Volunteer centre

being established in Acton, Georgetown and Acton.

The need for a Volunteer Centre in North Halton has been outlined in three studies in which local service agency staff, community volunteers and the general public were questioned. The large majority of those questioned indicated a need for a Volunteer Centre. The results of these studies promoted recently formed Halton Social North Planning Council to strike a steering committee of six people to work towards establish-

North Halton. the steering committee first met on March 2 and in the short time since the committee has succeeded in outlining the aims and ob-

ing a Volunteer Centre in

Milton, and helped to promote an all Canada Volunteer Week (April 26-May 2) in "The North".

Members of the committee have attended conferences on volunteering in Halton and Peel, establishing useful contacts and obtaining necessary information on funding, publicity, and the step by step operation of a volunteer centre.

The aims and objectives of the North Halton Volunteer Centre include: promoting volunteering, recruiting volunteers and placing them in appropriate volunteer agencies, and keeping up to date records on community needs for volunteers and community resources.

The committee decided

A volunteer centre is time shared spaced in able for all residents of North Halton to use to contact the Volunteer Centre, but that the centre must have space in Acton, Georgetown and Milton where interviewing of interested volunteers and meetings with local agency staff could take place.

> Part-time space and the use of a phone has been promised by the Acton Community Service Centre.

The steering comis currently mittee out budget working proposals; secking alternative funding sources and volunteer staff and taking all the necessary towards establishing the Volunteer Centre as a working real-

Anyone interested in helping to work towards this goal is asked to call the Acton Community Service Centra (853-3310).

This week is Volunteer Week in North Halton. April 28 to May 2 is set aside as a week of appreciation for the hundreds of volunteers who make the many community programs possible. In tribute to all

volunteers, Joy Gwillam of the North Halton Centre Volunteer committee randomly selected some examples of outstanding citizens who give a lot to community. Following is a brief outline of the services five Actonians are giving to

make this a better community in which to live. Carol Clark is a housewife with two children and is busy helping her husband in his business. However, she still finds the time to contribute a lot to Acton. Carol used to be a cub leader, knit for the Cancer Society, knit for the Leper Society and served on the Murray Memorial YMCA board, working extensively in

the area of programs. board of the North Hallon Social Planning Council, Carol is also on the steering committee for the North Halton volunteer centre. She also knits for the Mennonite Committee World Relief Sale held in May in New Hamburg and the Save the Children Craft Sale in Toronto. A Block Parent, she is also active in school work and every Wednesday drives for the Meals on Wheels program.

The First Ospringe Brownies, while all residents of Erin Township, are active in Acton volunteer work. Age six maker and mother of



The first Ospringe Brownles offer their time towards the Meals on Wheels program. In back is leader Helen Dubeau. Left to right: Lisa Walsma, Michelle Platch, Brenda Stubbington and Kelly Brown.

years now doing crafts and other little favors for special occasions for Acton Meals on Wheels patrons. Under of Dubeau the girls also help deliver Meals on Wheels during school holidays. The Brownies sing regularily for a seniors group in Erin and

hospitalized children in Cotherine McGillivray is another busy home-

make scrapbooks for

to nine, the members three who has found the have been busy for three time for plenty of volunteer work over the past

> Catherine is very active with the Acton cancer branch, working on the daffodil campaign and has chaired the service to patients and education programs. She also drives patients to treatment centres.

She is the vice-president now and will assume the top post later of the Acton Scout and Guide Mothers' Association. Mrs. McGillivray has worked in fund raising, catering and assisted in running the organization.

She's a Sunday school teacher, member and past president of a women's group at Trinity United Church and helps organize fund raising efforts like bazaars and fertilizer sale. Catherine is also an ad hoe member of Trinity's Mission and Outreach Committee.

In the past she has given her time to delivering Meals on Wheels and working on a parent advisory committee at McKenzle-Smith.

When it comes to knocking on doors for donations Catherine is ready, willing and able. She has canvassed for cancer, the blind, Red Cross, mentally retarded and heart fund.

Brenda Looyenga is only 15-years-old, but spends many hours giving to the community. When there's a blood donor clinic the Toronto and District Christian High School student is on hand to take care of children while parents give blood.

For two years now she's been a volunteer worker at the Acton Indoor Pool assisting instructors in giving lessons to children Saturday mornings. She

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Brenda loves working with children and finds volunteering very rewarding. "Volunteering makes you feel good about yourself because you're able to help others.

