



It was time for reminiscing at the Beardmore Retirement Party, Thursday. Among those that enjoyed looking over some old photographs are Ed Thatcher, Fred Salt, Arlie White, Wes Beattie, Bob Cook, Alex Currie and George Barnes.



Fireworks Monday

Through the courtesy of Acton Firefighters Canada Day in Acton will again be celebrated with their annual fireworks display on Monday, July 2, at dusk, in Prospect Park.

The event is also supported by various service clubs and local business in past years but the firefighters have been disappointed in the amount of monetary support they have received to date. It may mean

they have to collect at the park unless donations increase.

The annual fireworks show has been a feature of Canada Day celebrations at the park now for several years. Each year it seems to get better.

This year the firefighters have purchased \$1700 in fireworks and the ideal location combined with reflections in Fairy Lake have provided an ideal ending to the Canada Day holiday.

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Industrial development held up

Air Cadets for Acton

Acton's first Air Cadet squadron will be set to begin their program in early September.

An enrolment and information meeting was held last Monday at the Acton Legion for the squadron which is open to boys and girls 13-18 years old.

Organizers are expecting 50 members by the start of September. The 20 Acton residents now members of Georgetown's squadron 756 are expected to transfer to the Acton branch to avoid the inconvenience of having to travel.

Registration is free; everything needed for the programs is supplied by the Canadian Armed Forces.

Included in the program are: basic principles of flight, leadership courses, scuba diving, sailing, rifle range practice, and summer camps teaching basic survival.

One child from each squadron is chosen each year for glider and flight training.

For additional information call: 856-9272 (commanding officer Jack Seeler).

Car skidded on shoulder

Paul Marsh, 21, of Mooretown, and a 21-year-old passenger escaped injury last Tuesday when Marsh attempted to pull over and stop on the shoulder of Highway 7 near county Road 27 in Eramosa and his car skidded and rolled over. Damage was estimated at \$3,000. Both were wearing their seat belts.

An 18-year-old Guelph man is charged with careless driving after he was unable to make a sharp left-hand turn on Indian Trail at the Eramosa River last Friday. His car hit a tree and then continued until it hit a construction trailer parked nearby. The driver suffered minor injuries, and his 18-year-old Limehouse passenger was also injured. Damage to the car was estimated at \$3,000.

Cox wins bid

Cox Construction Ltd. was awarded the Glenlea Subdivision Road Reconstruction (phase two) contract with a bid of \$142,014.86, the lowest of five tenders.

The 1984 budget allows \$172,000 for construction.



The Acton High School Outers Club Young Voyageurs canoe team is hoping that six weeks of training will give them the precision they need to claim first place in Ottawa this weekend. Members of the team include front to back, Jim Johnston, Dirk Schrader, Jeff Balkind, Cathy Johns, Steve Harkins, Steve Parker and Sandy Munro. Missing is Tom Kranendonk and Tom Steer.

Young voyageurs head for Ottawa

For some time now residents of Acton have been watching a group of local youngsters paddling a large fur trade canoe around Fairy Lake performing different manoeuvres.

The group are members of the Acton High School Outers Club and this weekend they will be strutting their stuff at the Young Voyageurs Cup canoe competition in Ottawa.

For three years the local high school has sent teams to the competition, finishing third and second against some of the top teams in Canada. This year, according to coach and teacher Dr. Paul Tamblyn the team has a good chance at winning it all.

"This will be the best team we've sent," admitted Tamblyn, "we've had better individual paddlers but this is the best team."

The team Tamblyn is referring to consists of nine students between grade 9

and 13. Jim Johnston, Dirk Schrader, Jeff Balkind, Cathy Johns, Steve Harkins, Steve Parker, Sandy Munro, Tom Kranendonk and Tom Steer will compete for Acton High.

The Voyageur competition is broken down into four categories. Points are awarded for the actual canoe race (30 points), manoeuvres (30 points) and for original costume and a skit (30 points). Ten points are awarded for team spirit.

In addition to the team of students that will compete, a team of Acton teachers will compete in the 'Open' division with a team of former Outers also taking in the competition.

The events will take place on the Ottawa River.

The local students are hoping that their one and a half hour practises four times a week will pay off with the 'Young Voyageurs Cup.'

Could have been in running for auto plants

A proposed 148 acre industrial development bordered by highway 25 and the Erin Town Line has waited four years for an industrial designation, and lawyer Hugh Bruce, Monday night, asked for rezoning now from Halton Hills Council.

Bruce said his clients Gibb Industrial Developments had done everything requested of them. He said there is enough water for individual wells and even an excess which could be supplied to the Region.

The lawyer said tests had shown no septic tank nor any water run-off problems. He said on site water storage combined with restrictive industrial uses and fireproof building materials, are part of the fire protection plan.

Bruce said the application had been held up first by the Acton Boundary Study, then the new Official Plan, and now the Regional Rural Industrial Study. "In normal events it should not have taken such a long time."

"We have had clients interested in the land, but in this economy it's hard to keep interested for any length of time," he commented.

Asked by Mayor Russ Miller if he had any committed industries, Bruce said he has had and has ongoing enquiries, but said without being able to give definite answers, no-one will commit themselves. He suggested with the industrial designation, Acton might have been in the running for two auto plants.

The mayor asked if he would go along with having a smaller amount of land zoned industrial.

Bruce said the company wants the entire 148 acres as industrial land. He pointed out there is an additional 50 acre parcel unsuitable for industry. He pointed out the acquisition of the railroad right-of-way is very expensive, so to make the plan economically feasible the entire parcel is necessary.

Bruce explained the company has approximately 48 shareholders who have invested a significant amount of their retirement money and hope they will receive a profit.

Councillor Mike Armstrong sympathized with the lawyer terming the company "a victim of circumstances." He explained the rural industrial study must take the overall view. He said he could not approve the application immediately since other landowners are seeking industrial designation in other areas. He suggested Bruce, regional staff and consultants Peter Barnard, who are conducting the rural industrial study, get together to discuss the proposal.

Whiting

Never on list

Halton was never considered for the Honda plant, Councillor Dave Whiting stated, at Halton Hills general committee meeting this week.

He said he had a letter backing up his statement that no part of Halton, including Halton Hills, was ever a prospect for the plant which has now decided to build near Alliston.

He was criticizing a headline in this newspaper which suggested Halton Hills "missed the boat."



Dr. David van der Bent was honored at Acton's 27th Citizen of the Year Saturday night at the curling club. Steve Dawkins, president of Acton Chamber of Commerce presented the popular physician with an engraved plaque from the Chamber. Other presentations came from the Province, the nation, Region and Town. See Page 6.

Inside this week



Peter Bray recalled friends and memories in his valedictory speech to McKeazle Smith graduates last Thursday. See Page 5.

14 Acton grads among 1,875 who graduated from Sheridan College this year. See Page 2.

Georgetown's new nursing home is being named after Ruth and Lottie Bennett, benefactors to many institutions in Halton Hills. See 2.