# Cathy Upton represents Acton Rotary in Ottawa

Cathy Upton, a grade 13 Acton high school student, recently visited Ottawa on an Adventure in Oitizenship program, sponsored by the Rotary Clubs across Canada. Cathy attended the Acton Rotary Club's meeting last Tuesday evening and gave' the following account of her

stay in the nation's capital: Greetings, members of the Rotary club. I am Cathy Upton and I am very grateful to have had the opportunity to experience the Adventure in Citizenship held in Ottawa. It was a very exciting and busy four days. I met many interesting people. I learned a lot about Canada and national unity. The adventure gave me a great feeling of pride in being Canadian. We did many things in Ottawa and it is very difficult to say what was the highlight of the trip. I enjoyed

many of the activities. visited the House of Comand the Senate Chamber to learn more about our system of government. We had lunch at the Chateau Laurier and were addressed at the luncheon by the Honorable Jean Luc Pepin, cochairman of the task force on Canadian Unity. Later that same day I visited the embassy of Indonesia to learn more about that country and the way of life of its people.

On Tuesday morning, we went to Carleton University to discuss National unity. From these discussions, I

learned how other people in tinual efforts will Canada's Hull, Quebec and drove various parts of the country problems be solved. through Gatinesu Park where feel about national unity. Many of us thought that the problem wasn't just with Quebec, but many of the western and eastern

provinces. We felt there wasn't enough Canadian heritage taught in the schools. Education in Quebec about Canada is inadequate and misinformative. The same applies to the other provinces about Quebec. Provincial education neglects or underplays other provinces. Education should be standardized all across Canada. Why is it that Ontario is the only province with grade 13?

answer in our talks on national unity were: to what extent is national unity a problem in our community; how important is education in The first day in Ottawa we solving the problem of unity; how is unity affected by other institutions such as religion; unity vs. unemployment, what is the major concern: and what should education went back to Carleton to I left Ottawa with a deep

> Tuesday and were addressed very rewarding activity. by Dr. Ronald Watts, prinproblems but they are not an important role in solving Rideau Hall. those problems. People are Wednesday afternoon we

Tuesday afternoon we attended the R.C.M.P. Band Concert which was excellent. Then we went to N. division of the R.C.M.P. to see the Musical Ride. After this we had dinner at N. division. We portant. were addressed by commissioner Robert H. Simmonds and were able to ask him questions about the

Tuesday night, we visited the National Museum of Man. Here we were addressed by N. Cafik, M.P. for the P.C. and Minister of State for mulitculturalism. He told us that you don't have to be the same to tie people together. Questions we were trying to Canada's made up of one third English, one third multicultural. How can you have unity amidst such a great diversity. Unity has a lot to do with the economy. Policitians and media play games and paint pictures that don't exist. This is called political

> On Wednesday morning, we sad time for everyone. conclude our discussions on feeling of pride in being

cipal of Queen's University in Government House and were Kingston. Dr. Watts felt that received by his Excellence Canada does have serious the Right Honorable Jules Leger, Governor General of insolvable. Education plays Canada. We had a tour of

underestimating problems in had a bus tour of the national politics and only with con- capital area. We went over to go.

the Prime Minister has a private cottage. We had a police escort by the OPP, Hull police and the R.C.M.P. which was very exciting and made everyone feel im-

We had dinner on Wednesday evening at the Chateau Laurier as guests of the national capital commission. At this dinner, I was able to meet Dr. Frank Philbrook, the M.P. for our

Thursday morning we were back at the parliament buildings again in the Confederation Room, We received our citizenships on this morning by his honor Judge Paul Tardif, Court o Canadian Citizenship. This was his last formal duty because he was retiring.

We had lunch at the Chateau on Thursday and were addressed by students, one from each province and territories. This was a very

We had lunch at Carleton on national unity. That was a Canadian. I was sad to leave the friends I had made for At noon we went to visit they were all very wonderful people. I am forever grateful to the Rotary Club for offering me this experience. I hope that Acton will contine to participate in the Adventure In Citizenship for it is a very rewarding experience for those people who are able to

EVERYONE WON IN THE Rotary Club's annual Skate-a-thon in April. However, three students won top prizes and were awarded them last Tuesday night at the Rotary Clubs dinner meeting. Various principals of area schools were also present to accept money for the schools. Front row, third place winner, Julie Kurtz, M.Z. Bennett school; Rick Smith, second place winner, Brookville school; Hazen Allen, principal of Robert Little school, Bob Brouillard, first place winner, McKenzie-Smith. Back row, Sean Briggs, principal of St. Joseph's separate school; Doug Magwood, principal of M.Z. Bennett; Gary Dawkins, principal of McKenzie-Smith, and Gary Bateman, vice-principal of Brookville school. Representatives of Speyside and Ospringe schools were unable to attend the meeting.

### Prizes presented to skaters

Three Acton and received courtesy of the local Rotary club last Tuesday night for their part in the Skate-a-thon last spring.

Brouillard McKenzie-Smith middle school was the top money raiser. For his contribution he earned first prize, a portable color television.

Councillor Peter Marks

said issuing permits will

provide the town with inform-

ation about who is using the

school received a tape recorder, and Rick Smith of Brookville school received a clock radio.