Herb Dodds has given over two decades of service to his community through sports and the Acton Volunteer Fire-

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A volunteer firefighter His sports involvement includes minor hockey chaired the firefighters coaching and managing as well as two years of muscular executive work. Dodds campaign a couple of has also coached minor

ball and was the founding He was also the oripresident of the Acton Friends-in-Deed group



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that one central phone jectives of the volunteer number should be availcentre; securing part-Board, teachers OK contract method the package approval.

Teachers and Halton's Board of Education will be ready to start contract bargaining by mid-May after adoption of new bargaining tough

methods. Board Halton formally Education approved recommendations from the Improved Negotiation committee Thursday at Burlington. The main teacher groups-Halton Teachers' Elementary Association Secondary Ontario Teachers'

Federation-also gave

School

John Simpson

Federation awards educators

The Ontarlo Public School Men Teachers' presented Federation four Diamond Jubilee Awards to Halton-two of them to Acton.

A posthumous award received by the McKenzie-School Middle principal Gary Dawkins dedication ceremony at the school last week.

An award was also given to John Simpson, Dawkins's cessor, for his efforts in education. That presentation was Thursday during Halton Board of regular Education's

meeting. Florence Trustee Meares and Education director Em Lavender also received awards.

"It's a harder type of borgaining and not shorter," necessarily OSSTF president Ron Ness said.

hammer bargaining" was used last year, according to committee chairman Bill Herd. Halton has used the adversarial method in previous years.

don't belleve we continue with OSSTF as we had last year," said Herd. "It'd be a complete disaster." He also urged the board to give the salary committee a chance.

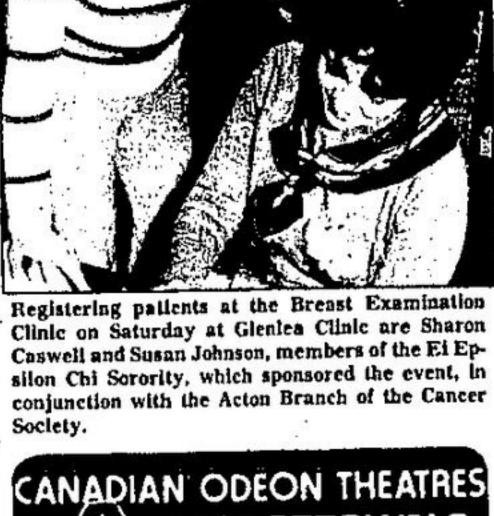
Education director Em characterized the setting of the environment and relationship as the "most important factor" in the negotiations

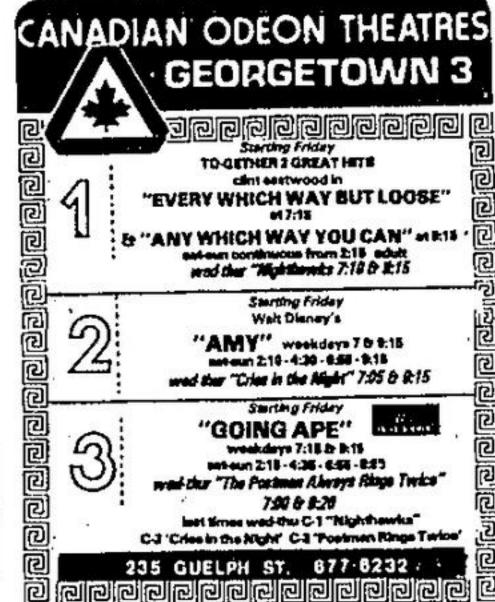
process. Other major points in the new process are the sclection of each team of training them and supplying them with common information on such topics as salary grids and comparisons.

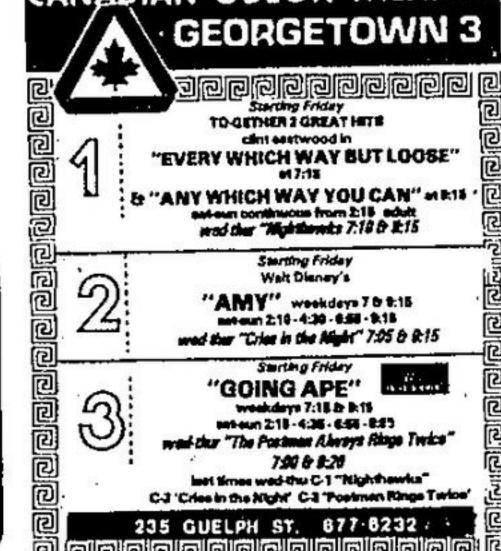
Herd's comments about "disaster" "extremely honest", said Ness.

The board and teachers started searching for nev of reaching agreements after a high school teachers' strike in was narrowly









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