

Grow your beard for Pioneer Days

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The "he-men" of Halton Hills have been invited to grow a Pioneer Beard for the annual Pioneer Days celebration planned for downtown Georgetown in June.

Since Georgetown is observing a 120th anniversary and Ontario's bi-centennial, the Pioneer Days committee thinks the idea of a pioneer beard growing competition would be appropriate for the occasion and appeal to men of all ages.

A few years ago, another beard growing competition was held in Georgetown and it is reported that it was very well received at the time. This Pioneer Beard Growing event will culminate during Pioneer Days, 1984 to be held in downtown Georgetown on June 21, 22 and 23, sponsored by the BIA, Georgetown Central Business Improvement Area.

With eleven weeks to go to the event, organizers feel there is plenty of time for local "he-men" to grow substantial beards, or mustache-and-beard combinations. Judging will probably be in three categories: best-groomed mustache-and-beard (or beard only), longest or fullest growth, and a "scratch" beard category for beginners.

Established beard owners will be eligible in the remaining categories. If enough entrants are found, the Pioneer Days committee say winners will be judged and prizes awarded on the final day of the three-day celebration, Saturday, June 23.

Headquarters for the event is Rod's Barber Shop, 75 Main South with information and entry forms available there later this month. Entrants for the "scratch" beard competition must register at Rod's in April and be verified as "bare-



MPP Julian Reed was a guest speaker at St. Francis of Assisi Separate School Wednesday morning. He talked to students at their Carrer's Day on his experiences as an actor. Here, Mr. Reed shows students Robin Fitzpatrick (left) and Carmen Robinson how to make a melodramatic expression.

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Jackmans take to the road

Couple travels the world over

By CHRIS AAGAARD
Herald Staff
Travelling has afforded Ken and Myra Jackman an education they wish the whole world could enjoy.

"It makes a difference on your outlook of life," Mrs. Jackman as the recently settled Acton couple talked about the societies and cultures they've met over the last 30 years.

After years as a plant manager, and most recently, the man in charge of energy conservation for SIFCO Industries Inc. of Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Jackman, 71, retired in 1977.

He and his wife (the Jackmans also have three married daughters) moved into a Roseford Terrace home in Acton last November.

The house is filled with the memorabilia of their travels which were made for both business and pleasure. The fondest memories they readily recall bear place names from India, Asia, Europe and Argentina.

After being a wartime plant engineer in an "under-mountain" aircraft plant, Mr. Jackman decided to move himself, his wife and a daughter to Canada from their native England in 1951.

Mr. Jackman was "loaned" to the A.V.

Rowe aircraft company by Canadian Steel Improvement Company which was providing forged products for the industry.

When the A.V. Rowe plant was closed soon after the Avro Arrow project was dropped, Mr. Jackman joined SIFCO Industries (Steel Improvement and Forge Company).

Through SIFCO, he has been involved with the selection of machinery, its installation and the general management of heavy industry plants in other parts of the world.

He was in Argentina in the early 1960s, helping to set up a car manufacturing plant. In 1964, the Jackmans and daughter Elizabeth moved to India (grown daughters Mary and Judith stayed in North America) where they spent the next three years.

ADVISOR

Mr. Jackman was the technical advisor for SIFCO during the construction of the Bharat Forge Company Ltd. plant in Poon. His duties included instructing and supervising personnel and forming and directing a plant maintenance group.

The Indians in the area brought their share of culture to the plant, too. After a particularly

difficult job of installing the 121-ton anvil for a power hammer, the Indians celebrated the feat with a "pujah".

The pujah includes the burning of incense and the ceremonial breaking of a coconut from which the milk is dobed on the brows of the workers.

There were many pujahs, Mr. Jackman said, "enough so that when I left India, I had a yellow mark in the middle of my forehead."

Unlike a North American plant, the Indian operation took on an ambience of its own, with greenery inside and workers' babies sleeping nearby while their mothers helped with construction.

POVERTY

The extremes of poverty and wealth were plainly visible; yet, the Jackmans said, the people, even the poorer ones, were proud and kind.

The Jackmans have the kind of memories from which books are written: there's Khan, the religious foreman who consulted the gods after Mr. Jackman asked when one of the Bharat projects would be completed.

"At three o'clock Wednesday," Khan was able to proudly announce. And while his men had to work overtime to do it, work was completed at three o'clock, just as Khan promised.

In Argentina, Mr. Jackman was forced to plow through the front doors of a jewelry shop to avoid a more serious accident.

"We prefer our customers to leave their cars outside the store," Mr. Jackman remembered the jeweler saying.

Travelling has also taken them to such places as Poland, Germany, Greece and Egypt.



EASY RIDERS
Looking tough for the biking season which were Georgetown's Peter Johnson (left), 5, and his buddy Darin Flinlayson, 5.

Thanks to Brian ...

'Sherluck Homes' makes his television debut

By CHRIS AAGAARD
Herald Staff
It's called "Sherluck Homes in the Chicken Brain Mystery", but it really represents the further adventures of Brian Lemay.

The Georgetown cartoonist whose figures have graced the editorial pages of The Herald, coloring books, a commercial or two and, most recently, The Inspector Gadget Show, has taken a very serious plunge into animated film.

