## The Spirit Lives On. . . Writes, produces his own 104 page book

Georgetown teacher Mark Howe has achieved a long felt desire—to publish a book on Scouting, his premier interest aside from teaching and family. It's a coincidence the book appeared first during Scout and Guide Week but It's an appropriate one.

The unusual thing is that Mark not only wrote the book titled "The Spirit Lives On" but he actually produced it. Now he is helping to sell it.

Mark's a teacher at St. Francis of Assisi school in Georgetown, lives in Glen Williams with his wife Kelly and two children, and has written the book about the history of scouting in Acton.

He has been involved in Scouting since 1964 when he joined the Wolf Cubs in Acton. In 1967 he moved up to the Boy Scouts and became a Scout leader in 1971. He was with the 1st Acton until 1981 when be became scoutmaster of the 8th Georgetown.

Presently Mark is Assistant District Commissioner of Scouts and the book draws on many of the experiences he has had in Scouting. It has hundreds of names and many pictures tracing the story of Scouting in Acton up till the present time.

Mark started on the book in the fall of 1981 and devoted almost all his spare time to research and study into newspaper files and people in the movement. "I couldn't begin to count the number of hours involved," he grins. "I even wrote on a holiday to Jamaica last year."

The most difficult thing was not the writing and the research, he acknowledges, but the actual production. He typed the

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The suggestion was endorsed by Halton

Councillor Ross Knechtel asked if provin-

cial approval is necessary for the imposition

Clerk Administrator Ken Richardson,

said it could be covered under an agreement

with the owner. He emphasized the sur-

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Hills council, this week.

Endorse surcharge



Mark Rowe with his book.

written copy on an IBM typewriter, photocopied the pages, collated them and bound them with a plastic spiral binding.

His original aim was to finish last fall and have the book ready for Christmas but the volume of work and the amount of free time didn't allow it. Then he fell sick in November of last year and with an assist from his sister Jennifer and brother Robert the handicap turned into a blessing. They rented an IBM typewriter for him and he had the leisure time at home to finish typing the book.

The 104 page book has a run of 100 for the first edition. The number to come will depend on demand.

The book is available at the Book Nook in Acton or from Mark Rowe at 877-9510.

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Communications, in a letter to council said

they wanted to list the Casey Boss property,

at Lot 23 Concession 5 and the Duenk pro-

perty at Lot 25, Concession 5, as possible

aggregate sources for work on the QEW

Halton Hills council had no objection as

long as the usual conditions on pit operations

hours, haulage times, and haulage routes

from Etobicoke Creek to Mississauga.

only to licensed pits and quarries.

# Kub Kar champ from Limehouse

by Jean Layman

North Halton District Kub Kar Annual Rally was held last Saturday, February 18 at St. George's Anglican Church Hall, Georgetown for Cubs from Acton, Hornby, Scotch Block, Georgetown, Limehouse and Glen Williams.

Registration for 185 Cubs kept organizer A.C.M. Arch Hayden of 1st Georgetown on his toes the entire day. Leaders and parents from all groups were on hand to help where needed.

Evelyn Owen, kept her committee of Evelyn McCallum, Anne Lysey, Sheila Foster, Bill and Maureen Ingles busy in the kitchen at lunch time.

Glynn Owen showed films after the various heats and at break time.

The Grand Champion-first prize-went to Jay Lawrence of 1st Limehouse, second to Robert Eston of "A" pack 4th Georgetown, receiving 3rd prize for Greg McLeish of 4th Georgetown "B" pack was Andrew Elliott. Greg was out to play hockey at the time of the presentation.

Best Design of the mini models was won by Adrian Adshead of 1st Acton, Judge's Choice was won by John Fraser of 2nd Acton Trinity, and honourable mention to Geoff Patey of 2nd Georgetown and Chris Kirby of 4th Georgetown. Judges were Rev. Jim Boyles, Rev. Jeff Davison and D.C. Sandy Booth.

During the afternoon Chris Adams of 4th Georgetown "B" pack won the door prize of a digital clock, A.C.M. Arch Hayden making the draw.

Chief Scorers were Peter Frommel, Bob Pinkerton, and Theresa McLaughlin. Top scorers from each pack will participate in the Regional KUB KAR raily held at Oakville in March. Forty lucky Cubs will be notified from North Halton District in the near future for this event.

All leaders and their boys were reminded to attend Open House at Holy Cross School on Saturday, February 25 to catch the Scouting Spirit.

## \$635,000 considered for computers in '84

Against the better judgement of some of the trustees, Halton Board of Education members voted to accept a Computer Advisory Committee request that the allocation of \$635,000 be placed in the 1984 budget. The budget is currently under review and is expected to be passed in late March.

Milton trustee Ivan Armstrong was against spending of additional funds in elementary schools, \$268,000 of the requested money was for that level.

Committee member Gary Crossman pointed out in the first year of a five year plan, there are now 165 students for every one computer. With the additional funds, this would be lowered to one for 95.

Oakville trustee Len Croizer was concerned about the students' spelling, social interrelations, and penmanship. He was assured students would not be on the computers enough in one week to have any adverse effects. In fact, according to committee member George McCrae, with

spelling the learning process is speeded up because there is immediate feedback.

Pat Hillhouse, Oakville, warned trustees computers were 'here to stay." If Halton does not adopt the program, the computer revolution is not going to go away. Not since the British industrial revolution in the 1700s has there been such wide changes in business, she pointed out.

Acton trustee Arlene Bruce said she has seen computers motivate otherwise unmotivated students.

"I do not think there has been any other issue since I have been on the board that the public has supported the spending of funds for. We have the public behind us on the spending of money on computers."

Trustees, in the end, voted not only to put the elementary request in the budget, but also the secondary school, and administrative computer equipment request also.

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### Region **briefs**

Grant approved

Regional council approved a \$500 grant to a Burlington couple Wednesday as compensation for two sewer back-ups in their home in less than a year.

Brian and Pat Lower received \$250 for each flood caused when hockey sticks were dropped into the storm sewer near their home resulting in a back-up.

Because the sewer was regularly checked by the region, council admitted no liability in the case but offered the money in recognition of the Lower's double stroke of bad luck.

Milton Councillor Brad Clements was the only one to oppose the grant saying it went against regional policy and could have a serious impact on Halton's insurance coverage.

Previously the region offered relief grants only to homeowners who suffered property damage in a community disaster.

#### Under budget

Public construction projects always over budget? Not always.

Regional police in Burlington have a new district station and the balance sheet for the project indicates it will come in on the budget target, or slightly under.

A total of \$1.6-million was approved for the building and its computer system but \$1.57-million was spent on construction, design additions, consultants' fees and furnishings. Some expenditures have still to be accounted for, but the project is still expected to be on or under target.

#### Half-Back

Despite a generous Winterio offer to offer savings on the price of admission to the Halton Region Museum last summer and fall, few people bothered to take advantage of the offer.

Only 98 patrons used losing Wintario lottery tickets to pay up to half the cost of admission to the museum during the June-December program. Wintario conceived the scheme as a way of attracting people to local cultural centres.

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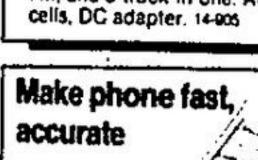
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