

# Library fund-raiser: 'Further adventures of Rags, the Cavie'

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where it talks of Rags being visited by children bringing lettuce and carrots as treats (apparently a regular occurrence).

"The idea is to make it a very personal book," she explained.

"Rags' Story" tells of how Rags first came to the library, extremely timid and scared, and how she was once lost - but, as in all good children's stories, there is a happy ending.

Mrs. Payne said that Rags, who is about six years old, is much less timid these days. "She nags for attention when staff come in on Mondays. She yatters for a little bit of affection. She just can't be ignored!"

Library staff, ever sensitive to criticism about animals in a library, have consulted veterinarians about her upkeep in this kind of environment. She receives regular grooming from Mrs. Payne, who takes her home when the library is closed for holidays. Rags' grooming often includes a shampoo and haircut - the latter particularly necessary since being so long-haired, it's sometimes hard to tell whether she is coming or going!

What does Rags think about her new-found fame? "Rumble...rumble..." was the response from the straw-

berry blonde star of "Rags' Story". According to the book, that means she's extremely happy!

The library hopes to raise about \$200 from the sale of "Rags' Story" with an initial printing of 400 copies.

As its major fund-raising activity for the new Halton Hills Library Theatre Arts Centre, the University Women's Club of Georgetown is sponsoring an Historical House Tour June 6. Town councillor John McDonald, a well-known local historian, will conduct a walking tour which will take in seven houses in Georgetown and surrounding area which have been selected for their special historical significance. Full details of the tour, which is expected to cost \$5 per person, will be available in May.

The list of seal-plaque purchasers is now back in Georgetown Library on display. Sharp-eyed followers of Georgetown Little Theatre's bid to raise \$30,000 by this method will already have noted that with little more than six months to go to the scheduled opening of the new Halton Hills Library Theatre Arts Centre, there are now only 37 plaques remaining for sale with 10 of these tentatively spoken for.

Most recent purchasers:

## OPTIMIST CLUB

of Georgetown

## Oratory finals April 7

The next regular meeting will be held April 7 at North Halton Golf and Country Club. This is Ladies Night and Oratorical Zone Finals.

Saturday April 25, and May 2, Bicycle Safety. Our April 28 meeting includes the election of officers for 1981-82.

The success of an Optimist Club completely depends on the willingness of the individual member to involve himself in the club programs. The challenge is great - the opportunity is great. Your commitment can bring your club new vitality, dedication and service. If you would like to join our Club, please call Dan Scarborough at 877-6384, or ask any Optimist you know, we would be happy to have you in the club.

Our May 12 meeting concerns Respect for Law Week, a program that invites our members to respect the laws of our countries and communities.

Because our members come in contact with the people of our individual communities on a daily basis, we Optimists hold in our hand one of the most precious tools ever given to a group of people. This is a philosophy that invites us to demonstrate a good example in our surroundings.

We must respect our surroundings at all times, whether it is a person or the environment. It could also be saving energy, which is so vital in our daily life. I think Optimists have an obligation to lead by example in respect of our laws.

Following the recent, safe return of the American hostages to their country and homes, I feel that some respect for the individual must have prevailed.

A young student, a 15-year-old girl, had written this note: "People of today think too much of their rights and too little of their responsibilities."

**THE FIRST STEP**

**MARIJUANA: EFFECTS ON THE IMMUNE SYSTEM**

Many pediatricians today are convinced that marijuana is the single most dangerous health hazard facing North American young people. In the past 20 years, U.S. teenagers were the only age group in the nation to show deteriorating health. This time segment exactly coincides with the epidemic of marijuana use among the youth.

Pediatricians and general practitioners report large numbers of teenagers with recurrent coughs, sore throats, fever or cramps.

Marijuana is known to suppress the rate of division of the white blood cells which normally divide rapidly to ward off invasions of viruses or bacteria. In addition, while healthy bacteria-fighting cells have shown up on microslides as round and plump with a distinct skin, the cells from heavy marijuana users were smaller and crumpled-looking, with dramatic alterations in the membrane.

All animal studies and most human studies show that marijuana not only inhibits immune cells' ability to recognize the encroachment of disease or a foreign invader, it also suppresses the ability to take any action. Says immunologist Roger McDonough, "That's like having a feeble, half-blind night watchman, taking his gun away from him - and then expecting him to function."

Next week: Effects on the heart and respiratory system. Any questions anyone?

**Friend of Youth**

## Acton Days party for top citizen

Herald Special The Acton Chamber of Commerce has shifted the Citizen of the Year banquet to coincide with Back-to-Acton Days this year.

Chamber vice-president Dave Whiting said at last Wednesday's Chamber meeting the banquet will be held in the curling club June 27.

By mid-day the Chamber will ask the public to submit suggestions as to who should be this year's citizen and it is hoped a three-member chamber committee will be formed to handle the making of the decision. In the past the decision was made by

discussion by all Chamber members.

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Details of the GLT fund-raising scheme can be obtained from John Roe (877-2824) or Mary Rae Main (877-0805).

Georgetown Rotary-Anns raised \$800 towards the new library cultural centre with their "downtown" fashion show featuring Canada's "Voice of Racing", Daryl Wells.

