

On the Leavell

With Helen



Friends of Dave Dills, former owner and publisher of the Acton Free Press, will be pleased to know he has returned home from a three week stay in Guelph General Hospital. He had everyone worried when he took sick shortly after seeing now Prime Minister elect Joe Clark. With a little rest he should be back on his feet in no time, at which time, he'll catch up on his visiting.

Friday as part of a tour of Acton. Even though the composing room staff were enjoying a long weekend (held over from the Victoria Day weekend), the students enjoyed the tour.

Last Wednesday evening, the Fifth Acton Brownie Pack, (Speyside) challenged their parents to a baseball game at the Speyside school. All had a terrific time.

Talented Amada Deforest will be on the Jaycees Talent Show, Cable 4 on June 12 at 6.30 doing an acrobatic dance. June 19, same time, she will be on doing a tap dance. Amanda is one of Joyce Carpenter dancers.

On June 9, Joyce Carpenter and her dancers will be putting on a show for the senior citizens in Brantford. Joyce is taking the girls at her own expense to brighten these folks day a little.

Women Against Rising Prices (WARP) have recently issued another list of items to boycott. This time, instead of a one month list, they are issuing it for two weeks.

The following was submitted from the Ottawa group: Packaged cold cuts, powdered or crystallized drinks, battered and breaded frozen fish, all cakes and pastries, non-dairy whipped toppings, all bagged candies, all non-Canadian apples, and celery.

June is the favorite month for young couples to get married. As a free service to the happy couple, The Acton Free Press will publish a write-up of their wedding day. Forms are available at the Free Press office, Willow St., or a story already written is welcome. Lengths and weeks of publication are at the discretion of the editor. Black and white photos are welcome, but color shots will have to be judged on their own merits.

Linda Franklin, Welcome Wagon hostess for the Acton area has recently welcomed ten new families into town. From Niagara Falls comes Mrs. N. Davis and one child and Miss Kyle. Mr. and Mrs. L. Derech and two children have made their home here from Willowdale. I. Strong is here from Brampton. Also from Brampton come Mr. and Mrs. S. Rediker and their two children. Mr. and Mrs. T. Perkins are here from Kitchener with their child and Mr. and Mrs. Graham have moved here from Hillsburg.

Members of the Char-Lan school band toured the Free Press building



Four new Guides were enrolled in the second Acton pack at the Robert Little Public School Monday night. New Guides l. to r. Louise Reed, Andrea

Fagan, Kim Allain and Lauree Sears display a poster the company has recently completed on the International Year of the Child.

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Halton after bucks

Halton Board of Education is pursuing Queen's park money for new schools while messages coming from the other direction indicate the wallet is bare.

provide funds for this project," states a letter from the Education Ministry's region office. "This project" is a new public school at Burlington.

On the Burlington school, Education Director Em Lavender told trustees he's asked for a meeting with the Deputy Education Minister.

Earlier this year Halton ran into a similar snag concerning funding for the new Timberlea school at Milton. There would be funds later on, too late for Halton, Milton is asking Ontario to reconsider the money for that project.

'Unmusical' is a criticism writer replies to column

Dear Editor: I have just a few simple questions for Jennifer Barr regarding her reply to my letter.

First, have you ever heard of reading between the lines? Of course you never mentioned hard rock outright! And if I misinterpreted the passage, just what music were you referring to? Your lack of a reply only reinforces my earlier comments about ignorance.

Moreover, I think you should get a dictionary and look up the definition of the prefix "un". Then, let's see you turn

around and tell the world that "unmusical" is not a criticism! (The whole passage is just as complimentary).

As far as Jim Gordon and Rockwood go, I believe my two years of working in the town qualify my 'simple' opinion well.

In closing, your reply showed me one thing: that my time could be put to better use, like reading another column.

Yours truly,
Howard Coultrup
46 Roseford Terrace, Acton.

New MP gives thanks

Dear Sir: I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to the residents of Halton for giving me the honor and opportunity of representing you in Ottawa in the next federal parliamentary session.

At the outset, I would like to congratulate my opponents for waging a forthright, fair and aggressive campaign in their efforts to represent you in the House of Commons.

In particular, I want to compliment both Dr. Philbrook and Mr. Black for showing their dedication and sincerity towards their beliefs and philosophies throughout the long and rigorous campaign. Their genuine concern for Canada and Canadians underlines my belief that our country should, must and will be the leader among all nations both economically and socially.

As a nation richer in natural, as well as human resources (per capita) than any other in the world, we must turn to the future with new policies and

programs in a united front rather than depend on futile, obsolete and divisive philosophies of the past.

We will learn from the difficulties experienced in the last decade and build on the strengths and opportunities of the future.

I am dedicated to representing all constituents regardless of their political beliefs to the best of my abilities both here at home in Halton as well as in Ottawa.

That is my primary objective and, therefore, I invite you to contact me with any concerns, problems or suggestions that you may have, by either writing to me, c/o the House of Commons in Ottawa, or telephoning my Oakville constituency office at 844-4333.

I am presently in the process of looking at the possibility of establishing facilities in the Milton, Acton and Campbellville areas in order that I may service all constituents on a more personal and convenient basis.

Yours truly,
Otto Jelinek.

Main St. improvements proposed by Ministry

Work could begin as early as mid-July improving Highway 25 from Church St., to the southern limits of town, according to deputy engineer Ted Ballinger.

signed to upgrade areas in town which are in need.

Tenders were to be let today (Wednesday), but unforeseen circumstances

have caused this to be delayed until June 13. Work to be done includes grading, storm drainage, granular base and paving.

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Dear Sir,
My husband and I would like to compliment the town workers for their help Friday night after a huge tree fell on part of our house. On Monday they did a terrific job of removing the remainder of the tree and cleaning up all the debris.
Our friend Dobbie of the Acton Hydro is to be thanked for coming to our assistance so readily.
Thank you, boys!
Stan and Oral Norton

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Tender local co.

Police cars in the Acton Georgetown area will be able to have muffler service at Halton Muffler Service, 348 Guelph Street, Georgetown.

Halton Police Commission approved the use of the company at last week's meeting.

Until now police cars had mufflers repaired in Brampton, but after receiving quotes from various spots, Halton Muffler Service was awarded the contract.

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Halton seeks dollars for special education

Halton school board trustees want to spend all their money on education rather than also having to pay for social and psychological services.

Trustees voted nine to seven in favor of asking provincial Ministries of Health and Social and Community Services for money to cover the cost of such services that today comes out of Halton education dollars.

The motion, from trustee Jackie Cutmore, Oakville, and Betty Fisher, Acton-Esqueving, received board approval Thursday at Burlington.

Specifically the motion is aimed at covering the cost of social workers, psychologists and psychometricians in Halton's special education program.

In addition to asking Queen's Park for specific dollars, other school boards and the Association of Large School Boards in Ontario will

also be asked to help pressure the province.

Halton Board Education Director Em Lavender told trustees he believes there are two issues: inadequate funding of the program and the spending of education dollars on social services.

Such spending is "philosophically unsound" said Lavender.

The trustees' motion recognized the Ministry of Education is not providing sufficient funds to meet the needs of special education programs.

Special education is designed for children whose mental range is below average. The board's budget for social and psychological services this year is \$472,236 for elementary and high schools.

The trustees' motion is not aimed at getting more money to pay teachers in special education.

Bower business
The only business place ever on Bower, (except the post office), according to Acton's Early Days, was the Canada Glove Works. This factory was erected by W.H. Storey, almost 100 years ago. Its location gave the premises full view from the Grand Trunk Railway.

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