubs
Please return ticket stubs for the Acton Scout Association draw for Canadian Jamboree. Return the stubs with the money to your section leader as soon as they are sold. More books are available merely for the asking.

Please send the funds in for the Gang Show tickets as soon as possible. The show is not until March 10, but we must pay for the tickets this week. The sleeping bags that were ordered last week should hopefully arrive this week. Parents will be contacted when they are available so please do not be impatient.

A final note to all Scouters and Guides: Scout and Guide week is rapidly approaching. This year's theme is "Thank You for helping us grow." What is your section doing?

New club is formed to sew leisure clothes

By Bev Metherel and Julie Pierce

The Dublin North Home Making Club held their first meeting on Monday January 17, 1977 at the home of Mrs. Hunter.

This club is called Clothes for Leisure and we will be making such clothes. The leaders are Mrs. Marian Hunter and Mrs. Chalene Smith and the members are: President, Penny Irton; vice-president, Susie Bahr; Press Reporters, Beverly Metherel and Julie Pierce.

We first discussed the roll-call by going around the table and everyone answering it. The question was "What sewing we had done previously". We then talked about when we would hold our meetings and we decided Monday evenings would be the best.

Mrs. Hunter then told us about our record book and how it should be kept, also about achievement day and what we would need. We found out that we would need a sewing box with certain things in it that we would need to make our garment. Mrs. Smith then read about choosing fabric, style and pattern. We chose what pattern we would like and

measured ourselves for size.

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