

BEING BUSY WAS HOLIDAY FUN



Devin Baines (back to camera) works on his project while little Janice Barton (hand to mouth) concentrates, and Brenda Tost (right) discovers the camera at the Holiday Fun class which met each morning during the winter break holidays.



A few carefully selected pieces of macaroni and gold paint and this baby food jar becomes a little work of art.



Arts and crafts, games, sports, singing and a film each day made up the Holiday Fun program at Cedarvale. It involved over 30 children ages six to 10.

HRCA Budget Will Be Reduced If Grant Not Bigger

Halt Region Conservation Authority may have to revise its proposed 1973 budget if it cannot get a larger grant from the provincial ministry of natural resources.

The Authority has budgeted for a provincial grant of about \$157,000, but natural resources minister Leo Bernier has promised only \$142,048.

SO PROMPT
Bernier originally said only \$123,520 would be made available to the Authority in 1973. However, a Feb. 12 letter from the minister said the grant would be increased to the \$142,048 figure which represents a reduction of about \$7,000 from last year's grant.

TOLD DIFFERENT
According to Authority general manager Murray Stephen, the HRCA should be entitled to a grant of about \$157,000, which amounts to a three percent increase over last year's total.

Stephen says the province had told conservation authorities that three percent

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In Halton Forests

Claims Skimobiles Threat to Wildlife

Members of Halton County Administration Committee expressed concern about possible damage to vegetation and animal life in Halton County forests that could develop as a result of snowmobiles using trails.

Halton County Forests are operated by the Ministry of Natural Resources through an agreement with the county. Some of the members of the committee questioned the ministry's attitude about encouraging snowmobiling in the county forests.

SURPRISED
The ministry removed cables on the trails this winter to eliminate a possible hazard for snowmobilers. In a letter to the president of Carlisle Snowdrifters Club, District Forester John Halpenny indicated the trails were available for snowmobilers in general but not for any exclusive group.

Members of the administration committee questioned the policy of allowing snowmobiling at all. "We're trying to foster small trees and provide a home for animals. I was surprised hazards were removed for snowmobilers and I think we should encourage

snowmobilers to use a trail at Kelso. There is a very good trail there." Warden Anne MacArthur told the committee.

LAST CONTROL
At chairman Allan Masson's suggestion, the committee agreed to write the ministry and express concern about possible damage to small trees and animals. A meeting will be held with the ministry to discuss the matter.

Administrator Garfield Brown said he was afraid the county had lost control when they entered the management agreement with the ministry.

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Noreen Noble of Limehouse had help from some volunteer teens in operating the Holiday Fun classes sponsored by the Georgetown Y last week.

Opinions Conflict on Areas Taboo to Towers

The oncoming battle between environmentalists and farmers deepened today as Bruce Howlett Inc. in Toronto received the maps sent to north Chinguacousy for the people there to mark out the areas they felt the hydro corridor route from Nanticoke to Pickering should not go through.

The environmentalists filled out an area north-west of the township, mainly following the Credit River valley there, the escarpment and the Chinguacousy country club.

If that had been all, the

central sections of Chinguacousy, the prime farmland, would have seemed open to the hydro corridor.

LITTLE CLUSTER
But, following up their recent objections and petitions, the members from Peel County made it a point to fill out the maps too and had their own little cluster in central Chinguacousy, mainly the lots between Tullamore and Sandhill.

There was another small segment, north of Campbell's Cross and around this area. Somebody had marked in the golf course once again, the

Brampton Flying Club airfield, and estate development area in Cheltenham.

CEMETERY
A township spokesman commented, if one were to follow the indications on the two maps placed in Chinguacousy, then the only place left for the corridor would be through Brampton and Bramalea.

A solitary little marking near Victoria could also, be seen on one of the maps. The marker said in his note attached to the map that this was an old cemetery and he did not feel the hydro corridor should go through a cemetery.

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