



Some of the scholarship and award winners from the AHS graduating classes: front row left to right, Renata Brillinger, Sandra Brundie, Karen Costa, David Dawkins, Tammy Hunter, Andrea Jenkinson, Harold Koehler and Dahlia Petersen.



This group of scholarship and award winners from the Acton High School graduation classes was photographed at the banquet before commencement exercises. Left to right, Gord Springle, Adam Thomas, Anthony Wright, Rob Warrington, Paul Nolan, Laura Spaldin, and John Evans.

Future not hopeless — Nolan

And I suppose you will all want money and true love, among other things. I will tell you how to make money: Work very hard. I will tell you how to win love: Wear nice clothing and smile all the time.

"And that was about it. It seems the requisites for a happy life are within our collective reach. I'm sure it's something to be worked at sometimes a goal and other times a by-product," Acton High valedictorian Paul Nolan said at Friday's commencement exercises.

(The quote above came from a graduation speech writer Kurt Vonnegut Jr. given in 1978 to students in Fredonia, New York.)

"There will be times in our lives when we will have to leave the beaten path and clear our own trail. At least I hope there will be.

We are taught in school that the shortest distance between two points is a straight line. This doesn't mean a straight line is necessarily better than a wandering one," Nolan told the jammed packed auditorium.

"Dare to think. Dare to question. Dare to know. Dare to be good at whatever you do. I think there must be much satisfaction in that."

"At the very least, I think our lives will be interesting ones. It seems that our world has suddenly reached a point at which we must either learn to live with each other or not at all. It's very frustrating to plan a future when it's popular opinion that we might not have one. It's hard, but not hopeless."

As is traditional, his remarks were liberally spiced with humorous stories and jabs at his teachers and some of his classmates.

AHS commencement

Dahlia Petersen big winner

Dahlia Petersen was the big winner of awards at Friday's Acton High School commencement exercises, walking off with seven scholarships and awards.

She was the recipient of the following: Halton Board of Education Achievement award; AB Foodland award; Achilles Motors Scholarship; Indusmin award; Outstanding Grade 13 Scholar award; N. R. Richards Masonic Bursaries; Ontario Scholarship.

Renata Brillinger went home with five awards. She received the following: John McHugh Jr. Memorial Outers award; Standard Products English award; Standard Products French award; Outers award; Ontario Scholarship.

Nancy Allan received three awards and Sandra Brundie four.

Miss Allan was presented with the Teen Cuisine award; Knox R Fund Citizenship award; and Ontario Scholarship. For Miss Brundie the honors were an Ontario Scholarship; Lions Club Scholarship; Standard Products Athletics award and McMaster Merit award.

Three awards each were presented to Andreas Thiel and Tanya Mokrytzki. Miss Mokrytzki earned an Ontario Scholarship; Acton Pharmacy award; and Halton Board of Education Achievement award. A special community fund raising scholarship; the Sandra Patterson Memorial Award for Music; and University Women's Club of Georgetown Scholarship; went to Thiel.

The following grads earned two awards: Paul Nolan—N. R. Richards Masonic Bursaries and Acton High School Staff Scholarship; David Dawkins—Halton Hills Furniture and Appliances Award and Ontario Scholar; Tammy Hunter—Royal Canadian Legion Scholarship and Ontario Scholar; Andrea Jenkinson—Ontario Scholar and Lakeside Chapter IODE bursary; Harold Koehler—Ontario Scholar and Building Products award; Adam Thomas—Ontario Scholar and Beardmore award. Tony Wright—Ontario Scholar and Bank of Commerce scholarship; Chris Sales—Beardmore award and Outstanding Grade 12 Scholar award; and Gerald Heyslek—Standard Products Technical Proficiency award and Acton High School Year Four Technical Award.

