



Sunday school award winners and the youth members of St. Alban's were honored Sunday morning. The youngsters are Lisa Gilliss, Sandi Hunter, Steven Watzek, Dale Anderson, Tammy Hunter, Kevin Tribe, Matthew Ginn, Sherri Owen, Patricia Pearce, Kevin Grubbe, Todd DeForest, Laura Masless, Brydon Gilliss, David DeForest, Jason Hunter, Jennifer Pearce, Scott McKee, Angela Hunter, Diane Little, Karen Little, Karen Watzek, Ted Moyses, Chris Rosenquist, Paula Mitchell, Becky Stansbury and Marnel Madeaux.

Bike Rodeo



Halton Regional Police Safety Officer Raj Swaminathan inspects Vicki Cargill's bike at Saturday's Building Products Family Safety Day.



Jeremy Cooney won this bike at Saturday's Building Products Family Safety Day.



Chris Cooney guides his bicycle around the pylons during the bike rodeo at the Building Products Family Safety Day Saturday.

Acton Community Services Centre today is more than referral service

Acton Community Services Centre has come a long way in five years. The Community Services Centre began in 1975 as a place where people could get information about health and social services and as a referral service for Halton's various agencies.

But, under first Judy McLin, and the past three years Terry Grubbe, it has grown considerably until today it operates Meals on Wheels, the Block Parent Program, Income tax clinics for senior citizens, supplies space for different agencies operating part-time in Acton, and handling emergencies in the community.

Mr. Grubbe says the Community Services Centre, located in the Murray Memorial YMCA building on Mill Street East, the same building that houses the Acton detachment of the Halton Regional Police and the Halton Hills town office, was started by a group of concerned citizens in Acton who felt it was too difficult for people here to obtain health and social services.

Agencies in South Under Halton region, as it was under Halton County, most health and social services agencies were located in the south. There were small offices and some services in Georgetown and Milton but the bulk were in the south part of the region. There wasn't anything in Acton, not even an office where counsellors could see clients.

Transportation problems, the distance to services in the south and the fact calls were long distance were keeping people here from obtaining the help they often needed.

The Community Services Centre, Mrs. Grubbe explained, was to offer people a local number to call for help where they would find out which agency to contact right off the bat without having to make a number of calls searching for help.

Gained credibility After it became established, gaining credibility as an agency with residents as a place where people could obtain personal, professional and confidential services it was able to go out in the community and help develop new services, as well as take on some more jobs itself.

As a referral service, Acton Community Services Centre, directs residents to family counselling, credit-debt counselling, drug and alcohol abuse counselling, where to get family assistance, Children's Aid, Mental Health Team and the health department.

In the area of information services the centre helps people apply for old age pensions, and provides information about local government, local organizations, recreation and YMCA programs.

Beyond its original mandate the centre has branched out in a number of areas.

Meals on Wheels The Community Services Centre, with the help of 30 to 50 volunteers, operates Meals on Wheels five days a week. This program provides seniors and the disabled with nourishing meals.

The centre co-ordinates and operates the Block Parent Program, signs in house windows identifying that home as a place where children can go for help in an emergency.

The centre runs income tax clinics for senior citizens and provides facilities for the Halton Hills Legal Clinic, seniors health clinics, immunization clinics and office space for health and social agencies so counsellors can meet with clients in Acton.

Fulfilling other needs The centre is helping fulfill other needs in the community, like helping local people establish the Acton Co-Operative Nursery School and acts as a resource source for the nursery school. The centre has been involved in the development of Halton Women's Place in Milton and co-sponsored the seniors' workshop in Acton last year.

One of the most important services the centre has been providing the past couple of years has been assistance to individuals in Acton. The centre helps people find accommodations, clothing, transportation,

employment and other emergency services.

Case histories Probably the best way to explain the many ways the Community Services Centre has expanded is to look at some case histories.

Case One: The centre was asked to find readers for a blind gentleman. The high school was contacted and arrangements were made for two students to visit the blind man twice a week to read mail, newspapers and other material to the resident.

