



ROPED AGAIN

Skipping is a cliché for these two Acton girls, Jennifer Wasmund, 8, and Kimberley McIsaac, 8. They were out on Main Street North enjoying a mild Saturday afternoon.

(Herald photo by Chris Aagaard)

Old photos needed

Stewarttown school plans 25th anniversary

By CHRIS AAGAARD
Herald Staff Writer

Remember the good ol' days? Tracking off to school, lunch pail in hand, the excitement of not only starting off a new year, but doing it in a new school, a school of the future much different than the small section schools which, up until

then, dotted the rural landscape.

With a special celebration November 3, Stewarttown school alumni will trade recollections as the school celebrates its 25th anniversary. In September, 1958, Stewarttown school opened as an expansive, five-room building and students from across Esqueusing

were bussed to its doors. An era of multi-grade, one-room schools was drawing to a close; consolidated schools were taking over in the rural area.

Ten years later, another change would take place at Stewarttown school: Junior grades were bussed elsewhere and grades six, seven and eight

students took over the classrooms.

An open house is planned to commemorate the anniversary, organizer Earmie Bird told The Herald. She and an anniversary committee are busy collecting memorabilia of those early years at Stewarttown.

MEMORABILIA
They ask that anyone with old photographs of school life at Stewarttown, or any pertinent documents of interest, get in touch with the school (877-9153) or call 877-0388.

They'll be photocopies and returned; when Nov. 3 rolls around, the copies will be used as a display.

The anniversary committee is trying to get in touch with as many grads as possible, some of which have long since scattered across the country. It's an open invitation to former students and staff, she said, hoping for a large crowd.

The open house celebration is planned as an evening event, lasting from 7 p.m. to about 9 p.m.

A number of current and past school board officials will toast the occasion.

Cruise night Oct. 14 for 'Make a Wish'

By BRYAN LEWIS
Herald Special

Halton Hills Make a Wish volunteers will be visible at a "Cruise Night" Friday Oct. 14 at the North Halton Golf and Country Club.

The evening sponsored by Roos Travel, will have the Make a Wish volunteers assisting with fun games and in general, making the evening informative for the invited guests.

Roos Travel owner Arend Roos have offered any monies raised to go to Make a Wish of Halton Hills.

A visit is planned to the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital's children's ward, in the fall.

In addition to large donations from Halton Hills Slo-Pitch (Service Club) League, the Opti-

mist Club of Georgetown, H and H Video, Dave Bracken's Invitational Golf Tournament, many individual donations have come from Georgetown residents and as far away as Toronto.

Offers of money are greatly appreciated and so are the many offers of typing, offers to knit items for raffles etc; small plane rides; bartending services for fund-raising events; offers to drive children to events; tickets to hockey games; these are but a few. These offers, like the monetary assistance, have been "banked" for future withdrawals, all to aid an unfortunate child.

If you know of some seriously ill or life-threatening youngster under the age of 18 you are invited to send per-

tinient information including the Doctor's name and phone number to Make a Wish of Halton Hills, c/o Bryan Lewis, RR3 (Sixth Line), Georgetown, Ontario, L7G 4S6.

In addition to the steering committee of Bryan Lewis, Arend Roos, Ken Bellamy and Constable Rodney Beaumont, the services and assistance of John Kesteloot, past president of the Optimist Club has been welcomed.

Donations and offers of assistance can be sent to Bryan Lewis at the above address.

Landfill site issue

Use Burlington, council urges

By CHRIS AAGAARD
Herald Staff Writer

Pointing to its effects on local taxpayers, Halton Hills has flatly rejected a proposal to truck garbage down to an incinerator in Niagara Falls, New York once Halton's landfill site in Burlington is filled.

Instead, the town's general committee agrees with an alternative solution for the garbage crisis: expanding the Burlington dump for three or four years until Halton has a new landfill site.

Halton is working with two options under the incineration proposal: in one, 100 per cent of the region's waste would be shipped down to a plant which burns the waste to produce heat energy; the second would bury 25 per cent of the trash in the Burlington landfill site, while shipping off the remaining 75 per cent to be burned at the New York plant.

The average homeowner in Georgetown, a staff report notes, face increases of between 33 and 38 per cent in urban services charges alone if the New York options are accepted and financed by the increases in the regional tax levy.

(Urban services include crossing guards and streetlighting in urban areas.)

COSTS DOUBLE

This year, urban services for the average Georgetown home tax assessed at \$8,000 has paid about \$55 for urban services. If Halton's trash is shipped to New York at the regional taxpayers' expense, that homeowner's urban services bill will rise to \$74 if 75 per cent of the trash goes, and \$76 if it's all hauled to the U.S.

The incineration options could also be paid for by increasing tipping fees, fees paid on a per tonnage basis when the garbage reaches its destination.

If Halton's trash is still landfilled next year, a \$17.50 per tonne charge is expected, up from \$16 this year.

Burning 75 per cent of the trash in New York means an increase in tipping fees (covered by town taxpayers) of \$18 and about \$20 if all of the waste is burned.

PHASED PROGRAM

As explained by regional chief administration officer Dennis Perlin and Halton's waste management chief George Woodburn during a recent visit to Halton Hills council, the region could expand the existing dump in four phases. But already there are signs of stiff opposition from Burlington ratepayers, supported by city council. Burlington council has already said it favors shipping 75 per cent of the trash to New York, with the increased costs to be reflected.

Halton is currently carrying out an expensive environmental assessment of the region's landfill site

needs. A complicated study which will eventually propose a new landfill site, the study has narrowed its search to a number of areas in Halton, including several in Halton Hills. One quarry near

Acton, is among the seven the study has suggested could be used for landfill operations. The region says the landfill would eventually restore the quarried land, possibly into productive shape.

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