The following grads won one award each: Dave Quinn—Campbell's Furniture Showroom scholarship; Roman Neubacher—Knox R Fund Marketing award; Jean Wong—Knox R Fund accounting award; Jackie Jennings—Teen Cuisine Family Studies award, Louis McMahon—Amos Mason Rotary Scholarship; Vickie

Curtis—Lakeside Chapter IODE bursary; Sharon McBride—Clara Grindley Memorial bursary; Edwin Ninabar—Human Interest Recognition; Laura Spaldin—Halton Board of Education award; John Evans—Acton Home Hardware award; Karen Coats—Royal Canadian Legion award; Brad Ottaway—Ontario Scholarship; Gord Springle—Ontario Scholar; Adam Thomas—Ontario Scholar; Rob Warrington—E.G. Tyler award; Joanne Scott—Broostad Memorial Art award; Lynda Whiffin—James B. Ledger Proficiency award.

Following is the list of graduates:

GRADE 13
 Nancy Louise Allan, Deanne Rebecke Allison, Karen Ann Baker, Renata Lynn Brillinger, Sandra Marcia Brundie, Donna Mary Cavlovic, Nisha Chandra, Juli Ann Clow, Karen Elizabeth Costa, Catherine Rose Coffin, David William Dawkins, John Robert Evans, Joseph Ian Findlay, Richard Ross Greenly, Edward Jerry Greter, Nicola Grillo, Douglas Andrew Hasznan, Tammy Lynn Hunter, Andrea Kathryn Susan Jenkinson, Susan Helena Kinal, Harold Ian Koehler, Philip Antony Lallier, Robert Philip Little, Stephen Ashton Margetta, Sharon Tona McBride, William Brian McKenzie, Louis McMahon, Dawn Lee Miller, Tanya Elaine Mokrytzki, Edwin Rene Ninabar, Paul Andrew Nolan, Linda Annabel Oso, Bradley John Charles Ottaway, Dahlia Petersen, David Christopher Quinn, Nancy Rinder, Ashley Brian Saxon, Thomas William Shannon, Michael Wayne Shubert, Laura Jean Spaldin, Gordon Charles Springle, Andreas Thiel, Adam Philip Thomas, Nancy Wille Thomson, Lynda Towbridge, Robert James Warrington, Lynda Catherine Whiffin, Antony Paul Jonathan Wright.

Grade 12
 Lianne Allison, Jennifer Arlic, Christine Auger, Sandra Bahr, Joseph Balkind, Deborah Beasiah, Catherine Beasiah, Carole Ann Blake, Rita Bottero, Loriel Buscher, Brian Canary, Cathryn Chalmers, Wendy Carroll, Gloria Cecconi, Richard Chapman, Jodi Clow, Danna Coats, Denise Coleman, Colleen Colton, Melanie Cooper, Ian Carson, Michael Creighton, Diane Creve-Blond, Victoria Curtis, Dawn De Vries, Tara Dreyndale, Diane Dilley, Leslie Dobisz, Naomi Donat, Lori Drysdale, Karen Elliott, Dayna George, Monika George, Carolyn Gibson, George Gidman, Jeanette Giesen, Lynn Gordon, Cheryl Greenly, Kenneth Hackley, Norman Harris, Kimberley Heaps, Michele Heard, Gerald Heyslek, Edward Holzman, Tammy Hunter, Jacqueline Jennings, Michele Jones, Sophia Jones, Helmut Kalin, Kenneth Kavanagh, Kelly Kennedy, Farid Khan, Karen Kilner, Carrie Kirton, Tammy Knott, Hesty Ann Koehler, Tracey Laing, David Lasby, Giovanni Lobbello, Christopher Lobinger, Glenn Lott, Terrance Lott, Tracey Marie Marlane, Gregory Malby, Guy Malby, Nancy Marchmont, Lisa Mason, Michael Mason, Steven Matheson, Joanne McArthur, Scott McDonough, Thomas McDonough, Lorner McGinn, Colleen McKnight, Jennifer McLean, Robbie McMullan, Kimberley McMullen, Deborah McQuade, Dell Mohammed, Laura Moore, Jill Morris, Caroline Mott, Ruth Muro, Roman Neubacher, Denise Newell, Peter Nieltispech, Paul Niklork, Blake Norton, Linda Paton, Albert Peterson, Mardele Phillips, Joel Pink, Annette Poot, Jacqueline Pries, Gregory Puncheon, Anna Querques, Laura Raine, Allison Reenie, Mae Robinson, Marlene Rocher, Nabila Saad, Christopher Sales, Sandra Schreiber, Joanna Scott, Michael Scott, Erik Seiz, Bruce Shannon, Thomas Shannon, Philip Shee, Amanda Silcock, Michael Smith, Paul Smith, Warren Somers, Paul South, Roy Spear, Kristin Spielveig, Marcus Spintler, Paul Stables, Christopher Stansbury, Nancy Thomas, Daniel Tremblay, Lisa Truani, Tony Van Dam, Wendy Van Dam, Shirley Van Rijk, Yvonne Van Den Akker, Karen Vandenbroucke, Matthew Wakelin, Mark Walker, Andrew Walton, Declan Weid, Gary White, Mark Wilkie, Susan Wilson, Lynne Winters, Donald Wong, Jean Wong, Deborah Wright, Peter Wright, Michael Yalowica, Joseph Zenga.