The three were just a few of the hundreds of students who helped raise \$7,985, in the skate. Half of the proceeds go towards the schools, the other half to the Rotary club, which in turn uses the funds for community work.

The three students, along with their parents and school

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Julie Kurtz of M. Z. Bennett principals, were guests at the Rotary's dinner meeting last

> Julie was lucky enough to win a portable black and white television a few years ago in the same contest.

mosquito monitor

In the absence of a mosquito abatement program in Halton the regional health unit will be depending on weeky reports of monitoring carried out by the University

Health Unit data

of Guelph. With the exception of \$200 for supplies, monies for an abatement program were deleted from the 1978 Board of Health budget, despite pleas from the Medical Officer of Health and some councillors to retain the

Halton MOH Dr. J. Chamberlain told the Board of Health last week Guelph University's Department of Environmental provides information about monitoring of chicken flocks as an early warning system, mosquito netting for virus identification and identifi- Specifically, the pamphlet cation of mosquito larvae.

larvaciding program.

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pipiens, a species of mosquito which transmits encephalitis virus to humans.

St. Louis Encephalitis is a disease of birds. The female mosquito becomes infected when she seeks a blood meal, usually from birds, before laying eggs: Breeding starts in early June and several generations of mosquitoes are produced over the

The disease was reported in humans in Ontario for the first time in 1975, when there were 70 cases. In 1976 there were four human cases reported and in 1977, none.

Another activity of the health unit is to distribute information pamphlets advising the public on mosquito control on private property. suggests private homeowners species in various areas of eliminate breeding sites by eliminating all standing He said it was too early yet water sites possible, such as

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## Councillors to set guidelines for truck permits

Every councillor in Halton, well as normal traffic from Hills is being asked to submit 'the bylaw's restrictions. written guidelines issuance of permits for heavy trucks using 17 and 10 Sideroads.

Works committee chairman Pat McKenzie asked councillors Monday to turn in can't issue permits just to written guidelines or be prepared to see guidelines implemented they might not

The town engineer has come up with a bylaw banning trucks weighing more than 11 tons from the two rural roads. Those with noted the intent of the bylaw vehicle and loads weighing is to protect the roads from more than 11 tons will have to excessive wear and tear. buy a epermit from the town to use the roads.

After years of talks with permit because the way the both truckers and gravel bylaw stands now no trucks firms worried about extra weighing over 11 tons can use costs, and residents who com- the road. plain about the heavy truck traffic and poor condition of the engineeer and town staff traffic. the road, the town has a bylaw to regulate traffic.

McKenzie urged his colleagues to get cracking on their ideas, too, noting the town has been "playing around with this issue long enough."

"If you don't give the engineer written guidelines you may not like what we do," he warned.

He said town staff needs guidelines so it can be decided who gets a permit and who doesn't.

Emergency vehicles and farm vehicles are exempt as

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Councillor Russ Miller sald the bylaw could reduce the number of heavy trucks

which are pounding roads to McKenzie noted the town

local truckers and bar outsiders from using the roads. "You can't discriminate like Clerk-administrator Ken Richardson said the town can't discriminate in the

issuance of the permits. He He said staff needs criteria on which to base who gets a

Councillor Roy Booth said

were telling the council it has presented them with an "impossible situation" and wondered how "intelligent" criteria can be arrived at. He added he thought any guidelines would likely be some

He urged the bylaw be sent

form of "intolerable discrimination." "The staff is saying if we're going to discriminate, you say how we will discriminate," Booth declared.

back to committee because he couldn't see how it will McKenzie said the guidelines are a "political" decision so councillors should decide what they will be, not

Booth said as far as he knows the region isn't doing anything about bringing a regional road up to standard so it can take heavy trucks

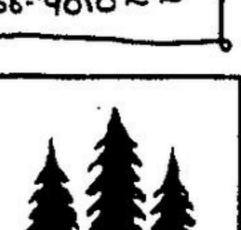
Councillor Les Duby said as a record keeping procedure. far as he can see all the town can do is issue permits for every vehicle over 11 tons using the road. This will bring money into road, and how often, so a

town coffers for road

policy can be set some time in maintenance and will also be the future. OLD-FASHIONED SUNDAY BRUNCH~

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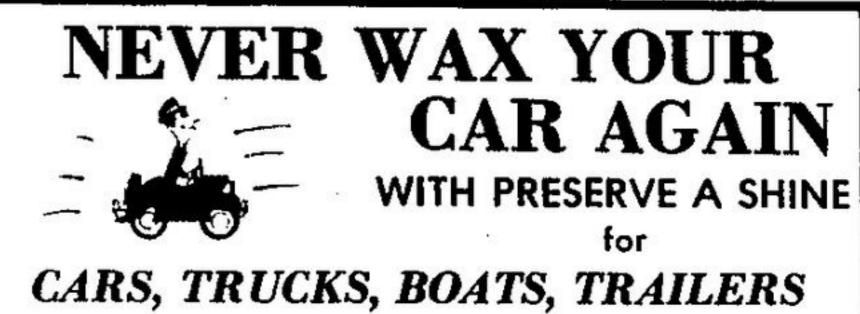
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