



AHS librarian Ken Ellis demonstrates the Telidon unit which is on loan to the school.

AHS class uses two-way Telidon TV system

When Canada's two-way TV system, Telidon, is tested later this year in Washington, some Acton students will be able to say they used it first in class.

Computer science students at Acton High School have had the use of an early model of Telidon unit since February.

Telidon appears to be a modified television set. It is operated by a keypad which looks like a pocket calculator.

Students have been able to use the device to call up information from

the central Ottawa computer. The computer sends back information in printed form on the screen, plus graphics.

AHS librarian Ken Ellis noted the clarity of the graphics one of the features which helped sell Telidon to the Americans.

Ellis said he hopes students will soon be able to deposit information in the computer's data bank.

There have been problems with the keypad so the unit has not been in use for a couple of weeks. In the fall a newer version is being produced which will allow two-way communication. Ellis hopes to get one for the school.

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They saw Telidon at a computer show last fall. They liked what they saw; so they asked company officials how to go about getting a set.

It just happened that Telidon officials were hoping to test its unit in the field. AHS has one of about 60 units which are

under testing in homes, libraries and schools in Ontario.

The unit, which the school has on loan, receives messages through Bell telephone wires. Later models may use television waves as a means of transmission. Telidon permits the

quick selection and display of information from newspapers, libraries, the stock market and other sources.

The two-way TV has recently been selected by the U.S. for testing in department of com-

Washington. Telidon was developed by the federal

Norpak Ltd. of Pakenham, Ontario, near Arnprior, and Electrohome Ltd. of Waterloo are supplying equipment for the American tests, while the department and

TV Ontario are giving advice.

The Washington tests are sponsored by the Public Broadcasting Service and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

New hydro rates disturb resident

The new Halton Hills Hydro Commission hasn't explained its new rates too well, councillors and an Acton resident feel.

Mrs. John Sprowl, Eastern Avenue, attended Friday's ward one councillors' drop-in to discuss the hefty increase in her first power bill from Halton Hills Hydro.

Councillors Ross Knechtel and Terry Grubbe noted they aren't on the Hydro Com-

mission and advised the woman contact the local office for Halton Hills Hydro on Alice Street.

Mrs. Sprowl complained her bill is up \$10 or \$12 over what she used to pay to the now defunct Acton Hydro Commission. It was explained to the woman that Acton and Georgetown rates went up while Esqueping rates went down when the new Halton Hills Hydro was born. Georgetown and Acton customers were

paying less to their municipal commissions than Esqueping residents paid Ontario Hydro.

"These rates are beyond reason," Mrs. Sprowl declared.

The councillors noted the new rates were reviewed in a brochure sent out to customers by Halton Hills Hydro, but the reasons for the changes, equalizing of hydro rates throughout the town, weren't made entirely clear.

Hire a student

The week of June 16 to 22 will be Hire a Student week in Halton Hills. The idea of a Hire a Student week was proposed by the Canada Employment Centre for Students in Georgetown, which serves all of Halton Hills including Acton, and was approved Monday by Halton Hills general committee.

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Four generations gathered for the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Jan and Maria Kranendonk. Front row grandson Tom, Mrs. Kranendonk holding great-granddaughter Corine Burns, Jan Kranendonk holding great-grandson Teunis Jr., grandson Sjonnie. Back row Leo Kranendonk and fiancée Karin DenBleker, son Teunis and wife Corrie, son Jan and wife Corrie, granddaughter Mary Burns, grandson Jan Jr. and wife Sandy Kranendonk.

Four generations at Kranendonk's 50th

Four generations of Kranendonks gathered for the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Jan and Maria Kranendonk at their RR 2, Acton home, Thursday afternoon.

Married June 5, 1930, in Rotterdam, Holland, the couple later moved to Canada where they lived in St. John, Quebec, British Columbia, Norval and finally their rural

home between Acton and Georgetown.

After leaving Holland, Mr. Kranendonk continued with his Dutch trade of furniture making in Canada. He has been retired for five years.

The couple have two sons Jan and Teunis. Jan with his wife Corrie, two sons and daughter-in-law-to-be came from

Holland to celebrate the occasion with his parents. Teunis and wife Corrie live in Acton.

