

Acton High School

# Grads pick up 1983 diplomas

The Acton High School cafeteria was overflowing with proud kin Friday night as 141 Grade 12 graduates and 48 Grade 13 graduates received their diplomas at the school's annual commencement ceremonies.

"It's my sincere hope you will look back on your years here as having helped you live your life in the future," principal Betty Moore told the graduates seated below.

Forty-one scholarships, awards and bursaries were won by the graduating class. Of the Grade 13 graduates, 14 were Province of Ontario Scholars, meaning they had grade averages of 80 per cent or more.

"Don't stop searching, examining, growing," Halton Hills trustee Arlene Bruce told the young men and women. "You've just begun to tap your resources."

Among the highlights of the evening were the comical, personalized introductions English teacher Ross McGill gave each of the Grade 13 scholars crossing the stage to receive their diplomas. The blushes were plentiful as Dr. McGill ribbed them about past behavior and personality traits.

"I'm the only teacher on staff without a suit," Dr. McGill told the audience in a political dig. "I was going to buy one, then Davis told me about 9 and 5, so I bought a tie."

Valedictorian Paul Nolan received a standing ovation from fellow students for his speech. "There were special relationships we'll never lose and that keep Bell Canada in business—the kind that prove you can put a price on friendship, every month," Paul said.

Acton is unique because of its size, he recognized, and attending high school was like being part of an extended family, "the likes of which we may never see again." Teachers were seen as more than just instructors; they were seen as friends, Paul said.



## SCHOLARS INDEED

Acton High School produced 14 Ontario Scholars in 1982-83. Among those getting 80 per cent or better in Grade 13 were: Nancy Louise Allan, Renata Lynn Brillinger, Sandra Marcia Brundie, Karen Elizabeth Coats, David William Dawkins, Tammy Lynn Hunter, Andrea Kathryn Susan

Below is a list of Ontario Scholars and award recipients:

### SECONDARY SCHOOL HONOUR GRADUATION DIPLOMAS

Nancy Louise Allan, Darlene Rochelle Allinson, Karen Ann Bailey, Renata Lynn Brillinger, Sandra Marcia Brundie, Donna Mary Cavlovic, Naha Chandra, Juli Ann Clow, Karen Elizabeth Coats, Catherine Rose Coffin, David William Dawkins, John Robert Evans, Joseph Ian Findlay, Richard Rosa Greenly, Edward Jerry Greier, Nicola Grillo, Douglas Andrew Hannah, Tammy Lynn Hunter, Andrea Kathryn Susan, Helena Kinal, Harold Ian Koehler, Philip Antony Lalair, Robert Philip Little, Stephen Ashton Marzetta, Sharon Iona McBride, William Brian McKenzie, Louise McElabon, Dawn Lee Miller, Tanya Elise Mokrzycki, Edwin Rene Ninaber, Paul Andrew Nolan, Linda Annabel Oso, Bradley John Charles Ottawa, Dahlia Petersen, David Christopher Quinn, Nancy Hunder, Anthony Brian Saxon, Thomas William Shannon, John Innes Wayne Shubert, Laura Jean Spaldin, Gordon Charles Springle, Andrea Thiel, Adam Philip Thomas, Nancy Willa Thompson, Lynda Trembridge, Robert James Warrington, Lynda Catherine Whiffin, Antony Paul Jonathan Wright.

SECONDARY SCHOOL GRADUATION DIPLOMAS  
Lianne Alsop, Jennifer Arbc, Christine Auger, Sandra Bahr, Josephine Bakula, Deborah Beamish, Catherine Beecham, Carol Ann Blake, Rita Bolter, Lorelei Buscher, Lynda Canary, Kathryn Chalmers, Wendy Carroll, Gloria Ceccati, Richard Chapman, Joel Clow, Dana Coates, Denise Coleman, Colleen Colson, Melahne

Jenkinson, Harold Ian Koehler, Tanya Elise Mokrzycki, Bradley John Charles Ottawa, Dahlia Petersen, Gordon Charles Springle, Adam Philip Thomas and Antony Paul Jonathan Wright. (Herald photo)

Cooper, Ian Corson, Michael Creighton, Diane Crews, Naomi Dossat, Lori Drysdale, Karen Elliott, Dayna George, Monika George, Carolyn Gibson, George Gidman, Jeannelle Gleason, Lynn Gordon, Cheryl Greenly, Kenneth Hachey, Norman Harris, Kimberley Heaps, Michele Heard, Gerald Hestek, Edward Holtman, Tammy Hunter, Jacqueline Jennings, Michele Jones, Sophie Jones, Helmut Kainz, Kenneth Kavanagh, Kelly Kennedy, Farid Khan, Karen Kilner, Carrie Kirton, Tammy Knott, Hesty Ann Koehler, Tracey Laing, David Lauby, Giovanni Lobello, Christopher Lobalinger, Glenn Lott, Terrance Lott, Tracey MacFarlane, Gregory Malby, Guy Malby, Nancy Marchment, Lisa Mason, Michael Masson, Steven Matheson, Joanne McArthur, Scott Mc

Donough, Thomas McDonough, Lorror McEginn, Colleen McKnight, Jennifer McLean, Robbie McMullan, Kimberley McMullen, Deborah McQuade, Deji Mohammed, Laura Moore, Jill Morris, Caroline Mott, Ruth Munro, Roman Neubacher, Denise Newell, Peter Nietispach, Paul Nikifork, Blake Norton, Linda Paton, Albert Petersen, Marcelle Phillips, Joel Pink, Annette Pool, Jacqueline Pries, Gregory Puncleon, Anna Querques, Laura Raine, Allison Rennie, Mae Robinson, Marlene Roehner, Nabila Saeed, Christopher Salas, Sandra Schreiber, Joanna Scott, Michael Scott, Erik Seiz, Bruce Shannon, Thomas Shannon, Philip Shee, Amanda Silcock, Michael Smith, Paul Smith, Warren Somers, Paul South, Roy Spear, Kristin Spielvogel, Marcus Spill, Paul Stables, Christopher Stanbury, Nancy

Thomas, Daniel Tremblay, Lisa Truzzi, Tony Van Dam, Wendy Van Dam, Shirley Van Rijk, Yvonne Van Den Akker, Karen Vanderlinden, Matthew Wakelin, Mark Walker, Andrew Walton, Declan Weld, Gary White, Mark Willaie, Susan Wilson, Lynne Winters, Donald Wong, Jean Wong, Deborah Wright, Peter Wright, Michael Yalowiec, Joseph Zenga.

## Teacher receives OSSTF citation

Tom Ramautarsingh, who teaches at Georgetown District High School, received a 1983 Citation from the 36,000 Secondary School Teachers' Federation, for excellence in school-community relations.

Mr. Ramautarsingh was nominated by Garry Kirkpatrick, former first vice president of the Holy Cross Parents' association and Sharon Kirkpatrick, former secretary of the Georgetown Ratepayers' association.

The Kirkpatricks' nomination says Tom Ramautarsingh was Professional Development Chairman for 1,364

secondary school teachers in Peel and North Halton for 3 years. He was president of Halton Secondary School Teachers' Federation for 2 years. He wrote many briefs in response to the massive changes in Halton's educational system.

Participation in the Optimist Club by chairing and organizing the Oratorical and Art Contests for the past three years are other examples of his community involvement.

Mr. Ramautarsingh was founder and President of the Holy Cross Parents' Association for four years.

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