

## Happy Valentine's Day



Mary Lianne Gilkes, five, and Ben Bailey, also five, of St. Joseph's kindergarten class find themselves with some red paper and scissors. Both begin to cut. . . Look! they say, we've got the same thing on our minds. . . It must be love. . . will you be my valentine?  
Photos by DIANA WALTSMANN

### Driver injured

An accident on Tuesday, February 5, sent a Limehouse man to hospital with minor injuries.

Robert Ceccotti, RR 1, Limehouse, was turning left from Halton Road 20 onto the 4th Line when a collision with a 1976 dump truck occurred. Douglas Hagen, RR 1, Wilsonville, driver of the truck escaped without injury. Damage to the Ceccotti 1969 Chev is estimated at \$3,500. The truck had \$2,500 in damages.



**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**  
A CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS  
Bake Sale February 16th, 2nd Acton Scout Group, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Trinity United Church.

La Leche League of Acton offers monthly meetings for women who are interested in information about breastfeeding. For further information call Marilyn Coxo 878-4303 or Karen Gregory 878-3884.

The annual I.O.D.E. Bazaar at Legion Hall, Saturday, November 15, 1980.

The Ladies of Beth-El Christian Reformed Church will hold a Valentine Baked Goods Sale February 15, at Family Cleaners, from 9:30 a.m. until noon. Mentally retarded, proceeds.

Y.M.C.A. monthly luncheon, February 21st at 11:30 - 1:30. Everyone welcome.

Scout Fr Guide Week, February 17-24. Everyone is invited to a non-denominational church service at St. Joseph's 2 p.m. Sunday, February 17.

# Teachers to vote on board's offer

by Eric Elstone  
The region's 1,165 high school teachers will vote soon on Halton Board of Education's final contract offer. Teachers have worked without a contract for five months. A vote may be held as early as February 21 on the formal written offer which is to be made through the provincial Education Relations Committee.

The final contract offer was requested by the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF) Thursday. It came after a two hour bargaining session. In three meetings since

January there has been about six-and-a-half hours of negotiations. Final contract offers are voted on by the teachers while final offer selection is ruled on by a third party.

Issues separating the two sides, according to a Halton Board of Education press release, are pay, staff and retirement gratuity.

OSSTF Halton District 9 President Ron Ness offered a slightly different version of the issues. Pay and fringe benefits, staffing and working conditions plus some minor matters remain outstanding, according to the teachers.

As far as OSSTF is concerned, retirement gratuity is not an issue. Retirement gratuity does receive attention from the board. According to the board salary negotiating committee chairman Bill Lawson the provincial federation of OSSTF has "a philosophy that those things that are currently in place are unchangeable, such as retirement gratuity."

The local teachers' representatives are not tying staffing to retirement gratuity. Local OSSTF representative Ron Harris says the

board's version is "there are many ways in order to better spend the funds which are now allotted for retirement gratuity. The most obvious way is to increase the number of teachers."

The more general direction on how funds could be spent is contained in the correct, and fuller quote: "Clearly, the board does not have an inexhaustible supply of funds. It appears to me, simply, that there are many ways in order to better spend the funds which are now allocated for retirement gratuity than on retirement gratuity. The most directly obvious way of expending funds is to increase the quality of education in the community. However, that decision is not mine. I simply emphasize that in order for the board to 'get something' by curtailing the retirement gratuity, it must 'give something.'"

teachers leaving the classroom?"

The board correctly quoted from the fact-finder's report on his opinion of the usefulness of the retirement gratuity. It "has outlived its usefulness."

The board and the local OSSTF were exploring "many alternatives within the framework of the fact-finder's report"

to reach a settlement, according to the board. Then the provincial OSSTF came on the scene. "The provincial team (with the five members) has categorically declared that they were unable to consider a trade-off between more staffing and retirement gratuity," according to the release.

The local group asked the provincial level for help in December because no progress was being made in the contract talks.

In the Metro Toronto-Hamilton area retirement gratuity is not an issue—except in Halton, according to Ness.

"It has consistently been the board's position to endorse the fact-finder's report as the basis for arriving at a collective agreement between the two parties," states the board's press release.