Case Two: A probation officer, who works with juveniles, contacted the centre because a youth who had committed a minor first offence needed to perform a certain number of hours of community service work to fulfill one of the conditions of his probation. The centre contacted the Acton Business Improvement Area representatives and they arranged some work for the youth keeping streets clean and gardening for senior citizens.

Case Three: The centre was contacted by an occupational therapist

about the difficulties encountered by a senior citizen living alone who needed a brace to walk. The centre arranged transportation for the senior citizen to the rehabilitation centre, arranged for a volunteer to visit with the senior and do some light housekeeping and provided meals on wheels service.

Case Four: A man contacted the centre after his wife suffered a stroke because he needed some assistance on a daily basis to help the woman walk. The centre arranged for some volunteers to visit daily for two years to help the woman walk.

Case Five: A distraught mother from Erin called about her young son who had suffered an eye injury and was hemorrhaging. The father was at work and the centre advised the woman to rush her child to Sick Children's in Toronto. The mother came to Acton to catch a bus to the Georgetown GO train but when she got to town discovered at the police station the bus wouldn't be leaving for

Close Mill St. for Back to Acton Days

The closing of Mill Street between Elgin and Main Streets for 14 hours for two days late this month for Back to Acton Days has been approved by Halton Hills.

at Willow, Halton Regional Police and the Fire Chief must approve the road closure and the Chamber must be responsible for the street being cleaned-up after Mill has been closed.

Monday night Halton Hills general committee agreed to the request of the Acton Chamber of Commerce to close part of Mill Street from 10 a.m. to midnight on both June 27 and 28 was approved, with conditions.

People must be able to get in and out of their homes while the street is closed, the Chamber must pay for signs and barricades, traffic must be allowed to cross Mill

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PROCLAMATION
"SENIOR CITIZENS' WEEK"

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Drop in to meet the Ward 1 area councillors every Friday, 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Community Service Centre located at the "Y" in Acton.

Salvation Army thrift store located 3 Elgin St. N. For pickup on Mondays only phone 853-3321. Clothes of any nature in any condition will be received.

The Optimist Club of Acton is holding a "Back to Acton Days" Dance, Saturday, June 28, 1980 at the Acton Arena, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Proceeds to Community Services. Tickets may be purchased at Family Cleaners, Halton Hills Furniture, Nielson's Clothing, Family Barber Shop or by calling "Optimist" Erik Peterson 853-1963.

ART - A display of art by the students of Centennial, McKenzie-Smith and Stewarttown Public Schools, June 3-21 at Halton Hills Public Libraries.

Credit Valley Artisans are offering 4 week courses for children in pottery and off-loom weaving, July 5-26 and July 10-31 respectively. Materials will be included. Registration at Cedarvale cottage Tuesday, June 17, 7:30-8:30 p.m. or registration forms are available in Georgetown at Langcraft, Col Craft, The Hot Bad and Georgetown Library. Mail to register, Theresa Scholz, P.O. Box 307, Norval or call 846-0600.

Speyside Games Dance sponsored by Georgetown Girls Pipe Band, Saturday June 14th, 1980, Georgetown Armouries, 9 p.m.-7, DJ Gord Smallwood. Tickets and information 877-2416, 8775 and 6398.

28th Annual Remembrance Service, Glen Williams Cemetery, Sunday, June 15, at 2 p.m. All will be welcome. In case of rain, it will be held in St. Alban's Anglican Church, Main Street. Chairman John Doherty 877-4024, Mrs. Tom Heinos, secretary-treasurer 877-4593.

M.M.B.C. Bingo every Monday night, air conditioned, \$1,300 total possible prize includes \$500 and \$200 games. Games start 7:15 at Optimist Centre, 311 Commercial St., Milton. Senior citizens admission free.

Bring a friend to the "Y" monthly luncheon, Thursday, June 19, 11:30-1:30.

Rockwood Recreation Committee is organizing swimming lessons at The Rockwood Conservation Area for 3 weeks starting Monday, July 21. Registration at Rockwood Centennial School from 7-8 p.m. Thursday, June 12. For further information call Chris Haworth 856-4968.

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