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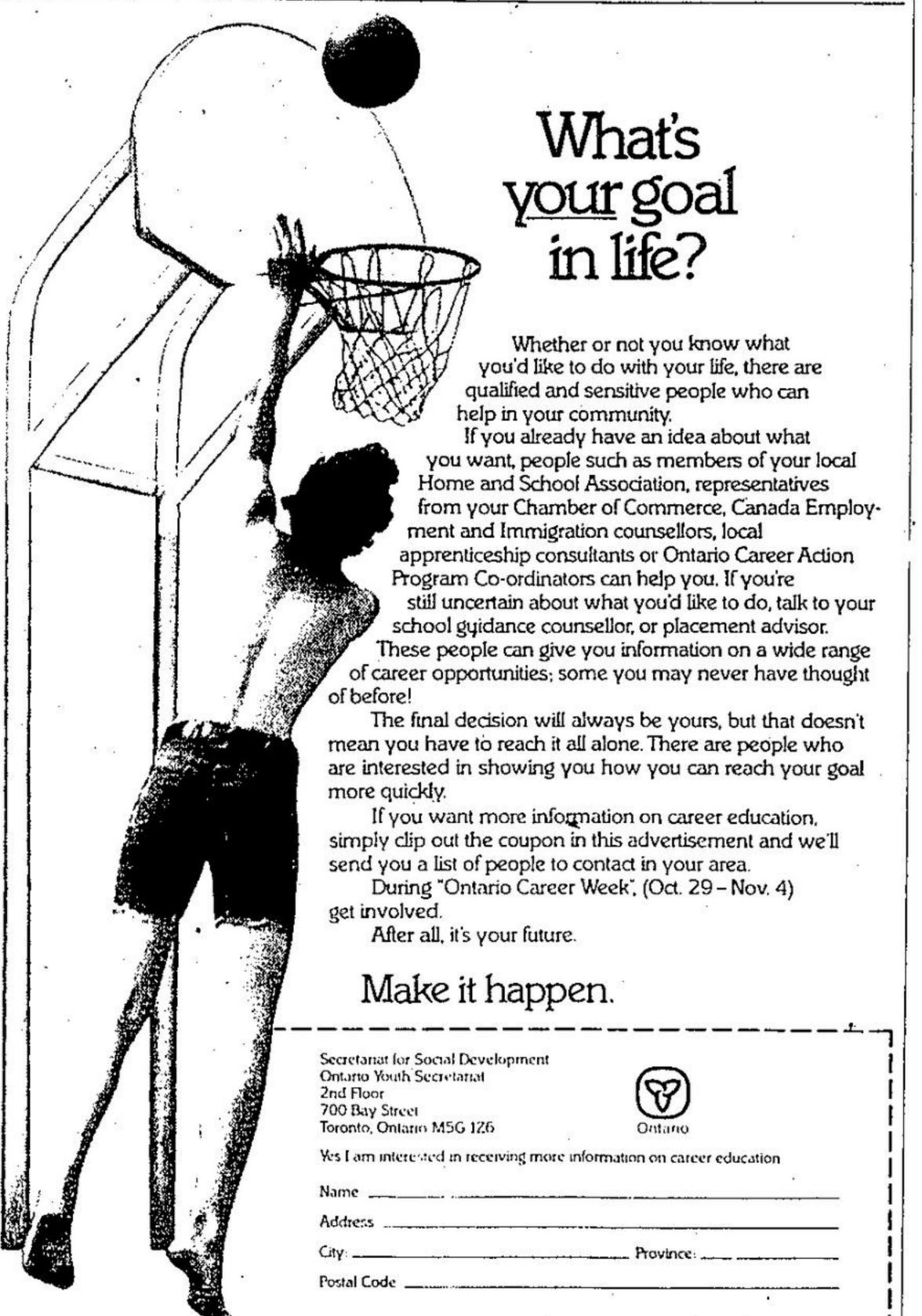
The Georgetown branch of the Red Cross elected its new executive for the coming year at the society's annual meeting last Wednesday. Seated are president Tina Yaremy, left, and past president Marg Pope. Standing are, left to right, vice-president Crystal Thorogood, Acton co-ordinator Henry Kroes and vice-president Erica Thompson.

