

Martian egg toss introduced to youngsters

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The white space truck pulled into the park, much to the amazement

of the children who had been playing. At first there was no sound, or sign of life, except the engine of the

space truck shutting down. Then, as the doors of the vessel slowly rolled back, the children retreated in fear.

The creatures emerged into the summer heat. They were green, as martians should be. And they had antennae, also as

they should. **CURIOSITY SUCCEEDS**
After the first impulse to run, the first waves of fear passed, the curiosity

of youth began to pull the children closer. The creatures were holding something. They offered the children these squirmy, brightly-colored objects, that looked much like water-filled balloons.

This scene actually took place in Georgetown last week. Like a scene from an H.G. Wells thriller, the green creatures from another planet descended upon our children, with one purpose in mind. They wanted to play martian egg toss.

The creatures were employees of the Recreation and Parks Department, and they soared through the heavens in the new Travelling Activity Center.

Their mission is to meet the kids of Georgetown, and to provide them with a spontaneous playground. They are heavily armed with materials for games and crafts, and ideas for games and activities.

Students Diane Jones, 20, a physical education major at Queen's University in Kingston, and 16-year-old Jayne Taylor, man the travelling center full-time. Throughout the summer they will be attending community functions, such as ball tournaments and holiday celebrations, to provide their free service to local kids.

"Diane and I have to sit down together and plan

what we're going to do, what types of games we are going to play, and so on," Taylor said recently.

"As a summer job, I like it. I'm not tied down to a routine doing this, and I like meeting all the kids." Taylor and Jones have an entire list of games, crafts, sing-songs and other activities to refer to before each outing. They try to be prepared for children between the ages of four and 12.

This weekend they were at the Hornby Minor Softball Tournament, and

they drew rave reviews from tourney director Bryan Lewis.

"It's a real bonus at a tournament, where you're going to have a lot of little brothers and sisters hanging around, getting bored," parks and rec programs supervisor Joy Gwilliam pointed out. "It's an original program, and a trial thing, but I think the public will respond favorably."

RURAL VISITS
The first outing for the travelling activity center

was to Glen Williams for Canada Day.

Tomorrow (Thursday) the van will be at the Fairgrounds at 10:30 a.m., and at the Limehouse rural activity center in the afternoon. A complete schedule for the van is available through the rec department. There are several free dates over the course of the summer, so any group interested in having the van attend a function should contact the rec people about that.



ELVIS, EAT YOUR HEART OUT

Surrounded by fellow "greasers", Joe Parkinson turned back the clock along with a lock of hair as he participated in a fifties-style sock hop Thursday afternoon. The event was sponsored by the recreation and parks department day camp at the Cedarvale community centre. Kids "be-bopped" under the trees, munched on pop corn and wrestled with a juke box which would have been right at home at Arnold's hamburger stand.

(Herald photo by Chris Aagaard)



STEADY HANDS

Recreation department staffer Sue McGowan and three-year-old Jennifer got together Saturday at Hornby Ball Park to let their creative juices flow. Sue was riding with the Travelling Activity Center, and Jennifer was a patron.

(Herald photo)

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Supplying fun and games

Herald Special
Beginning July 18, Summer Activity Centres will be held alternately at McKenzie-Smith Middle School and St. Joseph's Separate School in Acton for week-long sessions.

Parents can register their children for the weeks of July 18, August 2, and August 15 at McKenzie-Smith and the

weeks of July 25 and August 8 at St. Joseph's by dropping into the Recreation Office at 40 Mill Street, Acton; 25 James Street, Georgetown or by completing the mail-in form found in the Spring and Summer '83 brochure.

Summer Activity Centres offer a variety of children's games, crafts, and songs with supplies

ranging from paint and paper to tambourines and triangles!

The Department hopes that this alteration of program locations will accommodate all families in the community.

If you have any questions or suggestions please contact the Summer Activities Office at 877-5185, ext. 63.

Day camp sleepover for 7 to 12 year olds

Herald Special
The Recreation Department is now offering a Day Camp program in two locations - Prospect Park, Acton and Cedarvale Park, Georgetown. Be sure to join us to learn new skills such as archery, campcrafts, orienteering and more!

A sleepover is scheduled for the second Thursday of each two (2) week session complete with outdoor cooking, sing songs and lots of campfire fun. This program is designed for the enjoyment of children ages 7 to 12 years. The Recreation Department has implemented a new free structure for 1983 whereby additional children from the same family can take part at a reduced cost.

Registration has begun for the upcoming two week sessions at either Recreation Office - 40 Mill Street East, Acton or 25 James Street, Georgetown. For your convenience, registration will also be accepted through the mail using the form located in the Spring and Summer Brochure.

The New Experience Nature Camp Program is a special camp out scheduled for August 15, 16 and 17, 1983 at Rockwood Conservation Area for children 10 to 12 years of age.

The cost is \$40 per child with a reduced rate of \$35

for each additional child of the same family.

Call 877-5185, ext. 63 for more information.

Activity Centre

Thursday, July 14
10:30 a.m. Georgetown Fairgrounds - Free program. AFT. Rec. Dept. - Limehouse Rural Summer Activity Centre - Special Event. 7:00 p.m. Rec. Dept. - Day Camp Sleepover.

Friday, July 15
10:00 a.m. Rec. Dept. - George Kennedy Summer Activity Centre - Special Event. 1:30 p.m. Centennial School - Free program.

Saturday and Sunday
OPEN.

Monday, July 18
A.M. - T.B.A. - P.M. - T.B.A.

Tuesday, July 19
10:30 a.m. - Prospect Park - Free program. 1:00 p.m. Homeway Place - Free program.

Wednesday, July 20
10:30 a.m. - River Run - Free program. 1:00 p.m. - George Kennedy Summer Activities - Special Event.

Thursday, July 21
10:30 a.m. - Speyside School - Park program. P.M. - Limehouse Rural Summer Activities - Special Event.

Friday, July 22
A.M. - P.M. - DAY CAMP - SPECIAL EVENT. Saturday and Sunday
OPEN.

Monday, July 25
A.M. - FREE - Call us for a booking. P.M. - FREE.

Tuesday, July 26
A.M. - P.M. - FREE

Wednesday, July 27
A.M. - FREE - 1:00 p.m. - George Kennedy Summer Activity Centre - Special event.

Thursday, July 28
A.M. - FREE - P.M. - Limehouse Rural Activity Centre - Special event. 7:00 p.m. - Day Camp sleepover.

These programs are free to the public. Drop your children off to participate in a fun-filled program.

Chemical lab grad



Susan Patricia Krowchuk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Krowchuk received her diploma as a chemical laboratory technician from Sheridan College School of Applied Art and Technology. Convocation ceremonies were held in Brampton on June 15, 1983.

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