



Summer activity supervisors for Recreation Department are front row Lisa Bassett, Nancy Shortill, Alice Armstrong and Carole Saxon. Back row Eva Carney and Co-ordinator Brenda Smith.

Recreation supervisors are planning summer activities

With only one month left in the school calendar, Halton Hills Recreation Department is busy preparing for summer activity programs to be run in town July and August. The department will be running eight summer programs including four day camps, a sports school, the leadership development program, playmobile and a new program known as the Tot Lot for children 3 to 4½ years old.

Supervisors have been hired to organize the programs and hire leaders to run the activities. Many of the supervisors are well known around town, having worked with the department for a number of summers.

Brenda Smith, summer activity co-ordinator, has been with the department for six years, both as a supervisor and co-ordinator of summer programs. A recent

graduate of McMaster University in Physical Education, Brenda says she is looking forward to working in this Community where she grew up. Daycamp supervisor for the second year is Carol Saxon. The Acton High school graduate and university student working on a teaching degree has spent four years with the department. The daycamp known as Camp Prospect is held in Acton at the park and run in two week sessions.

Summer programs are not new to Nancy Shortill who has worked as a playground leader, a day camp leader and an assistant supervisor before taking this year's position as a Sports Camp Supervisor. She will also be involved in the Sports and Fitness School which will be held in conjunction with the Board of Education. Nancy recently

graduated from university with a BA in Physical Education and is actively involved in community sports. Moving into her second year with the Department, Eva Carney is once again supervisor of the Music, Art and drama, MAD, program. While attending Georgetown High school she was involved in athletics and drama.

Newcomers to the supervisor scene are 20 year old Alice Armstrong and 22 year old Lisa Bassett. Alice will be operating the Leadership Development program this year. She was actively involved in sports and student body leadership during her time at Georgetown High school and is entering her second year in Kinesiology at the University of Waterloo. She coaches girls' softball and has attended the Ontario Athletic Leadership

camp. Lisa Bassett will supervise both the playmobile, the mobile program for rural children and the new Tot Lot program for the department this year. She worked as a leader on the playmobile last year. A graduate of the University of Western Ontario, Lisa has taught English as a Second Language on a voluntary basis and will be attending teachers college in the fall.

Thick hedge equals pool chain link fence

A swimming pool surrounded by a 10 foot high and three foot thick hedge, "That a bulldozer couldn't get through," should not need an additional chain link fence, Councillor Mike Armstrong contended at Halton Hills council, Monday night.

He said he was describing his own pool, and said he had no intention of erecting a chain link fence around

the hedge. His comments came during discussion on a bylaw to consolidate all bylaws governing the fencing of pools in town. Armstrong asked for the deferral of the bylaw for further clarification.

Councillor George Matthy contended the wording of the bylaw saying "any privately owned body of water located outdoors" sounds as a private lake must be

fenced. "If someone swims in a piece of the river running through their land does it have to be fenced?" He suggested the bylaw was not clear enough to cover the rural area.

The bylaw also states above ground pools do not have to be fenced in their entirety as long as the entrance is fenced or there is a retractable ladder which can be locked.

PROFILES

with JENNIFER BARR



What do you do when a massive fire razes the barn on your new farm, destroying all your stock, feed, tools, material for home renovation, bicycles and equipment?

You cry for three days then you start again. Frances and Alan Burns who farm 100 acres south of Rockwood did just that after suffering such a fire in February 1979. It all happened too fast one cold morning after Alan had finished feeding the 75 ewes and lambs and 60 sows. Lightning was blamed for the rapidly spreading inferno that was out of control before anyone could blink. Alan said Rockwood Fire Chief Carl Meadows was on the scene before they could call him—neighbors had already telephoned.

Frances and Alan did start again and are now forging ahead, but then the Burns are pretty unique people.

"City slickers" seven years ago, English imports since 1967, Alan and Frances and their three children, Jacquie 18, Amanda 15 and Bradleigh 11, purchased 12 acres in Nassagaweya and built a 16 room house. Alan is in construction so he just brought his work home with him.

The house was rapidly filled with foster children as well as the Burns' own three. They ran a group home with nine youngsters, seven of them teens.

Frances works with Halton Children's Aid in Oakville. "We had more kids than animals then" comments Alan. Farming came to them gradually.

Frances was presented with ten bantam hens and she popped them in a shed. The next morning the shed was full of eggs and she was delighted.

Three little pigs followed the hens, one of them a young sow that Alan felt should be bred. The rest of the story was typical.

A 100 acre farm was found with a nice old

house to be renovated and the Burns went into farming with great enthusiasm—until the fire all but wiped them out.

"One good thing you can say about it (the fire)," say Alan and Frances "we found out how good our neighbors were."

"There's lots of nice people in this area—so many good people."

The Burns tell of neighbors pitching in cleaning their half-mile laneway with no bill presented; lending equipment for rebuilding; pitching in and helping with the work.

Frances was devastated by the loss of all their pets. The cleanup was the worst part. The remains were just too awful to bury so Alan kept the fire burning for a week as he tossed partly burned beams and wood into the gaping hole to form a pyre.

A shiny yellow steel barn stands proudly on the foundation of the old barn row, and the skeleton of a machine shed compliments it as Alan spends every spare moment building the farm he dreams of.

Working toward dream

Both Frances and Alan work full time to pay for their dream of retiring to an operating farm when their children are grown. When Alan isn't mending fences, he's working on the barn. When he gets fed up with that, he works on the house, he says. He has 60 acres under cultivation and pasture now and plans to renew ten acres a year of the almost fallow rear farm land until all 100 acres are in production.

The sheep herd is back up to 50 ewes, pigs are kept at 10 sows with the cut reaching to a total of four shortly (the Burns find pigs too much work when they're out all day). Fourteen goats have joined the sheep as a nucleus for the goat and sheep ranch the farm will eventually become.

Frances handles the house that dates back to 1841 in one section and 1890 in the "new" part. As well as the three children, the Burns also have two foster daughters. It's hard to tell which children are which, all are noisy and cheerful. The house is a comfy middle of animals and people satilliting around Alan and Frances who issue instruction with matter-of-fact humor.

They joke about their chaotic introduction to farming and the wild things that have happened to them.

"You haven't lived until you've ridden on the back of a 500 pound bear" laughs Frances—"we ought to write a book".

The house now occupied by the Burns family, the former Tosh home, is haunted by a ghost called George. Lights go off and on in the old log construction part of the house, radio stations are changed, basement doors are opened and lights left on when no one's home. Jacquie has seen the ghost in a mirror and is the only member of the family who is upset about his presence. The rest of the Burns' seem to treat him as just another dinner guest.

Raised in Liverpool, England, the Burns love living in Canada and comment on how lucky they consider themselves and how native Canadians don't appreciate what they have.

"Everyone's always complaining" says Frances with awe in her voice.

She just returned from a trip back to the old country and is appalled at the cost of just plain living in England.

Everything costs at least twice as much as here, she says.

"What you pay in dollars here, you pay in pounds over there." (a pound is currently worth \$2.72). Wages are only half what they are in Canada.

"The only thing higher over here (in Canada) and lower over there (in England) is the clouds," says Alan.

It's with that sense of humor that Alan Burns has been able to weather the knocks. Frances and Alan are the type of hardworking cheerful people you hope will fulfill their dream.



Frances and Alan Burns and friends.



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