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Sweet Set

When making jams and jellies, do not alter the amount of sugar used in the recipe, says Food and Nutrition Specialist Monica Beaumont of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food's rural organizations and services branch. The sugar acts as a sweetener and preservative. It must be present in the right proportions for the jam or jelly to set.

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Household Hints

From Pauline McNeilly



Frozen foods and other perishables will stay cold if you put them in a picnic ice chest when you market. No harm done if you're late coming home from the store.

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Signs of neglect

Lack of volunteers hurting Acton 'Y'

By MARK HOLMES

If J.A. (Al) Murray had known what was to happen to the Acton YMCA 50 years after he bequeathed funds for its construction, he may have had second thoughts.

Crumbling plaster hangs from the walls, there aren't more than a handful of light bulbs left working and there is no money to make even basic repairs.

Compounding the problem is a desperate lack of volunteers.

The YMCA is an organization which applies Christian values to sports and recreation and without adequate finances and volunteers, Acton may lose yet another valuable part of the community.

Suzanne Ellis, program director at the Y, said there are only four board members left to run the Mill St. facility and the already limited number of volunteers is dwindling rapidly.

"We are looking for trained professionals to organize and run programs. If we have to hire people for the positions, the registration costs, which we are trying desperately to keep down, go up," explained Ellis.

At this point, the Y has hired enough people to run the programs listed in their fall brochure, but what the future holds looks pretty bleak, Ellis projected.

One of the biggest gaps left in the organization is in the "Mug" program which caters to youths wanting to play pool, basketball or just talk. The Mug coffee house is open Friday nights from 7.30 p.m., but without volunteers, the program will fold.

"And God only knows there's little enough for young people to do in Acton now," Ellis pointed out.

The Y also provides a weight training room and equipment, Ellis said, and many of the people who use the equipment have expressed interest in having a professional bodybuilder on hand for advice and training techniques.

Even the position held by Ellis was left vacant this year; she took over as director of the Y last month.

The board normally has 12 members elected to propose and initiate fund-raising schemes, start new programs and look after building management and registration. Eight more people are needed there.


Ellis also noted that the Acton Y has received a registered charity number so monetary donations can be written off on personal income tax.

Ellis said she thought the biggest reasons for the lack of volunteers are the economy, which forces people who would otherwise volunteer to go back to work, volunteer burn-out, because of the lack of manpower a few people are doing all the work, and the fact that a lot of former supporters have moved out of the area.

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Welsh choir Cor Y Seren to return here Oct. 19

So warm was its reception during its first visit to Acton that the popular Welsh choir Cor Y Seren will be based here for return engagements in Acton and Guelph next month.

Cor Y Seren, also known as the South Wales Burma Star Choir, will perform an evening concert at Acton's Knox Presbyterian Church Oct. 19.

The choir's 50 members will renew old acquaintances around town the next day, a Saturday, before heading for Guelph for another evening performance. They'll return to their Acton billets the same night.

Sunday morning will see the choir participate in regular service at Knox Church. After lunch, it's on to Willowdale.

Choir chairman Gerwyn Miles wrote to Renee and Tom Watson of Knox Church last week to confirm plans and gave every indication the choir members are looking forward to revisiting Acton and socializing with friends they made here.

Further details will be publicized as they become available.

Obituary

Kandi Lynne Graham

Kandi Lynne Graham, loving granddaughter of Charles Thompson of Acton, died Aug. 26 at 15 years of age.

Born in Guelph Jan. 29, 1969, Kandi Lynne attended Kenilworth and Arthur High School and resided in Kenilworth.

Miss Graham died suddenly in Mount Forest Hospital after a serious car accident.

She is survived by her parents Thomas and Carol Graham, her grandmother Mary Graham of Ireland, sisters Kelli Ann and Julia Lee and aunt Joan Thomson.

Also left to mourn are Mevin and Eleada, Douglas and Shirley, Don and Betty-Lou, Ed and Barb Wilson and Bill and Joyce Diamond.

Miss Graham belonged to the Catholic church. Funeral services were held at the Shoemaker Funeral Home Aug. 28 with Rev. Sam Wigston presiding.

Interment was at the Ebenezer Cemetery.

Obituary omissions

The obituary of William Major which appeared in last week's Free Press omitted several facts: Major, who died Aug. 16 in Guelph at age 87, was predeceased by his brother Robert. Mr. Major was born on Lot 12, Concession 5, but moved soon after to Lot 13, Concession 5. Among the flower bearers at his funeral was Reid Parkinson. The Free Press regrets the omissions.

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