

Ontario funding program for energy-conscious towns



HOME COMING

Calling all Altonites at home and abroad! You're invited to come home for the big community reunion Oct. 3, when villagers take a look into yesteryear with a display of the Tweedmuir collection and old photographs, a re-created century-old schoolroom, the volunteer firefighters' 1922 Chemical Brick fire equipment, and Ontario Match Checkers Champion for the past 16 years, Fred Kendall, playing a multiple board match in memory of Altonite Angus Crawford, once Canadian champion. The Alton Reunion Committee is hoping to contact all ex-Altonites via the postcard reproduced above showing a traditional drummer's snack picnic at the Alton rail station in 1904. Contact Mrs. L. Walker at (416)791-4422 if you'd like to attend the reunion.

Halton 4-H news

By HENRY J. STANLEY
Halton Ag. Rep.
1980 Beef Cattle Assistance Programme for Stocker Cattle
The application forms for assistance for feeders of stocker cattle are now available at each Agricultural office. The grant is \$20 per head with a minimum of 10 stockers sold in 1980.

In order to qualify, the applicant must have purchased the animals as calves, fed them for at least 150 days and sold them for finishing purposes in 1980. The stockers must have weighed at least 600 pounds when sold. Final application date is Nov. 30, 1981.

R.O.P. Sheep Sale at Sheep Focus
Halton sheep producers had the highest performance tested ram and ewe lamb and sold their animals for high prices at the R.O.P. Sheep Sale at Sheep Focus at Markham Fairgrounds July 18.

This annual sale of the top performance tested sheep in Ontario had an average selling price of \$404 for 29 Stags tested rams and \$385 for 34 Home tested ewes.

The rams were selected from 484 rams from the three test stations at New Hamburg, Arkell, and Kemplville. This was not only a record number of rams tested, but Doug Garthouse, R.R.5, Milton, had the highest gaining ram - a new Canadian record of .70 kg/day gain (1.54 lbs/day). R and M MacCartney, Guelph, purchased this ram for \$1,050.

Doug had an average selling price of \$605 on his five rams. H.J. Stanley and Sons, R.R.2, Rockwood, sold three rams, with one each sold by Ralph and Suzanne Southward, Moffat, and Robert and Mia Lane, R.R.4, Milton.

In the Home testing programme, a record of 300 flocks were enrolled this year with some 10,000 lambs tested. Ewe lambs had to have a 100 day weight above the average of the flock in order to sell at the Sheep Focus Sale. H.J. Stanley and Sons had the ewe lamb with the highest index of 140, and the top five selling ewe lambs in the sale, averaging \$830. Two of these lambs sold for \$1,000 each to Bill Duffield, R.R.2, Wyoming, tying the record for price established last year.

By ANNETTE AMBO
Halton 4-H Horse Club
Horse Club
The Aug. 6 meeting of the Halton 4-H Horse Club was held at the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ambo, Campbellville, Ontario.

The meeting started on time with a good attendance. First on the agenda was discussion about a fun day. We judged a class of Saddlebred mares. After the judging, we went to the house for a quiz period. Following this we viewed two films on the American Saddlebred horse, which proved very interesting. Refreshments were served, courtesy of the Ambo's, which ended a very good meeting.

By DOUGLAS B. MILLER
Herald Special
Halton Junior Plowing Match
The Halton Plowmen's Association held their annual Halton Junior Plowing Match Aug. 22 north of Burnhamthorpe Road on Highway 25 with 14 plowmen taking part. Jack Taylor of Burlington was the coach and judge. With the help of Spencer Wilson, he demonstrated an open split. Following this, Mr. Taylor helped the plowmen adjust their plows properly.

A competition concluded the day. Results in the 2 and 3 furrow class were: 1st, Wayne Cunningham; 2nd, David Wilson; 3rd, Paul Wilkinson; 4th, Stuart McPhail; 5th, Phil Shea; 6th, Jamie Alexander; 7th, Gerhard Treviranus; 8th, Brian Wingfield; 9th, Joe Cartwright.

In the 3 or more furrow class, the placings were: 1st, Karl Wettlaufer; 2nd, Greg Wright; 3rd, Scot Harris; 4th, Neil Davis; 5th, Susan Livingston.

The Match was good practice for the Halton Plowing Match which will be held Sept. 12 at the farm of H. Craig Reid, Bell School Line, Burlington.

By NANCY SCHMIDT
Halton 4-H
Ready...Get Set...Sew!
Want some snazzy, up-to-date additions to your wardrobe without spending a lot of money? Then get ready...get set...sew!

This is the new 4-H Home-making project in basic sewing that members and leaders all over Ontario have been asking for. There is something to interest everyone in this project whether you have never sewn before or have some sewing experience.

Members will have the opportunity to sew a vest or skirt (Guys, you can learn to sew a vest, too). Some of the sewing techniques you will learn include seam finishes, applying interfacing and facings, and finishing an edge with bias tape.

Why don't you become a part of the next 4-H Home-making project and ready...get set...sew! Members must be 12 years old by Sept. 1. Leadership Workshops are being held in Brampton, Milton and Snelgrove. Club meetings will start in early September.

