



UP ON THE CLIFFS at Limehouse are 25 summer Credit Valley Conservation Authority Experience '76 employees. Work crew supervisor Ron Gilmer (far right, sitting) said

the purpose of the hike was to familiarize them with their environment. Exploring Limehouse was their second field trip; the first was to the new metro zoo.

## CVCA seeks volunteer guides for hiking and nature programs

Soliciting volunteers to train as hike guides is the Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVCA) education officer's solution to overcoming manpower and budget shortages.

This was one of many long- and short-range plans presented by George Roberts to a special CVCA Education and Information Advisory Board meeting Thursday.

All proposals were approved for submission to the CVCA. Roberts proposed the establishment of a roster which includes university students, members of outdoors clubs and environmental groups, parents and elementary school teachers to be trained by the CVCA as hike guides.

Instruction could be given to teachers on professional development days while parents could be contacted through parent-teacher

association (PTA) meetings, Roberts said.

Already he knows students involved in the CVCA summer employment program Experience '76 willing to participate.

Being a long-time member of the Bruce Trail Association, Roberts has contacts he believes will be interested in serving as hike leaders.

**PROPER RATIO**  
He voiced concern about improper supervision of children on wilderness excursions. He said the ideal ratio of children to adults is 10 to one.

"It's not fair for an elementary school teacher, for example, to be responsible for keeping track of 30 kids out in the bush," he said.

Employing specialists as outdoors instructors is one of his long range goals. Segregating public trails and those used for educational

hikes by groups was another of his ideas.

CVCA Experience '76 summer employees have already started routing new trails for this sole purpose "in places where the average person cannot find them so they will remain unspoiled," Roberts said.

He favors strongly preservation of points of interest to ensure student field trips are educational as well as recreational experiences.

Expansion of the present CVCA program is to include more winter activities such as cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and winter hiking.

**SUGARING-OFF**  
For the spring, Roberts plans a maple-sugaring seminar featuring slides or movies, lectures and a trip through the CVCA sugar bush in Orangeville.

He hopes the almost completed interpretative centre there, housing naturalist displays and audio-visual

equipment, will be well-patronized.

To attract more families and school groups to CVCA facilities, Roberts intends to visit schools and parent-teacher association meetings to inform people about what is available.

This will compliment proposed promotional letters, to generate more interest in CVCA programs.

Long range plans include the possibility of a summer camp for children at Orangeville.

"First under canvas," Roberts suggested, "then one day maybe a residential building could be built near the interpretative centre."

A wide range of outdoor activities and environmental studies could be featured, he added.

In summary, Roberts said: "Optimum use of CVCA educational facilities should be made by having new programs all year around."

## YMCA CAMP YIELDS TO DEVELOPMENT

The Toronto YM-YWCA surrendered to the force which ruined their Norval camp - urbanization - by selling out to a developer. Y president Henry Labatt said the camp atmosphere was spoiled by "backyards on one side and a busy highway on the other."

Assistant town planner Ron Burnett said much of the surrounding property is owned by developers.

For the past few years, Labatt said camp registration has decreased resulting in financial loss.

Alex Owen, vice-president and director of program development, said financially the camp did not warrant an outlay for necessary maintenance. Some of the buildings are "deteriorated" and the pool had to be closed because of a dangerous crack, he said.

The 62-acre camp was more successful in its early years of operation - the 1920's - "when forty miles out of Toronto was a long way to travel", Labatt said.

Dunchurch Developments of Oakawa have applied to change the zoning of their newly-acquired property from rural with open space to residential with open space, said Burnett. This means an amendment to the official plan of the former Township of Esqueping.

Burnett described the 33 acres being left by the developers for parkland as sloping, densely-treed, "hazard" land unsuitable for construction.

Burnett predicted Dunchurch Developments would construct townhouses, single family homes or a combination of both.

## Region approves four town crosswalks

Four out of seven pedestrian crossings requested by the town for Georgetown have been approved by Halton Region, the works committee learned Monday.

Halton region approved pedestrian crossovers at Rexway Drive opposite Harrison public school, Guelph Street opposite Howard Wrigglesworth school, Main Street North on the north side of Moore Park Crescent and Weber Drive on the north side of Duncan Drive.

Crossovers requested by the town at Maple Avenue and Delrex Boulevard, Mountview Road North and the

north side of King Street and Mountainview Road South and the south side of Sinclair Avenue were not approved, because the region has jurisdiction on connecting links.

