

# Letters to the Editor

## Praise for coaches

To the editor of The Herald:  
I read with interest the article entitled "Girls Need Praise in Sports" by Mrs. D. Van Wart, Hornby as printed in your June 21st edition. Mrs. Van Wart was quite concerned about the descriptive term "The Squirt girls were swamped in both games last week going under to Milton 18-4 and losing to Hornby 35-5."

Her statement noting that children should participate in sports for fun and enjoyment was very well taken. We asked all of our coaches to submit a written or verbal report following every game to our "Cub Reporter" who in turn submits a summary to The Herald for printing. I have attended numerous games this year myself, being involved in both coaching and umpiring games. The Limehouse coaches should be congratulated in offering their free time to teach the children to be part of a community where we try to emphasize participation instead of just winning.

Our teams participate in a very competitive and well run league; "Halton Rural Minor Softball" with areas such as Acton, Lowville, Glen Williams, Omagh, Milton, Georgetown and Hornby represented. It is indeed very difficult for smaller communities such as Hornby, Omagh and Limehouse to compete against much larger centres, e.g. Milton, Acton. Some of these larger centres have as many as 70 children to choose from for every team. The smaller communities struggle to put together enough players to field a team. In many instances children are forced to play a team whose members

may be three to four years old. They have a choice of either playing on this team or not playing at all since there are not enough children to enter a team in every division. As a result, some of the scores throughout the year are rather one-sided. The intent in reporting the scores in exactly the way they happen is by no means intended to downgrade

or discourage our children. We will endeavour to change our descriptive terms for future reporting. Limehouse has produced some excellent ball players over the years. Our teams have managed quite a number of victories this year which speaks very highly for our children and coaches. If we could get some more parents

involved in helping with the different teams we could improve the calibre of ball considerably.  
Keep up the good work coaches in making this a fun summer for our children.  
Yours truly,  
H. Bouwman  
President - Limehouse  
Minor Sports



### STEWARTTOWN AWARD WINNERS

More than 20 awards were presented to students of Stewarttown Senior School at a special graduation ceremony Monday at Georgetown High School. Trophies for the most improved student from year seven to year eight went to Deanna Fishburn while Tim Dixon and Scott Kerr tied for the boys' trophy. Back row from the left, Heather Michie took the award for the highest academic standing with a 86.2 per cent average.

Kim French and Andreas Thiel received the citizenship awards. Mike Stewart received the trophy for the second highest academic standing with an 84.7 per cent average. Diplomas were presented to 205 students at the awards night.

(Herald photo)



### Goebelle honour

Graeme Goebelle, of the local accounting firm Goebelle Wagner MacAdam, has been elected a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario.

A Fellow is a chartered accountant who has given exceptional service to the profession and to the community. Fellows are nominated by the Council, district presidents and existing Fellows. They must be over 30 years of age and received a two-thirds majority vote by the council.

Mr. Goebelle, who is the president of the Oakville District Chartered Accountants Association, was one of 46 members of the Institute who were elected by the council this year. The newly-elected Fellows received their certificates on May 17 in Toronto.

### Obituary

### James McNiven

James A. McNiven of St. Thomas passed away at Victoria Hospital London, Ont. on Friday, June 15, 1979. 62 years of age, son of the late Nicol and Margaret McNiven of Georgetown. Mr. McNiven was born here and went to St. Thomas following service overseas with the Signal Corp.

He was a retired business man, a member of Central United Church in St. Thomas, a member of St. David's Lodge No. 302 AF and AM, a member of the Scottish Rite, a member of the Mocha Temple Shrine, London, a member of the Hi Ro Shrine Club, St. Thomas.

He is survived by his wife Mrs. Kathleen (McMullen) McNiven of Crescent Ave., St. Thomas and two sons J. Peter of St. Thomas, and Charles W. of Edmonton, Alta., three daughters Mrs. John (Beth) Hovius, Ancaster, Ont., Miss Cynthia McNiven at home, Miss Kara McNiven at home; one grandson Christopher Hovius, Ancaster, Ont.; also his father and mother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred McMullen Lindsay Ont.

A brother Mr. Bruce McNiven of Georgetown passed away March 1972.

Interment was held in the family plot Monday afternoon Elm Dale Memorial Park Cemetery, St. Thomas.

A memorial service was held in Central United Church, St. Thomas Monday evening. Memoriams were made to Wheel Chair Ramp Fund Central United Church and other favourite charities.

## Ex-HCPA president thanks Wintario

To the editor of the Herald:  
It is my great pleasure to express, on behalf of the Holy Cross Parents' Association and myself, our sincerest thanks to Wintario for the grant of \$3,293.00 towards the Creative Playground, Mayor Pete Pomroy for officially opening the playground, Father Otger Devent for the blessing of the playground, Jack O'Sullivan and Theresa Scholz who were chairpersons of the Playground Committee, and Sheilagh Finn who spearheaded the Skate-a-thon project.

Thanks are extended to the parents, students, teachers, the many businesses, the general public and your newspaper for the support of the many programmes and projects that were undertaken over the past four years.

May I say again that your participation and support were greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,  
Tom Hamautarsingh  
President.

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