In order for a marriage to survive you must give more than you take, according to the couple. "Otherwise you'll only stay married about three to six months, which often happens today," Mr. Kranendonk added.

NOTICE OF

Planning Workshop

to discuss future planning policies for the

BALLINAFAD COMMUNITY

The purpose of this workshop is for residents of the community to review background materials collected on the community and obtain input on resident preferences for future growth.

The workshop will be held in the

BALLINAFAD COMMUNITY HALL

JUNE 19, 1980

from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
and 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Residents of Ballinafad are urged to attend this important meeting.

Erin Township Clerk

HALTON ROMAN CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD

1979 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & AUDITORS' REPORTS

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1979

ASSETS

	1979	1978
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash	\$ 48,565	\$ 257,797
Investments—at cost	900,000	800,000
Accounts receivable:		
Under-requisitions	5,161	42,950
Other	900,356	659,739
Prepaid expense	2,140	1,729
Other current assets	80	580
	1,856,302	1,762,795
CAPITAL OUTLAY TO BE RECOVERED IN FUTURE YEARS	8,116,189	6,507,617
	\$9,972,491	\$8,270,412

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Bank and other short-term borrowing	\$1,623,000	\$ —
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:		
Over-requisition	94,837	73,791
Other	1,910,039	1,216,903
Debt charges due and unpaid	9,015	13,780
Other current liabilities	1,774	29,800
	3,638,665	1,334,274
NET LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Note 2)	6,029,182	6,507,617
RESERVE FOR WORKING FUNDS	300,000	300,000
EQUITY IN RESERVE FUNDS	4,644	4,640
UNEXPENDED CAPITAL FUNDS	121,881	—
	\$9,972,491	\$8,270,412

Approved on Behalf of the Board:
C.G. Byrnes
Director of Education

R.J. O'Brien
Chairman of the Board

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1979

NOTE 1—SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

(a) **Accrual Accounting:**
The accrual method for reporting revenue and expenditure has been used with the exception of reporting of charges for net long-term liabilities. Principal and interest charges are not accrued from the due date of payment to the end of the fiscal year.

(b) **Fixed Assets:**
Fixed assets are charged to current expenditure unless financed by long-term debt. Principal and interest charges on net long-term liabilities are included in expenditure in the period due. Fixed assets are included on the Balance Sheet only to the extent of the related net long-term liabilities balances outstanding and of the related temporary financing at the end of the year.

For 1974 and prior years, fixed assets were reported at cost.

NOTE 2—NET LONG-TERM LIABILITY REPAYMENTS:
Of the net long-term liabilities outstanding of \$6,029,182, principal amounting to \$2,611,989 plus interest amounting to \$1,867,229 is payable over the next five years as follows:

	Principal	Interest	Total
1980	\$ 524,434	\$ 443,144	\$ 967,578
1981	514,952	408,120	923,072
1982	513,796	373,660	887,456
1983	528,771	339,062	867,833
1984	530,036	303,243	833,279
	\$2,611,989	\$1,867,229	\$4,479,218

NOTE 3—DEBT CHARGES AND CAPITAL LOAN INTEREST:
The Revenue Fund expenditure for debt charges and capital loan interest includes principal and interest payments as follows:

	1979	1978
Principal payments on long-term liabilities	\$ 508,234	\$ 493,447
Interest payments on long-term liabilities	477,153	413,927
Interest payments on temporary financing of capital projects	49,081	46,223
	\$1,034,468	\$ 953,597

NOTE 4—CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS:
At December 31, 1979, there were contractual obligations of approximately \$790,000 for the completion of school projects. Capital expenditures incurred to December 31, 1979 relating to these projects amount to \$2,117,000. Subsequent to the year-end, the Board received debenture proceeds in the amount of \$2,139,000 to finance the school projects.

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Chairman and Members
Halton Roman Catholic Separate School Board

We have examined the balance sheet of the Halton Roman Catholic Separate School Board as at December 31, 1979, the revenue fund statement of operations and the capital fund statement of operations for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Halton Roman Catholic Separate School Board as at December 31, 1979 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for Ontario school boards applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

W.E. HORNE & CO.
Burlington, Ontario
March 31, 1980
Chartered Accountants
(Municipal Auditors' Licence No. 102)

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