#### Guide and Brownie news

On Saturday, April 29, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., 81 Guldes and Brownles armed with garbage bags supplied by McDonald's collected 70 large bagfuls of garbage from all over Acton including the Park, school grounds and the library.

McDonald's Litter Pick-up Campaign was our Community Good Deed and although only half of the Guides and Brownies attended, we felt it was successful and a lot of fun. Getting together with your sister Guides for any occasion is always a pleasure and proves work can be fun too. Each girl who participated

received two, McDonald's certificates for a hambruger and a softdrink each. Lunch was served at 1 p.m. at the Scout hall. The girls

brought the sandwiches and cookies and the Guiders supplied the drinks. Following lunch, Girl Guide

cookies were distributed to the girls for delivery this week\_Acton District is proud to announce that 165 girls sold 3,288 boxes or 274 dozen boxes of cookies. Thank you community and friends for supporting our annual cookie drive. Many people have inquired as to why other areas receive their cookies

week before us. It is due to the huge number of cookies to be baked and delivered.

Brownie News by Linda Widish

The fourth Acton Brownies joined forces with the first Acton Brownies in an outdoor meeting on Tuesday, April 25. We assembled in a large fairy ring for the opening. We then skipped around the toadstool to sing our special songs. All of the Brownles

then said their Promise. The girls were divided into different groups to complete some work for the Golden

Brown Owl Waterhouse, Brown Owl Van der Eyken and Junior leader Debbie Rider each took a group of girls todo nature studies near the library.

Tawny Owl Peterson took a group of girls for a game of soccer-baseball. Tawny Owl Widish took a group of girls for an observation walk.

Darkness descended so we all went into the Youth hall for some games and songs. The girls learned a new song called The Gallant Ship.

After some announcement from Brown Owl Van der Eyken we formed a fairy ring to say goodnight. We are all looking forward to more outdoor meetings.

The money made from

cookie sales goes to the

Guldes and Brownies for

### Girl Guide cookies delivered this week

Girl Guide and Brownies girls in the Acton branch of will be out delivering cookies the organization. this week. The girls took preorders and picked up their cookies at the scout hall on Saturday afternoon.

More than 3,280 boxes of activities throughout the cookies were sold by the 165 year.

M.Z. Bennett news

by Diana Dunn

In our school, the teachers and pupils are preparing for the annual Music Festival on May 24. The choirs are, primary, junior, and the boys choir. Practices are being held during noon hours and after school.

Now that Spring is here, boys and girls have started

using play equipment suited for the season. People are seen out riding their bikes again. Many klds are skipping or bouncing tennis balls off the school walls. Baseballs and bats are being used all over the school yard, and the creative playground is always a busy spot. Yes, Spring is here, and everyone is having a great time.

### Heavy equipment school graduates

graduate from Sheridan's Heavy Equipment Construction Techniques program during an informal ceremony May 12 at the Milton Campus.

The exercises, part of the college's 10th annual convocation, will begin at 10 a.m. Malton. at the Heavy Equipment School, located on Sixth Line just north of Five Sideroad in

Markus, Edward Stanisz and Peter Ward of Burlingt on; Mike Franchino and John Volasko of Mississauga; Jim Camplin, Norval; Ronald Cauchi, London; John Driscoll. Mount Hope; David Raymond, Toronto: Ivan Gatlin Oakes, St. Regis, last week.

Addressing the graduating class will be Sheridan Vice-President (Administration) Barrie Wray and special convocation speaker Rhys Thompson, president of Sheridan Equipment Ltd. in

The ceremony is the first of five convocations to be held this year at Sheridan College. About 1,300 students are Graduates of the two-year expected to graduate during program are: Randy Dake, three separate ceremonies Gregory Hutchings, Joseph next month—two at the Oakville Campus June 8 and one at the Brampton Campus

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DIANE LITTLE (L) and Deborah Bartels are the two newest Girl Guides to be enrolled into the First Acton Company. The two ten-year-olds joined the group last Wednesday in the Scout

# St. Joseph's

by Tatjana Jansen and Joanne McArthur Starting this week, all the classrooms from kindergarten to grade eight will be having U.S.S.R. This means Uninterrupted, Sustained, Silent Reading, from 10:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. Teachers, parent volunteers and even the secretary will be reading

The grade two's will be having their first Holy Communion this Sunday at two p.m. in the church. last Friday for all students

Saturday, June 3, the relay races will be held at Nelsor Stadium in Burlington. The actual track and field meet will be on Monday, June 5, also at the Stadium.

