

**Guide and Brownie news**

**Second Acton Guides**  
by Lisa Cadenhead

On May 1, the second Acton Guides enrolled nine new girls and one Guide into the company. Marie Jocque, Lisa Cadenhead, Lisa Chaisson, Nancy van der Eyken, Sonja Amstaetter, Shelly Mason, Susan O'Connor, Diana Dunn, Tiliu JAGO AND Guider Marg Hamilton are now new members of the second Acton guide company.

Beverly Le-Clair sold 144 boxes of cookies and received a matchcase, a whistle and a compass. Marie Jocque sold 78 boxes of cookies and received a girl guide embroidery kit and frame. Carol Chappel received a guide handbook for selling 68 boxes of cookies.

Patricia Henry was presented with a decal and the company plaque for being Guide of the Year. Although Patricia recently moved to Kitchener, she still belongs to the company and we felt that her good humor, hard work and continuous contributions as a Guide have earned her this award.

Captain Vaughn presented the world pin to Mrs. Hamilton for good service to the company. Badge presentations went well. Captain Vaughn presented them.

Badge earners are Donna Evans, first aid three, B.P. emblem; Kelly Bogart, first aid three; Marie Jocque, athlete, keep fit; Lisa Kuitert, first aid, athlete, keep fit; Dawn Cook, first aid three; Lisa Cadenhead, athlete, keep fit; Linda Chaisson, athlete, keep fit; Kim Hachey, first aid three, cook; Barbara Lamen, first aid three; Lisa Mitchell, athlete, gymnast, keep fit; Nancy van der Eyken, athlete, keep fit; Carol Chappel, first aid three, B.P. emblem; Lisa Mason, first aid three; Sonja Amstaetter, athlete, keep fit; Laura Craig, first aid three, hostess, cook; Lisa Gillis, collector, first aid three, musician, writer, athlete, dancer on skates, keep fit, skater, physical fitness emblem; Patricia Henry, native lore; Shelly Mason, athlete, collector, keep fit; Susan O'Connor, athlete, keep fit; Monica Musselle,

first aid three; Cindy Pettibone, first aid three, team sport; Terry Duncliffe first aid three, B.P. emblem; Diana Dunn, athlete, collector, keep fit; Sherry Evans, athlete, keep fit; Tiliu Jago, athlete, keep fit; Lori Turischer, athlete, keep fit, and Linda Duncliffe, first aid three.

Monica Musselle headed the planning committee and did a very good job of making the evening enjoyable for all who attended.

Fourth Acton Brownies The Brownies of the fourth Acton pack were divided into three groups on Tuesday, May 2.

Tawny Owl Widish took some of the girls on an observation walk and nature study. It was a little chilly but the girls enjoyed themselves.

Junior leader Debbie Rider taught a group of the girls how to use a compass. This was done both inside and outside the Youth hall.

Brown Owl Waterhouse assigned some reading material regarding Brownies in other lands. The girls were told to find as much information as they could and to tell the rest of the pack what they discovered next week.

Eighteen of the girls were presented with their Golden Bar. The names of the girls were as follows: Kim Allain, Christine Beaton, Gillian Fryers, Kim Gillies, Kim Hagan, Barbara Kerhof, Carolyn Laver, Tasha Lidkea, Elaine Marsh, Lesley Mathieson, Teresa Moody, Kim Papillon, Carol Parent, Lisa Rider, Bernadette Rowse, Pauline Stuckey, Suzanne Swezey and Peggy Warford.

Kim Allain was appointed sixer upon the presentation of her second stripe. Lesley Mathieson received one stripe to signify her becoming a seconder.

Skaters badges were presented to Kim Gillies, Elaine Marsh, Lisa Rider, Pauline Stuckey, Suzanne Swezey and Lisa Waterhouse.

The girls formed a fairy ring to sing some songs and say goodnight. The meeting was closed with the singing of Brownie Taps.

**Gen. Wolfe open house displays school's best product—students**

The work ethic is alive, well and being nurtured at General Wolfe High School in Oakville.

Close to 200 students from Georgetown, Milton and Acton and surrounding areas are bused to the vocational school daily. Many will be on hand when the school celebrates its seventh year of turning out work-world-ready graduates with an open house on May 17.

A few moments spent in various classes at General Wolfe clearly shows it's a school with a difference.

Probably the biggest difference is in the attitude of the pupils.

While they are much like other high school students in Halton, the students seem to possess a degree of maturity not seen in other schools.

They have much to prove both to themselves and the community since they are often wrongly viewed as poor students, delinquents and a burden the community and school system must endure.

As with any group there are the bad apples. They go to regular high schools in Halton, too. However, the vast majority of Wolfe pupils

are simply young people who have had difficulty with regular schools but excel at vocational schools and turn out to be valuable additions to the work world.

The school's program and staff is a big factor in the success of the school and its students.

