

Acton Scouts return from P.E.I. jamboree

by Mark Rowe
The fourth all-Canada jamboree ended on Sunday, July 10 as a great success. It even exceeded the expectations of organizers as the final registration numbered close on 17,000 individuals. These masses of people enjoyed the full 800 acres of Cabot Park in Prince Edward Island in which to camp. Every province and territory in the Dominion was represented along with visitors from the United States, Israel, Japan and Kuwait. The falcon patrol of the first Acton Scout Troop left Toronto International Airport the morning of Friday, July 1. We stopped at Ottawa airport where more Scouts and sea Scouts boarded the jet. Air Canada employees certainly earned their wages that day. After arrival in Charlottetown, a bus transported us to Cabot Park, about 30 miles

distant. Our patrol set up camp in the Lynx subcamp which was run by the provincial Council from Quebec. Groups continued to arrive all evening and the following day. Activities were numerous and varied. The boys' scoutcraft was tested at one event while another demanded only that they had fun. Two highlight events were a trip into Summerside to the lobster carnival and another into Charlottetown to see where Confederation was born. Because groups arrived and departed over two days, the official ceremony was held on Wednesday July 6. The 17,000 participants gathered in the afternoon in front of an attractive Canadiana stage. After a short wait, large rescue helicopters came into view. To the delight of the boys, they landed right behind them. Then all rose as the Chief Scout of Canada, His Excellency Jules Leger, Governor General of Canada and Madame Leger entered. Also visiting were the Lieutenant-Governors and premiers of the maritime provinces. The camp chief was the deputy Chief Scout, Lieutenant-General W. K. Carr.

During the ceremony all the Scouts, Venturers, Eclaireurs and Pioneers reaffirmed their provinces. Following the ceremonies the Royal Canadian Air Force treated the lads to a performance by the renowned Snowbirds. That evening the boys enjoyed a concert by Canadian singer Anne Murray. Her special guest was Canadian-born hockey star Phil Esposito. The entire performance was filmed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) and will be aired in an Anne Murray special early in October. Throughout the Jamboree the CBC filmed and therefore will present a special on the largest Jamboree in Canadian history in August. On Thursday, July 7, the groups attending from our North Halton district came together for a steak fry on the beach. The dinner was held to honour the arrival of the first Georgetown Venturer company. They had arrived at the camp the day before after completing a 1100 mile canoe trip. These lads paddled their canoes for 23 days from Port Credit, Ontario, to Prince Edward Island. They deserve special congratulations.

The Acton group packed up on Saturday, July 9 and returned to Ontario. They were comprised of Mark Dawkins, Greg Cowan, Yves Savard, David Fuller, Mike Henry, Paul Carter, George Garton, Frank Goulding, Antony Saxon and Scouter Mark Rowe. All agreed it was a most enjoyable and memorable event. We would like to thank everyone who made our attendance possible, namely the Rotary Club of Acton, the Acton Scout Group Committee, the Acton Scout and Guide Mothers Association, North Halton District Council and the Wintario Corporation. Our deepest thanks go out to John Muselle of Acton who picked up our short wave transmissions from Prince Edward Island and with a phone patch, allowed the lads to say a special "hello" to their parents and family back home. As a closing note readers may like to know that when Ontario stood up at the ceremonies at least half of the Jamboree stood up. "Give us a place to stand."



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YOUNGSTERS FLOCKED to the Acton Library Friday to partake in a kite making course, the first of many special events there this summer.



Sheridan College seeks bedrooms

The Sheridan College Housing Office is in full operation this summer and has begun its search for 1,000 spare bedrooms, renovated basements, flats, apartments and townhouses in the Oakville and Brampton area. "Because of the enrolment increase expected at the new Brampton Campus this September, our main concern is to secure suitable accommodation for students in the Brampton area," said Student Services Co-ordinator Ross McEwen. Many of Sheridan's popular visual arts programs offered at Brampton such as illustration and Art Fundamentals, attract a large number of students from out of town who

need a place to live while attending college. "Up until this year, Oakville has always been our main concern for placing students. Last year when the new Brampton Campus opened on McLaughlin Rd., we experienced a need for increased housing, and this year with the expected 50 per cent enrolment increase, there is a definite concern," said McEwen. More than 50 per cent of the total student body at Sheridan comes from outside Halton and Peel. Some commute, while approximately 1,500 are beyond commuting distance. Of these, 1,000 require college assistance to find a place to stay.

STRIPPING THE PAPER off about 1,000 chairs in the new Acton High School is Cindy Brill, Grade 11. Former student Jane Williamson is carrying chairs. They are part of the move to the new high school.



OUT GOES THE old and in comes the new with the opening of the new Acton High School. Moving out equipment from the old school office is Beverly Law of Georgetown. Bev is a library technician and one of many staff moving to the new high school.