Confirmation on Wednesday, April 26 went off very successfully. We would like to thank Bishop Reding, Father Smye and all the other countless people for the hard work they put into making our confirmation a success.

Steve Saxon has done it

again! He has just won

another public speaking con-

test in Kitchener. Com-

petition was against nine

other speakers in the district.

In two weeks he will be going

to Toronto for the Ontario

finals. We wish Steve all the

best in this final challenge.

Today, Mrs. Mashinter and

Mr. Turner took some of the

stadents involved in the

operatta to the O'Keefe

Centre. We went to see the

H.M.S. Pinafore. On behalf of

the students, we would like to

thank Mr. Mashinter and Mr.

Turner for taking us to this

performance. It was greatly

enjoyed by all and a real

learning experience.

The grade three and four class has started their Track and Field started swimming program. Other classes, in a short time, will from grade one to eight. On be starting theirs also.

#### McKenzie-Smith news

by Carol Lovell

and Chris Baginski Tomorrow, the student council is planning a "Grease Day" ending with a Grease Dance. A girl will be given a prize for the best 50's costume. The student council hope there will be a good turn out to this special dance.

Robert Little

by Janet McLeod and Veronica George

On Monday, the grade three class went to Black Creek Ploneer village. They are studying ploneers in environmental studies.

Now three pitch baseball is starting. It is run by Mrs. Sheehan and Mr. Coe. Scooter ball is now over and

for the girls scooter ball champions are the Islanders. The boys winning team are the Blackhawks. Congratulations!

Swimming is now starting again. Our school has started the Health Hustle and everyone is getting in shape. It is very successful.

# Acton High notes

Canada day at the high day the group students were school last week turned out to entertained by a variety be a big success. The purpose of the day was to make students aware of the different groups and activities Canada has to offer. In some sessions films were shown, . tomley, from the Acton Free while in others there were demonstrations

show. It varied from Eskimo folk singing to Scottish dancing, to the combined talents of fiddler, banjo and guitar players. John Bot-Press, caught everyone's attention. Dressed in a kilt, speakers. At the end of the knee socks and a Scottish hat

Free Press

### Board dismisses former principal

elementary school principal, Ronald Kearns, who was acquitted of drug charges earlier this year, is being dismissed by Halton Board of Education.

Kearns was arrested last fall when police found marijuana growing in his Act. backyard in Burlington. He was removed from his

post as principal of Maplehurst public schools and assigned special duties in the board's administration wing. He was later acquitted of drug charges when a boarder at his home admitted the tail

marijuana plants were his. Thursday, following an incamera discusion trustees

burlington voted first of all to demote Kearns to the level of a

Next board members passed a motion asking the Minister of Education to approve the board's decision to dismiss Kearns under Section 228 of the Education

Superintendent of Instruction John Boich, who refused to comment on the board's motives, explained the Education Act says when a matter arises which the board feels will adversely affect the welfare of a school where a teacher is employed, the board can terminate the teacher's contract with provincial approval.

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#### Enrichment funds approve

Despite objections from some trustees Halton Board of Education will spend nearly \$15,000 on supply teachers for regular classes and materials so specially trained teachers can runspecial programs for enrich-

ment or gifted children. While the board supported group association

he kept the students in-terested as he played the bag-

pipes. Thanks goes to all

those who made Canada day

such a success. A special

thanks to Miss Wanda Hall

and Mr. Harold Mahatoo for

all the time and effort they

put into the planning of

Canada day. The boy and girl

who were wearing the most

red and white were Jim

The Athletic society is now

very busy putting together a

tennis club for the fall tennis

competitions. Interested

students are practicing from

6:30 to 8:30 in the mornings

and from 7:30 until 9:30 at

This Friday, May 5, the

Student Association will put

on another dance. The music

for this dance will be a group

called Hellsfield, The lead

singer is Mitch Hellsfield.

The manager of the group has

worked with other groups

such as Guess Who,

Lighthouse and April Wine.

During the group's breaks a

disc-jockey will play, so there

will be non-stop music all

evening. The dance starts at

8:30, so come on out aid have

a good time.

Saxon and Bonnie Caplan.

sessions for gifted children trustees previously failed to

approve funding. Funding was included in this year's budget subject to board approval which was given Thursday.

Back in 1974 segregated enrichment classes for Halton's bright children were

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