



The First Acton Gude enrolled some new members in the Scout Hall last week. They are, in front, left to right—Catherine Kinnon and Emma-Jane Martin. In the middle row are Tracy Brundie, Gall McArthur, Karl-Lyane Cripps and Jill Whelan. In the third row stand Ann Duncan, Jill Briggs and Kelli Budway.



North Halton's only Sea Scout troop was launched with an investiture ceremony Monday. A number of parents and friends witnessed the boys being invested. The crew is composed of: in the front row, left to right—Tom Atherton, Todd Nellis, Duff McGillivray and Michael Bowers. In the second row, left to right, are Colin Christensen, Steve Campbell, Mike Ormsby, Grant Smith and Ken Bowers. In the rear rank are First Officer Chuck Beaton, Mate Brian Hahn, Skipper Steve Ormsby and Quarter Master Terry Bridge. Darren Robb was absent.



Steve Thompson, right, district scout commissioner, presented Rick Gibson with his Wood Badge part two at last Tuesday night's Rotary Club sponsored First Acton Scouts father and son banquet.



Peter Hunsmeck of Pete's Barbershop on Mill Street, admires a display depicting Scout and Guide Week in Canada and Acton.

**Tannery waste...** (Continued from page 1)

The organic matter or rubage causing the gas could have been buried for over 100 years, Stewart pointed out, and they will drill holes to let the methane escape while searching for the source which may be at the bottom of the test hole or, because of frost depth, could be coming from somewhere else on the property.

The leachate problem is related to the "overall operation and disposal system" Gray said. It can't be measured. Chemicals are getting into Black Creek through the creek bed, he said, it isn't a surface problem. "It is no critical problem," Gray declared. "It's not endangering health."

Acton's municipal water doesn't come from the creek but wells a considerable distance away from Beardmore, Gray noted.

Gray said. He said they've known for a "number of years" that there are problems with industrial waste disposal at the tannery. Gray recalled early in the last decade the firm connected a number of homes to municipal water service because of well water, problems thought to be caused, but never proved by the Beardmore system. "The problems still exist."

Recalling the problem back around 1970, Stewart said the wells had high levels of chlorine and the water tasted salty. It wasn't a health safety problem, but the water's taste wasn't pleasant. Chlorine and salt are used in treating hides, so, Stewart noted, the firm "felt perhaps Beardmore might be the source," though that was never a

certainly. Beardmore worked with the municipality to secure another water source for some homes.

"There could be things we can do to correct these problems within our own system," Stewart said. He pointed out Beardmore has its own disposal system and isn't connected with the municipal sewer system.

**Acton High**

by Denise Dlibey  
Acton's School Band returned Sunday from a three day band exchange to Huntsville. Acton was impressed with the reception they received. Huntsville is expected to come to Acton in May.

There will be a special Assembly Tuesday March 10, 2:30 p.m. at the High School for all interested voters.

**Kindergarten Survey for September '81**

All children who will be 5 YEARS OF AGE by December 31, 1981 are eligible to begin Sept. '81. To help in our planning please call if you have a child to enrol.

M.Z. Bennett 853-0530  
Robert Little 853-2540




Beavers marched in Sunday's parade.



Acton cubs turned out in large numbers for Sunday's annual church parade.

**This week thru the lens**

**PROCLAMATION**



That the Council for the Town of Halton Hills proclaims the month of March, 1981 as

**RED CROSS MONTH**  
in the Town of Halton Hills.

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**REGIONAL GOVERNMENT**

In 1974 the Davis Government imposed Regional Government on the people of Halton. Its principal aims were to strengthen local government, share improved services and permit efficient planning. **The Davis Government has failed!**

Local autonomy is being destroyed, services are more costly and less efficient, the planning bureaucracy is years behind schedule. Add to this, distorted municipal representation, loss of accountability, and a staggering tax burden, plus a \$600 thousand dollar deficit, and **We've Had Enough!**

A Liberal Government will review Regional Government in Halton, and is prepared to restructure or even eliminate it. Each area municipality will be treated as unique, and any reform tailored to fit its requirements. A Liberal Government will recognize the fundamental differences between urban and rural municipalities, and consider re-forming the county into autonomous areas which would return local control and identity.

