



SUNDAE FUN-DAY

(Herald photo)

Sherry Smealon pours coffee for parents who brought their youngsters to McDonald's for their free sundae courtesy of The Herald and the

restaurant to celebrate the end of school on Wednesday. The Georgetown store served 613 sundaes during the afternoon.

Rain cools Acton Days

Organizers are taking a philosophical view on how the weather disrupted Back to Acton Days this weekend. Pat Wood said the opening ceremonies Friday evening and Saturday's events went off as scheduled. Rain forced the cancellation of Sunday's events but the fireworks display was held Monday evening.

She noted the surprise presentation of a bouquet of roses to Mrs. C.K. Brown who will be closing her variety store at the end of school lane very soon. Considering the weather Mrs. Wood said quite a number of people turned out for the events and even the calathumpian parade had a reasonable number of participants wander out and join in Saturday.

FISHIN' FOR FUN AT BACK TO ACTON DAYS CELEBRATION



TEENS INVITED TO KNOX DANCE

Teenagers are invited to the dance in Knox Hall on July 14 jointly sponsored by the Red Cross Youth and the Georgetown Y. Festivities begin at 8 p.m. and the music will be provided by Mike Dine. This will be the first of four such dances held the second and fourth Saturday's of July and August.

Discipline policy sought

Halton Hills trustee Betty Fisher served notice of motion at the Halton board of education meeting Thursday that she would like the board to ask the administration to draw up a draft discipline policy. The motion states that there is confusion about suspensions, expulsions, and corporal punishment in relation to the Education Act, and also about the procedures to be used in extreme cases. Mrs. Fisher said parents, taxpayers, trustees and teachers are concerned about discipline in the schools, and therefore she is proposing that the administration should draw up a draft

discipline policy. Since this was only a notice of Mrs. Fisher's intention to make such a motion at the next board meeting, the board did not discuss the motion. Discussion on the proposal will take place at the next meeting of the board, July 12.

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ON THE HOME FRONT

Saturday morning routine anything but, with laundry, weddings and belly dancing

By SUSAN DE FACENDIS

There are two belly dancers in the basement, an Oscar winning drama being played out on the main floor and I have gone into hiding upstairs, behind a mountain of used gym socks that keep making a break for freedom.

No, I haven't moved into a downtown rooming house - this is a routine Saturday morning at home! A day that reinforces my opinion that I was wise to find work (?) outside the home from Monday to Friday.

As I wrestle frisky laundry to the ground, snatches of conversation, reminiscent of the Grapes of Wrath, float up to my unwilling ears.

"No boys", states a firm male voice.

"But dad, we're just good friends." (Heavens, what movie magazines has my daughter been immersing herself in, I wonder?)

"Dad, it's Saturday night! You don't expect me to sit around here and play scrabble, do you?" (Possible point for Louisa).

HELP SPELLING

"It will help your spelling. No daughter of mine is going to the movies with boys!"

"It's not his fault his name is John instead of Shirley! Anyway, I'm not going to marry him for Pete's sake!"

"You better not! I can't afford to keep two of you in those expensive basketball shoes!" (Score a definite one for father.)

Having managed to get a firm arm-lock on the T-shirts, I rapidly pass the two red-faced adversaries on my way to the basement, where I am greeted by two eight-year-olds performing the hustle in bikinis trimmed with a dozen, strategically placed flowing scarves.

Good grief, I silently plead, just let Monday come without us being raided by the morality squad.

"What are dad and Louisa arguing about up there?" enquires Teresa plaintively. "We have to keep turning up the music."

"Your sister's wedding," I mutter.

"Can I be a bridesmaid?"

"Me too?," echoes her small friend.

"I can wait until you're 40, sure," I mumble as I retreat to the uncomplicated peace of the laundry room.

Unfortunately, I have to make a return trip to get a leg-hold on the gym socks. The Hustle has now moved up at least 10 decibels in volume and the two belly dancers are arguing over the colour of the bridesmaids dresses. (Oh well, as long as they don't plan on wearing the bikinis and scarves....)

I attempt an invisible ascent of the stairs.

"I'm going to look pretty dumb as a 45 year old bride,"

my volatile daughter is hollering.

"I don't care what you do when you're 45. I was a 13 year old boy once - you weren't. No boys!" (I make a definite mental note to question my husband about his, now highly suspect, puberty).

The belly dancers erupt up the stairs! "Hey, dad! Come and see us dance!"

"I'm going home to mother", he sobs, averting his eyes.

"I'll race you to the car," I suggest.

Richard bursts through the front door. (Ah! Sanity. At least there is one in this house who does not intend to accelerate my aging process).

NO CAR

"Hey mom! You don't need the car tonight, do you? I'm going to the drive-in."

"With a girl?" I ask.

"No with a bunch of guys. A girl costs too much at the snack bar."

AAAAARGH! If this lot were ever asked to fill square pegs into square holes....

The good Lord certainly knew what he was doing to mothers, when he declared Saturdays should only be allowed once a week!

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