

GO fares going up

It will cost more for Acton and area residents to commute to Toronto by GO transit after July 1.

GO has announced a 9.8 per cent fare increase effective the first of next month. Many local people drive to Georgetown and take the GO Train from there to the city. They currently pay \$3.60 each way, but that fare will go up to \$4 one way July 1.

GO Bus service from Acton to Toronto will jump from \$4.30 one way to \$4.80.

GO says it could have raised its rates as much as 12.3 per cent under Provincial Cabinet Committee on Administered Price guidelines, but opted to keep the hike below 10 per cent.

Forecasts suggest fares will pay 53 per cent of GO's bills, leaving about \$50 million to come from the province.

Correction

Last week this newspaper reported Gavin Murray had been charged with assault police and mischief. The accused's name is Murray Gavin. The Free Press regrets the error.



Rev. Andy King will be conducting his final sermon in Acton Sunday. He will be heading the congregation at Malton Trinity United Church.

Andy King moving on

Acton's Trinity United Church says good-bye to Rev. Andy King this Sunday.

It is a farewell that was expected from his first day in town last June, but nevertheless, still a difficult one to make for the newly ordained minister.

Rev. King was brought to town as an interim minister for one year, replacing the popular Rev. Chuck Beaton. He knew he had large shoes to fill, and was wary of how well he would be accepted by the congregation.

But it didn't take long for his apprehensions to be settled, he recalls. Not only did the people in the church accept him right away, but many others in town also. He and his wife Debbie fell in love with Acton, and feel the town likes them back. The congregation has been especially supportive of the young couple, helping to make it "a terrific year."

In his short stay here, Rev. King (he was ordained June 1), made no changes in the church. "The congregation kept itself going. They are a very strong and very active group of people," he says and "I feel I participated with them in all of their congregational life." He has learned that one of the most important things for a congregation is the quality of fellowship, and he believes Acton is very lucky to have this.

"I hope the congregation gives as much love and support to the incoming minister (Don Matheson) as they have to me."

Given the chance, Rev. King would like to return to Acton some day. He is a bit apprehensive about his move this week to a smaller church in Malton, which is about half the size of Acton in terms of total membership and budget. He feels his experience in Acton will help him in his new posting and admits there are a few social events he would like to see Malton adopt from Acton. His new church, also Trinity United, and the manse are both about a mile from the airport, so he realizes he may have competition from above to be heard.

He'll have mixed feelings Sunday morning as he takes to the pulpit for the final time. He does not want to end this chapter in his book, but realizes he must move on. His book is only just beginning.

Tires set on fire

Tires burning at Lot 30, Concession 1, Friday morning alerted neighbors from far away to call the fire department. Deputy Chief Bob Hyde said there was no damage in the open fire, but warned that open burning is not permitted.

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From Prudence McNelly

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On the Leavell
With Helen

Guess who's 40 years old? I can't tell you, but if you turn to page B5 and see the advertisement, you just might figure it out for yourself.

For the person involved, (I know you read my column, because you told me you did) Happy Birthday!

Work by Acton High School art students is on display this week and hopefully next at the Library. It's a pretty good show and well worth the walk, or drive, over to see it.

A meeting of the Friends of the Halton Museum will be held at the Museum in Kelso Conservation Area, Milton this evening (Wednesday) at 8 p.m.

The meeting is intended to bring members up to date on the progress of the work being done at the Museum and to assign volunteer tasks to interested members. Any member of the public who would like to do some volunteer work at the Museum is invited to attend.

Meanderings writer Mabel Barkmah found this beautiful Polyphemus moth in her apple tree last week and just had to share it with everyone. It is identified by two eyes on each wing. The one she found had about a six inch wing span and was predominately brown, orange and white, with large feathery antennae. Its body was stripped, red, white and gray with orange legs. It got its name from the mythical giant Polyphemus.

Mabel let the moth go shortly after the picture was taken.

With the last day of school coming up, one has to recall their feelings when the year was completed for them too.

My most devastating last day of school was in grade four. I had missed out on the entire last month of school fun because I was in the hospital in Toronto. I returned on the very last day of school and wasn't allowed to go for the chocolate milk and sandwiches—the end of the year treat in Connaught School.

My younger sister came rushing home to me that day, excited to see me after a month without an older sister to trail along behind (not that I minded), but in between her hugs, she informed me my beloved Ronnie had failed, and had to repeat grade 4. It had already been four weeks since we had seen each other, and I knew this was it. Our three year romance would be through. I would have to give back the Dick Tracey radio ring and I'd never find another guy to marry.

I was in a terrible state. I remember sitting on the back steps sobbing my heart out, clutching my poor mother whose attempts to get me to calm down were fruitless. She just didn't understand that I was doomed for the rest of my life. She told me to stop crying because the neighbors would think it was I who had failed, and at that point, I think I decided to repeat the year also just to be with Ronnie. But she assured me he would love me even I was in grade 5 and he in grade 4. But, I was right. He labelled me as an intellect and never again did he punch my arm to show his love for me.

We did make one last attempt at saving our relationship the next winter. My mother paid both our ways into the show one Saturday afternoon (even at 10 years old she was anxious to marry me off), but he promptly disappeared as soon as we got into the dark. I found him after the show, walking with friends, hand in hand—a twin on either side. Needless to say, I haven't spoken to him since.

So next week, when I see all the little kids fleeing the school yard for the final time, I'll probably be wondering what romances are being broken as July looms close by.

What better way to spend a warm Saturday afternoon, but at a ball game. And that's just what the Acton Royals Baseball team did, except this time they were watching instead of playing.

A busload of players, with a few friends, ventured to the CNE Stadium to see the Blue Jays in action against the California Angels. The Angels won (they think) thanks to a homer by Reggie Jackson. Even though the game was blacked out in Toronto, it was shown in NBC.

The CNE's fancy scoreboard flashed a big welcome to the Acton team.

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