

Special Red Cross program prepares residents for disaster

# Emergency training March 5

**Herald Special**  
The Halton Hills Red Cross Emergency Response Plan will hold its next training course Sat. March 5 at Stewarttown Hall.

The purpose of the course is to train volunteers to work on response teams in case of emergency. At the present time Halton Hills has five teams of volunteers trained - three in Georgetown and two in Acton.

Team Captains in Georgetown are Ron Chaiten one, Gail Williamson two, Crystal

Thoroughgood three.

In Acton the team Captains are: Mary DeHaan one, and Wayne Cameron one, Ken Chappell two and Murray Harrison two.

Each team would be called out in an emergency to look after an evacuation centre. In the evacuation centre the Red Cross Emergency response workers would co-ordinate the food provision and preparation.

Volunteers are also required at the Red Cross office in the administrative side of emergency planning.

Here files are kept of the evacuees and internal communication.

The Halton Hills Emergency response teams would be called out, in all probability, by the Halton Regional Police Force. Sgt. David Richards has been overseeing the police emergency plan and keeps in close touch with the Red Cross.

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suppliers to be used in case of emergency. At the present time this task is being very capably handled by Mrs. Joyce Clark of Ballinacra.

If you would like to help with this emergency preparedness program, why not attend the next training course on Sat., March 5 at Stewarttown Hall. The course is a full day in length.

Course members get an overview of all the areas involved in emergency response: registration

and inquiry, food, clothing, transportation, communication, minor first aid, setting up a shelter, security in a shelter.

At the end of the day members will be asked to sign up for one of the five teams or join the administrative staff.

**SOCIAL EVENING**  
So that Halton Hills Red Cross emergency response volunteers can get to know each other a social evening has been planned for Friday, Feb.

18 at Stewarttown School. An old "tyme" dance will be held with ladies providing sandwiches or squares. Admission is only \$3 per couple. Slides of a recent disaster will also be shown.

For further information on either the social event or the training course, please contact Blanche Goudeketting, Chairperson, 877-5628 or Connie Nieuwhof, office manager, 877-2526 or Gord Kearney, Chief co-ordinator, 877-7964.

# the HERALD Community

## Ashgrove W.I. enjoys Oklahoma

By Mrs. JOHN BELLBODDY  
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A wonderful evening was enjoyed by our W.I. members, their husbands and a few visitors Feb. 10 in the John Elliott Theatre as we watched the musical Oklahoma. The musical numbers, the colorful costumes, the dancing numbers by the young girls and the cowboys step dance and the performances by the actors were all excellent. It was superb.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Wickson have returned from a three-week trip to different places in South America, in Ecuador they went to the Galapagos Islands, Guayaquil and Quito. In Peru they visited Lima, Cusco and Machupicchi where the Inca ruins are. They said home sure looked good when they arrived back.

On Tuesday evening Feb. 15 the Women's Institute celebrated its fifty-seventh anniversary in Hillcrest Church with fifty ladies present, there were some from Norval and Hornby, also some members had brought a guest. President Mrs. John Bird opened evening by welcoming everyone and reading a short poem on Daily Round. The Hymn of all Nations was sung, then Mrs. Peggy Knapp called on Mrs. Marion Hunter for the motto "Never underestimate the power of a woman".

Isabel Carney led in a sing-song of old favorites My bonnie lies over the ocean and others, followed by a panel discussion, the Role of women in today's World - Mrs. Elizabeth Shore as homemaker as she said, women feel the urge to go out and work, she has a double load, but there are all kinds of situations for young women today.

Mrs. Joan Brown, a teacher on Education, said it is taking many great turns today. Catherine Ward spoke on women's moving into business in the future. Beverly Wingfield spoke on women in law enforcement, and she said being a police woman takes common sense and reasoning but she likes the variety of her work, likes all sorts of people and enjoys every

job. Mrs. Marilyn Serjeantson said women do play an important part in politics. She is proud to be a town councillor and she said women in politics are here to stay.

