

On the Leavell

With Helen



Acton Legion member, and Dominion president Dave Capperault of Georgetown laid a wreath at the National War Memorial in Ottawa on Remembrance Day. All of Halton Hills can be proud of Capperault's achievements on the national scale with the Royal Canadian Legion.

Former Free Press sports editor Denis Gibbons was up to his old international hockey shenanigans again. Denis, you may recall, has been to Russia, Sweden and Czechoslovakia with various hockey big shots when he worked here in Acton.

Denis recently returned to Moscow, following the Burlington Cougars bantam hockey club for nine games from October 24 to November 8.

Denis sent back nightly radio reports for CHML Radio 900, Hamilton from Minsk and Leningrad in the USSR and Rauma, Finland. His stories also were carried in the Burlington Post and Weekend Post, of which Denis is news editor.

Burlington won the tournament.

Acton Co-op Nursery is having a Christmas bazaar and bake sale this Saturday at St. Alban's Parish Hall from 9.30 to 4 p.m.

I had a surprise visit from George and Thelma Barbeau recently. The couple lived in Acton in the early 60s with their family, and George was mayor of the town for a while.

The couple keep a close eye on Acton through the pages of the Free Press and are still very interested in their old friends. They are now living in Islington.

One of the traditions of Acton at Christmas is the sending of Christmas bales to Princess Margaret and Henderson Hospitals in Toronto and Hamilton. The Acton Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society will soon be packing these bales. Donations of baking, coffee, tea and sugar would be greatly appreciated. Items can be left at Acton Home Furnishings. If pickup is required call 853-1124 or 853-0744.

XI Epsilon Chi chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority is holding a draw for \$200 worth of merchandise at the olde Hide House on December 14. Tickets are currently on sale on Saturdays at 10 a.m. and Sundays at the Hide House.

With Rick Bonnette's sweeping victory into municipal politics last week, Acton maintains the right of having the youngest councillor on Halton Hills council.

We started our claim to fame with the election of Terry Grubbe in 1979, just two weeks after her 33rd birthday. With the next municipal election and the victory of 32-year-old Dave Whiting, Acton was indeed establishing a pattern. Now, with Rick, a mere 27, Acton is being consistent.

At the West-Central Ontario Championship Holstein Show on October 19, Allstar Holsteins Ltd., Rockwood, headed the three and four-year-old Dray class (10). Their beast, A Killdee Elevation Edie, also won the Becker Milk Co. trophy as the highest BCA class winner.



RR 2 Acton resident Doreen McLean is walking on a cloud these days after winning first prize in the Lady Roadster Class at the Royal Winter Fair last week. It was the first day of the show, and the first time she had ever won a first prize at the event, taking a third two years ago, and a second last year.

Doreen, of McLean Stables, was driving Tanglefoot Mike and was absolutely thrilled at her win at the biggest show in Canada. There were 10 other entries in her class.

Tanglefoot Mike also won a third place yesterday (Tuesday) in the Single Roadster over 15.2. Doreen's husband Ross was driving.

Only two more Actario draws are left. Tickets can be purchased for an extremely reasonable price. Rumor has it there is a very special holiday planned for the final trip draw.

Car collision

An Acton man and a Georgetown woman were involved in a collision on Guelph St. just west of Delrex Blvd. last Monday, November 8 in which a combined \$900 damage occurred. George Gerdes, 27, sustained \$200 damage to his car while the car driven by Linda George 23, had \$700 damage. No injuries were caused in the early morning collision.

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Our readers write

Acton credit union coverage splendid

Dear Sir: On behalf of the members and staff of Halton Community Credit Union Ltd., I would like to thank you personally for the splendid coverage afforded our recent 25th Anniversary celebrations at the Acton Branch.

Although the Acton branch is our newest, it is one of our busiest—thanks to an excellent staff and a good reputation built up over the past 20 years by its predecessor, Acton Community Credit Union. We were pleased to have so many former directors of the Acton group present for the cake-cutting

ceremony on October 28. Your photo coverage and the excellent historical article, certainly showed us The Free Press cares about its community. The Free Press' coverage was much better and more extensive than any of the other Halton papers which covered our anniversary event at the other four branches. We hope Acton appreciates The Free Press—we do. Yours very truly,

Halton Community Credit Union Limited
E.K. (Gene) McLeod, General Manager.

Deer hunt totals down

Only half the number of deer expected to be taken in this area's third annual controlled deer hunt were harvested.

In Halton, the 475 hunters bagged 45 deer compared to 88 taken in last year's four-day hunt. In all, 1,300 permits were issued in Cambridge District and 126 deer were shot, including Halton hunter's contribution.