Wolfe pupils don't live in the ivory tower, protected environment of a regular school.

They are exposed to the real world quickly and harshly.

Students are expected to treat their day at school as if it was a day on the job. They must treat their instructors as they will future employers.

Punctuality and attendance is emphasized more strongly than at regular schools, work deadlines are strictly enforced, quality work is demanded and delivered, respect for elders seems to come naturally.

The school is split evenly between vocational courses in the schools over 16 shops, labs and specially equipped classrooms and traditional academic training. Frequent work experience excursions to the industry and business

world further reinforce vocational class training.

Senior instructor Glenn Nichols noted in a recent interview Wolfe students don't succeed in regular school programs but usually "Have an interest and ability in practical things."

Before coming to Wolfe they generally have difficulty with subjects like English and mathematics but lick the problem at Wolfe because they get to relate their academics and the importance of them to the vocational work they do. They learn to master academics because it helps them excel in shop classes and further enhances the skills they have to sell in the work marketplace.

For those graduates who want to work, employment opportunities are many and varied because they have skills business and industry seek. Wolfe graduates have an "excellent" employment record for landing that all important first job and also for advancement.

The usual crowd of between three and five thousand people is expected at this year's open house which

starts at 6.30 p.m. and runs until 9.30 p.m.

This year's theme for Voced in action night is integration of job training with academic studies. Exhibit highlights will include operation of a nursery school, a bake sale, athletics, theatre, a horticultural sale, science and shop displays. Admission is free but if guests want to participate in the door prize draws 50 cents is charged. Door prizes include a go cart, a swinging love seat, metal sculpture, 10 speed bike, cross country skis, ornamental planter, tuition for a sewing course, and tuition for any other night course offered at the school and a perm and beauty treatment. All door prizes have been made by the students in their classes.

Students produce many marketable products in their classes which are sold to the public for material cost, plus a 10 per cent profit for the student activity fund.

By turning out many saleable products the school manages to cut down the cost of expensive but worthwhile vocational education.

Open house night a special dinner will be served to the board and municipal dignitaries, and by reservation to the public also, featuring both

American and Russian service. General Wolfe has a reputation for culinary excellence.

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**Students from North hope for own school**

North Halton students don't like riding on buses for hours to go to vocational schools but it doesn't hamper their progress, pupils say.

In the next few months Halton Board of Education will be considering an administration proposal to provide vocational high school facilities for students in North Halton. Many pupils say they hope the board decides in favor of the north.

Each day over 300 youth from Georgetown, Esquesing, Milton, Nassagaweya and Acton are bused to General Wolfe, Oakville, and General Brock, Burlington, because there are no vocational facilities in the north.

In March, General Brock celebrated 10 years of operation with a week of special activities. On May 17 Wolfe is holding its annual open house.

Glenn Nichol, a senior instructor at Wolfe, is careful not to get embroiled in the argument regarding the cost versus the value of having vocational facilities in the north.

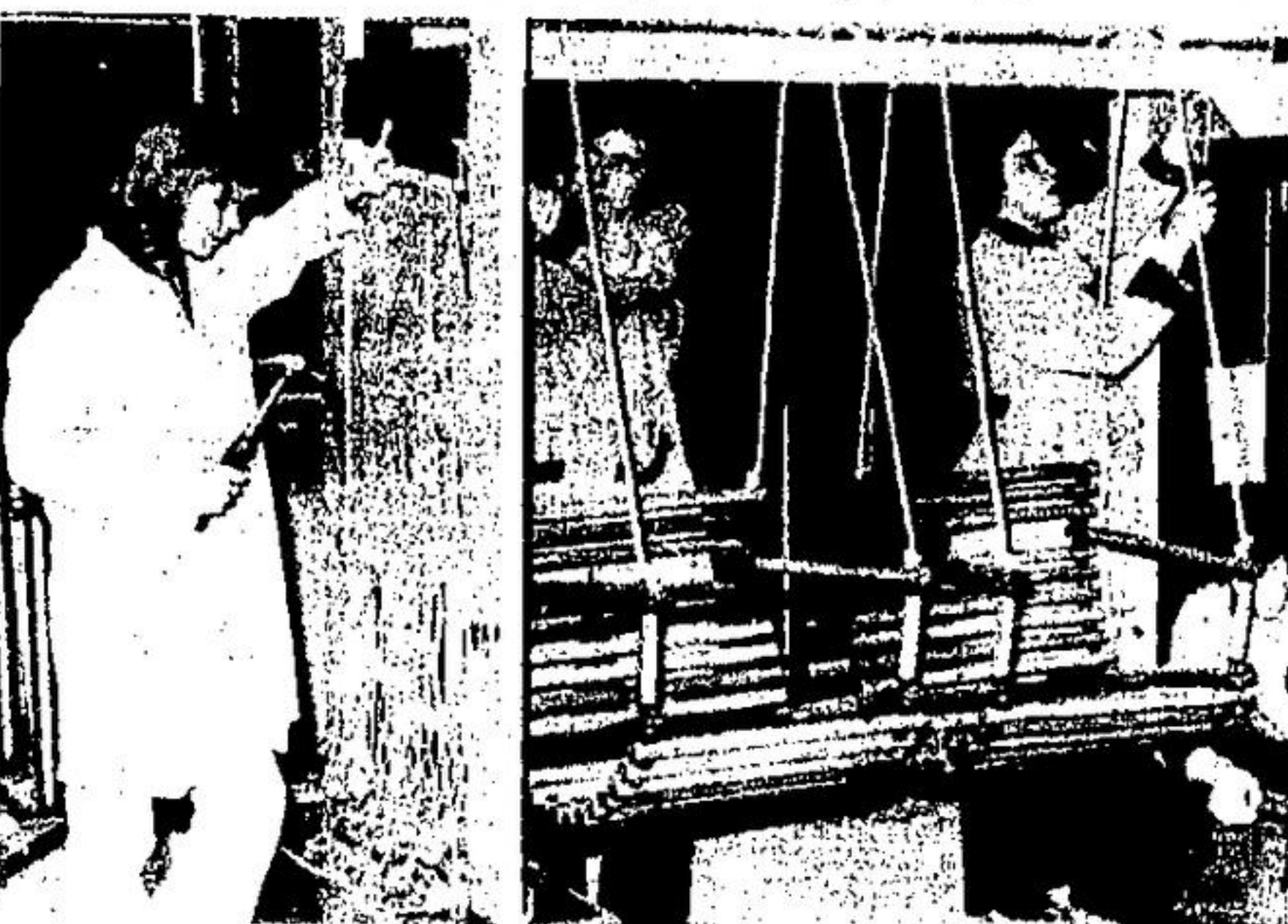
He admits students have frequently told him they don't relish the daily round trip bus ride and he can appreciate their feelings but he also understands the economics of the situation.