Some of the AHS graduation class award and scholarship winners: left to right, Gerald Heyslek, Dave Quinn, Sharon McBride and Louise McMahon. Absent when photos were taken at the banquet Friday night were: Nancy Allan, Tanya Mokrytzki, Brad Ottaway, Chris Sales, Joanna Scott, Lynda Whiffin, Edwin Ninabar, Andreas Thiel, Vickie Curtis, Jackie Jennings, Jean Wong and Roman Neubacher.



Mrs. Ormsby's grade two and three class wrapped up their studies on pioneers last week with a good old pioneer meal. Beef stew was on the menu and there wasn't so much as a scrap left after the children finished lunch. The children also travelled to Milton to visit the pioneer museum.



Valedictorian Paul Nolan speaks to the graduates.

Churchill Special service well attended

by Barb Crawford

Craig Rumble, our Pastoral Assistant officiated at a special Remembrance Day Service which was well attended. An orchestra with Vern Denny, Keith Barber and John Duennck accompanied our organist, Mrs. Marie Anderson, and the choir which included men from the congregation. The Last Post, followed by two minutes of silence, and then Reveille was played on the cornet by Mr. Duennck, and a solo "This Canada" was sung by Mr. Jack Denny.

The children were treated to a Hallowe'en Party after Sunday School on October 30. Various games were enjoyed and a lunch was served.

Archie Kerr has returned to La Pointe-Fisher Nursing Home in Guelph after surgery at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Wallace Swackhamer is home again after treatment and tests at Guelph General Hospital.

Congratulations to Lori and Bradley Swackhamer who both celebrate birthdays this week.

Acton principal makes her television debut

Betty Moore, principal of Acton High School, has made her television debut on the first part of a 17 segment T.V. Ontario educational program called Learn to Earn.

The program, which aired October 6, featured four members of the Ontario educational system discussing the effects of the radical changes being introduced to Ontario's schools, such as the eventual disappearance of grade 13.

Moderated by Gail Scott, the program also delved into the kinds of educational opportunities needed for students moving directly from a secondary school into the work place.

Moore, who is no stranger to the topics discussed on the program, has been involved with the regional and provincial educational system since 1968 and said she was probably recommended by the Ministry of Education to represent Ontario principals.

Moore started her teaching career at Oakville-Trafalgar as a teacher and worked her way up to department head and then vice-principal for two years and then four years ago she came to Acton as the school's first female principal.

Presently Moore is finishing her term as President of the Halton Educational Branch and is also holding the presidency of the Halton Secondary Principals' Association.

"I've been involved with regional education since I began my career," said Moore, "and as a representative of the principals' association I have a lot of background on the new system being implemented in the 1984 school year."

"I was invited to speak by the Ministry of



Betty Moore, Acton's high school principal, made her television debut last month on the first segment of a 17 part T.V. Ontario program called Learn to Earn.

Education at Hamilton Place two years ago when the proposals for the new system were just coming to light," said Moore. "Even more recently on November 3, I lectured to over 400 delegates in Toronto on the new guidelines and the effects they will have on the students and the teachers."