Forsaking his familiar announcing responsibilities in the horse racing world, Mr. Wells joined Barbara Young of Elegance Schools of Self-Improvement and Modelling to describe the latest in spring and summer casual, lounge wear, and "after 5" styles.

Henry Helfant of Henry's Clothing made his debut as male model, replacing Mr. Wells, who had been expected to take that spot but who

perhaps preferred to stick to commenting! In addition to Henry's Clothing, six other downtown merchants also displayed their wares: The Teller's Cigar, The Village Shop, It's a Small World, The Lingerie Boutique, John Boughton Jewellers, and Towels 'n' Things.

Sandy Greig of Towels 'n' Things designed the stage setting; Irma's Beauty Chalet (also a downtown business) created hairstyles for the models; and Randy Bradford, a professional make-up artist from Georgetown, applied the finishing touches to the models' make-up. The modelling ramp was supplied and set up by Georgetown Little Theatre.

A delighted Rotary-Anns president Marie Simpson described the event as a "sell-out - and a huge success."

She added that the club, encouraged by favorable comments from many of the guests, is tentatively planning to make the show an annual event.

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residents working through the weekly press. They are well-organized, well-versed and very vocal. Protestors usually are. We see them all the time, performing in front of the television news cameras seven nights a week. They utilize a lot of energy to destroy something that perhaps, they do not fully appreciate or comprehend.

Somehow, it always seems easier to enlist energy from people who are angry. To get constructive help and support, for an institution like a Fair Board, has never been an easy matter. But when there is something to criticize or protest, no matter how small, detractors can usually find

## Varian fills the bill

Varian Canada Inc. in Georgetown has won a \$123,385 federal contract to provide the defence department with medical and surgical equipment, the department of supply and services has announced. It was among 395 unclassified contracts worth \$10,000 or more that were awarded by the department during the week ended March 6. They totalled \$28.7 million.

# Small towns, beware

support some where, and often from the most surprising corners.

There are 260 or more Fair Boards within the province of Ontario. That's what is left, after a number of fairs have closed down in the last 50 years, due to things like apathy, or lack of funds, or controversy like this. Generally, I have found Fair Board people to be among the nicest and the most hard-working, conscientious people I have ever had the pleasure to know and to work with. And when some individuals accuse people like this of not having the best interests of children in mind, the best interests of the community in mind, I have to laugh. It is absolutely outrageous! There is no group

anywhere, in any area, that works harder for the people of the community than the local Fair Board. And I am proud to be numbered among them.

There are many, many real problems in the world today. Many things to get angry and upset over. Child neglect, school practices, questionable pornography, sexual attacks and incest. Unfortunately, the list is very long and cannot be continued here. But anger should be directed to where it can do the most good, not to where it can do the most harm and harm is about all that fair detractors will accomplish, when they continue to attack the local Fair Board.

Big city columnists like Michele Landsberg certainly must know a lot about a lot of things. They get around. But, it seems to me, they seldom-if ever, get out to Small Town Ontario. Yes, they can make a few long distance phone calls, get a few small town people terribly anxious, and come up with a quick assessment of what is going on - in Georgetown, or anywhere else, but how accurate that assessment is, can rightfully be called into

question.

I am afraid that life in Small Town Ontario, as we have known it, is coming to an end. When anything is scrutinized, and questioned, and ridiculed (from within and from a distance), it is gradually diminished, or changed, or is stopped and finally forgotten. Who knows, if it is for the better or for the worse?

Anyway folks, "they" don't like what we are doing out here beyond the city limits! "They" want us to change our misbegotten ways! We should not mention what they are getting away with in the cities: things like Wet T-shirt Contests, nude male and female dancers, nude plays, and female mud wrestling entertainment for the boys, for that is beyond the boundaries of this controversy. Or is it?

Do we keep our sense of humor and make our own judgements about the little fun things we do - like school Snow Queens and Fair Queens. Or do we drop them, in the face of

ridicule from the urban people who are moving out and the others who only know us at the end of a telephone wire? ("Where is Georgetown, anyway? How far is it from Toronto?") It is your Way of Life, not just the Fair Board, which is under attack here and now.

Bettyanne Rogers Wellstead, Georgetown Fair Board

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Sealed envelopes, clearly marked with Bidder's name, name of project, Attention Mr. B. Lindley, Superintendent of Business and Finance, of the Halton Board of Education, 2050 Guelph Line, Burlington, will be received at the above address.

Submit \$15,000 bid bond with tender. Bid bond is to bid tender to a final contract, if his tender is accepted.

Contract documents are available to General Contractors from the Office of the Architect, Andrew S. Bruce, 191A Lakeshore Road East, Oakville, from March 25th upon receipt of a certified cheque for \$100.00 per set payable to the Architect. Deposit returned upon return of Contract Documents, in good useable condition before April 30th, 1981.

Mechanical and Electrical tenders due at Hamilton Bld Depository by 2:00 p.m. Monday, April 13th, 1981

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**THANK YOU!**

My deepest appreciation to everyone who supported me in the recent election.

The Legislature will resume sitting before the end of April, and the business of governing the Province will continue.

If any constituent needs assistance, my office in Milton is open: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-12 noon and 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. My assistant Mrs. Pat Duncan will be glad to help and can be reached at 878-1729. We have 24-hour answering service.

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