



Marks new chairman Community Service Centre

Peter Marks is the new chairman of the Board of Directors of the Acton Community Services Centre. He was chosen for the post at last week's annual meeting.

Marks replaces Brenden Aherne as chairman. The vice-chairman is Rod Kruger, Aherne is treasurer and Lonnie Marks secretary. Other members of the board are Kay Dills, Eric Balkind and Ed Howse.

Marks was one of the original founding members of the centre in 1977. As the new chairman he says he hopes the centre will continue to grow in community recognition, and fill the growing number of community needs for people receiving health and social services.

The centre will continue to take pride in being the lowest cost agency for these services in the region.

"We hope to continue to impress our major funders, the region, and the board is confident that the centre will continue to receive support. Having proven cost effectiveness, we will probably continue to be the kind of service the region will support this

year."

Providing quality health care to Acton residents without increasing costs will continue to be the main goal of the centre. "We have an ongoing challenge to insure that we continue to meet the needs of the people and not become too large to respond efficiently," Marks said.

As a result of complaints from medical doctors, clergy and community representatives, who at the time were experiencing a high degree of frustration not being able to offer adequate services to their clients, the centre was formed in 1977.

Used by provincial, regional and local agencies, as a result of having a co-ordinated interviewing office shared by 10 agencies the overhead is significantly reduced.

"Should the regional politicians decide to cut in the area of health and social care, the providers of these services would be partially to blame for this decision, the reason being, we do not take enough time to outline the cost benefit of providing preventative services," Marks declared.

Christmas mail deadlines soon

It may only be November but if you were planning on sending Christmas presents overseas via parcel post,

you're too late. Packages mailed parcel post in time for Dec. 25 should have been sent Nov. 7, according to post office deadlines.

But take heart; you can still send overseas packages airmail. The deadline for that is Dec. 5.

Dec. 15 is the deadline for out-of-town Christmas cards with Canadian destinations and Dec. 17 is the in-town deadline.

The rate for mailing Christmas greetings is 15 cents, sealed please, while a regular first class letter is still 17 cents.

Overseas rates vary according to weight and destination, but generally first class cards and letters need a 35 cent stamp.

Chris McMillan, assistant postmaster at the

Acton office, says there is no rush yet and one won't be expected until the weeks of Dec. 8 and Dec. 15.

She said once the rush in on and depending on how bad it is, full-time postal workers will be working overtime to get the mail sorted. If the post office is really busy, part-time workers will

also be working overtime.

If you are planning to send parcels, she said, make sure they are securely tied with strong adhesive tape or a cord and lots of it. It's better she added, to make up two smaller parcels than send one large one, and make sure it is clearly addressed.

Cancer sells McDonald's calendars

The Acton Cancer Society Branch is selling 500 Ronald McDonald 1981 calendars at 50 cents each for the next two weeks. Proceeds go to Ronald McDonald house in Toronto for families of children stricken with cancer. The calendars are available at various Acton stores.

77 hammers provide harmony

The annual North Halton District Craft Day for first year cubs was held in the hall of St. John's United Church, on November 22.

Seventy-seven cubs and 25 leaders and par-

50 Scouters plan many new events

At the regular monthly meeting of North Halton District Scouters, in the Memorial Hall, Limehouse, Scouter Mark Rowe, chairman of the Scouters Club, welcomed leaders, district commissioner Steve Thompson and Bob Barber of provincial headquarters, Toronto.

Roll Call of Scouters from Acton, Ballinfad, Glen Williams, Norval

ents from 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th and 8th Georgetown, Acton Ballinfad, Glen Williams, and Limehouse attended.

The day started with the Grand Howl led by Jonathon Jorden of 1st Georgetown followed by

and Georgetown was taken with nearly 50 members present.

Announcements were made of the Scouter-in-Training weekend on Dec. 12 to 14. Also for Scouters, Eat and Train session on Jan. 6th, both to be held at Blue Springs.

Mrs. Elaine Hannah reported the Clubs would have a district hike on Jan. 17.

Mrs. Elaine Hannah of the service team welcoming the boys, leaders and parents.

Mrs. Hannah demonstrated the first craft which was the "God's Eye". The boys were divided into groups and the leaders and several parents assisted the clubs to get their Craft started.

The second Craft was Christmas decorations, followed by lunch.

Helping the cubs with the 3rd was District Commissioner Steve Thompson Acton, which was String Art. With 77 Hammers going at once, it sounded like two dozen jackhammers sounding off.

This successful event was enjoyed by all and the cubs went home keen and happy with the crafts they had made.



The tongue work is all part of the concentration for Jamie Alexander at the annual Halton Hills Cub Craft Day.

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