



The Community Bulletin Board will have a new look for Back to Acton Days after its facelift this week. The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the new paint job modelled after a similar project in Morton-on-Marsh, England. The board will have four calendar pages, rotated by the month, stating what event is going on and who's sponsoring it. It will also hold posters and flyers, and be painted maroon and camel to correspond with awnings in the downtown core. Deciding on the colors are left to right: Claude Page, Louis Charlebois, Janet Fleming and Bert Hinton.

## Georgetown gains more than Acton, resident claims

Georgetown is getting more facilities and services from Halton Hills says the man whose questions to the town and region prompted last week's Halton Hills council and public meeting in Acton.

James Morris, Cobblehill Road, said a comparison with Georgetown shows people living in Halton Hills' other urban area are getting more than Acton.

Morris pointed out police officers working in Acton are dispatched from Georgetown. Georgetown had a fairly

new arena while Acton has a very old rink, and Georgetown has a better fire service. Morris added Georgetown ball parks have better lighting.

Acton isn't getting its fair share, isn't receiving equal services, with Georgetown.

Treasurer Ray King said he couldn't break down what Acton tax dollars pay for, but observed Acton pays 18.4 per cent of the total amount raised by the town.

Councillor Ross Knechtel said he couldn't

understand Morris' comments since both Acton and Georgetown have volunteer firefighters. He also noted Acton has an arena and Georgetown with a larger population has two.

Knechtel said all councillors fight at budget time to get their own fair share of tax money and he felt Acton was receiving its fair share.

Residents at the meeting complained about police service. One asked when Acton will get its own detachment, with an office open 24 hours a day like Georgetown while another said there is no protection, pointing to the stealing of flags the night before

Decoration Day early in June.

Halton Regional Police Inspector Matt McPherson said the desk at Georgetown is handled outside normal business hours by a cadet. He advised in an emergency or when a person is reporting a crime the last place they should go is the police station. He explained this is a slow method of getting help and urged people call the region wide police number so a cruiser can be dispatched.

McPherson said there are nine patrol districts in the north, two of them in Acton. Both Acton patrol districts include large chunks of

## Robert Little pupils win big

Robert Little pupils cleaned up in the Back to Acton Days poster contest sponsored by the Acton Chamber of Commerce.

Posters are on display in the window of the old A-B supermarket on Mill Street East.

Sean Fosbury and Deanna Louth, both of Robert Little, won the kindergarten division as did grade one pupils Dean Barkosky and Rebecca Moore of the same school.

Ken Toyne, a grade two student, was the only winner from Limehouse while Robert Little's Amanda Walton won the girls prize for the same grade. Rod Laver of Speyside received honorable mention.

The grade three winners were Timmy Oakley and Rosemary Hyne, both of Robert Little.

Grade four pupil Gordon Bennet was the only winner from M.Z. Bennet and Carolyn Bossert of Robert Little was the girl winner in grade four.

Anthony Walton and Cladia Avila of Robert Little won the grade five competition and another Robert Little pupil Kim Griggs received an honorable mention.

St. Joseph's pupils won both the grade seven and eight essay contests. The winners were Peggy Ancher and Honor Swezey.

All participants in the two contests will receive bookmarks made from Heller's leather and Heller's is also donating the leather prizes for the contest winners. Prizes will be presented during opening Back to Acton Days ceremonies Friday night.

## Trinity U.C.W.

Plan November bazaar

by Elsie Reed

Mrs. Jean Johnston was hostess for the Regular meeting of Trinity U.C.W. on June 10 at her lovely home on the First line. The cold wind prevented the planned picnic on the spacious lawn but a bountiful Pot Luck Lunch was enjoyed indoors instead, by the members joined by the Quilting ladies and three visitors.

Mrs. Josephine Force, president, opened the meeting and asked Rev. Beaton to evoke the Lord's blessing, following which she asked those with a June Birthday to lead the line-up to the well-laden tables. These included Truus Veldhuis, Lorene Jones, Elsie Reed and the president herself. Also honored was Betty Knapton whose 25th wedding anniversary was coming up soon. A beautiful cake made and decorated by Kay Hart for this occasion was duly admired and later enjoyed. Visiting guests welcomed were Kathy Jansen, Betty Kruger and Dorothy McClure.

The usual meeting opened with all repeating the "Purpose" and the Lord's Prayer. Dorothy

Simmons took charge of Devotions and included "What a Friend we have in Jesus"; the 13rd Psalm; a story of Helen Keller; "The Day Thou Gavest"; and a closing prayer by Dorothy Simmons.

Laurie Cook won the Lucky Chair Prize and then she spoke of the TAG Bazaar which she announced would be held on November 8 and asked those who could to kindly help with crafts etc. to make it a really successful Bazaar.

A "Thank you" note and a Donation was received from the Devonshire chapter of IOOE for help given by members of the U.C.W.

Nellie Shoemaker gave her usual full report on



Two presentations were made to Building Products of Canada, Ltd. Saturday to commemorate six years of accident-free work. General manager of the plant Bill Wadland and plant manager Tom Oshander received a plaque from the company's head office in Montreal congratulating them. Tim Yed, president of the United Rubber Workers union 603 and co-chairman of the safety committee along with Oshander, received a plaque from Bill Brennan, of the Industrial Accident Prevention Association. The plant celebrated with a dinner and dance at the Acton Music Hall Saturday.

