



Herald composing shop foreman Dave Hastings had his hands full last week with a pair of visits by two classes of youngsters from the Halton Hills Nursery School. Supervisors paraded about 10 children down the Guelph Street hill from St.

John's church Wednesday and Thursday for pre-arranged tours of The Herald's new headquarters. The highlight, of course, was the big Goss Community press which went into production two weeks ago. Our young visitors showed their appreciation to all concerned with big, economy-size letters of thanks and a couple of artist's renderings.

(Herald photo)

Clinic June 7

Early detection

Early detection is a major factor in curing cancer, and the Halton Hills branch of the Canadian Cancer Society is holding a clinic next month to show women how to detect breast cancer.

The clinic will be held June 7 at Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital from noon to 4 p.m. There will be 30 to 40 nurses present to demonstrate breast examination techniques, as well as about a dozen doctors, who will conduct breast examinations.

Dr. Valerie Kumar, the medical advisor for the cancer society, told The Herald last week there are 3,000 new cases of breast cancer a year in Ontario.

"Basically, the idea of the clinic is to detect breast abnormalities, but mostly it's an education thing," Dr. Kumar said. "The message we're trying to get over is that the earlier cancer is detected, the better the chances for a cure."

Statistics indicate one woman in 14 in Ontario will develop breast cancer at some time in her life, and the risk increases as women grow older. The statistics aren't all gloomy, however, Dr. Kumar said. About 85 per cent of breast lumps are not cancerous.

"If a woman finds a lump in her breast, she's got an 85 per cent chance of it not being cancerous, so she shouldn't panic and think she's on the way out," Dr. Kumar said. "If you detect breast cancer when it's just a lump, you have an 85 per cent chance of being alive and well five years later."

"With cancer in general, early detection is the answer, and with breast cancer, the best chance of catching it in its



DR. KUMAR

early stages is for women to examine their breasts once a

month."

At the clinic, women can arrive any time, and they will first be shown a film. Then they will speak with a nurse who will demonstrate the technique, and finally, a doctor will conduct an examination. Dr. Kumar said the doctor's examination will not be in place of an annual check-up, but simply a reassurance that the women have no problems.

Dr. Kumar said that at a recent clinic in Brampton, about 1,000 women came in, and not one case of cancer was detected.

"We do expect that about one in ten women will have some kind of breast abnormality which will require medical attention, but we hope we won't discover any cancers."

CAS meeting to plot strategy

Halton's Children's Aid Society needs help in caring for the increased number of adolescents coming into its care, and the regional health and social services committee is going to lend a hand.

The committee agreed to let Oakville regional councillor Bonnie Brown and regional chairman Jack Rattis call a meeting of all the providers of services to troubled adolescents in the region. The groups will try to come to grips with the problem of the increasing number of troubled teenagers.

CAS president Michael White requested the meeting. Members of the police commission, school boards, and representatives from the legal, medical and psychiatric communities and from family and juvenile courts are expected to be invited to the meeting.

The CAS has been forced to draw up strict guidelines to limit the number of adolescents under its care. Deserted and orphaned teenagers, along with those whose mental health may be seriously impaired, and those who are in real physical danger are the only people the CAS will take in.

About 40 adolescents in Halton have had to be sent to group homes and institutions outside the region because foster parents are unwilling to take in teenagers. It costs about \$40 a day to keep a child in an institution or group home, as opposed to \$8 a day in a foster home.

The new admission restrictions are expected to reduce the number of teenagers under society care to 60 from 75 by the end of the year.

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Varied programme for church's 25th birthday

This Sunday marks the 25th anniversary of Georgetown's Maple Avenue Baptist Church. The church will be having special meetings every night of the week to commemorate this special occasion. On Wednesday evening, Maple Avenue Baptist Church missionaries will be participating. Rev. Bill Phillips of Quebec, chairman of the French Mission Board will be the speaker along with Rev. George Bell and Dr. Timothy Starr of the Fellowship Office.

Baptist Churches in Canada and well-known youth speaker will be the guest. Special music will be provided by Son Light. Friday night is Nostalgia night. Former members and pastors will be returning and the Senior Adults will be ministering in song. The Spokesman Trio from Kitchener will be the special feature for Saturday night. Anniversary Sunday will get off

to a start at 9:45 a.m. with Jonathan Crow and his puppet friends. Dr. John Balyo, Pastor of Sun Coast Baptist Church, New Port Richey, Florida will be the anniversary speaker at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. A buffet dinner will be held at 4:30 p.m. Maple Avenue Baptist Church extends a warm welcome to those in the community "to come and join us in our celebration."

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Thursday night will be Youth night and young people from Credit Valley Churches will be visiting. Dr. Roy Lawson, Secretary of the Fellowship of Evangelical

Asbestos concerns resolved

Halton schools have been given a clean bill of health from the region's chief public health inspector concerning the threat of asbestos building materials in the schools. Gerry Sullivan presented a report to the region's health and social services committee on the possible dangers of asbestos in both public and separate schools. Mr. Sullivan told councillors last Wednesday that he had interviewed officials from both boards, and both he and the officials have evaluated the dangers in the schools. Both officials and Mr. Sullivan agreed that there appeared to be no danger to the students in Halton from the health hazards of asbestos.

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