

Students to restore brougham

A Young Canada Works grant to the Halton Regional Museum is providing employment for three area students.

The trio will spend the summer reconstructing a brougham, an early Canadian sleigh circa 1850, for display in the museum's carriage house. The grant of \$5,430 will cover all costs.

Marianne Lepa of Milton has already started the dusty task of removing the old upholstery from the sleigh. From this she will cut the pattern for the new upholstery. The students will have to identify the type of wood made in the brougham

and assess what parts can be retained and which ones will have to be replaced. The aim is to reconstruct it to resemble the original as closely as possible, right down to the braid trim.

Ms. Lepa, 21, is a third year Philosophy student at McMaster University. Joining her when they get out of school will be Jerry Grant of Hornby and Teri Flinders of Acton.

The brougham, which is similar to the carriage the lieutenant-governor uses on ceremonial occasions, was donated to the museum by J. D. Pemberton who lives in Toronto and Acton area.



RESTORING an early Canadian brougham, a fancy sleigh, for display in the Halton Regional Museum is the summer job of Marianne Lepa. She is one of three students hired for the project by a Young Canada Works grant.

To use Drury school

Halton Board of Education has approved in principle construction of accommodation for academic, vocational and trainable mentally handicapped high school students at the E.C. Drury school in Milton at an estimated saving of \$2.8 million over an alternative proposal to build an entirely new school on property they own near the new Milton arena.

The agreement is subject to an agreement being reached between the Board and the Ministries of Education and Government Services by October 1, 1978.

The school would be for vocational students from North Halton as well as Milton and district, and make trips to General Brock and General Wolfe vocational schools redundant for Georgetown and Acton vocational students.

The present facilities at the Drury school and what the board would provide would accommodate 915 students at a cost of \$3,010,000 as against \$5,632,000 for an entirely new

school. Enthusiasm of the committee for an integrated academic, vocational and trainable mentally handicapped high school in Milton on the site of the E.C. Drury school was shared by trustees of the Halton Board of Education, but there were questions trustees wanted answered before they endorsed the project in principle.

Some worried about maintenance costs in the Drury site and Superintendent of Business and Finance Bruce Lindley said they likely would be higher but they expected the Ministry would peg the cost of maintenance the same as the rest of the Halton system.

Perhaps it would be possible to share costs with the Town? said Trustee Edna Robinson of Burlington. Mr. Lindley noted Milton was already using facilities at the Drury school.

Director of Education Emmerson Lavender told the board it was premature to deal with Milton authorities

until an agreement was reached with the two ministries involved—Education and Government Services.

He also told trustees they would reconsider the agreement if maintenance costs were unrealistic. He noted the October 1, 1978 date for an agreement was essential in order to have facilities available for 1980.

Milton trustee Bill Lawson said it was difficult to argue with the presentation by the committee but he worried lest the board was overcharged for areas not fully used in the Drury school.

Superintendent of Program, Bruce Mather, said this was an area which had to be looked at and there was still a great deal of negotiations to do with the Ministries.

Acton-Esqueing trustee Bert Hinton said the board negotiation should be hard nosed, otherwise Halton would end up with the short

end of the stick with the Province as he figured they did with the former county headquarters in Milton. "The Province got it for next to nothing," Hinton declared.

Mr. Lavender said there were still five areas where agreement still had to be reached but co-operation with the Ministry had been good to date. He said the concept of integration with deaf children had never been promoted in Ontario before. It's an exciting concept but also one

which also can be worrying, he told trustees.

Trustee Bill Lawson said considerable integration between Milton high school students and those from Drury school had already been achieved and cited with MDHS drama nights as one area with which he was personally acquainted.

Mr. Lavender said Martin St. school students and deaf students had worked together as well as other Milton schools and Percy Merry, with success.

A motion to accept the Drury proposal was proposed and seconded by Milton trustees Armstrong and Lawson respectively.