Ministry of Natural Resources area biologist Nancy Till has a feeling that hunter participation was down this year. Her suspicions will not be confirmed until registered hunters hand in their reports, a mandatory procedure if a hunter expects to participate in future hunts.

Pellet group surveys performed over the past two years indicate this area has a deer population of 12 to 15 per square mile, according to the biologist.

She blames the poor weather for the lower than anticipated harvest. A total harvest of 200 to 250 deer was expected in Cambridge District.

The less than successful hunt could mean a slight rise in road kills and more crop damage but, on the other hand, explains Mrs. Till, poaching incidents could be up.

A total of 600 hunters applied to participate in the controlled hunt in Halton and, of that number, 475 were drawn from a lottery.

Correction

The caption under one of the Acton High School commencement photos in last week's paper incorrectly identified Sharon Bendicks as receiving an award from Mrs. L. Krueger, when in fact it was Helen Jocke making a presentation to Gloria Walton. The Free Press regrets the error.

Legion happenings

by Harry Norton
It's getting to look a lot like Christmas with snow on the ground and that reminds us that the deadline for getting your child's name on the list for the Christmas Party is November 20. Members' children 9 years of age or younger are eligible. If your eligible child is not on the list get in touch with either Fred Allen or Ed Footitt right away.



Bob Angell of the Legion lowered and raised the flag at a solemn ceremony Thursday, Remembrance Day.

Our Branch hosted the Zone Shuffleboard tournament last Saturday and all Branches participated. Branch 197 team, made up of Jeff Denny, Ron Hagan, Tony Lambert, John Vlietstra and Wayne Wilson won all of their ten games and were tournament winners. Milton Branch 136 was second and Brampton Branch 15 'C' team was third.

Correction

A misprint in last week's election scoreboard on the front page gave defeated Esquesing council candidate Peter Norton 919 votes, when in fact he drew only 797 votes. His correct vote total was printed in the election story to the left of the scoreboard. The Free Press regrets the error.

On November 20, Branch 82, Port Credit, is hosting the Zone Snooker tournament. Let's hope they have as good a turnout as we did. While talking about sports we notice that Firemen 'A' team and Legion 'A' are still leading in the cribbage league. I think 'The Untouchables' at the bottom of the heap could use some moral support so come on out and give them a hand. Sound Conspiracy will be providing the entertainment in the lounge on Friday night. This fun evening is becoming ever more popular now that Jack Frost has chased all the softies inside.

I seem to have snow and Jack Frost on my mind this week but maybe it is because the Branch is looking for volunteers to put up the snow fence. If you have an hour to spare come on down to the Branch Saturday morning at 10 a.m. and let's get that job over with.

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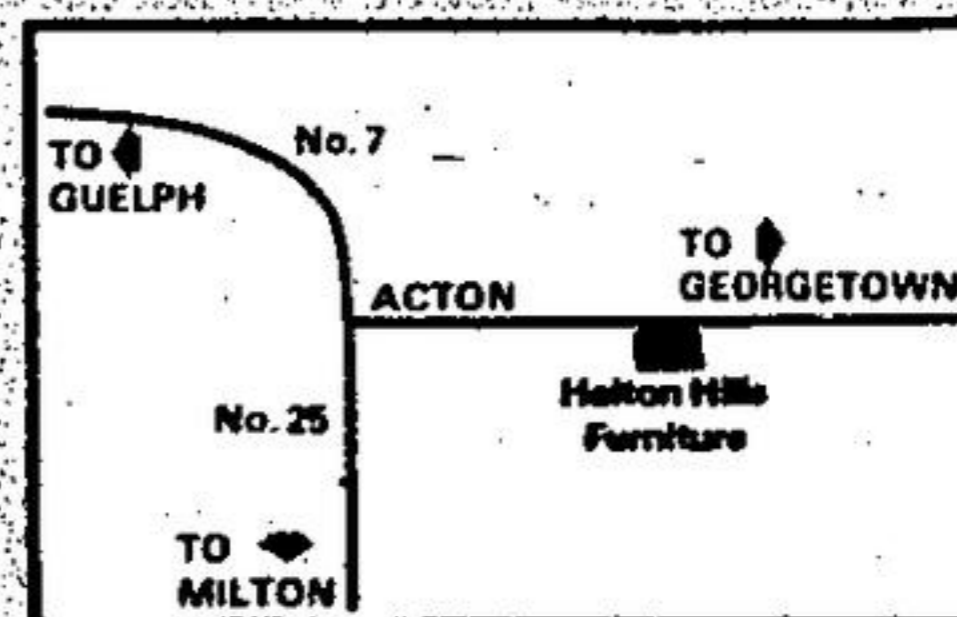
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