**INFORMATION OR VOTER ASSISTANCE, CALL...**

ACTON — 853-2588  
BURLINGTON — 335-1580  
GEORGETOWN — 877-9178  
MILTON — 876-1101



This billboard promoting shopping in downtown Georgetown was torn down Friday morning.

**Vandals tear down billboard**

The chairman of the Georgetown Business Improvement Area says she isn't too surprised the billboard they had put up at the corner of Mill St. East and Bower Ave. last week was torn down in a little over a day-and-a-half.

The billboard promoting shopping in downtown Georgetown was put up by the firm which rents the space last Wednesday afternoon and was in shreds by Friday morning.

Talk around Acton indicated residents thought it was in poor taste and it annoyed

many. Lynn Barnard of the BIA and a Georgetown merchant, Ross Garlick who arranged to have the billboard put up, weren't aware it had been ripped down until informed by this newspaper.

Mrs. Barnard wasn't sure what action the BIA would take, including informing the police of the act of vandalism, but Garlick said he would notify the firm responsible for the billboard and ask them to call in the authorities. The Georgetown BIA will discuss the incident this week.

"It's incredible," Gar-

lick declared, adding there must be some "childish" and "small-minded" people living in Acton. "It's a riot," he laughed.

The billboard was not intended as an "affront" to Acton merchants or residents, Mrs. Barnard said. She noted the Georgetown and Acton BIAs have been co-operating on a number of projects in recent months.

She said she talked to Acton BIA official Paul Nielsen and he said local merchants "weren't unduly disturbed" by the billboard promoting shopping in Georgetown.

She allowed Nielsen did tell her he had heard a few concerns.

In an interview with this newspaper Nielsen said he had heard from some people who felt it was poor taste. He had been hoping to meet with the Georgetown BIA about the billboard, but when he saw it missing he thought they had had it removed. Nielsen said one BIA official in Georgetown had suggested to him they might have it removed.

"I'm shocked," Nielsen said of the act of (Continued on Page 7)

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**WHO IS HE?**

IF YOU CAN NAME THIS FAMOUS PERSON you may be eligible to win yourself a **FREE - 3 MONTH SWIMMING PASS.**



Guess this person and send your entry with your name, address, and telephone number to Acton Indoor Pool, c/o Municipal Offices, 40 Mill Street East, Halton Hills (Acton), Ontario by February 27, 1981.

Draw will be made February 28, 1981. If by chance there is more than one correct answer, a draw will be made to determine the winner.

Employees of Georgetown and Acton Pools are not eligible for this prize.

**ICE SAFETY DEMONSTRATION**  
Sunday, February 22, 1981  
1:00 p.m. at Fairy Lake in Acton

Come on out and learn what to do if you or a friend fall through the ice into cold water.

**REMINDER NOTICE**

**The Town of Halton Hills DOG TAGS 1981**

This is a reminder that 1981 Dog Tags are now due and available at the following locations:

**MUNICIPAL OFFICES:**  
38 Main Street South, Georgetown  
40 Mill Street East, Acton

**HALTON HILLS ANIMAL CONTROL CENTRE**  
STEVEN'S GENERAL STORE  
SPEYSIDE GENERAL STORE  
HOME HARDWARE  
DECORATING FUN

Limehouse, Ontario  
Limehouse, Ontario  
Speyside, Ontario  
158 Guelph Street, Georgetown  
Market Centre, Georgetown

**LICENSE FEES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Female or male	\$12.00
2. Spayed female or Neutered male	9.00
3. Kennel License	25.00

In accordance with By-law 74-45 and its amendments, every owner of a dog on or before the 15th day of February of each year, or within 7 days of becoming the owner of a dog after the 15th day of February, shall register each dog with the collector and apply to him for a license and tag for each dog.

Every person who fails to comply with Section 2 or Section 7 of this By-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine of not more than Fifty (\$50.00) dollars exclusive of costs, and every such fine shall be recoverable under the provisions of the Provincial Offences Act, 1979.

G.F. Usher, A.M.C.T.  
Deputy Treasurer  
Town of Halton Hills