Catherine Aggls of Limehouse spent some time in Columbia, South America and she told of living and working among the people while she was there. Lots of questions were asked and answered, and all agreed that women do have an important role in our world today.

A lovely duet was played by Isabel Carney and La Verne McLaughlin, a donation was voted to the Toys for the Handicapped.

Irene Hunter was appointed delegate to the Officers Conference at the U. of Waterloo early in May. Verne Bird was the lucky winner of the crocheted afghan made by the members. Mrs. Hector Bird gave the courtesies followed by a social hour with birthday cake.

## District executives attend urban area W.I. meeting

By Mrs. BERT BENTON  
Herald Special

Mrs. R.C. Alexander, Regional, Georgetown, Provincial Board Director for the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario, hosted her subdivision meeting early in January. District executives from Halton, Wellington Centre and Wellington South attended.

Mrs. Alexander spoke on the recent board meeting in Toronto stating "Nothing is achieved before it is thoroughly attempted".

The new Provincial Secretary is Mrs. Sam Johnston from Listowel. New Conveners appointed for Agriculture and Canadian Industries is Mrs. Thelma Allen of Thessalon and Citizenship and World Affairs is Mrs. Murray Forest of Princeton.

The offices of Rural Organizations and Services have now moved. New address is Johnston Hall, Room 111, University Guelph. Telephone 519-824-4120, Ext. 2289.

Four main thrusts this year are, 1) Rural Leadership Development, 2) Communication, 3) Education, 4) Rural Urban Relations.

The Bicentennial of Ontario will be celebrated in 1984. We were asked to give some thought to how we intend to mark the occasion.

She reported that three Helen McKecher scholarships were given in 1982. In 1983 one scholarship of \$1,200 will be given.

The Eriand Lee Home Report showed 3,343 people visited there in 1982-83. The quilts and quilt blocks that were donated last year by the branches realized \$439.

The 1983 W.I. week at the Home is May 31, June 1 and 2. Guelph Area Day is April 13 and our 3 subdivisions will be visiting The Eriand Lee Home and taking their crafts and preserves. Christmas at the Lee 1983 will be Wed. Nov. 30 and Dec. 1.

The Officers Conference will be May 3, 4, 5 at Waterloo. The theme this year is Resolutions.

District Annual dates are Halton District May 25, Wellington Centre May 18 and Wellington South May 10.

In the National Reports Mrs. Alexander mentioned the competitions: history - People Who Put My Community on the Map; handicraft - Needlepoint; cultural essay - Impact On Women's Institutes on Rural Canada; citizenship - House Log.

Ideas for meeting topics were suggested: agriculture and Canadian industries. (1) Unpaid Farm Labor - Women and children, (2) Pensions, (3) How Women are coping with industry shut down and unemployment.

Citizenship and World Affairs - (4) Pornography and The Human Rights. Education and Cultural Affairs - (5) Effect of Micro Technology on the women and the home. (6) Zero in on international affairs and have a meeting on (7) International Women. Stress (8) Safety in the home, farm, industry, school, traffic, and with chemicals.

A new International pin is available for a W.I. member with 25 years service and who has lived in 2 provinces. A Lifestyle Award can be presented to someone within the

community who has made a worthwhile contribution.

The water and sanitation project goal is to have all the world with safe purified water by 1990. At present one half of the world people are without reasonable access to clean water and sanitation.

A Child Care Course is available where an overseas student comes to England and then returns to her own country to teach her own.

The Tricentennial Conference is in British Columbia in June 1983.

**Smith-Hansen marriage**

### Rings exchanged

On Oct. 23, 1982 at 3:30 p.m. Heather Jean Smith and Eric Johan Hansen were united in marriage. The double ring ceremony took place at St. John's United Church in Georgetown with Rev. Robert Scrivens and Rev. Jeffrey Davison officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Janice and Connell Smith from Georgetown and the groom is the son of Roy and Helen Hansen, also from Georgetown.

A relative of the groom, Ted Hansen was the organist and the groom's brother-in-law, Dave Robertson sang "There is Love" and "The Rose" during the signing of the register. The bride and groom exchanged rings that were specially designed and crafted by the bride's mother.

