



CONSTRUCTING a foot bridge across the Black Creek in the Limehouse Conservation Area are Debbie Mason, Hamilton; Caroline Cussen, Mississauga; Bill Christie, Mississauga; and Linda Bruce, Port Credit. They are Experience '78 workers. Missing from the crew when the picture was taken were Wayne Wolfstadt, Toronto; Mark Partridge, Mississauga; Chris Halliday, Mississauga.

## Experience '78 crews complete several projects

Credit Valley Conservation Authority's Experience '78 work crews have successfully completed a number of projects during the past few weeks, said Senior Supervisor Jonie Bruce of Port Credit.

In the Terra Cotta Conservation Area Jim Collis of Mississauga and his crew are in the final stages of construction of the new natural playground. Designed by technical advisor Candice Smith of Mississauga, it consists of a three level fort, tire swings on chain, cedar teeter-totters with hand carved seats and handles, a stump climber, balance beam, chain net with climb over bars, a tire walk and a horizontal ladder.

It is constructed with stripped cedar from Forest Conservation Area 4. Anticipated completion date is July 26. Previously Jim's crew built a 60 foot long boardwalk and trail side-logging in Rattray Marsh.

Wayne Wolfstadt of Toronto and his crew of eight cleaned Cawthra Creek in Port Credit from Lake Ontario to Lakeshore Road, removing all garbage and natural materials blocking the flow of the creek. They then pro-

ceeded to Fletcher's Creek in Brampton with Credit Valley's forestry crew to plant shrubs for erosion control along the banks of the creek.

In one week the crew planted approximately 800 shrubs and trees, and potted an additional 800 plants in the nursery. The students also spent one day cleaning unnatural material from Streetsville's Mullet Creek.

At this time they are stationed in the Limehouse Conservation Area rebuilding a 20 foot long footbridge which is part of the nature trail.

Crew I and their foreman Jane Johnston of Brampton constructed a sturdy footbridge in Meadowvale then moved on to Terra Cotta to strip cedar logs for the playground, cutting them to size and treating the ends with preservative. Nature trail signs were installed at key points on the 1.5 mile trail.

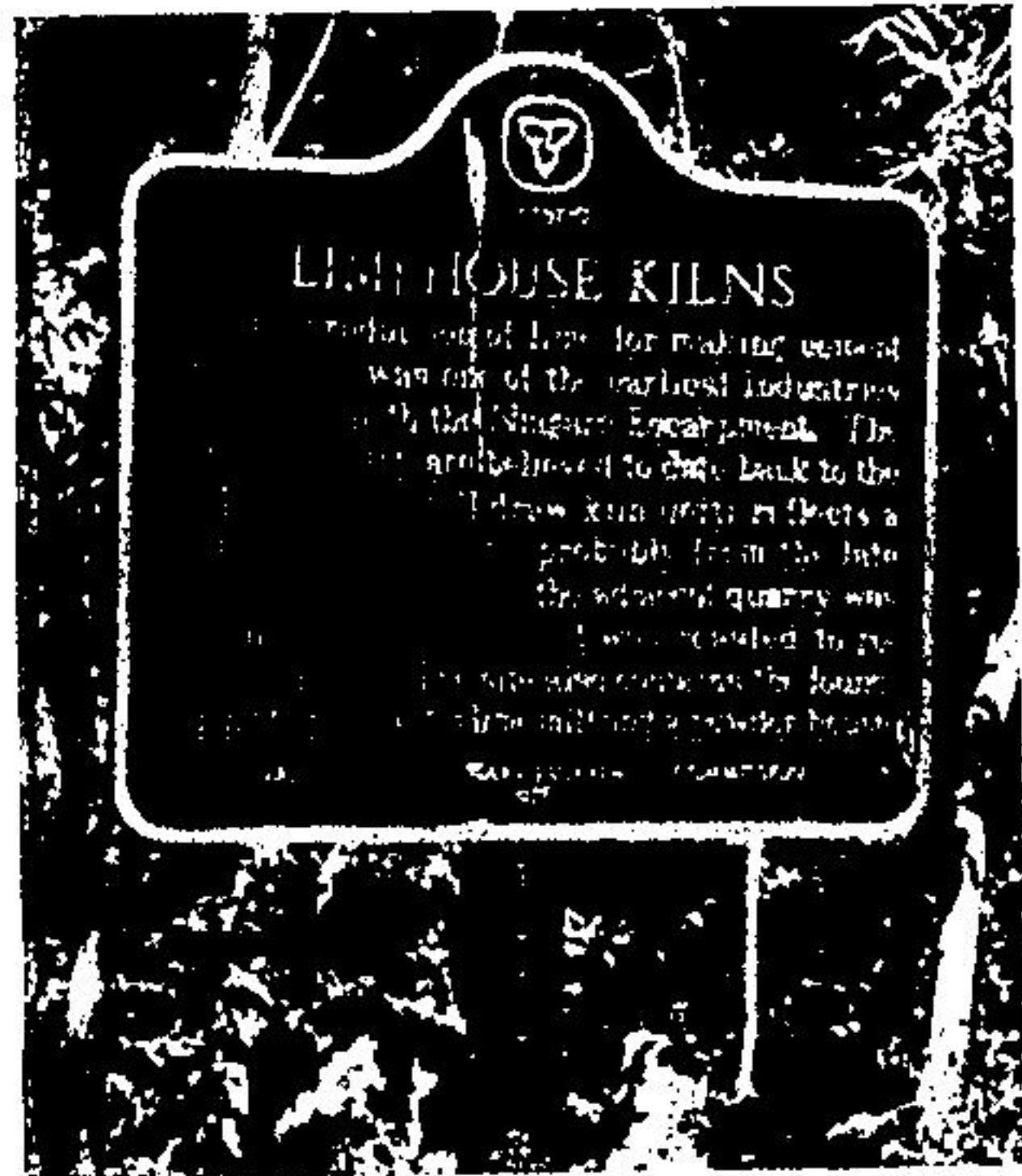
Jane and her crew are now stationed in the Belfountain Conservation Area where they have cleaned the river of debris, demolished a pier and painted washrooms. They have since learned the art of building a stone wall with

