

Picked up in passing

Club raises \$3,783

The Georgetown Kinsmen and Kinette Club donated \$3,783.81 as their share of the 167 Kinsmen and Kinette District 1 clubs that presented a cheque totalling \$111,738.18 to the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The cheque was presented to Kevin and Andrea Taylor of Toronto, who both have cystic fibrosis, and are members of District 1 Kinsmen and Kinettes. The presentation was made at the spring convention in Niagara Falls. This year's goal was \$100,000. The Clubs have supported cystic fibrosis since 1971 and have presented close to \$250,000.

Lecture series starts

As the official closing day of public schools draws closer, play days, and graduation ceremonies have been arranged by the schools. In all schools throughout Halton Hills, groups will be travelling to different cities and several classes are going on camping trips. The week following school closing teachers will be involved in teacher professional days, working out problems for classes in September. The final day for classes is June 24.

Three win medals

Sylvia Lee and Patricia Burns both of Georgetown, and Raymond Cole from Acton, will be awarded the Board of Governor's Silver Medal for outstanding academic achievement during convocation ceremonies at Sheridan College June 9 and 10. Patricia Burns is graduating from electronic engineering technology. Sylvia Lee graduates from crafts and design.

Final classes June 24

A June celebration of the Barber family will be held with lectures June 16 and 23 at Howard Wrigglesworth public school; a walking tour near the old papermill and dynamo on June 19 and a plaque unveiling June 26 commemorating the development of local hydro power at 99 Driver Drive. The Barber family has made valuable contributions to the paper industry, and was the first company to use hydro-electricity to drive the wheels of a Canadian factory.

Guide earns award

Elaine Fenton, of Sixth Guide Company was awarded the second highest award in guides, the all round cord at the mother and daughter banquet Monday in St. Andrew's Church. Commissioner of Georgetown East, Pat Bartkowiak and Captain Dianne Penrice presented Elaine with the cord.

Rail presentation

Ontario Rail Association made a slide presentation to council Monday seeking support for its \$2 million project to improve a seven mile section of Canadian National Railway track between Glen Williams and Cheltenham. President Marvin Mooney said his group is preparing to speak with landowners along the rail right-of-way. Efforts will be made to mend or replace existing fences along the track. He explained that under the lease arrangement with CNR, the Ontario Rail is responsible to provide the same level of service and maintenance to the trackage as the Crown corporation.

Parking study

Council is seeking a completed study of off-street parking needs in Acton. Council learned the study will deal with over all parking needs and not specifically with the purchase of the Hotchen's Bakery property on Willow Street approved Monday.

New appointment

J.A. (Sandy) MacKenzie has been named to replace Bob Gougeon as a member of the Halton Hills parking authority. He was the only applicant for the position.

Library meet set

Council, library board and a delegation of interested citizens will meet either June 15 or 21 to discuss the selection of a site for the proposed new library facility. The date of the meeting has been set following the presentation last month of a petition urging the site selection in Cedarvale Park be reconsidered.

Acton group named

Dr. George Elliott, Louis Charlebois, Alice Duby R.J. Davidson, Betty Eastwood, Yvonne Rosequist, Fred Allan Jr. and Douglas Fread have been named to the Acton restoration committee involved in the study of the former Acton townhall. With the exception of Mrs. Duby and Mrs. Eastwood, all members sit on a sub-committee to meet with council.

\$5,000 fire damage

Firefighters worked hard to put out a fire started in the barn at George DeKlerck's farm on Seventh Line, one mile north of Silver creek Monday night. Working steadily, the firefighters managed to save the barn, and also saved farm equipment. Estimated damage to the barn is \$5,000 and the cause of the fire is under investigation fire prevention officer Larry Brassard said on Tuesday.

Lay off at Twin Cee

Thirty-three employees of TwinCee Ltd are on a one week lay-off until Friday and "will probably face more down time, later this year," Buzz Hargrove, spokesman for the United Auto Workers said last week. The plant will have four employees working in the stipling and stock departments during the lay-off. Twin Cee manufactures paper dispensers, ashtrays and garbage containers widely used in the hotel industry. Meanwhile, Mr. Hargrove stated at a press conference Friday that he expects a further lay-off at Smith and Stone later this summer. He said the plant has already had a two week lay-off with several employees still on indefinite lay-off. Both plants are represented by the United Auto Workers.

\$10,000 Wintario winner

There indeed was a winner in Georgetown when Wintario came to town for its bonus draw May 26. Mary Zorpi won \$10,000 when her bonus number was drawn during the event held to mark the re-opening of the Georgetown Memorial Arena. She plans to share her prize with her husband Jim and their three children.