The program on which Moore appeared was geared more to adults and teaching staff, but the remainder of the series will be more applicable to students.

"The segment on which I appeared was initiated to get points of view from the different areas represented," commented Moore. Bill Lamby represented the Ministry of Education, Margaret Wilson represented Secondary School Teachers and Doug Lear represented Ontario Industries."

Rotary exchange meeting is November 16 at AHS

The Acton Rotary Club will be holding a meeting at Acton High School November 16 to receive applications from students and parents interested in participating in a foreign exchange program.

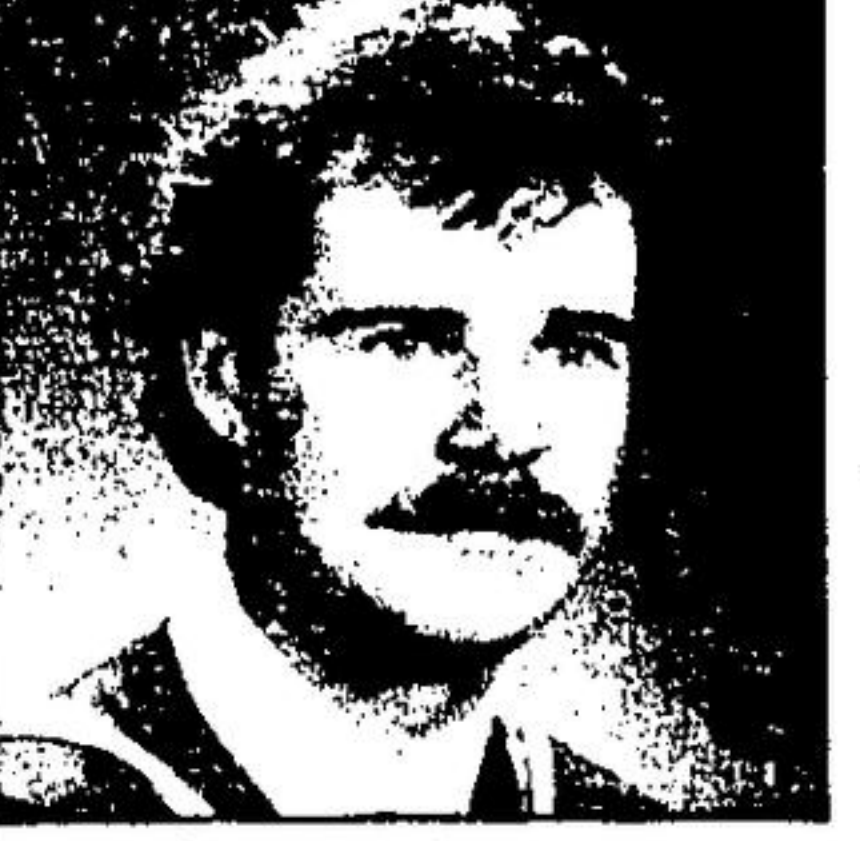
According to John Sykes, a spokesman for the Rotary, any students between the ages of 15 and 18 and who have better than average marks are eligible to participate.

The most recent area exchange student, Cheryl Greenly, is now attending classes in Brazil while her counterpart, Ronald Braga, attends classes in Acton.

The meeting, to be held at 7:30 p.m., will allow anyone interested to ask questions and obtain applications. As well as general information, two former exchange students, Allana Bowen, and Steven Sojka, will speak on their experiences in foreign countries.

All interested students are asked to hand in their applications as soon as possible as the Rotary must make their decision on next year's exchange students by December 1.

Families interested in hosting exchange students are also invited to attend the meeting.



Barry Andrew Joel Leslie, son of Mrs. Annie Leslie, Acton, Ontario, received his Bachelor of Technology degree in Industrial Engineering at the fall Convocation at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Toronto. He is a graduate of Erin District High School and is now working in Guelph.

