Planting a tree for conservation, Acton scouts Bill Worth and Darren Robb of the Second Acton (Trinity) troup plant baby trees on the Vincent farm near Limehouse as part of the Trees for Canada reforestration program.

Mothers learn importance of immunizing children

A Halton public health nurse advised some Acton mothers how to get rid of two types of "bugs" their children may get.

The talk nurse Beryl Cable gave at the library Wednesday morning focussed on immunization against young children's diseases and a problem which sometimes appears at school: head lice.

"If we can get people to realize head lice doesn't mean an unclean home, that will help," Mrs. Cable told six mothers.

Head lice or pediculosis is more of an annoyance rather than a disease, according to a provincial Ministry of Health brochure.

Children who have head lice are sent home from school and are asked to remain there until the problem is cleaned up, Mrs. Cable said.

About this time of year head lice start to show up. The first characteristic is head scratching. Mrs. Cable advised parents to check children behind their ears and at the back of the head. The lice like the warm spots.

"You may see the eggs. If a white substance clings to the hair, it's likely eggs rather than dandruff," said the nurse.

Treatment should be swift. A medicated shampoo containing Benzene Hexachloride can be used, according to the brochure.

The mothers, who have children enroled in the library's story time, also learned it is wise to keep records of what inoculations their youngsters have received.

When a child is starting kindergarten or transferring from another school board the public health nurses must know when the child has what shots.

"If you do not have a record with you, it's just harder to get the information later," observed Mrs. Cable.

Public health nurse Beryl Cable.

The Halton Region Health Unit, like other units, uses the Computor Assisted School Health system. If a child misses being listed in the computor, he may not be issued with a consent form for immunization.

The health unit will return to a school in a bid to immunize children missed the first time.

In case a child does not receive his shot, which is free of charge, Mrs. Cable said that should be the mother's cue to take the child to the family doctor for the shots. Then let the school know.

Infants usually receive an initial series of shots plus two booster shots before they start going to school. The initial series normally takes place when the child is age two, four and six months. There is a booster shot at 1½ years and another just before school starts.

The initial series of shots combats the following diseases: Polio, Diptheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough (Pertussis).

Board to debate qualifications

Halton Board of Education may lead the province to loosen the qualifications for directors of education.

In a notice motion Milton Trustee Ivan Armstrong proposed a change in the Ontario Education Act which would open the door to school boards' top administrative job to non-teachers.

According to Armstrong there are many people qualified in program in the province while the job of a director of education has become more administrative in character.

He indicated Thursday he would not want any applicant to a directorship hindered because he never qualified as a teacher.

Under the provincial legislation the director of education is "the chief education officer and the chief executive officer of the board by which he is employed and is a supervisory officer who qualified as such as a teacher."

New Knox members

Over 20 new members joined Knox Presbyterian Church recently, some by Profession of Faith and others by Certificate.

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