mortar and are in the process of rebuilding a footbridge on the nature trail.

The fourth crew, led by Jan Crysler of Toronto works at Terra Cotta. The crew has hauled, split and stacked hardwood, dismantled old lifeguard stands, stripped cedar logs and laid tiles by the pool. Next week they will begin work on the nature trail.

One senior laborer, Wendy Leclair of Mississauga, patrol Rattray Marsh four hours per day. She discourages children from destructive behavior and removes litter from the area while she also cuts down wild grape ivy which chokes the trees. Wendy completes any necessary maintenance in the Marsh.

Our two technicians, Melanie Flaherty of Alton and Tom Irvine of Mississauga are involved in a revision of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority's 1954 Report. Research on land use is being conducted, primarily on agricultural use and forest resources. Flood reports, soil capability maps, water discharge graphs dam surveys and aerial photo interpretation are all being reviewed by the technicians.



## Limehouse kilns may be restored

Lime kilns at Lime house might be restored by Credit Valley Conservation Authority.

Thursday, CVCA directed information officer Joan Rollings to prepare a report on the historical significance of the kilns.

In addition, an Experience '78 student will investigate how lime kilns and similar structures have been restored in other areas as well as determine costs.

It was noted at the meeting lime kilns are being restored in Guelph, the Niagara area and at the Halton Region

Conservation Authority's Kelso area.

Members thought the CVCA should see how others restore kilns and how much it costs before doing the same at Limehouse.

CVCA members Robert Harrison suggested the uniqueness of the Limehouse kilns should be examined.

Halton Hills councillor and CVCA member Les Doby noted the Limehouse kilns were on a list of historical buildings and sites which need to be preserved and protected, according to Georgetown historian John

McDonald.

Last week McDonald presented a report to Halton Hills council urging a Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee be set up in the town and council designate historical sites and buildings Council is awaiting a report on the proposal.

Mrs. Rollings noted she knows Mr. McDonald and will contact him for input into her report on the historical significance of the kilns.

Halton Hills member Gail Maltby added the Esqueving Historical Society should also be contacted.



OLD LIME KILNS in the Limehouse Conservation Area are almost hidden by dense vegetation. Remnants of a pioneer era in Ontario, the kilns may be reconstructed.