Knox Ladies' Aid

by Laura Dennis

"God's Garden" was the verse used by Mrs. Harry Murray, president, as she opened the recent meeting of Knox Ladies' Aid. The devotions were taken by Mrs. G.S. Matthews reading the Scriptures and Mrs. W.J. McLeod leading in prayer.

The interesting Roll Call was answered by "It's a fact or did you know that...". A gift of two towel holders from a friend will be acknowledged. Mrs. H. Beasley and Mrs. B. MacPherson reported on articles purchased recently. Final preparations were made for the Home Baking Sale on October 29; we're also to cater to a large banquet on November 5.

Enjoyable readings "My Grandmother" written by a nine-year-old child, and "She had a friendly smile" were given by Mrs. W.J. McLeod. Mrs. B. MacPherson and Mrs. A. Near were the winners of a contest conducted by Mrs. G.S. Matthews. The Christmas Party of the Ladies' Aid are invited to attend at the home of Mrs. Murray on November 29 at 12:30 p.m. Mrs. W. Kennedy gave thanks to everyone who helped with the meeting.

Whole raft of charges

A 16-year-old former Acton male has been accused of being a busy thief after being arrested by Peel Regional Police on Tuesday, November 1.

The youth was stopped in a car reported stolen from Wellington County and was later charged with 10 counts of break, enter and theft in connection with burglaries in Halton Hills and Milton over the last two weeks. The residential burglaries resulted in the theft of \$15,000 in property, including video and stereo equipment, coins and jewellery. About \$7,000 in property was recovered by police.

The youth is also facing a charge of possession of stolen property in relation to break-ins in Caledon and Belfountain and the theft of another vehicle stolen in Sarnia. That vehicle was involved in a collision in Milton on October 27 when the driver fled the scene.

The list does not end there, however. The youth is also facing break-in charges from Guelph and Snelgrove OPP.



\$100 richer
 Rod Laver is \$100 richer after finding a balloon at Speyside School. The balloon, released from Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, was part of a contest that awarded the person releasing the balloon and the finder with the \$100 prize.

Parking permits for disabled

Permits will be issued to the handicapped to permit parking in their own designated spots.

The Town will recognize the provincially issued licence plates for the handicapped, so a permit from the Town will not be necessary for the holders of these plates.

Bylaw Enforcement Officer Jack Lusty explained the permit will be issued to the person, rather than the car. This will allow handicapped people, who do not drive, to use the permit on another vehicle. The permit will be inside the car either on the dashboard or on the sun visor, where it is visible from outside.

Lusty pointed out some handicapped people do not want the provincial plates identifying them as handicapped, so for them the Town permits will be necessary.

The Town will designate spots on Town-owned parking lots as spaces for the handicapped, and will choose places closest to walkways, or streets. In privately owned lots the Town will ask the cooperation of the owners. In most plazas this has already been done.

Penalties for ignoring the bylaw are not light. The fine is up to \$2,000.

More \$ from fines

The Town has raised more money from parking fines this year than they did last year, a report to council showed, Monday night.

Noting that fines were up \$12,000 over the budget estimate, Councillor John McDonald asked it was the result of increased parking fines.

King said that would be a part of it.

Later in the meeting Councillor Phil Carney said he had received complaints about the "over-sealous parking enforcement officer on Main Street." He noted several people said they were never coming downtown to shop again.

160 years of Nassagaweya worship

A large congregation met to observe 160 years of worship in the (former) Township of Nassagaweya. Worshipers first met in the home of William Trudgeon, a native of Oronwal. In 1823, a log chapel was built and a frame church in 1847. The present brick church, with much volunteer labor, was opened, debt free, on December 12, 1915. The first Sunday School was also held in Mr. Trudgeon's house in 1825. The Ladies' Aid was organized in 1860.

The Rev. Sam Wigston is the 52th minister to serve here. Art Diamond gave an interesting account of the dedicated work of many early residents. Among names mentioned were John Marshall, the Norrises, the Easterbrooks, after whom Brookville was named, the Darbys, the Wilsons, the Kitchings and many others.

Beryl Clegg led the junior choir. Jennifer McLean told the children's story.