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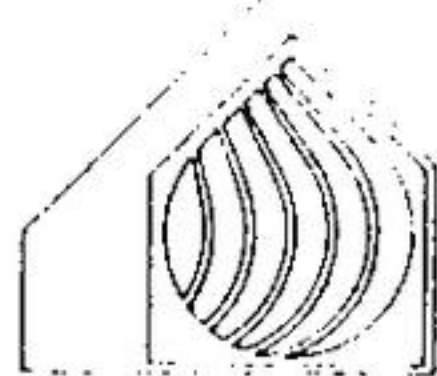
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Instructor Sally Bell-Knight of Guelph gave equestrian instruction at Country Lane Farm on First Line, Acton, last week. Here, Kathy Sary of Brampton clears a fence.

### Golden Agers

## Enjoy active summer

by Edith Frankland  
Although the members of the Golden Age Club haven't held a meeting during the last few weeks, they have still been very active.

Six members attended a seminar for seniors in Oakville which was enjoyed by all present.

Our zone picnic was attended by several members on July 14 at La Salle Park in Burlington. Our own club picnic was held on the lovely green lawns behind the Legion and although the hot sun blazed down on us we found

plenty of shade, and breeze from the lake. Many prizes were given out for the competitions and games and a beautiful lunch was enjoyed by all.

Isabel McDonald and Jean Jackson attended the 25th "United Citizens of Ontario Convention" in Windsor August 9 and we will hear more about it later.

Please make sure your stubs for the quilt draw are handed in in time for the big draw on August 27 at the Ciderfest. We look forward to seeing you all at the fall fair.

## No cause yet for the Thomas' Video blaze

There is still no word on the cause of the July 3 fire which destroyed Thomas' Video and the apartments above the shop at the corner of Mill and Willow St. South.

Deputy Chief Bob Hyde, Halton Hills fire department said there is still no word on the cause of the blaze. A couple

weeks ago Chief Bill Cunningham said he expected word within a week or two, but cautioned the cause of the fire might never be known.

Samples of debris from this fire were sent to the Forensic Science Lab for analysis by the Ontario Fire Marshal's office after the blaze.

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## Doris goes north

by Doris Flies  
A large crowd came out to the benefit dance at Rockmosa Community Centre on Friday night, for Alex and Helen Morrison, which was sponsored by the community. Howlett's orchestra volunteered their services for a successful evening.

Ward and Flora Bruce have had a busy month. They spent a few days at "Point Farms" near Goderich, accompanied by Tom and Margaret McLaughlin, then they took their grandsons, Michael and Jeremy Bruce, to Silver Lake near Perth, for a holiday. When they returned home their other grandsons, Jordan and Jesse Bruce of Mississauga, came for a visit. They also entertained Roy and Lucille Jacobson from Idaho, for a few days, who also visited with Bryon and Blanche Bruce.

This has been an exceptionally hot summer, but I really thought it would be cooler the farther north we went. Instead, on August 7 at Thunder Bay, the temperature rose to 105 degrees F. We spent the day at Kakabeka Falls Provincial Park, and the Centennial Friendship Gardens, trying to keep from dehydrating.

My sister, Audrey Henderson of Belwood, Gladys Keeler and Katherine Smith, accompanied me on a 10 day motor trip. Our initial goal being Moosonee, we rode the Polar Bear Express from Cochrane, and thoroughly enjoyed the canoe ride across the river to Moose Factory, carrying our sweaters which we didn't need. There, we sampled bannock which an Indian woman was cooking over a fire in a tent. It was very good.

At Iroquois Falls we travelled Abitibi Price's Pulp and Paper Path, which is Canada's largest forest industry. We rode 50 miles by bus over logging roads, stopping occasionally to let a logging truck go by, or to be shown how the pine seedlings are planted for re-forestation. When they get to a certain

height spraying is done by air to kill off poplars, deciduous or scrub trees, to leave room for the new growth. We watched how trees are felled and skidded to piles and loaded on huge trucks to haul to the mill. The trucks have 42 wheels and carry 5,000 pounds. Then we had a real lumberman's lunch at a lumber camp. Our young guide David Angelo was super. He had time to talk to everyone and keep us on our toes.

At the mill we watched the logs being sawed into four foot lengths, debarked, slashed into chips, ground to a pulp with water and chemicals then rolled under pressure and heat into huge rolls of paper.

From there we headed northwest. To keep ourselves fit we climbed over rocks and slid down trails to see waterfalls. In Lake Superior Provincial Park the trail descended 400 feet in a quarter of a mile, down canyons and over rocks to the Indian Pictographs. Gladys and I descended the last steps by a rope railing to the water's edge and on to the ledge to see some of the paintings, but we didn't venture around the corner to see the larger ones. There was a life saver there and a pole with a hoop on the end, but we didn't think anyone would pull us out if we fell in.

Near Thunder Bay we scrambled around the open pit amethyst mine to find some amethyst in the rocks, and at Sudbury descended under ground at the Big Nickel Mine. There they are experimenting with growing vegetables in the mines, and had some healthy looking lettuce. Any vegetables that grow upwards can be grown there germ free in bags of peat moss and fed and watered through a tube.

We took pictures of the Terry Fox monument at Thunder Bay, as everyone else was doing, and wondered as we drove along the road, how he ever managed to get that far.

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