A former Acton resident is having a showing at the Georgetown Library and Cultural Centre from June 15 to 30.

Doug Griffin, now of Brampton, will be having a show "Pointillism." He hopes to see a good turnout for his first showing. Doug was responsible for the naming of ActiVan, and providing a logo for the

Halton Hills Legal Clinic. For more information, contact the Library.

Ontario's floral emblem, the Trillium, is expected to be in full bloom when the Halton County Radial Railway opens for another summer season this Saturday.

The museum's antique streetcars carry visitors on a mile-long jaunt through the woods where the Trilliums usually stage their short-lived annual beauty pageant in mid-May. If nature's clock hasn't been disturbed by this winter's topsy-turvey weather, the Trillium display should be at its peak opening weekend, presenting visitors a rare opportunity to see a virtual carpet of the delicate white flowers.

For those who haven't been out to the Guelph Line site recently, there are 15 pieces of Canadian electric railway equipment operable and several other artifacts under restoration or awaiting attention. Operating cars range from an open air car built in 1893 for a predecessor of the Toronto Transit Commission to Canada's first PCC streetcar, whose bretheren are still running on the streets of Toronto.

The museum operates from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends and holidays from May 14 until the end of October.

This week canvassers are out door knocking for donations to the North Halton Mentally Retarded Association. While I realize there have been quite a few organizations asking for money lately, please give generously once again. This campaign covers all of North Halton. Why don't we see if Acton can beat Georgetown and Milton in monies raised? Acton has a provincially-wide reputation for the citizens' generosity in fund raising drives. Let's keep up the good work.

McKenzie-Smith is holding a Variety Night tomorrow (Thursday) beginning at 7 p.m. It should be a good night so plan to attend.

Rick "Bunny" Bonnette, who hopped into public life back in November by winning a seat on Halton Hills council, has been branded Acton's newest tourist attraction.

Now, Rick is as well known around town as hubby Gord for his hats, though Bunny's are more stylish and fashionable than most of the chapeaus Gord dons.

Still, Gord has one nice hat from Italy, courtesy of Rick bringing it back for me to give the editor for his birthday a couple of years back. Gord's is a soft blue and on the rare occasions he wears it he looks a bit like a hood or pimp. Rick has one the same, only grey. Rick doesn't look sinister in his, just dapper.

Anyway it was a different hat Rick wears, a white Panama hat with a wide brim, which caused a stir downtown last Tuesday afternoon.

Halton Hills councillors learned from one of Rick's colleagues Monday night that the social services committee members and region staff were on a tour and stopped at the Acton Social Services and Information Centre. Twice while driving through town the numerous gala on the tour spotted Rick and ocohed and saahed. They also asked a lot about his marital status and the like the's a bachelor). His fellow Acton councillor, who mentioned the tour was taken with Rick, declared our newest Town father is also our newest tourist attraction, (and sex symbol?).

Bunny is a tough guy to embarrass, and he had a come-back. He asked that all the ladies who had asked about him be listed, with their phone numbers and addresses also provided.

Rockwood wants Wintario draw

The Rockmosa Community Centre could be the site of a Wintario Draw in January. 1984.

Councillor Don DeLaporte, in reporting to Eramosa Township Council, said the Rockmosa Community Centre board is investigating bring the provincial lottery draw to Rockwood.

Drexler is hired

Drexier Construction have been engaged by the Township of Eramosa to act as the contractor to install the servicing on Queen St. in Rockwood.



MOORE PARK PLAZA

Judge, Crown Attorney help in mock trial

Members of a grade 12 law course and a grade 9 Social Science class at Acton High School got their first taste of a courtroom Friday as a mock trial was held at the school, complete with a provincial court judge and Halton's Crown Attorney.

Judge William Sharpe and Crown Attorney Jim Treleaven played themselves, with Georgetown lawyer Jack Walinga as defense counsel and Catherine Shane from the Elizabeth Fry Society, probation officer Dennis Kunze, and Halton Regional Police Constable Arnold Van Clief on hand to fill their roles, as two fictitious characters were tried.

The first case involved William Klutz, played by Ken Hachey, who was caught with his hands in the till of a Georgetown food store, long after closing hours. Klutz pleaded guilty and the students got a chance to see the court procedures, right from his arraignment to his sentencing.

The case of Laurie Ann Wellington, played by Karen Vanderlaan, was a bit more complicated as she plead not guilty to charges of mischief, after a fictional evening when she alledgedly kicked in a window at Acton High

School. Constable Van Clief testified he saw her break the window and arrested her right away during a school dance. Judge Sharpe found her guilty.

The judge always likes to think he is the boss, Judge Sharpe told the students following the Optimist Club arranged mock trials. However, so does the Crown Attorney, but ultimately, the judge has the last word. He pointed out a judge must be impartial, fair and judicial, and ensure that the public is protected.

Crown Attorney Treleaven said his job is to act as the local agent to the Minister of Justice. He has to decide what gets processed and what doesn't and gives the police advice. He also deals with the public, and acts at inquests. Appeals are handled by a

group of specialists in Toronto.

"There's an old saying that the Crown never wins or loses," Treleaven said, "but don't believe it. I hate to lose." He admitted where he "wants to give the accused a good swift kick" because he knows that's more than the person is likely going to receive in punishment, but he can't let his emotions be

shown in public. Georgetown lawyer Walinga said it is his job to make the accused's position known to the court. He has often been asked how he can represents someone who he knows is guilty. Walings noted the person might be guilty, but the question is of what. Crown Attorneys "have a habit of overcharging" Walinga claimed.