Street closing

Council had approved the closing of Mill Street, Acton between Fellow and Willow Streets and Willow Street from Mill to Bower Street Thursday Friday and Saturday June 30, July 1 and July 2 for "Back to Acton Days" sponsored by the Acton Business Association. The closings will take effect from noon to 9 p.m. Thursday; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

SCOTT PAPER STUDIES PLANT

Firm denies sale imminent

Scott Paper Ltd. has been revealed as the firm planning to buy the vacant Domtar plant in Georgetown but company officials have denied the sale is imminent as Mayor Tom Hill indicated last week. "We have no definite plans for a major expansion at this time," Bernard Goulet, vice-president and general manager of eastern manufacturing told The Herald in a telephone interview from Montreal Monday. "Nor have we considered any form of phasing out of our present facilities." Scott Paper Ltd. has plants in Crabtree, Quebec and in British Columbia. Mr. Goulet said the firm is examining several locations throughout Canada for possible expansion. "As regards Georgetown specifically, the service of a consulting engineering firm has been retained to carry out a feasibility study in order to determine whether this site fits in to the future plans of the company."

"This report has not been completed to date and when received, will have to be evaluated along with similar studies on other locations," Mr. Goulet said. Mayor Tom Hill announced at a press conference May 31 at the George Gray, campaign headquarters that another paper company, which he declined to name, would be purchasing the Domtar plant. The firm was reported prepared to install four paper

machines and employ a maximum of 850 within five years. The mayor said the company would spend \$35 million to put the plant in shape said both candidates. Mr. Gray, and Progressive Conservative, Julian Reed, incumbent Liberal candidate were aware of the negotiations but pledged to secrecy. After making his announcement at Mr. Gray's headquarters, Mr. Hill made a similar statement at Mr. Reed's campaign headquarters. In an interview Monday with The Herald, Mr. Gray said he had no knowledge of what the mayor was going to say at the May 31 press conference. He said he had invited the mayor to the press conference so that the mayor could hear of

two industries Mr. Gray was negotiating to bring to town. Mr. Gray said the mayor's announcement has hurt his campaign and led to the New Democratic Party putting out a flyer accusing Mr. Gray of building up false hopes of the unemployed in the area. "I wish I hadn't had him there," Mr. Gray said. The first announcement of the possible jobs at the Domtar plant came May 16 when Mr. Gray announced at a Rotary Club Dinner a total of about 1,600 jobs to come to Halton Hills and Milton. At the time, Mr. Gray said the deal was complete but for the actual sale of the plant. Mr. Goulet said that when the feasibility study is complete, he will come to Georgetown to make an announcement on the results of



Donald Griggs, 45, a Centennial middle school teacher, receives a priority vote of thanks from Lieut.-Gov. Pauline McGibbons on behalf of St. John Ambulance at a ceremony in Toronto Saturday. He received it for rendered valuable assistance to the Order through his setting up on a popular first aid course at his school for both students and teachers. —photo by Herald Toronto Bureau

THREE RESIDENTS HONORED FOR FIRST AID WORK

TORONTO—Three Georgetown residents were honored by the Order of St. John at a special ceremony at St. Paul's Anglican Church here Saturday. The ancient ceremony, which dates back to the Crusades, was presided over by Lieut.-Gov. Pauline McGibbons. She represented Queen Elizabeth who is Sovereign Head of The Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, which is better known as St. John Ambulance.

Richard Kunica was invested as an officer of the order, while Donald Griggs and Donna Massena received the priority vote of thanks.

Reaction is mixed

Contradictory statements about the purchase of the vacant Domtar plant and subsequent provision of 850 jobs in Georgetown has met with a mixed reaction from some town councillors. And the issue is one that may have a serious effect on the election campaign of Progressive Conservative candidate George Gray. On May 16 at a Rotary Club dinner, Mr. Gray announced that about 850 jobs were only

weeks away and that negotiations for the sale of the plant were almost complete. But he declined to name the firm, a normal practise in such proceedings. Early in April, Domtar had laid off the last of 176 workers and closed the plant. Then Mayor Hill, in a press conference at Mr. Gray's campaign headquarters May 31, told reporters that a recommendation to purchase the plant was being made

Labor council committee set to help unemployed

Brampton and District Labor Council is seeking to help the unemployed help themselves. The council announced Friday formation of a full employment committee to work with area unemployed people to overcome problems they face seeking jobs or retaining benefits from the federal government. Spokesman Buzz Hargrove told a press conference that 5,903 registered unemployed in Brampton-Bramalea and Georgetown is a conservative figure. "We estimate there's at least another 50 per cent who do not file for benefits."

CANDIDATES' MEETING Jobs, not unity main local issue

By GEORGE EVASHUK Herald staff writer Jobs and not leadership or national unity emerged as the key election issue at an all candidates meeting Monday in Georgetown. Candidates Julian Reed, Liberal; George Gray, Progressive Conservative and Bill Johnson, New Democratic Party, faced over 500 persons packed in the Georgetown and district high school. The lively crowd hissed, cheered, applauded, booed or derided each candidate in turn during the lengthy question period. Almost one-third of the 21 questions put to the candidates concerned jobs. The first question, put to Bill Johnson was from James Taylor of Glen Williams who asked if the NDP position on raising the minimum wage in Ontario to \$4 per hour would increase inflation. Mr. Johnson denied that the idea was original with the NDP. It came from Senator David Croll who came up with a formula that by 1978, the minimum wage should be 60 per cent of the average industrial wage, Mr. Johnson explained, and the NDP came up with a figure of \$4 per hour on that basis. Corporation income tax since 1950 has not risen equally with personal income tax, Mr. Johnson said. The \$300 million tax break the corporations have had since then has been used to get automated equipment rather than make jobs, he said. Employment is created by creating small businesses, he said. Mr. Reed said the Liberal party is opposed to a \$4 per hour minimum wage while there was such serious unemployment. "We don't oppose freezing the minimum wage forever, but we feel Ontario's economy cannot stand an increase which would compound the problem."



