



HIGHEST HONOR

Four young ladies received their Canada Cord recently at the Girl Guides' Halton Division dinner at the Acton Legion. The four pathfinders, (left to right) Lisa Green and Kelly Brown of Glen Williams and Angie Comeau and Laurie Williams of Milton, were also honored by MPP Julian Reed, who presented them

with certificates from the premier of Ontario. The Canada Cord is the highest award in guiding. Looking on proudly is Halton Division Commissioner Barbara Phipps. (Herald photo by Ani Pedersen)

Thieves take a break
The smell and smoke of burning toast Friday morning made a conscientious neighbor think there was a fire on Flamingo Court in Georgetown. Firefighters were called to the home thought empty to find someone at home at home making a bad job of preparing breakfast. There was no damage.

Burnt offerings
Halton regional police report only one break and enter over the weekend. An RR1 Acton home was entered by thieves Saturday between 4 and 10 p.m. through a rear window. Thieves made off with a bottle of liquor and \$19 cash. Police say they have no suspects.

Strange lights and a red glow

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friend noticed they were bloodshot, although he had no trouble sleeping the previous night.
A week later, Susan was picking her son up from a school dance. They decided to go back to Glen Williams to see if they could once again spot the strange lights.

Susan described the object which appeared to grow larger over the cemetery as being a brilliant red, with whiter light around it. Last week, Susan, Ron and some friends went to the cemetery to see if the lights would reappear. The trip was uneventful.
Only Ron appeared to be unusually sleepy after the second sighting, Susan said, adding that she felt fine afterward, except for her apprehension about the week's events.

the Third Kind", the science-fiction film about UFOs released a few years ago.
Ron added that he wasn't really scared when he first saw the lights because he had never concerned himself with UFOs anyway. For both, the episodes last month

are still rippling through their lives.
"I wouldn't want to go out alone in the country now," Susan said. "This sort of thing really makes you nervous. You just don't know what it is or what it's going to do."
It may be argued that this is not a municipal issue. To my mind, when bombs are dropped on Toronto and Hamilton and a wind is blowing north off Lake Ontario, we most definitely will have municipal issues. Further, when our local gov-

RED GLOW
Parked by the cemetery, near where Susan first noticed the red glow at her aunt's house, they soon saw three strange lights moving above a field and trees. The objects were large, Susan said, and one appeared to grow more brilliant and looked as if it was fairly close.
The objects moved erratically, one dipping occasionally behind the tree line. There was no wind, no smell and no noise, she said, and the objects didn't appear to give off much light.
"It scared me, it made me really nervous," Susan said. "Ron wanted to get a closer look, but I said let's go and we headed back home."
Meanwhile a friend, also interviewed by The Herald, had been watching the western horizon from a balcony at the same apartment building in which Susan and Ron live. When Ron ran upstairs and recounted the experience at the cemetery, the friend said he noticed a red glow zig-zag across the horizon.

Concern for local school budget

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schools are phased out entirely, there is less need for a large bureaucracy.
Coun. Pam Sheldon suggested that further cuts might be considered in the number programs offered students and expressed concern that the board, with its variety of programs, may only be "feeding" information to children.
Grant problems with the province have also been encountered by regional government, Mayor Pete Pomeroy said. Mrs. Fisher agreed with his suggestion that the board might save costs by keeping the schools open longer, possibly all year. There has been some consideration for a tri-semester system, she said, in which the year is divided into three terms with a break between each.
Mayor Pomeroy said he hoped board officials would come before council annually to talk about the board's goals and its handling of costs.

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It's time to cry, 'Enough!'

To the editor of The Herald: Next Monday (May 10), our town council will be debating whether to hold a special referendum on general disarmament in conjunction with the municipal elections in November.

This would be part of a cross-Canada referendum, and the prelude to a possible World Vote on Disarmament, already, 32 towns and cities across Canada have decided to take this step, including Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa, London, Montreal East and Vancouver, representing well over three million people. I am hoping that Halton Hills will join them.