Middle school staff is hired

Georgetown's Centennial public school vice principal will be retaining the same position in Acton's new middle school, McKenzie-Smith. Gary Dawkins, formerly of M.Z. Bennett school will be principal. Only one new teacher has been hired for the school, and staff is made up mostly of senior grade teachers from Robert Little and M.Z. Bennett. From M.Z. Bennett school comes Gail McHugh, who will be teaching grade 8 language arts and social science, and Ed Leatherland, teaching grade 7 math. Dave Boycott will be teaching boys' physical education, and Brad Fisher will be in grade 7 language arts and social science. Lee Bradshaw is to teach grade 7 language arts social science and math. An Usher will be looking after grade 6 language arts and social science, and Kay Kavanaugh will be librarian. From Robert Little school comes Ena Gibson, grade 8 language arts and social science; Rob Coleman, grade 8 language arts and social science and grade 6 math. Kathy Sanford, teaching grade 8 math and Bob O'Dris-

coll, grade 7 language arts and social sciences. Also from Robert Little school comes Ron Turner, who will be teaching special class half of the time, and grade 6 language arts and social science the other half of the time. Paul Kirby will be teaching all grades arts, and music will be taught by Dave Mashinter. Jeff Roach will teach girls' physical education, and Doug Hines industrial arts. Marjorie White will be in charge of family studies. Lorna Pennock, who has taught French at both public schools in the past, will now be permanently stationed at McKenzie-Smith, and Helen Leosis will teach the same subject half of the time at the middle school, and half of the time in Brookville school. Derek Humphrys of Centennial school in Georgetown will be teaching grade 6 language arts and social science. Principal Gary Dawkins explained that there are 21 teachers for 470 students enrolled at the present time. So far, he says, there are just students from Robert Little and M.Z. Bennett.

Acton Guides enjoy camping

By Patricia Henry
Two weeks ago, the Second Acton Guide Company went on a week-long campout. We have five interesting patrols, and although we had some problems, everything was worked out. You'll probably hear from most of our girls telling of what a good time they had, and hear the interesting events which happened. Our five patrols were: Patricia's Angels; patrol leader (PL) Patricia Henry, Second, Nadine Muselle and Ruth Alexander; Mod Squad-PL Jaye Gerth, second Sandra Ferth, Lisa Kuiter, Kim Haehy and Laura Craig. Mohawks, PL Connie McCristall, second Marlam Alexander, Dawn Cook and Carol Chappel; Bumble Bees, PL Cindy Pettibone, second, Linda Duncliff, Terry Duncliff, Sherry Evans and Barbara Lamson; and Bionic Broads, PL Donna Evans, second, Theresa Conroy, Kelly Bogart, Beverly LeClair and Lisa Gillies. Our usual program started at 7:30 a.m. The schedule went as follows: breakfast, Patrol-in-Council, Court-of-Honour, Patrol-in-Council (complaints, compliments, suggestions, etc.), Activity,

(Hiking etc.), swim, lunch, craft, tuck (going to the store for a chocolate bar etc.), rest, swim, activity (patrol challenges etc.), dinner, games, campfire, snack and lights out. On Monday, we had a nurse come to speak to us. Mrs. Barbara Funk tested us on our emergency helper and first aid, parts one and two. Unfortunately, we do not yet know who passed the tests. She made learning first aid interesting for everyone by letting them put on the large bandages and figuring out what to do in case of an emergency. We'd like to thank Mrs. Funk for giving up her time to test us on these budgets. Monday was also Handicap day. Each girl had to spend a half an hour in a wheel chair. During the morning swim, Monica Muselle had to be lifted into the water, but before that, as she wasn't allowed to walk, we got to pour a bucket of water over her head. In the afternoon Connie McCristall was our victim. Tuesday was pioneer day, so instead of cooking over a Coleman stove we had to cook over an open fire. We had a hobo dinner. Sgt. McQueen came in to

talk about the dangers of drugs on Wednesday. His speech was interesting and very serious to get the message across, but it made you think! We thought about what he told us—the names, dangers, and why people take them. We really enjoyed it. Thanks to Sgt. McQueen we know the dangers of starting and the values of stopping. On Thursday, all the patrol leaders had to plan the day and it turned out well. It showed the patrol how hard it was to plan a day and how slowly everything runs instead of on time. During the week, we also gave a planter and plant to Madame Commissioner Dian Ewart. She is moving to Willowdale, and Shirley Scott will be taking her place. We also gave a provincial guide tray to Mr. and Mrs. Henry for donating needed articles, and for helping out. Our girls also made certificates for the parents who have helped us in any way. If you haven't received yours already, you will soon. On our last day, we gave a door-knocker to Mrs. Bea Ginger, who helped us out at camp this year and last, and one to Mrs. Roberta Trotter, who planned our whole camp. We greatly appreciate these

two people, and would like to give them our special thanks. Also on the last day, a few badges were given out: Hostess, Terry Duncliff; first aid, part one and two, Patricia Henry and Jaye Gerth; Swimmers badge, Connie McCristall and Lisa Mason; child care badge, Connie McCristall. **Four names omitted** Due to the confusion at the high school during the moving days last week, four names were left off the list of secondary school graduates in last week's story. Colleen McGiloway, Nancy Shoemaker and Joy Muselle, Kim Kirton also graduated from grade 12. Mrs. Audrey Pendleton, secretary of student services, apologizes for any embarrassment or inconvenience to the four young students. Mill St. traffic and pedestrians are snarled in a maze of workmen and machinery again this week. New curbs are being laid and new sidewalks placed. Repaving follows, and then work starts on Main.

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