



THE BIG POPCORN and lemonade sale at Prospect Park was last Friday but Peggy Ancker, 8, (left) and Patti Miller, 11, were

busy the day before painting signs. The two are part of about 50 registered at the recreation department program in Acton.

Many activities at Terra Cotta

Terra Cotta Conservation Area has everything you yearn for after being cooped up in the office all day. Spread over 359 scenic acres are facilities for camping, fishing, hiking, swimming, boating and picnicking.

About 100 season passes for this popular summer retreat have been purchased this year, the majority by Halton residents.

"Terra Cotta is so convenient," said Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVCA) spokesman Joan Rollings. "People hit home after work, pack a picnic supper, and come out to Terra Cotta for a few hours."

University student Kirk Rimmer, gate attendant, observed, "Since school was out, we've had a lot of mothers bring their kids over to swim, and the older ones come on their bicycles."

Another summer CVCA employee, winter student, gate attendant Mark Cody estimated that at least 75 cars entered the park each weekday.

He said most visitors Monday through Thursday are local people, while many Torontonians and a few Americans patronize Terra Cotta Park weekends.

GATE STAFF

Rimmer explained that three Sundays ago the gate staff had to turn people away after 1 p.m. because the park was full. This means that 126 family campsites were occupied and about 1,000 picnickers were enjoying themselves.

"The pool was packed that day," remembered assistant head lifeguard Lisa Woods.

A focal point in the park, the unique, round, one acre pool can accommodate 500 bathers. Seven of the 12 lifeguards—all area students—man the pool when it is filled to capacity.

"We had two pull-outs this year, but nothing serious," reported Woods. "The kids are aware of our rules and respect them. No pets, food, chairs, shoes, or inflatable toys are allowed within pool limits, and everybody is supposed to shower before they swim."

The pool is open for use from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Woods said children sometimes eagerly wait outside the gate in the morning.

MORE THAN 100

"Last Tuesday for example," she said, "By 11 a.m. we had over 100 in the pool."

There's no beach, but sunbathers can use the cement bank or the lawn surrounding the pool.

Canoes are welcome to use the large, natural pond, which is stocked with rainbow and speckled trout to challenge anglers.

Part of the Bruce Trail weaves through the park, and another 1.2 miles nature trail provided for hikers.

There's something for everyone in the unspoiled wilderness of Terra Cotta Conservation Area, which makes it popular enough to create the problem of overcrowding.

For this reason, the CVCA advises campers to write to Terra Cotta Conservation Area, General Delivery, Terra Cotta, Ontario, to reserve a site. Otherwise, it's first come first serve.



A PUPPET helps Wendy Egerton read a story to children at Georgetown public library. Youngsters are welcome to Story Hour, featuring films, puppet shows, stories and games. Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. throughout the summer.

CVCA hires education officer

Working for Bell Canada for 36 years had its advantages, but being hired as education officer for the Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVCA) was "a dream come true" for George Roberts.

"The view here is such a fantastic contrast after looking out the window at the other side of University Avenue," said Roberts, a resident of Toronto who is looking for a house in Halton.

Although Roberts has spent most of his 55 years in the city, he is an outdoorsman at heart. As vice-president of the Bruce Trail Association (BTA), he has served on the Conservation Council of Ontario for the past two years.

A veteran hiker, he presented a report on trails and related problems to the council.

Owl, a children's conservation magazine, supported by the Federation of Ontario Naturalists and other conservation groups, recently appointed Roberts to their advisory board.

"Through my interests with the BTA, I got this job with the CVCA," he explained, adding that his experience with Bell Canada also qualified him as an education officer.

This is the type of thing I've always wanted."

Roberts spent his first week as CVCA education officer familiarizing himself with the function of the CVCA and the geographical territory it covers.

Planning the new interpretative centre at Orangeville Reservoir Conservation Area was the first project assigned to him.

groups on visits to conservation areas are not specialists. Many of them are even afraid to go out in the bush, or aren't sure what to point out to the kids."

3,500 CHILDREN

3,500 children visited conservation areas," he added, "and when they come, I want to make sure they learn something."

Roberts has had many ideas for expanding the CVCA education program since he undertook his new responsibilities July 5.

He would like to see guided tours established for campers at CVCA parks. At the present time, hikers are supplied with brochures, then are on their own.

