

# Green light stays for Little Miss

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 qualities that could be damaged by distortions of values."  
 Former teacher Gail Rutherford recalled an incident involving two young friends and hockey players, one playing goat and the other trying to score against him. When the goalie generously let the puck past him after his friend had failed on numerous scoring attempts, she said, he was shocked by his teammates' outburst of anger. They may have told him that "winning isn't everything", he realized, but that's not the way they really felt.

**NOT DIFFERENCES**  
 Susan Schmeier pointed out that the Little Miss competition discriminates against her own handicapped child, who "needs positive learning experiences that emphasize similarities rather than differences."

Six-year Georgetown resident and YM-YWCA volunteer Cheryl Lightowler complained that the contest "looks at the one part of a person which most of us have little control

over: the way we look". She recalled a recent Sunday School weekend outing on which it took 48 hours of living with the youngsters she was supervising before she began to see "the beauty within".

"No short conversation (part of the Little Miss judging process) could determine that," she said. "We would dearly love to see activities at the fair that would involve the whole child."  
 Suzanne Renaud spoke for herself and husband Ronald, noting that fall fairs give children a chance to compare their own crafts and skills with those of other youngsters as well as the adults.

"I believe that to submit children themselves, along with the jars of jam and the tomatoes, to be judged by the same criteria of appearance and immediate impression is a contradiction of what the fall fair is," she said.

A written submission from the late Roswell Tees, the popular minister of St. George's Anglican Church who died recently, pointed out that

"intent determines the morality of an action", but in some situations, carelessness also challenges an action's morality, such as reckless driving. The Agricultural Society is "driving its car carelessly", he suggested, and parents of Little Miss contestants "can only be on an ego trip". While doubting that the event would boost attendance at the fair, Rev. Tees asked, "even if attendance doubles, is it worth it?"

**FUTURE GROWTH**  
 Ann Geh assured committee members that the opponents themselves have the success and future growth of the fair in mind, but believe any form of sexual stereotyping hampers both sexes. Women are lauded for their appearance comes foremost, not their intelligence or work skills; men are lauded that they must support their female "dependents", but suffer from learning disabilities and job-related anxieties as a result, she said.

Wrigglesworth Public School principal Eric Balkind told the committee that a study into

stereotyping involving some of his students has found that the child's first five years of life are the most critical in establishing lifelong attitudes, and that parents are the main teachers. In kindergarten and Grade 1, he reported, girls are already aspiring nurses and boys aspiring doctors.

Ministry of correctional services employee Joe Haggie said that if a child does not learn to accept himself, he'll spend his energy "actualizing" himself to regain any self-esteem lost through "rejection" among his peers.

"The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children has said that in severe personality disorders, the one ingredient the personality is missing is the ability to relate to anything more than a superficial way," he said. "That superficiality results from the early years when children are taught superficial values are themselves judged by superficial standards."

Statements were also made by Eunice McGowan, who cited the United Nations resolution, passed during the International Year of the Child, condemning child exploitation, and by Immanuel Lutheran Church minister John Driekhafer, who quoted the Bible's Book of Proverbs.

Mrs. Wellstead expressed disappointment that some opponents whose letters appeared in The Herald last fall had urged concerned residents to boycott the fair. Had the idea caught on, she pointed out, it could fatally damage the 125-year old exhibition, which currently only makes a small profit on a horse event and the midway.

**OPPOSE CONCEPT**  
 Interpreting the speakers' presentations to mean that they oppose the concept of competition, Mrs. Wellstead noted that competition is the fair's traditional foundation. She also assumed that the

opponents would similarly rail against the popular baby contest and Miss Fair Queen competitions held at most agricultural fairs in Ontario.