Coun. Dick Howitt said Halton Hills request "created a stir" at the regional council as councillors from other municipalities wondered how the town could bring in crosswalks without the expense of consulting engineers as is the practice in those other municipalities.

As the cost of the crossovers is included in the budget, tenders for the construction of the overhead illuminated signs, road markings and advance warning signs will be called.

## Petunias galore

Halton Hills will look bright and cheery following the planting of all 16,000 petunias purchased this year.

Finance committee Monday learned that more than \$900 had been spent on the flowers as part of the parks and town property improvement program. Coun. Harry Levy attached the 16,000 figure to the purchase.



THE BUBBLE GUM CHAMP, John Wheeler, 11, blows his stuff Friday at Joseph Gibbons School where the recreation department has a playground program. Trying to keep up in the background is John's 11-year-old sister,

Stephanie. Stephanie and John (below) compete to see who can blow the biggest bubble at the recreation department's program at Joseph Gibbons School, Friday. John won hands down.



## Area crimes solved tops region again

The crime solve rate of Halton Police in District One serving Halton Hills and urban Milton dipped during June but remains better than the regional average.

District One police achieved a solve rate of 51 per cent in June, down from the 55 per cent of May, but better than the regional average of 47.6 per cent.

The regional statistics were released Thursday by the Halton police commission.

Superintendent Floyd Schwantz said of a total of 331 mown or reported incidents

for the month in the District, 32 per cent were cleared by charges and 19 per cent cleared by other means. A total of 119 persons were apprehended, eight of them juveniles, the superintendent said.

There were 125 cases of theft and related crimes including frauds, possession of stolen goods, car thefts, break and enters and robbery, Schwantz said.

Liquor offences totalled 37 and drug offences seven, he said.

There were 18 cases of assault including one charge of wounding and four of possession of dangerous weapons.

Infractions of other criminal code offences totalled 88, municipal bylaws 35, and provincial statutes 10, the superintendent said.

Schwantz noted that the number of juveniles charged with crimes so far this year, compared to the same period last year in the region is down. He took it as a sign that the police program is working well, he said.

## TOWN REQUIRES OWNERS' PERMISSION

Before the works department can trim bushes at the corner of Guelph Street and Queen Street in order to improve the view of drivers on Queen Street, permission must be granted by the homeowners because the bushes are on private property, town engineer Robert Austin told the works committee Monday.

On two occasions when works crews went to the homes, the residents were out, Austin said.

He added that the problem exists only during the summer when leaves are on the bushes and trees.

The situation had been brought to the attention of the works committee by Councillor Roy Booth.



ENRICO CARUSO

## Fruit merchant retires

After 25 years of operating a Georgetown produce market, Enrico Caruso is giving up fruits and vegetables for car parts.

Friday or Saturday this week he's closing his Main Street store; next Monday he starts a new job with an automotive parts distributing centre in Brampton.

"I'm trading a 70 hour-a-week job for a 40 hour-a-week job," said Caruso.

"I'm not getting any younger," he added, "and I need more time to myself."

"Money is not the big thing - it's the working hours."

For the first time in Caruso's life he'll have Saturdays off on a regular basis. Before he started his own business, Caruso helped operated his father's Brampton market.

Looking forward to more spare time, he will continue his involvement in the lacrosse club, tend his flower garden and "just relax."

Caruso said he has not made any arrangements yet to either sell or rent his downtown store.

## Air conditioner for recreation office

Before scorching summer days become winter memories, Halton Hills recreation and parks department employees may be granted the luxury of air-conditioning.

General administration committee (GAC) Monday approved the proposed purchase of a ventilation and exhaust system for recreation offices located in Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena Complex, Georgetown.

"Tonight, for example," he continued, "at 25 to 35 it was refreshing outside compared to what it was like in the office."

Sheehan suggested the acceptance of a \$1,800 quote by Vardalin Electric Company Ltd. Two other tenders were received.

He added duct work could be extended for the installation of three facilities in the hall, if a future decision was made to undertake such a project.

He said there's ample money in the budget for this purpose. Upon approval by council, the ventilation system will be installed.



HOPE HULME, 10, throws the last dart at a balloon board Thursday to end a muscular dystrophy carnival which raised \$11.04. Miss Hulme, who organized the event at 75 King St.

is watched by friends: Clown Shelley Bralaby, 9, Lisa, 4, and Bill's Bralaby, 2; Darrell Weir, 12, Ross McFadden, 12, and Scott Mohun, 10.

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