For more information contact Mrs. Nancy Schmidt, Home Economist, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, 3 Elizabeth Street South, Brampton (451-5474) or 17 Wilson Drive, Unit 12, Milton (878-2314).

Municipalities in Ontario wishing to develop plans to conserve energy in their own operations may apply for assistance under the new \$3.6 million Ontario Municipal Energy Audit Program.

Administered jointly by the Ministries of Energy and Municipal Affairs and Housing, the program provides municipalities with funds towards employing a qualified energy conservation auditor to monitor energy consumption and to develop mechanisms for conserving energy.

"Progressively trained energy auditors can help to ensure continuing success in energy conservation activities within municipal operations," provincial energy minister Robert Welch said. "The noteworthy achievements to date by many Ontario municipalities can be substantially enhanced through contributions from auditors devoting their full-time efforts to identifying and solving energy management problems."

"Since municipalities spend between eight and 13 per cent of their tax revenues on energy for their own operations, there is a potential for significant savings," Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister Claude Bennett added. "This program will also provide a needed boost for municipalities that want to strengthen their energy conservation efforts but have lacked the staff to do so."

The program will run for three years. The energy auditor or will be hired on a three-year contract and should be qualified in related fields such as engineering, architecture or environmental planning. The grant will provide 80 per cent of the total cost of employing an energy auditor to a maximum of \$20,000 per annum in the first year, \$18,000 in the second, and \$15,000 in the third.

All municipalities are eligible, but, in general, country or regional municipalities are expected to apply on behalf of a number of municipalities in the area. The county or regional government will employ the auditor and provide the necessary support services, charging related costs above the grant allocation to the participating municipalities.

In northern Ontario, or in the event that a county or regional government does not participate, interested municipalities will be encouraged to make a joint proposal with neighboring municipalities. Individual submissions would not be accepted unless the municipality is large enough to justify a full-time energy auditor.

The Ministry of Energy will hold an introductory seminar on energy use and conservation for all auditors hired under the program. A comprehensive training program for the auditors will be conducted in stages over the three years of the program. At the present time, about 150 municipalities, representing approximately 75 per cent of Ontario's population, have appointed energy co-ordinators under the Ministry of Energy's Voluntary Municipal Energy Conservation Program administered jointly with the Association of Counties and Regions of Ontario (ACRO).

The availability of trained auditors will complement the ongoing work of these co-ordinators in identifying new energy conservation opportunities.

Time lost due to arthritis

Sometimes arthritis is referred to as the "hidden disease" because unless there is a marked joint deformity many people with rheumatoid arthritis do not look ill. However, the Arthritis Society estimates that more work days are lost each year because of arthritis than because of strikes.

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DEATHS

SARGENT, Editha — On Saturday, August 29, 1981 of the Halton Centennial Manor, Milton. Editha London, formerly of Georgetown in her 93rd year. Wife of the late Christopher Sargent and dear mother of Editha Ditchfield, of Georgetown; George of Gion Williams, Jim of Georgetown, Dorothy Cowton of Streetsville, Douglas of Georgetown, Skip and Margaret Molzi both of Ottawa. Also lovingly remembered by her grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. Dear sister of Evelyn (Mrs. Sam Walker) of Georgetown and the late Margaret and Walter. Rested at the McClure-Jones Funeral Home, 34 Edith Street, Georgetown. Funeral service was held at St. George's Anglican Church, Monday August 31st, at 1:30 o'clock. Interment Greenwood Cemetery. In memory contributions to a charity of your choice would be appreciated.

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About the Mill

Milton's international extravaganza

Milton's annual Milltown Festival of Countries takes place Sept. 18 at 15 different "pavilions" around the community. Each pavilion hosts festivities and demonstrations portraying a specific nationality, among them Chinese, Dutch, Italian, Jamaican, Japanese, Latvian, Mexican, the Philippines and the countries of the United Kingdom.

Dunnville calling

If you served in the Royal Canadian Air Force and were stationed at SPTS Dunnville during the war, your former comrades are hoping to see you again Sept. 18, 19 and 20. The veterans' 38th annual reunion starts with a Friday night reunion and includes a golf tournament, a memorial parade and flypast of wartime Harvard aircraft, a banquet and films and a farewell pancake breakfast. For more information, contact Frank Scholfield, Box 187, Dunnville, or phone 774-7595 days and 774-5480 nights.

ROM pays a visit

Discover the Royal Ontario Museum! That's the theme of a new series of travelling exhibits from the ROM's Extension Services Department. Artifacts and specimens from the collections of Canada's largest museum will soon be on display at the Georgetown Public Library in the new Library-Cultural Centre. This is your chance to get acquainted with everything from fluorescent minerals to nineteenth century Ontario firearms; from historic fashions in footwear to warfare in ancient Greece. On the opening day of each exhibit a skilled ROM interpreter will be on hand to discuss the exhibit material and answer your questions.

Pond study grant

Guelph University will share a \$250,000 federal grant for water-related research studies with about 14 other institutions in Canada. The federal government has announced. Guelph University's studies will examine the effects of the insecticide 2,4-D on pond organisms. Other research projects will address problems related to acid rain, toxic substances, lake restoration, water and sediment movement and snow and ice. Since 1987, the government has contributed 12.7 million to environmental research.