There are many cases where the accused is being used as an example to others to show what will happen to you if you commit that crime. "My point of view is why hold this person up as an example when others are not."

Constable Van Clief told the students it is his job to protect property and keep the peace. His responsibility is to arrest people involved in the crime and make the decision to bring them to court or deal with it in another way. He also has to prepare all the necessary documents for the courts, prepare the Crown briefs, and in some instances follow the case through the courts.

Cathy Shane, of the Elizabeth Fry Society explained her program provides an alternative penalty to jail, and is part of the sentencing.

The judge usually gives her 30 days to find a place for the person found guilty to do community work and it can involve anything that does not take away from paid employment.

stantly what they are being punished for. In some cases, the criminal is given work to do for the person they committed the crime against. Other people would rather not have the person near their home.

Anyone who doesn't complete their community service order is in breach of the order and may go to jail, she said.

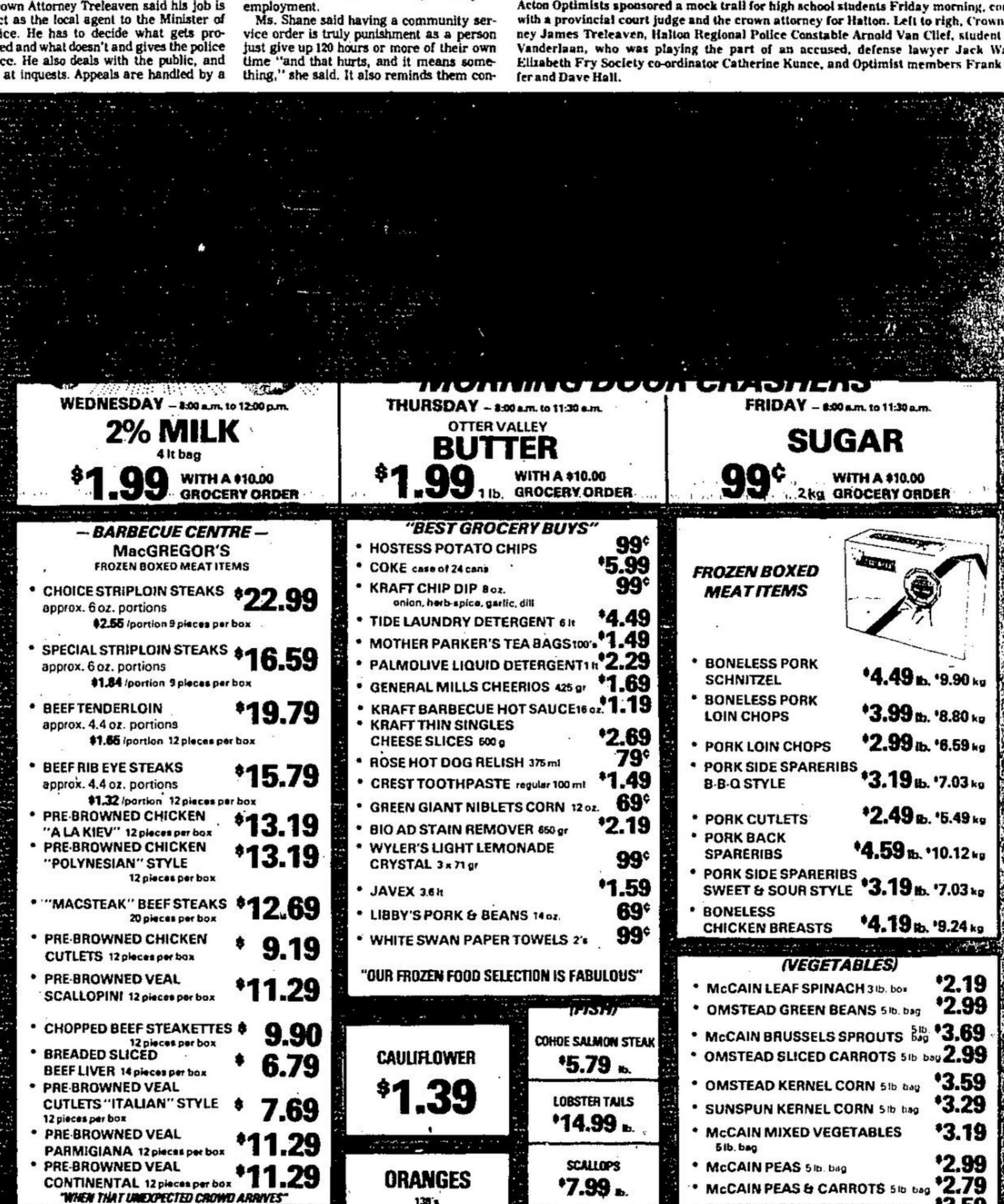
Dennis Kunze, a probation officer with the Ministry of Correctional Services, told the classes he is responsible for the supervision of someone over 18-years-old who is on probation or parole. He prepares assessments for the courts and parole boards and works with community agencies, residents, Manpower, etc.



Provincial Court Judge William Sharpe took part in a mock trial at Acton High School Friday put on by the Acton Optimist Club.



Acton Optimists sponsored a mock trall for high school students Friday morning, complete with a provincial court judge and the crown attorney for Halton. Left to righ, Crown Attorney James Treleaven, Halton Regional Police Constable Arnold Van Clief, student Karen Vanderlaan, who was playing the part of an accused, defense lawyer Jack Walinga, Elizabeth Fry Society co-ordinator Catherine Kunce, and Optimist members Frank Schaf-



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