One thing, he emphasized, was that every effort is made by staff of the vocational schools to make sure northern pupils aren't penalized and don't miss out on anything just because they live far away from the schools.

The open house the two schools have this year could turn out to be a wonderful inducement to trustees to spend for north vocational facilities, a topic of debate for more than five years.

While enrolment is increasing at both schools it is sure to drop substantially if a vocational school materializes in the north. Board officials believe there are quite a number of north Halton pupils who would like to be in vocational school but don't go because of the long bus ride.

If vocational facilities do open in the north it might not be until 1980. The vocational school would be in either a new Milton high school or in E.C. Drury school for the deaf which the board is considering moving into.



PUTTING THE finishing touches on this swinging love seat are Bill McDonald, R.R. 4, Acton, Brian Chamberlain, Glen Williams, Glenn Tonna, R.R. 1, Georgetown, and Don Morrison, Limehouse. The love seat is a door prize for the General Wolfe High School open house on May 17.

**St. Joseph's**

by Patricia Jansen and Joanne McArthur

Track and field in progressing steadily as the days go by. Everyone is getting in great shape and are eager to get started in competitions. Practices are held during lunch hour and after school as often as possible. The grade three and four classes went to the Senior Citizen's home last Monday. Some of the students told us later that they had just adopted new grandparents. Last Sunday, the grade two's from Mrs. Munkacsi's class received the sacrament

of Holy Communion. We would like to thank Mrs. Munkacsi, Father Smye, parents and anyone else who helped make this sacrament a success.

The kindergartens are now working on the theme Farm Animals and how a farm operates. They are trying to arrange a trip to a farm. They are also working on household pets.

The grade five and six class is working on the theme New France in Social Science, after finishing the topic Sky at Night.

**M.Z. Bennett news**

by Lisa Gillis

This year was a successful one for the Rotary skate-a-thon which was held several weeks ago. M.Z. Bennett skaters collected a total of \$1,141.83. There were 44 pupils who participated in this annual event. Mr. Magwood thinks this is the best M.Z. Bennett has ever done. In the fall, Mr. Magwood checked all of the student

notebooks in the Junior division, and he is repeating this practice again this spring. He is rating them E for excellent, A for acceptable and N for needs improvement. Hopefully the students have either improved, or kept up their previous marks. Neatness of written records becomes more important as each year passes.

**Full house at Mug**

Since its opening more than two months ago, The Mug, a student organized and run coffee house, is still attracting full house crowds. The Mug has been open every second week with the exception of two weeks ago when organizers were preparing for exams. The Mug group are now trying something different in the way of entertainment. Disco music with lots of room for dancing will be held

alternatively with the quiet relaxed atmosphere of folk singers.

Due to the delay with the exam weekend, the Mug will be open this Saturday with music by folk singer Gordon Hunter. Cheese and bacon on a kaiser and coffee cake will be this week's special refreshment at the Mug.

Mug organizers are still working on developing a membership among regular Mug goers.

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