



CUB PACK BOLSTERING IN BALLINAFAD

Two local Cub packs have eleven new members between them following an impressive swim-up ceremony last week. First Ballinafad Cubmaster Del Wood and assistant Gord Smith greeted five former Beavers (grouped at the left of the photo), David Osborne, Mike Toynne, Colin Pinkerton, Trevor Lewis and Ryan Trant, Swimming up to First Limehouse and greeted by Cubmaster Elaine Hannah and assistants Bob and Lee Foster and Guy Teller were (group at right)

Tim Shier, Jason Bowman, Terry Foster, Robbie Brown, Jeff Pentland and (not shown) Matthew Williams. After Beaver leaders Glenda Benton, Brenda Osborne, Connie Burt and Sheila Foster had wished the boys good luck and continued success in learning "the mysteries of the jungle", the Beaver parents served lunch and refreshments.

(Photo by Jean Layman)

Enrolment balances with north Halton growth rate

Growth in the north end of Halton region is balancing out the enrolment declines in the south, says the president of the Halton elementary school teachers' association (HETA).

"We've been lucky, probably because of Milton and Halton Hills," HETA president Gerry Dunn told The Herald. "Growth in the north seems to be saving us. Many schools in the south along the lakeshore are

suffering real declines. Thank goodness things are still booming in Halton Hills and Milton."

Although eleven secondary school teachers were declared redundant May 31, no elementary teachers face the same plight.

Mr. Dunn is hoping the number of people retiring, resigning or dying will be greater in the coming years.

"The next two or three years will be really tight.

If we can get past that, the long range statistics seem brighter," he said. "Each year we seem to be coming across more and more teachers retiring."

With the Halton board of education's staff getting older—the average teacher now has ten years teaching experience—retirements are bound to peak in the near future, creating room for new blood to be brought into the profession.

However, right now,

new teachers' college graduates are entering a glutted field, unless their area of specialization is French or special education. Those are the two fields in which the board is implementing new programs.

He said the greatest drop in enrolment is being felt at the secondary level as the declining enrolment passes upwards through the senior grades.

Facing crisis with hope

Herald Special Christian Scientists from across Ontario were among several thousand church members from around the world who heard the denomination's leaders appeal Monday, for greater attention to spiritual courage in the face of the world's present dangers.

Boston, was named Church President for 1982-83. She told members it was time to meet the challenge of materialism through "cherishing spir-

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SPIRITUAL GATHERING

Rain must have dampened spirits Sunday as a "healing and miracle service" presented by Rev. Gordon Jones at the library-cultural centre failed to draw a capacity crowd. Rev. Jones and his wife, Carolyn, and children, Paul and Beverly, are affiliated with the Pentecostal Holiness Church. Sunday's presentation featured The Candella musical group.

(Herald photo)

Several members travelled from Halton Hills to attend this special event.

"We face threats of conflict and the brutality of conflict," acknowledged Michael Thorneloe, chairman of the Christian Science board of directors, at the denomination's 87th annual meeting in Boston.

"There is a great yearning throughout the world for the elimination of nuclear dangers. The only answer to this yearning," he said, "comes from an understanding of God and divine power. It unflinchingly guides thought and action toward solutions not yet seen."

Several thousand members of the First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston were present for the meeting which included three inspirational sessions as well as reports by church officers on the group's publishing, membership and informational activities. The church was reported free of debt and details were given of expanding "secondary" use of its newspaper, The Christian Science Monitor, through print and radio syndication and, in a television news format test program.

Mr. Thorneloe told members, "Christendom, has its work cut out for it in these times. And Christian Scientists must do their part with courage, wisdom, and much love."

Dorothy Klein, a practitioner and teacher of Christian Science from

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School board declares 11 teachers 'redundant'

Local positions spared

By ANI FEDERIAN Herald Staff Writer

Although eleven teachers have been declared "redundant" by the Halton board of education for the school year 1982-83, none of them is from Halton Hills schools.

The eleven received letters May 31 telling them their probationary contracts with the board had expired. All are secondary school teachers.

Superintendent of Instruction Ray Stoness said no elementary teachers were laid off because the attrition rate at the elementary level is higher.

He said there are proportionately more female teachers at the elementary level and many of them leave the profession to start families.

About the eleven teachers being let go, Mr. Stoness said he expects to have them recalled by September.

"Hopefully none of the teachers currently teaching in our classrooms will be without a job in September," he said.

The total complement of teachers on staff has been reduced at the secondary level by up to 24 teachers for next fall. The same reduction in staff has been made at the elementary level.

The board currently employs 1,150 secondary school and 1,330 elementary school teachers.

