



On your mark, get set... St. Joseph's Catholic Church held their annual picnic Sunday at the Halton Presbytery grounds. Tim Tibbitt, Chris Graham, Charles Van Item and Justin Porter were just a few of the people taking part in games and contests.

W.C.'s nightmare is Sharp's dream

"Anybody who hates children and dogs can't be all bad."—W. C. Fields.

Old W.C. might have had a titanic dislike of children and dogs, but it's doubtful even he could have a dislike of RR 2, Acton's Helena Sharp.

The second year Sheridan College Canadian Nanny student's favorite things in life are animals and children. For the past two summer's she's been working with both at the Mountsberg Wildlife Centre's Resource School, under the Experience '81 program.

"My brother was a biologist here," said Miss Sharp. "Last year they needed someone to work with kids—I was interested so he asked me to apply."

Anyone who has spent time with just one child knows they're usually a handful. She and five other students spent their entire summer looking after 60 day-campers at the Resource School.

"The program is 60 per cent educational and 40 per cent recreational," she explained.

The campers were taught about ecology, geology, orienteering, pioneer studies and play games relating to these studies. They also toured



Second year Canadian Nanny student Helena Sharp has been getting some practical experience this summer as one of six student counsellors at the Mountsberg Conservation Area's Resource School.

the Agricultural Museum in Milton.

In her studies at Sheridan, Miss Sharp is learning how to be a nanny, either in-home or at a daycare centre.

"As far back as I can remember I've loved kids. We have a big family that's really close. I guess it's something to do with the home atmosphere," said Miss Sharp.

While she enjoys children of all ages she is especially fond of the two to five-year-olds.

"The little ones are so exciting to watch, they're developing and experiencing new things," she said. "I prefer the little ones, but kids are kids."

"The summer has gone really fast," she smiled.

Golden Agers

Meetings resume

by Edna Besley

With the holiday season over, Acton Golden Age Club resumed their meetings on Tuesday September 11 at St. Alban's Hall. The first vice-president, Isabel McDonald, presided and opened the meeting with the singing of O Canada and the Theme Song with Jean McLean at the piano.

Three new members were welcomed into the club. The club members kept in touch during the summer by the invitation of Bert and Irene Davidson to have a picnic at their home, Churchhill Rd. North with Rockwood Sunshine Club as their guests on July 8. We took a bus to LaSalle Park Burlington for the zone 13 picnic on July 16.

On Thursday, August 19, both clubs were hosted to a picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Nellis, north of Rockwood. We left at 1:30 p.m. and took advantage of a beautiful afternoon to visit and play games on their lovely lawn with a picnic lunch at 5:30 from well laden tables. Thanks were extended to our hosts and the Sunshine Club's president Christie Robertson for a very enjoyable get together. Isabel McDonald, Jean McLean and Anne Berry volunteered to be responsible for the Club's display at the fair.

Laura Dennis gave us details for our bus trip on September 22. The bowling season will be-

Thief has nicotine fit

Twelve packs of cigarettes were reported missing after a break-in at Canadian Style Donuts overnight early last Tuesday morning, September 1.

Police say the door of the building had \$100 damage and the cigarettes were stolen.



Fred Springer new St. Joseph's principal

Fred Springer has taught at a lot of schools in Halton, but Acton's St. Joseph's Separate School will be his first post as principal.

The new school head started teaching in 1970 in Milton, where he taught grades seven and eight. He was then transferred to George Vanier to teach science, and then to St. Francis Xavier in Burlington where he performed double duty as vice principal and teacher of grade five students. Holy Rosary was next on his climb up the ladder where he was vice principal and taught grade six. At Assumption High School he taught grades 10 and 11, Math and Science. From there he returned to George Vanier, as vice principal and arrives in Acton for his first stint as a principal.

Springer graduated from the University of Guelph.

One of his great beliefs in education is the computer to help children learn. All elementary schools in the Separate School System in Halton



New St. Joseph's principal Fred Springer believes in computers to help in today's school system. Fred, and Commodore PET 4032, are the latest additions to the separate school.

are equipped with Commodore PET 4032 computers, including Acton. Students will be using the computers themselves to learn various subjects, as well as co-ordination. If they press the wrong key the computer will not feed them the desired information, thus they are forced to improve their co-ordination in order to get the right answers.

The computer, which is about the size of a portable television can be punched into television systems so more than one student can benefit from it at one time. It can even be

hooked into the radio system, and telephone. Springer is optimistic the new St. Joseph's School will open by spring and is looking forward to moving into the new building. He expects enrolment to be around the 200 mark this year.

