with JENNIFER BARR

One of the major attractions of a fair is the midway. Carnie barkers hold little people fascinated with their sing-song calls of easy winnings. Young adults exchange banter with the fellow on the shooting range.

Yet, rarely do customers pay much attention to ride operators. They squeal, flinch, and giggle but the man who is responsible for that tummy wobbling ride is a shadow in the background.

Just such a shadow is young Albert McCauley, 17 years old, and operator of the mini-plane ride for small fry with the Albeon Amusement Carnival. Albert spent last weekend in Acton at the Fall Fair making sure hundreds of wee Actonites had a fine

Mechanic and operator

This is Albert's first year as full-time employee of the carnival although he has helped out part-time for a couple of years.

Not only does he operate one of the rides but he takes care of maintenance of machinery, keeping those rides running smoothly and safely.

Some of his time is spent at the "farm" at each end of the season painting and servicing the rides. A season lasts from early spring to fall taking in

shopping malls, small towns, and fairs. Albeon Amusements travels primarily through northern Ontario and cottage country so Albert has seen a great deal of Ontario this year. They spent two weeks in Peterborough which he says he enjoyed and suffered through their only rainy weekend at Bancroft. "The boss says it always rains at Bancroft", he grins.

Large family

Albert enjoys his work and says the outfit he's with is a friendly group. He explains that the rides are owned by one man whose son owns the "joints"-the games and food booths. Therefore there's little rivalry between the two operations travelling together.

Employees travel in large trucks and live in trailers on the carnival grounds, eating at the carnival owned food booths. They're discouraged from playing the games of chance, but Aibert doesn't seem too interested in that side of the carnival anyway. He'd rather work the machinery.

 Albeon Amusements employ seven ride operators and a foreman who keeps things running and takes over when an operator has a break.

Rides are run electrically from a deisel run generator using \$150 of fuel daily to operate all seven fun factories plus the rest of the carnival.

Albert says he generally works from one in the afternoon till midnight although with his kiddy ride it's pretty slow after dark, whereas the bigger rides get more heetle. His busy time is around five to six in the afternoon.

He shrugs when asked if there's any problems with kids and says he hasn't had any, the job is pretty "routine". He has to watch that "over-12" don't try to get on his ride because the hydraulic cylinder turning the merry-go-round won't take extra weight. If he has a chubby little kid, he says he just balances him off with two or three smaller kids on the otherside. ...

Courses okayed

Georgetown libraries will nesday evening that one be sent to special courses staff member expressed to help them better their knowledge of the library system.

Staff of the Acton and told library board Wed an interest in a typing course, while another asked to take a course on supervision, which leads

Halton Hills head lib- to a certificate from rarian Betsy Cornwell Conestoga College.

Only once has he had to take a squalling child off his ride. Usually, if a child starts to cry, he asks the parents if they want him off. If there's only a few seconds of the timed two minute ride left, most parents opt to let the kid ride it out. He has a breaker

switch for emergencies. Albert's job seems mundane-take the tickels and trip the switch. But all the time, he's quietly checking to see a child is seated properly. He picks up little ones, places them in the planes, patiently moves them when they change their minds and want the blue plane instead, keeps track of all payees, keeps children away from the ride proper-quietly keeping his eye on everything.

May be back Albert seems much older than his seventeen years. He's been working for some time, spending his winters working the bush in his home town of McArthurs Mills near Bancroft. He likes bush work but an accident last year left him with painful water-on-the-knee. He's in the carnie this year because he can't walk very well and plans to have his knee operated on when the season's over.

However, he may be back with the rides next year, hopefully on a bigger one, he says. He enjoys

the life and says he likes the travelling. If Albeon Amusements come back to Acton next

Fall Fair, watch for Albert and be sure to say "hi".



Ontario encourages Halton to form sr. citizen options transportation for shop- for establishing the

Ontario wants Halton Region to come up with new mograms for senior citizens so it can take advantage of the \$2 million in funds available.

Margaret Buddo, senior citizens consultant with the Ministry of Community and Social Services, said it "hoped that by directing some of our limited financial resources into new and expanded home

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support programs, a number of greater seniors will be served." She said funding will be split between existing programs for seniors and new submissions from

regional governments. The present programs which will continue to be funded are: Meals on Wheels, Wheels to Meals, Housekeeping Services. maintenance, home services. handyman

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ping and medical appointments. friendly visiting, telephone security reassurance, checks, personal care services, counselling,

The Province, she said, would pay 50 per cent and the remaining 50 per cent would come from the region and the volunteer . section.

and referral.

She told last Tuesday's meeting of the region health and social services committee, new programs are to be encouraged.

"In order to develop new services, we are seeking proposals from The committee granted communities where there the severance with a are few or no services preamble that the son is now and those communities where the homes for the aged and nursing homes have long waiting A letter from Indusmin lists," she said. was read aloud at the

Seven criteria have been established by the ministry. They are: 1. Number of people

needing services in the community including a definition of the criteria to assess the need for the service. 2. The availability of

existing services and the impact of new service on the existing service. 3. Program specifics such as the type of act-

ivities and schedule. 4. Staffing required. handlers will gather from paid or volunteer. forecast Budget provinces and the United including the costs and possible source Spectators have been

> 6. User charge including proposed guidelines

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program. Stating the information she had provided would "likely raise more questions than it answers" she said she would meet with the committee at any time.

A meeting has been set with Rennie Vivian. Halton Region social and family services administrator, for Sept. 14.

HALTON **DAIRY PRINCESS**

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DOWNTOWN ACTON

Board member appalled

Halton Hills library board member Norm Elliott is ready to contact the Credit Valley Conservation Authority concerning the mess in the School Creek in front of Acton-library.

Mr. Elliott told the other members of the board he has not seen any move to clean up the clutter in the water-way, and explained this would be a good time of year to clean

Mr. Elliott said some work was done the day after an editorial appeared in this newspaper



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