All the teachers whose contracts will not be renewed for 1982-83 held probationary contracts with the board.

"Last year we hired over 50 new secondary school teachers," Mr. Stoness told The Herald. "I am predicting we will be in a position of hiring some again. It's a much

better situation than with some other boards."

Staff were declared redundant according to their seniority with the board rather than by their teaching qualifications or the program they taught, he said.

Two of the eleven teachers are special education teachers, a subject that is a ticket to a teaching job for new teachers' college graduates, thanks to the ministry of education's Bill 82 which requires local boards offer special education to the disabled and gifted.

Mr. Stoness said the fact that their subject of specialization is special ed improves those teachers' chances of being recalled to the job.

Staff with seniority retained by the board for next year may be required to teach related subjects that aren't their specialty though they carry a certificate in the other subject, Mr. Stoness said.

There'll be some juggling of staff, which he compared to the putting together of a big jigsaw.

The termination of the teaching contracts meets the requirements of the collective agreement and the education act, Mr. Stoness said.

By May 31, which was the last day for submitting resignations, 17 secondary school teachers had resigned and 26 elementary school teachers.

Georgetown District High School (GDHS) principal Don Baker is also optimistic about the Halton board hiring more teachers over the summer including the eleven terminated ones.

Based on the school's projected enrolment, GDHS is set for next year with 91 teachers, the same as it had for the 1981-82 year.

However, Mr. Baker foresees the bad economic conditions facing the country bringing more students back to the school.

"There are some Grade 11s who get fed up with school and if they can get a job, they'll quit," Mr.

Baker said. "But I think we'll get more of those kids coming back than usual in September."

The shortage of jobs in the country will bring them back to class, he said. The bulk of students are in the senior grades at GDHS.

If the student population rises substantially at the school come September as Mr. Baker anticipates, it will mean more teachers

will be hired.

No teachers at GDHS will be losing their jobs next year except a theatre arts and English teacher who was hired on an "occasional" contract to replace a teacher on leave. One teacher was transferred to Milton High School.

Acton High School principal Betty Moore said the school had one teacher declared surplus for next

year and placed at Gordon E. Perdue High School in Oakville.

"We're down slightly in enrolment according to next year's projection," she said.

Last year the school had its largest enrolment ever, she said, and an extra teacher was hired as a result. Mrs. Moore is hopeful Acton High School will be above the projected enrolment again.

IODE 1982 bridge winners announced

Herald Special The regular monthly meeting of the Countess of Strathmore Chapter of the IODE was held May 10 at the home of Eileen Laby.

The Regent, Freddie Burton, presided with June Denn as secretary. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, and Treasurer Helen MacDonald presented the Treasurer's report.

The Regent gave a report of the Annual Convention, held this year at the Royal Connaught Hotel, Hamilton, attended by the Regent, June Ross and Pauline Stern.

Doris Barber gave a year-end report on the

IODE bridge project, and the following are the winners for the 1981-82 session.

Mixed Couples: First - Mr. and Mrs. H. Fobert, Second - Mr. and Mrs. K. Richardson, Third - Mr. and Mrs. F. Durrant.

Afternoon Ladies: First - Mrs. E. Forgrave, Mrs. C. Clarke, Second - Mrs. C. Young, Mrs. D. Hill, Third - Mrs. E. Paterson, Mrs. T. Burge.

Evening Ladies: First - Mrs. F. Jamieson, Mrs. M. Taylor, Second - Mrs. E. James, Mrs. D. de Fries, Third - Mrs. H. Atkinson, Mrs. M. Potter.

After the close of the business meeting, the members were entertained by June Ross, with a practical demonstration

of graphology, whereby members were encouraged to analyze anonymous samples of handwriting, with amusing results.

Refreshments were served, and the members spent the rest of the evening exploring the treasurehouse of beautiful antiques in their hostess' home.

The next meeting will close the season and will be a pot luck supper. Anyone who is interested in becoming a member will be welcome as a guest on this occasion, and it is suggested they should call any of the members for details, or 877-2202. The date is June 14.

Ashgrove

Hillcrest auction a sell out success

By Mrs. JOHN BELLBODDY Here comes June, the loveliest month of the year. When the flowers are at their best and everything is out in all its glory. The days are the longest and the gardens start to provide our tables with

many appetizing good things from the seeds that were planted. Summer-time is a wonderful time so enjoy every day as much as you can.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Hector Bird, who celebrated their 50th

wedding anniversary Saturday and to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cunningham (their 48th coming June 16). Many many more to both these fine couples.

Last week, John McPhail, son of Marion and Jim McPhail, flew out to

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