**FULL TRAIN**  
The bride wore a gown of white satin with pre-embroidered lace on the bodice and full leg-omitted sleeves. Simple lace encircled the bottom and full train. She wore a simple pearl tiara with a sheer waist length veil.

A special touch was the single strand of pearls that had belonged to the bride's late grandmother. She carried a presentation bouquet of long stemmed red roses and baby's breath. Daisy Harris of Georgetown created all the floral arrangements for the wedding.

The bride's matron of honor was Sylvia Murphy, with attendants being Rosemary Harris, Eve Stubens, Kim Colangelo and Susan Rise. The girls wore burgundy satin floor length gowns. The gowns had tucks on the puffed sleeves that matched those on the Bride's gown. The matron of honor wore a wide brimmed hat with a satin rose holding up one side. They all carried bouquets of red roses, pink carnations and baby breath.

Donald Harris was the best man and the ushers

were Kevin Harris, Marshall Hansen - the groom's brother from Calgary and the bride's two brothers - Jeff and Connell Smith. The groom wore a grey cutaway tuxedo and ascot tie, while the ushers wore darker grey jackets and bow ties.

**SPEECHES**  
A reception for 120 guests was held afterwards at Somewhere Else in Huttonville. The bride's mother received the guests in a street length dress of deep blue tulle, while the groom's mother chose a street length dress in a sheer grey and mauve print.

The bride's uncle - Dave Bell from Fonthill, was the master of ceremonies for the speeches following dinner. Dave Smallwood provided music and entertainment for the dance. Guests came from as far as Calgary, North Bay, Sudbury, Toronto, Ottawa, Kingston and Montreal.

The bride attended three showers: a Jack and Jill shower from the groom's aunts and uncles given by Marg and Ernie Wanless. A miscellaneous shower given by matron of honor Sylvia Murphy and another miscellaneous shower given by family friend Joan Agg-

isa. The bride's co-workers held a stagette fund raiser for the bride, featuring a live band - "Sons Harbour" and live male entertainment. Best man, Donald Harris held a stag for the groom at Odd Fellows Hall in Georgetown.

Following a one week Caribbean cruise, the couple has settled in Georgetown

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PAT BEER

## An 11-year veteran

Promoting crafts and sharing an interest in crafts have drawn about 40 Georgetown and area residents together into the Arts and Crafts of Georgetown club.

Making ceramics, weaving, pottery, painting, decoupage, stencil work and making leather and silver jewellery keep members busy.

Members hold an annual exhibition and sale of their crafts, and have speakers of interest at their meetings.

The Arts and Crafts club was founded during the war years, in August, 1943, by Mame Moyer. Club members are interested in teaching others the joy of doing craft work, and in reviving Canadian handicrafts.

Club president Pat Beer has been leading the membership for over 11 years. The membership fee is \$6 and each member must be an active craftsman. To find out more about the club or to join, contact Mrs. Beer at 877-4740.

## Agency eases life's trials

By ANIFEDERIAN  
Herald Staff Writer

What to do if you're unemployed?

Don't just throw up your hands in frustration. Do something about it.

Halton Family Services' Jack Knight says the first thing to do when you get that pink slip is to prepare to cope with it financially.

Talk to your lawyer, a credit counsellor or your accountant and get some financial advice, like what happens when you can't pay your mortgage anymore.

Then start considering other ways to make yourself marketable. Talk to people in community colleges, universities, and counsellors at the Canada Employment Centre about upgrading yourself. With upgrading you give yourself more options for employment. It may mean a switch in career or a new direction in the one you already have.

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talk to your spouse, your friends, your doctor, your minister or your relatives about it.

"To survive unemployment, you have to be able to talk to your spouse and show your feelings and talk about feeling discouraged and depressed," Mr. Knight said.

"You have to feel it's okay to do that with your spouse. You have to be able to support each other, be flexible in changing roles, and cut back financially."

If you need counselling, evening and daytime appointments can be made with the Halton Family Services by calling 883-3310 at the Acton Social Services and Information Centre.

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