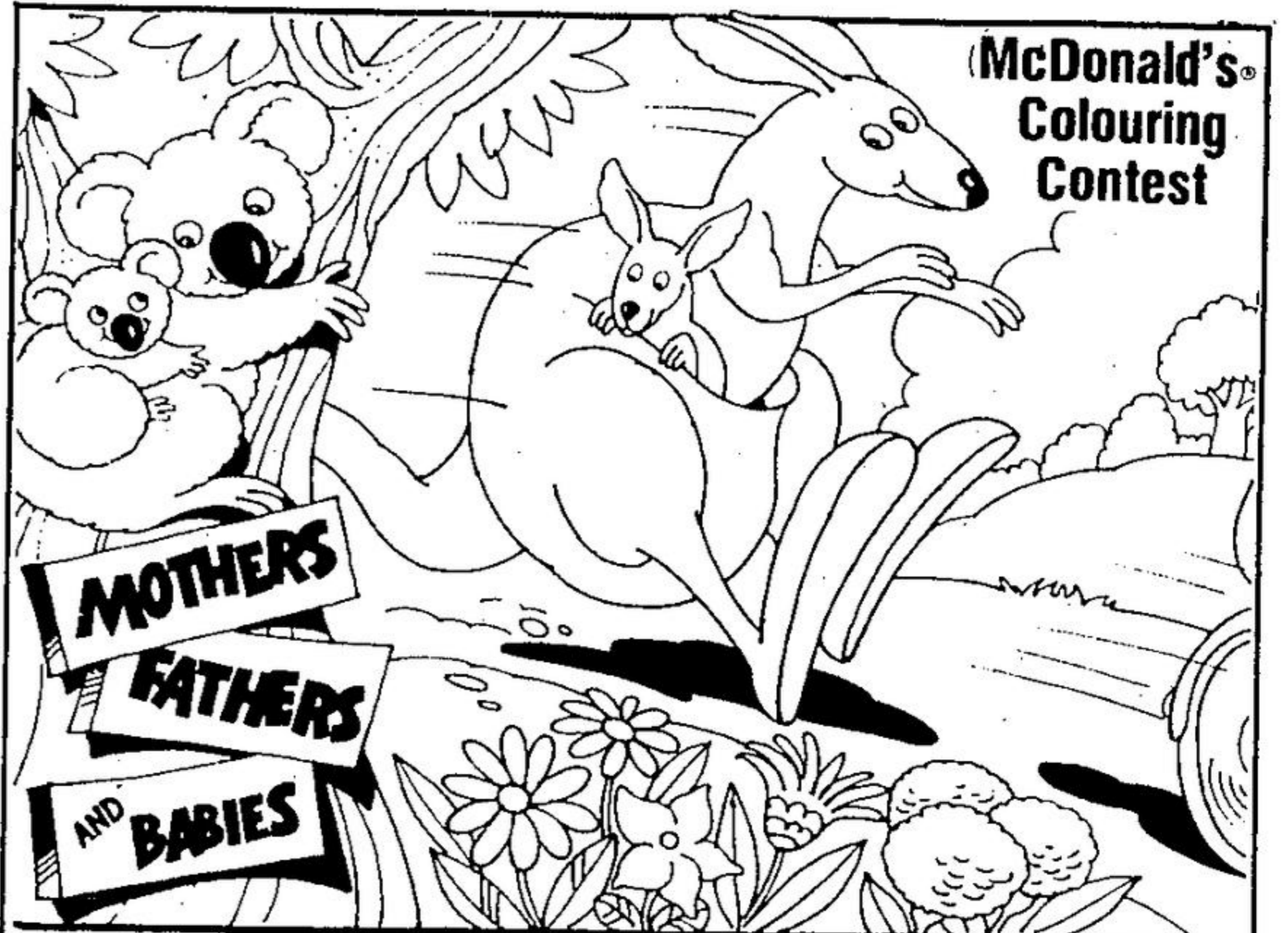
Mrs. Wellstead contended that "a roomful of psychologists" would fail to reach agreement on whether competitions like Little Miss Halton Hills is in any way detrimental to its participants.

"It's not fair to prevent others from entering their children in this event if they want to," Mrs. Wellstead said. "The people who work on this board are all fair and intelligent people. We welcome your alternatives, but I just don't know what we can do about this difference of opinion. I just hope (the opponents) aren't allowed to start a process that could destroy our fair."

"The fall fair is for all the people," said Jim Harrell, the event's founder and organizer, during a brief visit to the meeting between errands necessitated by his house fire (see separate story). "You have your rights; others have theirs. You should keep your morality to yourself. We would certainly welcome your organizational capabilities, but as for this event, a majority of people saw it last year and enjoyed it. If you'd seen it yourself, you'd say it was okay, too."

Committee member and past president Don Nicholson said opposition to the event has "disturbed" him, but pointed out that membership on the fair board is open to all at \$2 each. He acknowledged the evident "talents" among the opponents.

"We sure could use you," he said. Other fair board members in attendance were president Joyce Gosling and her husband, Don.



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## Fire up oven - 'chocolate dreams' might come true

By BETTYANNE WELLSTEAD  
 Board publicist

The Georgetown Fair Board is pleased to announce the introduction of a brand new baking contest, more specifically a "Chocolate Dream" Cake contest, to take place in conjunction with this year's 125th Anniversary Georgetown Fair.

The contest, sponsored by the William Neilson Company Ltd. will be open to all residents of Halton Hills and will be offering \$200 in cash and prizes in the search for the most unique and delicious "Chocolate Dream Cake" that the judges can find.

Mike Luxbacher, local Neilson manager, has said his firm is very pleased to have an opportunity to contribute to the community in this way. In turn, the executive of the

Ladies Division of the Georgetown Agricultural Society has expressed pleasure in having the Neilson company, one of the larger industries in the area, come forward to sponsor the event.

The contest is expected to attract a considerable amount of interest in the Domestic Crafts section of the fair. There will be seven prizes awarded in all, in the search for a super "Chocolate Dream" Cake, decorated in keeping with the anniversary theme of the fair. Besides the grand prize winner, there will be prizes offered in three categories: women's division, men's division, and a division for juniors, 15 years and under.

This year the fair will be held Oct. 2 and 3 with the judging expected to take place Friday evening (Oct. 2). Fair Board officials say it is possible that one day soon,

Georgetown Fair's "Chocolate Dream" Cake could be offered on the menus of various local restaurants who may wish to feature the recipe created by the grand prize winner. Considering the popularity of chocolate, the Georgetown area could easily become renowned for their prize-winning "dream" cake.

Further details about the anniversary cake contest will be available to the public some time in early April. Contest rules and entry forms will also be available through the Ladies Division of the Agricultural Society.

### Society euchre success

The Georgetown Agricultural Society held a most successful euchre party recently in Stewarttown Hall, with 17 tables in play. Prize-winners were: ladies, Norma Alexander and Marg. Beaumont; men's cards played by ladies, Marg. Davidson and Peg Lewis. Draw for a plant donated by Webb's greenhouses was won by Alice Burr. Lucky tally draws went to Bob Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Cam Sinclair and Ethel King. Following the euchre, a tasty lunch was served. A committee from the ladies' section was in charge.

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