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Pineview students write, read play

Reading the story of Helen Keller's life last fall led three Pineview School pupils into a continuing interest in the blind. The trio wrote and recorded a play, *The Sad Sea Urchin*, for Radio Reading Service, a radio program for the blind and other print handicapped people.

Debbie Johnson, 11, Heidi Buykes, 10, and Andrea King, 11, are the budding playwrights. If their first effort is a success, the girls expect to write more stories, they say. Debbie and Heidi are Georgetown area residents; Andrea moved to Brampton recently but is finishing out the year at Pineview.

The girls, all in grade 5, picked up a book about Helen Keller when they were assigned to read a novel for an independent, enriched reading program in which they are enrolled. The program is geared for pupils with a high academic ability, interest in reading and the maturity to read independently, says teacher Brian Speed.

The idea for the play was suggested to the girls by a librarian at Woodside Library in Oakville when they visited the Radio Reading Service there.

Writing and recording the story is only one of their projects. They've collected reams of literature from the CNIB. This summer they're going to spend a long weekend in Sands Point, N. Y., the home of Helen Keller, with Mr. and Mrs. Speed.

Initially, the girls planned to raise money to fly there to see the Helen Keller National Centre and visit the famous woman's grave. But they found that goal too expensive, so the Speeds offered to drive them.

They've organized the trip themselves using their reading period to work on the project. In the process they've increased their knowledge of geography, mathematics and reading and have overcome their shyness at having to conduct business

over the phone with a variety of people.

The girls' enthusiasm extends to aspirations to learn braille and ambitions to become teachers of blind children "when we grow up." At least, that's their current ambition.

They've done some thinking about what it would be like to be blind and have been keen observers of the different reactions a handicap evokes in people.

Meanwhile, subscribers to the Radio Reading Service—a special receiver is needed to hear the program—will soon be treated to the adventures of the *Sad Sea Urchin*, with Heidi as narrator, Debbie playing the two roles of Frickly and the shark, and Andrea doubling as the mayor and the mother.

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June 30, July 1, 2

Schedule of Activities

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

- 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. — SIDEWALK SALES
- 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. — CITIZENS' BAND CONCERT
Municipal Office Steps
- 9 p.m. to 12 p.m. — STREET DANCE — In front of 747 Restaurant

SATURDAY, JULY 1

- 10 a.m. — CALITHUMPIAN PARADE
Starting Points 9:30 a.m. - Beckers' Plaza, Lakeview Centre, Kingham Road & Main St.
- 11:15 a.m. — OPENING CEREMONY — Corner of Mill & Main Sts.
- 11:30 a.m. — BIKE DECORATING CONTEST — Only Bikes in Parade Eligible — Judging Area: Mill & Main
- LIONS' CLUB BINGO — Trinity Church Area
- 12:00 — SKATEBOARD DEMONSTRATION & COMPETITION
In Front of J-T Sports, Mill St.
- 1:00 p.m. — BICYCLE SAFETY RODEO — In front of IGA
- 2:00 p.m. — NAIL HAMMERING CONTEST — In front of Family Cleaners, Mill St.
- PET SHOW — In front of Dawe Real Estate
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| • Smallest Cat & Kitten | • Largest Ears |
| | • Shortest Ears |
| | • Tallest Dog |

- 3:00 p.m. — LOG SAWING CONTEST — In front of Family Cleaners — Entry Fee \$1.00 per pair
Prize 50/50 Donation to Sick Children's Hospital
- ROCK CONCERT — Corner Mill & Main

SATURDAY SALES — BAKE SALES — ARTS & CRAFTS DISPLAYS & SALES

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SUNDAY, JULY 2

- 7:00 a.m. — FISHING DERBY — Fairy Lake
Entry Fee: Children 10¢ • Adults 25¢
- 12:00 — BASEBALL GAMES — Prospect Park
- 2:30 p.m. — HORSESHOE PITCHING CONTEST — Prospect Park
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