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Red Cross recalls past at annual meeting

The Georgetown Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society celebrated its 40th anniversary right on schedule last week, as the society's annual meeting coincided exactly with the date of a meeting held 40 years ago to organize the Red Cross to begin its volunteer efforts in the Second World War.

The guest speaker, Mrs. Marg Mackenzie, was one of the original members from that time and she spoke about the organizing that was done when war was declared in September of 1939.

Leroy Dale, the first mayor of Georgetown, was one of the driving forces behind the reorganization, Mrs. MacKenzie said. The first meeting of a group of people who guided the Red Cross through the war years was held on October 10, 1939. Of the money raised by the Red Cross in those years, 20 per cent was spent on the

war effort, four per cent on administration, two per cent on campaigning and publicity, and 16 per cent on peace-time

use, she said.

The soldiers' comfort committee was formed in 1939, Mrs. MacKenzie said, and sent packages to soldiers overseas. The packages contained such useful items as razor blades, sugar, tea, chocolate bars and cigarettes.

Tina Yaremy was re-elected president for the coming year, with Erica Thompson and Crystal Thorogood serving as vice presidents. Grant Johnston is treasurer and Henry Kroes will serve as Acton co-ordinator. The position of secretary

has yet to be filled.Past president is Marg Pope.

The Georgetown Kinettes and the Red Cross Youth contributed both towards the purchase of a film on Jiminy Cricket which will be donated to the library. The film was presented on behalf of both groups at the meeting. The Kinettes also donated a sum of money to be used for the emergency fund.

The Red Cross also presented volunteer and volunteer pins, certificates of merit, appreciation awards, crests and blood donor awards to members of the society and friends who have assisted with clinics and other Red Cross services.

New constables to fill vacancies

Two Halton Regional Police cadets who have been stationed in Georgetown have been promoted to Constable to fill the vacancies left by the resignation of one officer, and the seconding of another to the Ontario Police College as an instructor.

Bruce Mitchell, 21, of Georgetown, and Blake Smiley, 21, of Burlington, were promoted to Constable, fourth class, Thursday at the police commission meeting. Constable Mitchell has been employed with the force since July of 1978, and Constable Smiley has been with the force since April, 1977.

Both constables will be attending the Ontario Police College in Aylmer for training.

The vacancies which the constables will be filling follow the resignation of Sgt. John Black and the seconding of Constable Barry Holland to the police college as an instructor in physical fitness.



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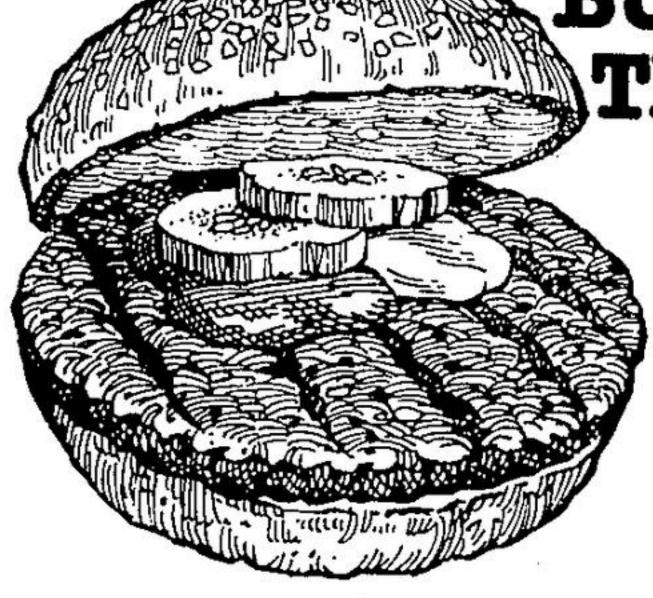
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