During the winter, he wants to initiate a hiking program for snow-shoers.

"All activities will be a cooperative effort between Joan and I," he clarified.

Joan Rollings, formerly held two positions: CVCA education officer and information officer. Now that Roberts shares her workload, both departments can be expanded, they agreed.

"There's a great scope here in the beautiful Credit Valley for conservation education, and we can make it enjoyable for the children too," Roberts



concluded, "The only thing limiting us at all is the budget, but equipment and facilities don't have to be elaborate."

Waving his hand toward the window, Roberts said, "It's all out there."

Correction

In a story published last week in the Herald, the telephone number for Howard Denofsky, 451-1710 extension 277, is not the crisis line for Parent's Anonymous, he informed the Herald this week. The crisis line has yet to be installed but he expects it to be in operation by July 19.

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Heads will roll over signals delay

Mayor Tom Hill, angered at the delay in getting traffic signals at the entrance to the Gordon Alcott Arena, questioned the works committee Monday evening as to the delay.

"We asked the engineering department for lights at the arena entrance last fall," Mayor Hill said. "We're no damn further ahead today than we were then. I want to know why."

He threatened that "if the delay is in the engineering department, heads will roll."

Deputy engineer Ted Ballinger said part of the delay was due to the plaza owners, ICI Realty, who had balked at paying consultant's fees for the design of a new entrance.

Mayor Tom Hill said he was surprised that a consulting firm had to be hired for the design of an entrance.

Mike Armstrong, works committee chairman, pointed out that in this case Cliphsham Moreton Ltd. were consultants for the design of the traffic lights and also were consultants for the plaza.

Ballinger said he had that day (Monday) received a letter from Cliphsham Moreton Ltd. saying the ICI Realty had agreed to pay design fees and construction costs but had refused to pay for sidewalks, curbs, gutters, storm sewers and ditches on the town's road allowance.

Ballinger said the town engineer approached ICI Realty "about three weeks ago" to suggest that Cliphsham Moreton design the plaza's new entrance.

"Two Fridays ago," Ballinger went on, ICI Realty came without an appointment to meet Robert Austin, the town engineer, waited two hours

Storybook hour keeps children interested

It's difficult enough to keep one toddler occupied, yet Wendy Egerton manages to hold the attention of 20 three-to-five-year-olds during storyhour at the Georgetown library.

Working in the children's division of the library two years, taught Wendy how to capture the interest of youngsters with low concentration levels.

She plans a diversified program so the children won't get bored and restless.

To calm youngsters down, story hour usually begins with a film borrowed from the regional library board. Animated and nature shows are featured.

A collection of taped educational television shows, Polka Dot Door for example, have been purchased recently

by the library.

Even more popular with the children than movies are puppets, said Wendy.

PUPPETS

"The puppets are everybody's favourite—maybe because they are small like kids," she explained. "They know the puppet is on my hand, and they can see my lips move when the puppet speaks, but it's still really to them. When a rabbit or a bear (puppet) talks, the kids

The library staff are busy making more puppets from styrofoam balls and papermache. Using scripts supplied by the board or written themselves, they stage puppet shows using a homemade curtained theatre.

When reading books to the children, Wendy uses a puppet as a prop, to turn pages and act out parts of the story. She always chooses books with large, colorful illustrations too, so the youngsters have something to watch while they listen. This keeps them interested.

Throughout a story, Wendy asks the children questions about the plot, to make sure they are following the sequence of events. If they don't understand they become

bored.

The children usually become engrossed in the story and offer to answer questions by raising their hands.

Wendy uses the same format when weaving tales with the aid of a felt board. She is the narrator; the felt figures become the character in the book.

"The kids are fascinated," she observed, "they like action."

Wendy varies the program every week to prevent monotony. Sometimes, the children color, sing or play games in between the regular activities.

At the end of every story hour, the youngsters browse through books together and choose ones to take home.

"This is a fun way to introduce books to the kids, and get them interested," Wendy commented. "If pre-schoolers are familiarized with the library and learn to enjoy books, it won't be such a shock for them to learn to read when they get to school."

Storyhour turns Georgetown Library into an educational playground for three-to-five-year-olds from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays. Registration for summer sessions is not necessary.