## Red Shield nets \$6,603

The communities in Halton Hills responded well to the first Red Shield campaign, according to fund organizers.

The final figure for Acton, Georgetown and parts of Esquesing and Wellington County is \$6,603 according to the head of Halton Hills Salvation Army Corps Lt. Lorne Pritchett.

"I thought the local solicitation was handled very well, according to campaign chairman Dr. David Van Der Bent.

Lt. Pritchett said he was reasonably pleased with the results. Local estimates were for a target between \$6,000 and \$7,000 while campaign headquarters figured on \$10,200.

Some parts of the territory were missed and there was no door-to-door solicitation in

Georgetown. Requests for dollars were mailed to every household, according to Lt. Pritchett. In Acton there was a door-to-door campaign.

A few of the rural routes were also missed. Residents may still contribute by mailing to the Salvation Army, P.O. Box 359, Acton.

## Dublin W.I.

### Support Halton Women's Place

by L. Dennis

Hopefully, the doors of Halton Woman's Place in Milton will be open in the fall. There is an urgent need for a temporary home for distressed and battered wives and children in this district. Halton Woman's Place will provide a temporary haven for them, and they will receive help, kindness and counselling in their distress, and in some cases, hope of stabilized conditions in their homes in the future.

Introduced by Mrs. E. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Corney, of Georgetown told of heartrending cases where wives and their families have been

scarred, both physically and emotionally. Often these beatings have been triggered by the abuse of alcohol, drugs, unstable financial conditions and other reasons. Husbands are sometimes taken to court, punished and reprimanded.

Mrs. D. Hunter thanked Mr. and Mrs. Corney for giving the 25 ladies in attendance at the Dublin Women's Institute meeting, an insight into this work. Many changes and renovations have been made to the home to make it more functional. A couple of months ago, the branch forwarded a cheque for \$250 to assist

in this worthy undertaking.

Hosting the meeting was Mrs. A. Diamond, Milton, Fourth Line, Milton (Nassagaweya).

Reading the poem "Success," Mrs. W. Lasby, President, opened the meeting.

Many various answers were given to the roll call "Name something that we have that our grandparents never saw, never heard of, or never dreamed of."

Mrs. E. Wilson handed in the proceeds of a booth at an auction sale recently in the neighborhood.

Mrs. H. Dadds from the Curator Committee reported on progress and methods of preserving the Quilt Book, which was approved by the ladies.

A committee was named to look after the displays at the Acton and Milton Fairs in September.

A fine detailed report of the Halton District Annual held in May was given by Mrs. M. Hunter.

## Golden Agers

### Enjoy impromptu program

A bountiful and delicious Pot Luck supper preceded the evening meeting of Acton Golden Age Club on June 18 at St. Alban's.

Plans were finalized to go to Halton Manor's Garden Party on June 21 with the Lions Club supplying a bus. Also the Zone 13 picnic at La Salle Park near Burlington was discussed. A bus will be supplied and we hope it will be full, leaving at 11 a.m. and home by 5 p.m.

A picnic at Bert and Irene Davidson's Churchill Road North, will take the place of our regular two July meetings. This is to be held on July 9. Members will meet at St. Alban's Hall at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Please bring your food contributions and your cutlery. Anyone who can bring their own chairs, please do so.

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The meeting then adjourned to have an impromptu program. Readings, jokes and riddles—sometimes quite hilarious, along with the Choral Group leading in a song were certainly enjoyed. Gladys Davidson sang "How Great Thou Art" and with Alice Pilkington sang a duet "When you wore a Tulip". Isabel Macdonald and Irene Davidson ended the evening with a sacred duet—Life's "Railroad to Heaven". Edna Besley accompanied.

The Choral Group entertained the patients at Pettit House, Halton Manor, that afternoon for their strawberry social and also provided music with the Joyce Carpenter dancers on June 9 at the Manor. Those who had not contributed to the program were asked a question—one which was "where would you live if you had a choice." Ninety-five per cent said Acton would be their home.

The Birthdays celebrated were Syd Morris, Victor Smith, Lillian Berry and Mrs. Hannakainen celebrating her 79th that day.

## Reed pledges help for new school

St. Joseph's School Parents' Association members received a boost from Halton-Burlington MPP Julian Reed last week in their bid to fund a new school in town.

Reed told 40 or so parents at St. Joseph's Church hall that he will push the provincial Ministry of Education to make a decision concerning funding for a new building.

Separate School Board recently acquired five acres on Mill St. W. as the site for the proposed new school.

Separate school pupils attend classes in the Old Stone School and two portables beside Robert Little Public School.

Cost of the new site is \$75,000 which the school board went out on a limb to purchase because

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funds from the Ministry of Education were not available.

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Reed said he would place a letter in the hands of Ontario Minister of Education Dr. Bette Stephenson the day after the meeting. The letter will ask her about the funds.

Reed discovered that the parents' association has accomplished much and tried the normal routes for securing funds from the provincial government.

Reed advised the parents they may have to be prepared to take political action as well.

Success in the question of getting funding for a school "requires sustained, unrelenting effort," said the MPP.

There was the suggestion of coupling concerted action with any moves towards a provincial election.

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**Correction**

Re: Dr. R. Schumacher's closing advertisement in the Acton Free Press June 18, 1980 address should be... DR. R. SCHUMACHER OPTOMETRIST 49 Cedarwoods Cres. Unit 61 Kitchener, Ont. N2C 2L1