At Halton Hills first recognition and honor awards evening, wrestler John Pendergast (left) with Jaycettes Fiona Thibideau and Bev Daquano and Olympic wrestler Clive Llewellyn enjoy a moment of camaraderie.

Town recognizes merit

There is more to winning than coming first, a professor of physical education told the first Halton Hills recognition and honor awards evening. Speaking to an audience at Gordon Alcott arena that contained about 20 persons who had come first in their particular endeavor, Dr. Stuart Robbins, a professor at York University and member of the recreation advisory board for Wards 3 and 4, said that we can forget the pleasure and enjoyment that comes in competitive activity. And even in the mere striving for some goal, a person can gain dedication and singleness of mind to get success, Dr. Robbins said. A lot needs giving up but the giving up is a worthwhile act, he added. He said devotion to practice is a necessary item of the time, practice is not the easiest and best thing to do. However, practice "makes champions," he said. "Without it you can't win." "Winners aren't made by just sitting and hoping but by getting out there and striving for that goal," he said.

Competition provides friendship for teammates and foes alike and brings respect, he said. In a team game, the sense of unity that comes as a common goal is strived for, "is indeed a meaningful experience that lasts longer than the adulation of the fans." He said that overcoming the desire at times to quit leads to control of the emotions, which also lasts for a long time. Besides the physical benefits achieved in a sporting activity, pleasure is achieved before, during and after the actual competition. "We can be a better person for going out and trying." Mayor Tom Hill and Coun. Roy Booth presented about 20 certificates and badges to those of the total 38 honored who were present. Receiving the awards were: Nancy Wong as the 1976 Ontario Basketball Free Throw Champion for 11 year-old girls; Mike Dixon as the 1976 Ontario Juvenile Cross Country Champion and as the 1976 Two-Mile Inaugur OFSSA Champion; Robert Marchand and Raymond Inglis as members of the 1976 Ontario Men's Intermediate OSAS "AA" Championship team; Rick Rodgers as the 1976 OFSSA Wrestling Champion at 98 pounds; Neil Young as the 1976 Canadian Road Race Champion in GT Production Sport Cars; Philip Noble as a member of the 1976 CIAU Championship Football Team; Paul Thompson as the 1976 Junior Lawn Bowling Champion; Lisa Sheehan as the 1976 Central Canadian Senior Majorette Champion; Bev Daquano and Fiona Thibideau as the 1976 Canada Jaycettes; Kris Barber as a member of the 1976 Canadian Novice Dance Championship Team; Kevin Parker as the 1976 Central Canadian Novice Men's Figure Skating Champion; David Cox for taking first place in the first International Film Festival in Canada; John and Brian Pendergast for the 1976 OFSSA Wrestling championship in the 157 pound and 90 pound weight class respectively; Clive Llewellyn as the 1976 National Wrestling Champion in the 68 kg. weight class. All but three members of the Georgetown Legion Royalettes were playing a softball game out of town and were unable to attend. It was the winning of the 1976 Ontario Juvenile A Women's Softball title by Margo Butler, Patti, Caruso, Barb Curry, Leanne Gilson, Debbie Hamilton, Sandra Kerby, Janet McKay, Betty Marchment, Diane Marshall, Charlene Milton, Sune Maveel, Brenda Smith, Laura Wilkes, and Joan Wright that led to the establishment of the awards evening. Also honored but absent were: Ian Clark as the 1976 OFSSA Midget Boys Cross Country Champion; Meredith McLaren as the 1976 OFSSA Midget Girls 80 metre hurdles champion; William Bradley as the 1976 Ontario Summer Games Wrestling Champion at 143 pounds; Wayne Martin's certificate for the 1976 Ontario Summer Games Wrestling Championship at 165 pounds was picked up by his father.

SMALL SUPPORT IRKS ORGANIZER

Past-president for Georgetown Senior Citizens Association Norman Smith was annoyed after checking petitions for nursing home beds left in stores throughout Georgetown and at the Herald office, that in some cases only two people had signed the petition. "Are people positive they want nursing home beds," he asked, "because if they do it's time they smartened up." Mr. Smith has been working for the past four years making several efforts to improve the situation. In the past few weeks he has been helped by six canvassers gathering names for the petitions, and he said he is pleased with results. "But more names are needed. Anyone who hasn't already signed the petition, is over age 18 and wants nursing beds in the northern part of Halton should contact him at 877-5358."