TENDER POLICY REMAINS TIGHT

One local businessman learned to his surprise that it doesn't matter if his watch is out. Council, despite pleas of sympathy and circumstances, refused to deviate from its tendering policy to allow the bid to be entertained.

Coun. Harry Levy brought the issue before council when he explained the circumstances surrounding a tender bid which was delivered "to the purchasing agent at 12 or shortly after, but before 12 by his clock."

The identity of the businessman and the tender were not revealed.

"If a person had a tender in the hand of an official at Main Street before 12, all he had to do is dial a phone," Mayor Tom Hill said. "If it was in before 12, it would have been accepted."

"That gentleman walked in here and it was after 12 because I was sitting right there

opening bids when he came," the mayor said.

Coun. Levy, who described the businessman as "the first person to pick up tender application and the first to bring them back," said the man had a morning appointment in Toronto and was involved in a car accident on his return trip.

Council members remained united in their efforts to prevent a precedent and acknowledged Mayor Hill's remark that the tender bid would most likely have been completed prior to the morning of the closing and could have been delivered earlier.

Coun. Roy Booth told council he had heard three conflicting stories on the incident, but agreed with the staff explanation which showed the purchasing agent closed tenders at noon, left the Main Street office for the administration building on Seventh Line about "three or four minutes after noon and drove up the administration buildings."

Eleven army cadets of the 676 Lorne Scots Army Cadet Corps left Georgetown Friday morning for summer camp at Camp Ipperwash, near Grand Bend.

There they will join about 2,000 army cadets from across Ontario and participate in physical education, range activities, drill and the study of service subjects such as map reading and military history.

There are three categories of cadets at the camp—cadet leader instructors, who will learn instruction techniques and teaching duties, cadet leaders and junior cadets.

The junior cadets will attend camp for two weeks. They are Cadets Cathy Carter, Peter Farkas, William Thibodeau and John Iannuzzi.

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Close to 10,000 cadets from over 400 cadet corps will be attending summer camps across Canada this year. The camps are at Gagetown, N.B., Valcartier, and Baguville, Quebec, Camp Borden and Ipperwash, Ontario, Vernon, B.C., and Whitehorse, Yukon Territories.

Guy Ryan wins barbecue

The winner of a gas barbecue offered by Union Gas during Pioneer Days in Georgetown is Guy Ryan, 167 Hexway Dr.

Film days at library

Georgetown Library has the solution for keeping small children active and happy on rainy summer afternoons.

On days when inclement weather prevent youngsters from playing outside, films are shown in the children's section of the library.

A variety of movies, ranging from cartoons to nature and adventure films are shown. That way, there's something to interest children of all ages.

Weather permitting, the shows begin at 2:30 p.m. There is no charge.

\$679,000 permits in June

Halton Hills issued 79 building permits in June totalling more than \$679,000 value.

Town officials collected \$2,401 in fees for the issuing of the building permits.

Included in the total are permits for single-family dwellings, both private dwellings and under plan subdivisions, other residential buildings renovations, additions and installation of swimming pools.

Eight private dwellings were approved while only four dwellings being constructed under plan of subdivision had permits issued, the building department announced.

Thirty-one swimming pools valued at \$103,645 were approved.

Two commercial permits were issued but no industrial permits were applied for in the month.

Two fences, two signs and five other general permits were issued.

In the year to date, 318 permits valued at \$9,725,330 have been issued.

Radio club assists air show

The Halton Hills Radio Club provided ground control communication at the seventh annual air show of the Brampton Flying Club in Victoria, Sunday.

Using their own Citizen Band radio equipment, eight members of the club provided parking control and were ready to dispatch aid.

It was the second time the club has volunteered to assist communications at the air show.

Club members who were present at the air show are: Ted Massena who operated the base station, Reg Henolt, Ted Middleton, Donna Massena, Fred Brunz, John Ackroyd, Charles Valantine and Mike MacDonald who all were operating mobile stations.

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STEP RIGHT UP FOLKS, and try your skill in the pluck of Dianne Melton, 11, at a Maucular Dystrophy Carnival Thursday that raised \$15,72. Besides a ball throw, the carnival offered fortune telling, lawn bowling, a treasure hunt, book sale, draws and refreshments.