Why such a vote? World governments today spend over \$1 billion a day on armaments, and none show any sign of slowing down their efforts to produce more and better weapons. Certainly, the Soviet Union is to be feared, but I am even more fearful of the weapons themselves, whoever has them. It is time for someone to cry "Enough!", and this is what the referendum would accomplish. You will note that no one is calling for unilateral disarmament or sudden withdrawal from our military alliances. Rather, the referendum would call for gradual, balanced disarmament.

Individual citizens surely feel helpless to stop the arms race, but here is one small step we can take. A referendum would cost almost nothing, it would produce lively public debate and a more informed populace, and it just might attract the attention of national leaders.
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Letters to the Editor

erment becomes responsible for the emergency care of thousands of civilians dying from burns and radiation sickness, that too will be a most pressing local issue. The only solution is prevention. If you believe a referendum

on General Disarmament is merited, please contact your councillor(s) and/or the Mayor's office now (877-5185), and tell them you support such a vote. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain.
Yours truly,
Janet Duval,
Chelvin Drive, Georgetown.

Misconception over request to take action

To the editor of The Herald: May I clarify a misconception portrayed in last week's editorial "Bette vs Betty". Julian Reed was not requested by me to arrange a

meeting with his party leader nor his education critic. I merely asked Julian to take some action regarding grant cut-backs from the Ministry to
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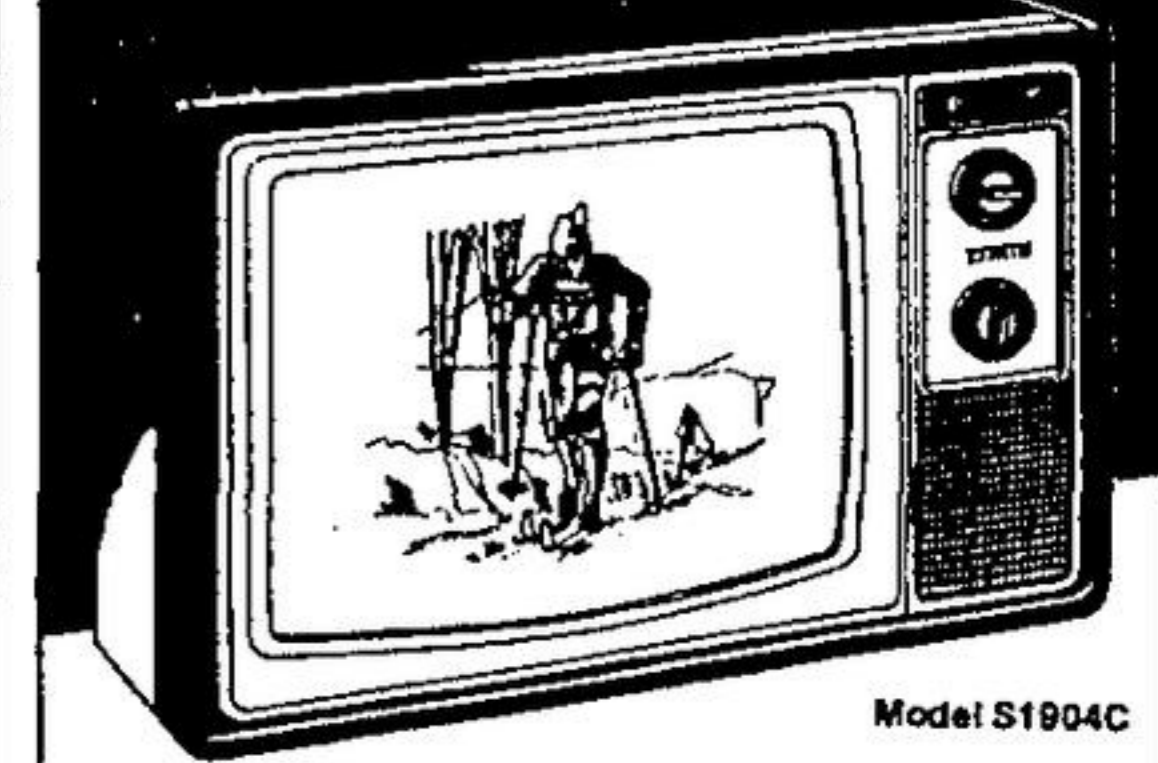
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