

Three local girls' poems published

Three Acton students have had their poetry published in Halton Poetry Six.

This is a group of poems received from various students of all ages and some teachers in Halton schools, compiled together in a box, on separate sheets of paper.

Susan Mellor had two poems published. Other aspiring Acton writers were Debra Gagnon and Gwyneth Gibb.

The box of poems is available throughout Halton. Some of them have been tape recorded, with the tape also included in the box.

The Acton students' poems follow.

The secret

I have a little secret,
Which no one I have told;
It's on a piece of paper
Just for me to hug and hold.

If someone found this paper,
This paper that I keep,
They'd go into the forest
And hide so very deep.

They'd open up the paper,
Though handle it with care,
And find out when they looked
at it,
That I had nothing there.

Gwyneth Gibb, 12

Love

I only know that when
I touch a flower
Or feel the sun and wind
upon my face,
Or hold your hand in mine
there is a brightness,
Within my soul that words
can never trace.

Debra Gagnon, 14

Robert Little

by Sharon Bendicks
The students at Robert Little returned to school yesterday after a long Easter weekend. The front foyer was suitably decorated for Easter by both kindergarten classes.

With the enrolment of kindergarten students Thursday and Friday for September, the inter-house games were postponed until a later date.

Meeting
This evening (Wednesday) the graduating students of Robert Little and their parents are invited to attend a meeting. The meeting will inform the parents of the Ottawa trip and graduation.

Money raising
The draw for the hockey stick will be held this Friday. The same day Hot Dog Days will resume.

Two teachers receive awards

Two Halton Region teachers attending last week's provincial assembly of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF) received recognition from colleagues for excellence in newsletter production.

Singled out for their work with Nine Lives, a regular publication of District 9, OSSTF, were co-editors Peter Gayler and John Lynch.

The OSSTF Provincial Assembly is the annual

Alone in a room

Alone in a room,
Sitting, darkly,
Watching the mirror
As dusk falls.
Features fade,
To a dark silhouette,
Etched against
The lighter window.

Susan Mellor, 17

Abstract

The colours swirl
and write in
pulsating columns.
Each shade and hue
like a person,
lighting for
individuality, and
its own recognition.
They flutter and soar,
spinning and reeling
at a dizzy speed,
which leaves us behind;
dabbling.

Susan Mellor, 17

M.Z.B. news

By Adele Titon
M. Z. Bennett is proud to congratulate the continued success of Steve Saxon and Adela Rodrigues on their victories in the Milton Regional Public Speaking Contest held on Wednesday April 6. The next speaking contest in which they are entered is at Heidelberg on Saturday, April 30. We wish them much luck in the coming contest.

The sound of singing is being heard throughout the school at lunch hours. Many students are forming choirs and learning selected songs for the Halton Music Festival which is approaching rapidly. It will be held on May 17 at M. Z. Bennett School. The festival involves all grades in choirs: primary (grades 1 and 2); Junior (grades 3 and 4); Intermediate (grades 5 and 6) and senior (grades 7 and 8).

In a meeting held by Safety Patrolers, Peter Mills was chosen to be M. Z. Bennett's representative at the Safety Patrol Jamboree to be held in Ottawa and one of the highlights will be meeting the Governor General. The trip will be paid for by the school.

The chocolate rabbit contest sponsored by the kindergartens after making a good profit presented the bunny to a grade 6 student, Bruce Shannon.

A "Spring Is..." poster contest sponsored by the Toronto Dominion Bank for grades 1 and 2 asked to have three pictures chosen from each grade. They are being displayed at the bank.

Hot dog day was held Thursday and as usual was a success.

A Science Fair is being planned for April 27 and all students from grades 4 to 8 are being encouraged to enter a worthwhile project. Parents will be invited to view the finished projects on the evening of the 27.

parliament of the 35,000 member Federation. Held this year from March 18-22 at Toronto's Royal York Hotel, the convention drew more than 500 teachers and principals from all areas of the province.



GLEN GOUGH AND Yves Savard wash dishes Saturday at the Scouts Sleepover at the Scout hall.

Acton High notes

by Jennifer Rowe

Students have returned to the classroom after a four day vacation from school. Friday and Monday were the two days given for Easter break.

Last Wednesday an introductory presentation in Transcendental Meditation was given for interested students during lunch periods. This method of relaxation and meditation was an option at last year's mini-school and once again drew an interested audience.

On Tuesday April 12, parents had another chance to see teachers about the progress of their children.

The Students Association's Magazine Campaign ended yesterday with Rick McArthur's home room class

taking the grand prize for the most sales in a home room. Further details about the results of this campaign will be given next week. Robert Rowe was the only student who had his magazine campaign button on when his name was called and he won \$40.00. Not a bad Easter present!

