

Limehouse school choir hits high note in festival

Ten public schools from the North Halton area took part in the North Halton Music Festival at the M.Z. Bennett School last Wednesday.

Four schools represented the Georgetown area - Wrigglesworth, Glen Williams, Stewarttown and Limehouse - in the day-long event. The 50 member, senior girls

festival choir of Stewarttown Senior Public School won their divisional trophy as did the Triple Trio representatives from that school.

The triple duet award went to M.Z. Bennett as part of the Grade Five and Six competition. The primary choir of M.Z. Bennett also won a first prize for their version of "The Caterpillar". "The Mango

Walk" also netted the hosting school a further first place trophy.

The junior choir of Robert Little School of Acton gained a first prize acclamation for their presentation of "Icelandic Lullaby" from adjudicator Elaine Mason of the North York Board of Education. The triple duet category and

the junior choir of Limehouse Public School, along with the primary choir, earned first prize recognition for their school.

The afternoon session was adjudicated by Karen Glenn. The boys' choir of Fairview school took home the first prize trophy for their efforts in singing "He is an Englishman."

The Halton festival has been a part of the Halton system since 1928 and has grown in popularity each year.



THE STEWARTTOWN FESTIVAL CHOIR took home the Kenneth R. Harrison trophy, plus a second place award for the Triple Trio division of competition, at the Halton Music Festival last week.



BARB TREVIRANUS accepts the Kenneth R. Harrison trophy from Bill Brush on behalf of the Stewarttown Festival Choir composed of senior girls from the school.

New chairman for Renaissance

The Halton Renaissance Committee is grappling with growing pains. This citizens' group which began with 25 members in March, 1974, and had grown to over 700 members in Halton within a year, has almost doubled its membership over the past couple of months in Halton, Ontario and across Canada.

In order to cope with the calls to help others in forming committees in other parts of the province, the executive of the HRC has constituted itself the steering committee for Renaissance Ontario, and has appointed founder Ken Campbell as chairman. In this capacity, Mr. Campbell will be able to concentrate the limited time he has available in assisting in the establishment of Renaissance throughout Ontario as well as in other parts of Canada. Campbell expects that there will be several committees established in Ontario shortly and that there could as well be several provincial organizations founded within a few months.

Oakville Councillor, Gord Reade, Renaissance treasurer has been appointed interim-chairman of the HRC until the annual membership meeting in the fall. In accepting the post, Reade noted that his first responsibility

beside his work at Ford, is as an Oakville councillor. "However," Reade noted, "Renaissance is a committee of concerned citizens who voluntarily contribute of their time and efforts as far as we are able. The priority in Ken Campbell's life is the inter-church preaching missions which his association organizes and he conducts throughout the country. He's doing what he can as a concerned parent and citizen in the time he has available and that's what all of us in Renaissance are doing."

Reade's appointment as chairman emphasizes the non-sectarian character of Renaissance which the organization has sought to stress from its inception. As Reade commented in his presentation of a brief to the board last week, "We've been branded as a bunch of religious fanatics simply because the chairman happens to be an evangelist. Had he been an accountant, would we have been branded as a bunch of book-keeping fanatics? We all share a common concern as taxpayers and as parents for the improvement of public education and the quest for a

good return from the system on our investments in the education of our children."

Betty Fisher, formerly the chairman of the Georgetown concerned parents group who joined Renaissance recently, has been appointed communications co-ordinator for the HRC. As such she will be responsible both to keep Renaissance members aware of what's developing in the Renaissance crusade, and to keep in contact with the board and the public on behalf of Renaissance.

Terra Cotta opens

The conservation area owned by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority will open for campers and picnickers on Friday May 16.

Gate fees at Terra Cotta, Belfountain and Monora Conservation Areas are \$2 per car for 1975. The charge at Meadowvale Conservation Area is \$1 per car. Family camping is available at Terra Cotta and Monora and will cost the same as in 1974, \$2.50 per unit per night. Reservations may be made for family or group sites at Terra Cotta.

A brochure containing a map of the watershed and outlining the facilities is available by contacting the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Meadowvale, Ontario.

Davis replies to council

The reply that wasn't. That's the way one member of Halton Hills council referred to a letter from Premier William Davis regarding the Chapel Street and Norval Public School issue.

The Premier was replying to a resolution passed in January by town council asking that all school properties paid for by the public prior to the establishment of the regional school system should, when they are no longer needed by the board of education be returned to the public.

Premier Davis replied that he would "ask the minister (Tom Wells, minister of education) to make further enquiries into this matter as soon as possible." Council "received and filed" the letter.

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Visiting orchestra entertains students

Who said education can't be fun? Grade Five and Six students from Josephs Gibbons Public School and Wrigglesworth Public School joined students from Park Public School for an afternoon of enlightening education and entertainment as the Norwood District High School band performed a musical concert.

Bob Simmons, music director of the 31-piece band, talked about the various instruments used. Each instrument was displayed and a short tune was played by one of the band members to show the pupils the sound made.

A Caribbean song titled "Calypso Bay" thrilled the audience as they clapped along with the music. Other pieces played included the theme song from M.A.S.H., "Instant Concert", which is a collection of 52 tunes; and a piece consisting of a combination of John Lennon and Paul McCartney tunes.

However, there was one song which resulted in applause before and after the performance. "The Sting", otherwise known as "The Entertainer" seemed to be a favorite of all. A standing ovation from the audience showed the great appreciation of such a magnificent concert.

Journalism 'Far out'

After studying the Georgetown Herald for two weeks 99 percent of the Grade Five class at Howard Wrigglesworth Public School want to enter the field of journalism.

Under the instruction of Mr. MacFarlane for the past two weeks, the Grade Five class examined 40 copies of the Herald which had been donated to the school.

Last Friday morning a short assembly was held in the auditorium so that the pupils could tell other students what they had learned. In the assembly the students were divided into various newspaper sections such as the family page, local news, sports news, etc. Then a spokesman for each section explained the duties and functions of the individual parts of the paper.

Here are a few comments made by some of the pupils expressing their opinions on both the Georgetown Herald and on the study itself.

DOUG TURNER: "It's far out. I think it was good for kids to learn about the newspaper."

CHRISTINE HALE: "I enjoyed doing it. It was fun."

VICKY CUNNINGHAM: "I learned about the different kinds of ads. I also learned

that people have to put ads in the paper because it's the advertisements which pay for the paper."

BRENT HAYES: "It was fun. I found out that the editor gets to do whatever he wants."

SOPHIE JONES: "I enjoyed doing it. I'll read the newspaper more often now."

PENNY PATTERSON: "It was interesting and educational. I learned all about sports."

As a result of the course journalism seems to be high on the list of possible careers for many of the Grade Five students.

Here are a few names to look for when reading your 1983 issue of the Georgetown Herald: Tim Laing covering the business section; Vicky Cunningham handling advertising; Isloy McClure or Troy Lowry drawing those controversial editorial cartoons; Mark Sproule, Carman Lorusso or Darrel Weir running up and down the football field covering sports;

Brenda Wieland, Donna Sedore, Andrew Taylor or Steven Sunnocks investigating the news around the world; Leanne Wild or Linda Edwards covering all local social events and last, but not least necessary that's what we're told Mark Delannoy or Brent Hayes as editors.

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