The local teachers' group has always main-

### Daughters of Knox

## Rev. Beaton discusses From the Wheelhouse

The regular meeting of the Daughters of Knox was held on February 4 in the Mary Ellen Anderson room of the Presbyterian Church.

President Kae Hansen opened the meeting with a Scripture reading. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read by Gladys Price and Faye Pink. Mrs. Hansen warmly welcomed the many guests.

The offering was received, and the offertory prayer given by Lena Nelles. Anne Moore and Jean Somerville sang another lovely duet, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee."

Mrs. Hansen then introduced the speaker of the evening, the Rev. Charles Beaton of Trinity United Church, Acton. Mr. Beaton talked about

the writing of his father's book "From the Wheelhouse." It was written from a collection of the most interesting anecdotes by Horace Beaton, who was a ship's captain on the Great Lakes, for many years. Rev. Beaton edited the material and wrote both the prologue and the epilogue. Rev. Beaton also showed us the collection of old photographs used in illustrating the book. Margaret Toth expressed thanks and appreciation of the Daughters of Knox to Rev. Beaton. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Ashley and her group.

### Friends-in-deed see films of Hong Kong

by Trina Noel  
Our first meeting for this year was good, although many members were absent due to sickness, myself included. Mr. Charlie Perry was there showing films taken when he was in Hong Kong and Japan.

During the course of the meeting, handicapped transportation for Halton Hills was discussed and every member was given a questionnaire concerning the matter to be filled in and sent to the town by February 15. All of the handicapped sure could use that means of transportation.

Next Monday is a very important day for our country. It is election day and it is our duty to go and vote for the candidate we feel will do his best for us. So let us hope for beautiful weather.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 26 at 7:30 p.m. The guest speaker is Mr. David Stewart, area superintendent of the

Hamilton Heart Foundation. Mr. Stewart will be there at 8:15 and he will be showing us a film. An invitation is extended to the senior citizens and the public to come and join our group.

### Come and see your next car.



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## Law and Order



Otto has always been a leading advocate for increasing our armed forces and giving both they and our local police forces the manpower, equipment, training and laws to carry out their sworn duty to "serve and protect" the people of Canada.

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### An Important Reminder!

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ALLOWANCE**

To continue receiving your Guaranteed Income Supplement or Spouse's Allowance after March 31, 1980, you have to complete and return the application form you received. Fill it in and return it in the addressed envelope now.

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For further information or assistance please consult your telephone directory, or information operator, for the telephone number of the nearest Income Security Program offices.

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWN OF HALTON HILLS  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills have been approached by Herbert H. Hinton, 24 Park Avenue, Acton, to indicate his desire of making a gift of his home and land at 24 Park Avenue, to the Town, to form a part of the adjacent municipal parkland (Prospect Park) and to be used for future park purposes.

Mr. Hinton has indicated that the former Town of Acton and its residents have been the avenue through which many of them and his former wife's life enjoyments have been realized, and now he wishes to show his appreciation in this fashion.

In return for this gift, which would be subject to a municipal tax free life tenancy, Mr. Hinton has requested that a memorial plaque be placed at the site in honour of his late wife, and also that the park be renamed from "Prospect Park" to "Hinton Park".

The Council will be giving consideration to this offer at their regular Council meeting on February 18th, 1980, at 7:30 p.m. Any citizen wishing to submit considerations on this matter is invited to do so by contacting the Clerk's Office, Administration Building, Trafalgar Road (877-5185), Halton Hills.

Any submissions will be brought to the attention of the Council to assist in their deliberations. All submissions will be considered confidential by the municipality.

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### Portrait of a C.G.A.



Gerry Dallas, C.G.A., Audit Manager,  
Saddington & Greenfield, Mississauga

It's the diversity and challenge involved in dealing with a number of very different clients, ranging from a multi-million dollar foreign company to a one-man antique store that makes Gerry's job so exciting. And by keeping clients to a manageable number, Gerry finds he can spend more time with each of them and become involved in a wide range of financial management and auditing services. "I am faced with such a variety of problems from day to day that it keeps the imagination working overtime."

Gerry Dallas is a Certified General Accountant.

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