

## On the Leavell

With Helen



Second Acton Scouts (Trinity) are holding a bottle drive this Saturday. The boys will be out from 9 a.m. to noon collecting refundable bottles around town. They will be put in a Tyler's tractor trailer in Beckers' Plaza. Anyone with any bottles kicking around is asked to donate.

500 Club winners Saturday evening were: 401 Mike Kinal; 40 Sally Leatherland; 316 Janet MacCutcheon; 130 Brian Campbell; and 189 Dr. Jane Hosdill.

The Acton Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society invites interested women in the 40 to 59 years old age group to participate in the National Breast Screening Study to be held January 18 at Mount Sinai Hospital in Toronto. Appointments are still available. Bus transportation will be provided. For further information, call 853-0390 before Friday.

This sure has been a screwy winter, and Bill Benson will certainly attest to that. Bill called me last week to tell me he spotted two mourning doves in his backyard on Mill St. E. He says he sees them every morning all summer, but to see them on January 7 is "unheard of".

"It says something for the kind of winter we're having," he stated.

"Reflections Of His Love" a film highlighting the life and ministry of Joni Eareckson, who is a paraplegic, will be shown this Saturday evening at 7:30 at the Acton Baptist Church. There will be a silver collection.

The Canadian National Institute for the Blind, which Acton supports very enthusiastically, has moved to 112 Lakeshore Road East (upper floor mezzanine) in Mississauga (Port Credit). Their new telephone number is 274-8897. "We are pleased to invite the patrons and the general public to drop in and see our bright and cheerful new location," says a press release from the CNIB.

The latest incoming Rotary exchange student to Acton, Jodie McFarlane, has left for home after a year of making new friends in town.

Jodie left last week, but was planning to spend a few days in Calgary, Banff, Vancouver and San Francisco before flying on to her home in Australia. She should be reunited with her family sometime this week.

## Seven car crash on 22 Sideroad

Harsh weather conditions and icy roads contributed to a seven-car accident on 22 Sideroad, just east of Trafalgar Rd. at 8:10 a.m. Monday.

Police have no estimated damage as yet. There were no injuries reported.

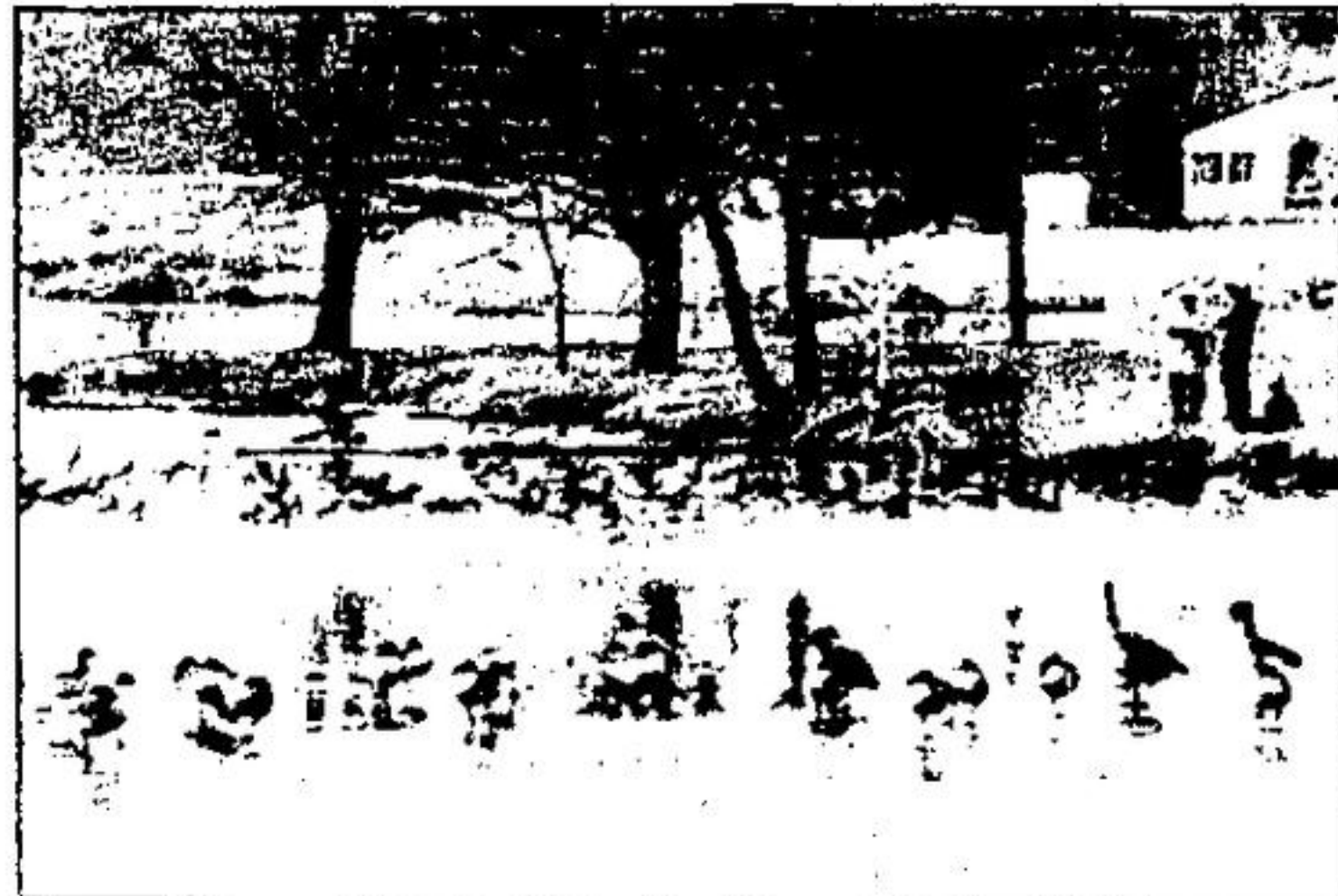
According to police reports, two cars driven by area people went into the ditch at the side of the road after sliding over the icy road and five other cars followed. All seven ended up in the ditches on both sides of the road.

William Colson of

Acton was driving the first car to go in the ditch and Ruth Fisher, 36, of Erin was the second.

Gerard Van Vriet, 59, of Ballinacraig slid into the ditch a few minutes later, as did the car driven by 32 year old Linda Perkins of Acton.

Kirk Lemon, 32, of Guelph saw the accident and went into the ditch on the opposite side of the road. Both Robert Rennie, 40, of Acton and Hank Bowman, 33, of Limehouse slid off the road, striking the car driven by Perkins.



Unseasonably warm "winter" weather has persuaded hundreds of Canada Geese, ducks and hybrids of both species that Fairy Lake will be their mecca instead of the bayous and other watery homes in the sunny south. This shot, taken from the Legion parking lot on Wright Ave., shows dozens of the birds flocking in the water kept open by the flow from the Prospect Park pumping station. Some of the Canadas preen on the ice while others plead for crumbs from watching people. More of the birds also shelter on the northern arm of the lake.

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