Legion happenings

by Jim and Lily Higgins

Let's all hope there is fine weather this weekend.

The Masters Golf Tournament is on Saturday and there are still a few tickets available.

On Sunday we are holding our family picnic, which was cancelled because of rain on August 30.

There is a general meeting on Monday, September 14, and we hope for a good turnout.

On the sick list are F. Wright, L. Cutting, D. Jordan, A. Robinson, E. Ryder, Mary Cooney, Lois Gordon, Joan McKnight and Eva Cutting.

The latest donation from the Ladies' Auxiliary is gratefully accepted.

Tickets are now on sale for the Fall Fair Dance and our male cooks are preparing for the usual breakfast.

Will members of the executive please note there is a meeting with the full Ladies' Auxiliary executive at 7:30 p.m. on September 15.

The darts league is now being organized, will players please put their names on the board at the branch.

The new date for the Zone Softball Tournament is also on the bulletin board.

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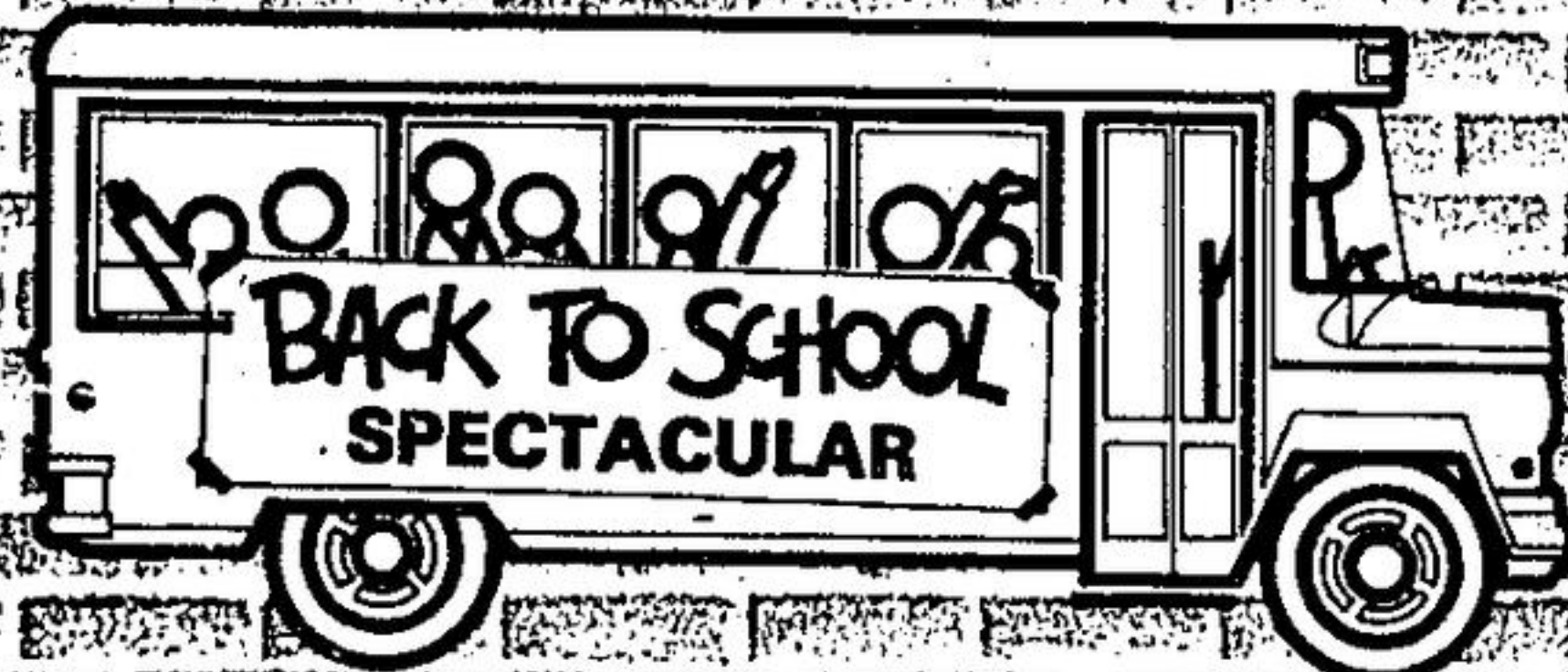
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