The drama production for this year has been postponed until next year in the new school.

The Student Association is having a dance on Saturday April 23. The group will be "Copperpenney" and the price only \$2.75 in advance, \$3.00 at the door.

Examinations will soon be here and grade 12 and 13 students will be writing on April 28 and 29, May 2 and 3. Good Luck!

1000 youths in 'Katimavik' program

1,000 young Canadians from 17 to 22 years of age will participate in a new program just launched under the name Katimavik, an Inuit word meaning "meeting place".

The program will put together 33 teams of 30 young people from all across Canada, all walks of life and cultural groups, who will spend ten months of intensive working, learning sharing and travel, within a structured environment. Each team will have a coordinator and three adult leaders.

The 33 project sites will be distributed across the country, in all provinces, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

The teams will be living a modest and spartan life, doing their own cooking, washing, producing some of their own food and energy; in all kinds of ways they will be

sensitized to the great problems of today: the lack of food to properly feed a large part of humanity and the dwindling resources of the earth.

In each team, priority will be given to communicating in both French and English and all participants will have the opportunity to become bilingual.

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cent that triggered that motion of censure, Campbell had engaged a lawyer last December to initiate legal proceedings to sue the Board for libel and slander.

Whopper

Complaining about your insurance bills? Whatever the cost, they are much less than the town's annual premium. This coming year the town of Halton Hills will pay out \$71,944 in insurance premiums.

Scout and Guide news

by Mark Howe

Be sure to get your tickets for the pay-as-you-pull draw sponsored by the Acton Guide Association and the Acton Scout and Guide Mothers' Association.

There will be five prizes for the lucky ticket holders. First will be a Cannon Radio, followed by a Grecian Urn, woodgrain ice bucket, linen tablecloth and assorted green plants. All these prizes will be on display at Pete's Barber Shop on Mill Street. Get your tickets from a local Brownie, Guide or friendly merchant.

The Acton Scout Association is now into their 1977 Trees for Canada project. A Cub or a Scout will come to your door and ask you to pledge money for each tree they will plant. Because of the shortage of trees, the Ministry could only give North Halton district 22,000 trees. Therefore each lad will only be planting 50 trees.

Acton will be planting their trees at Waterfalls playground for all to enjoy. When we started this project in 1972, the trees we planted exceeded the survival rate of even the Ministry. Approximately 80 per cent survived that critical first year. We

Omit name from list

Linda Shadbolt, a student at Acton high school, was among the 30 local students and teachers who went on the trip to Italy last month. Linda's name was inadvertently left off the list which was included in last week's paper.

will be planting on April 30. As in the past, we know that you will support our programme designed to enhance the natural beauty of our country. Thank you for your support.

Group committee was held on Tuesday evening. The spring programmes for the groups were discussed. We certainly will be needing help this spring working on the Scout Hall which your sons and daughters enjoy weekly. If you can spare a Saturday to work on this envied facility please feel free to ring up Don McDonald. Male or females welcome, as we are equal opportunity employers.

Thanks to Jean Vaughan for this week's contribution. On April 4, the second Acton Guides had a pot luck supper with each girl bringing a friend. The selection was great as each girl drew meat, vegetables, potatoes, salad or dessert.

Cindy Pettibone was presented with the Guide of the Month Award for March for her enthusiastic contribution to the company.

The Cookie Contest was won by Beverley LeClair who received a Camp Hat and T-shirt while second place winners (a tie) Sandra LeClair and Patricia Henry each received a T-shirt.

On Good Friday three carloads of girls plus two parents, one guest and three Guides headed for an exciting day touring Casa Loma and the Royal Ontario Museum. It is always a

Asst. Planner is resigning

Just before going to press this newspaper learned Halton Hills assistant planner Ron Burnett has tendered his resignation. He was appointed in 1974.

It is rumoured Mr. Burnett is leaving to work for a developer.

pleasure to take our Guides anywhere as we are very proud of them. We appreciate the assistance the Scout and Guide mothers gave us and also our drivers, Mrs. Chappel, Mrs. Firth and Donna Ford.

Mrs. Barbara Funk, R.N., from Eden Mills kindly taught and tested 17 girls from both Guide Companies on Monday, for the Home Nurse badge. It was very interesting and we all learned a lot. Our thanks to Mrs. Funk and to Mrs. Duncan for the use of her home.

Starting next week, Patricia Henry will be the new reporter for the Second Acton Guides.

All the stoves ordered from Primus are now in stock. Would the Scouts concerned please bring in the money to Thursday's meeting.

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