



**ST. JOE'S MARKS 125TH**

Don't be fooled. The big cake behind (left to right) Father Ralph Diodati, Bishop Paul Reding and Father Leo Speagle isn't made of eggs and flour—merely wood extracts, i.e. cardboard and paper. It was constructed to celebrate the 125th anniversary of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Acton. Over 300 parishioners showed up in the Acton Legion Hall to munch, then dance the night away Friday. Father Speagle came from the Kitchener St. Joseph's church where he has been working since leaving Acton before Christmas.

(Herald photo)

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**FEETS DID THEIR STUFF**

These feet were made for walking and that's just what they did May 15. Approximately 70 young people took part in the YMCA's Walkathon to raise money for community development projects in Lima, Peru and for the local Y. Helping raise the \$2,000 were (left to right) Michael Dobbin, 8, Susan Thibodeau, 8, Dawn Thompson, 10, Georgina Laws, 11 and Anita Driscoll, 13. These young people raised the most in pledges. Kneeling behind them is the thankful Georgetown YMCA director John Wood. He had special thanks for Irene Fairies, Jill Blair and Ruth Law, members of the international committee which organized the Walkathon.

(Herald photo)

**Doctoral fellowship to Georgetown student**

From the Ottawa Bureau of the Herald  
Richard W. Bodell of Georgetown has been awarded a doctoral fellowship by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council.

He was among 1,101 graduate students to be given fellowships to pursue studies in the humanities and social sciences. There were 2,251 applicants for the awards.

Each of the fellowships is worth up to \$9,720, plus a

travel allowance if necessary. Altogether, the 1982-83 fellowships total \$10.7 million.

**Biology champ**

Gordon Doig, a Grade 13 student at Georgetown District High School, has received an honorable mention for his knowledge of biology in the annual McMaster University science competitions for secondary school students. Each entrant was required to answer two or three questions geared to Grade 13 science studies, with 20 winners being chosen for each of four science categories. A reception will honor the participants June 18.

**Vandalism survey**

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supervision and discipline.

The report included a graph showing what the common methods of controlling vandalism are in the community, revealing that most of the people responding to their survey relied on good locks while only one considered keeping a gun in the house a strong deterrent.

Students also used the school's PET computer system to compile results from their home survey and included in their report articles about what other communities have done to cut down on vandalism, among them a suggestion that town should launch programs, similar to the "I Love Georgetown" campaign last year, to promote community pride.

Meanwhile, recreation director Tom Shepard said that his department is keeping closer tabs on the amount of vandalism caused to town recreational property.

While some of the vandalism is of a "nuisance" type (dumping picnic tables into Fairy Lake or Silver Creek), the department calls the police if there is any damage.

Mr. Shepard said the town has asked for increased patrols through parks, and has called on sports groups using facilities to keep an eye out for vandalism. Damage, he

said, is repaired as quickly as possible so there is less inconvenience to groups.

The students said they did not believe alcohol played a serious role in vandalism, arguing that lack of supervision and things for people to do appears to be a major culprit in fostering the crime.

**Tory MP responds to MacEachen's idea**

**He'll take pay freeze if we do**

**Herald Special**  
John McDermid says he would accept and swallow the bitter tablet of a wage freeze - a retroactive one at that - if union and government employees would share in the restraint measures with their wage demands.

Mr. McDermid, Brampton-Georgetown MP, was reacting to a suggestion by finance minister Allan MacEachen that he may impose a freeze on MP salaries as an example to the federal public service.

Mr. MacEachen said the government can't expect people to hold the line on wage demands if politicians don't follow the same pattern.

Mr. McDermid said he is prepared to accept the wage freeze, but only if the action is a suitable reminder that unions, including the executive of the Canadian Labor Congress, should do the same.

Maybe even unions can't compete with wage increases enjoyed by our Members of Parliament. MPs got a cost-of-living increase of 11 per cent Jan. 1, but may have to live without the pay hike if Mr. MacEachen's recommendation of a retroactive pay freeze gets support.

If the resolution does pass, that shouldn't bother MPs too much since they've enjoyed a substantial pay increase over the last 18 months.

Their latest pay hike raised the lowest paid MP to a salary and expenses package of \$64,900.



Bidding "dobro dosli", or "welcome" in Croatian Sunday afternoon were Christina Mijatovic, 13, of Brampton (left) and Diane Itezo, 13, of Mississauga. The two girls are dancers with the Mississauga Zrinski Frankopan Folk Ensemble. The group is named after two Croatian missionaries who died for their Christian faith, Diane explained. Christina and Diane will be dancing at the Croatian pavillion for Toronto's Caravan later this summer if you don't catch them at the Centre.

**Government incompetence blamed for our problems**

**Herald Special**  
A stagnating economy exemplified by the loss of at least 190,000 jobs, a slumping construction industry suffering through 50 per cent cutback, and escalating interest rates is caused by federal government incompetence, John McDermid told the Brampton Real Estate Board last week.

Mr. McDermid, Brampton-Georgetown MP, maintained in a speech at the Holiday Inn that the government's policies aren't working despite the fact Ottawa's outlook is tied closely with the United States fiscal economic plan.

**'OUR PROBLEMS'**  
He said the government must create a unique and individual approach because "we can't depend on the U.S. or any other country to solve our problems for us."

Critical to the future of Canada is confidence in the economy, but so far indications - including manufacturing output at 75 per cent capacity - show investors are moving out of the country, Mr. McDermid told real estate officials.

The MP said the country needs 210,000 housing units each year, but the forecast is that only 145,000 units will be built in 1982.



JOHN McDERMID, MP

Overall housing starts in urban areas have decreased by 50 per cent from figures last year, the Progressive Conservative member said.

Mr. McDermid complained that government policies have scared away entrepreneurs from investing in the country - about half as much money as was invested last year

creating the loss of about 190,000 jobs.

"The government cannot accept the fact that builders, investors, the risk takers, have been stripped of all incentive and the budget did nothing to restore confidence..." the MP claimed from a prepared text.

Although the Tory gave his support to a government bill helping home-owners with mortgage payments, he told city real estate officials the bill didn't go far enough because provisions of a

\$3,000 grant for homeowners in "dire straits" is "inadequate".

He said the \$7,500 interest-free loan to the 30,000 units "barely satisfies demand in one city let alone the entire country".

The Brampton Real Estate Board issued a letter to Premier Bill Davis opposing his interest free loans to first-time home buyers aimed at stimulating the housing economy and freeing up rental accommodation.

—Courtesy Brampton Times

**Centennial's LP arrives from studio**

It's out. The Centennial School's Musical Memories album, cut early in May is for sale now.

Put together by Centennial Senior Public School music teachers Lois Barrager and Paul Brisley and about 180 students, the \$8 album features the school's senior choir, the Grade 6 vocal ensemble, soloists, percussionists, guitarists and recorder and ukelele players.

It's the first album ever produced by the school and it reflects the free-

time both teachers and students gave up through the year to develop musical skills worth recording. There are 500 copies of the record and they arrived Friday at the school.

Mrs. Barrager said she is pleased with the quality of the record and the students' performances. The record features popular songs like "Candle on the Water", "Annie's Song", "Colour my World", "The Entertainer" and "Killing me Softly", among others.



**DOBRO DOSLI, HALTON HILLS!**

Red and white are popular colors among Croatian peasants, so the folk dancers Sunday afternoon at the Croatian Centre on Sideroad 5 and Winston Churchill Boulevard were wearing long skirts and blouses in those colors. Over 100 young men and women stomped and swung cheerfully on an outdoor stage amidst tall trees. Although it poured rain, the feet kept rhythm and the 300

plus spectators stayed put. The weekend performers started off the summer season of activities at the Cultural Centre. For \$2 a person admission price, the public is welcome to come see colorful ethnic group dancing and other shows on each weekend at the Centre. Children under 12 are admitted free.

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