Mr. Lemay, 24, has budgeted \$15,000 for the production which activated a few characters of the cartoonist's imagination from his "idea" file.

Part of the funding for the project comes from the Ontario Arts Council, impressed by the script and a "story board" Mr. Lemay put together in seven, virtually sleepless, days and nights to meet the deadline.

"I heard about the grant and I grabbed an application," Mr. Lemay recalled. "It was due November 1 and I had to come up with a story."

No problem. But one week before he was to submit his cartoon proposal, Mr. Lemay found the idea had already been done.

He had to quickly find an alternative and turned to some old friends of his, Sherluck Homes and Homes' faithful companion, Whastit.

20 HOURS

For the next week, he worked about 20 hours a day. He was able to quickly draft a script and spent the bulk of his time drawing and coloring the detailed, scene-by-scene story board.

Like the super-sleuth of serious fiction, Homes is an unparalleled expert in crime solving by deduction.

Homes, like Holmes,

has some interesting personality traits: when no one is looking, Homes plays his violin like an electric guitar, gyrating about his lab in a sweep of rock and roll chords.

Without giving too much detail about the film, suffice it to say that Homes is threatened by his criminal arch-rival, Morethanartle.

Ad diabolical as Arthur Conan Doyle's Moriarte, Mr. Lemay's villain has "hatched" an insidious plot to scramble the brain of our hero.

The process of crime solving introduces us to a host of other supporting characters, like poor Mrs. Hugeson and the befuddled Inspector Lastrawed.

APPEAL

With the Chicken Brain Mystery, Mr. Lemay says he wants a comic appeal which

covers a broad range of ages. The animated feature will have a lion's share of outright comedy, plus a more subtle variety which may be missed at first.

"It will be one of those things you'll have to see a few times to get all the subtleties," he said. "The first time you see it, you catch the main funny part, but you may miss the 'run on' behind it."

All but the final camera work will be done by Mr. Lemay.

He is the producer, director and artist-animator.

Three chums have helped out enormously in other aspects of the production: Dennis Gonzales has done most of the voices; Mike Gaudley is the narrator and Will Ashworth developed the voice for one of the characters and

provided the feature's background music.

The Chicken Brain Mystery is an important step in Mr. Lemay's career.

ON HIS OWN

"I wanted to produce this on my own to say to others, 'I've done this thing'...to prove myself among the professionals."

Although barely 15 minutes long, Mr. Lemay's production involves an enormous amount of work, much of it the painstakingly detailed animation which makes or breaks cartoons.

He has also had to look deep in the Chicken Brain Mystery's humor to ask if it's as real on film as it appears on film.

"Live comedy is different," Mr. Lemay said.



Mystery and comic mayhem is on cartoonist Brian Lemay's mind these days. He's busy working on his first, self-produced animated feature, introducing super-sleuths Sherluck Homes and Whastit.

Healthy aging course May 3

The Victorian Order of Nurses will be holding a course on "healthy aging" starting May 3.

The Thursday night course will last for five weeks at the Georgetown Public Library and will cover a wide variety of topics relating to health.

The course was developed by Mary Gibson and Mary Buzzell, gerontological specialists with the VON in order to share their knowledge in the field of aging.

The instructors will be teaching good nutrition, promoting exercise and preventative health

care.

Some of the topics discussed will include aging problems such as arthritis, circulatory problems and stress related diseases.

For more information call 878-5773 or 877-2681.

ABOUT THE HILL

Ontario BIA meeting

The interests of business improvement areas (BIA) in the province are being safeguarded and promoted by the Ontario Business Improvement Area Association.

The group is holding an annual meeting and conference April 24 and 25 in Toronto. All municipalities with a BIA are invited.

Casablanca coming

Don't miss the final film in the Culture Centre's collection of classic favorites. We would like to offer additional films Monday evenings so let the Recreation Department know what you would like to see.

Admission is \$2 adult, \$1 seniors and students. For more information call 877-5185, ext. 260.

Youth dramatic arts

Get in the Act! Our recreational department arts programs are designed to encourage imagination and self expression and to teach basic theatre skills and techniques. Act I is offered for 7-10 year olds and Act II for 11-14 year olds on Tuesday evenings starting April 17th, 1984. REGISTER NOW.

Waste site meeting

The Ontario Waste Management Corporation (OWMC) will be holding an information session April 11-12 in Milton.

OWMC staff will be available at Halton Hills Place and Banquet Hall from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. both days to discuss the selection process for an industrial waste site.

March 15 the OWM announced a list of eight possible candidate sites for the treatment and disposal of liquid waste. There are no sites selected from the Halton Hills area. For information call 923-2918.

Solar room approved

Permission to build a solar greenhouse to a home at 18 Black Creek Court was granted by the Halton Hills Committee of Adjustment.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith were told any further development of the property would require Credit Valley Conservation Authority approval as the land lies within the regulated Fill and Construction Control Line of the CVCA.

The town engineering department had no objections, on the condition that the drainage course between the addition and the property to the south be maintained and not obstructed.

Volunteer week

There are over 2,200 active volunteers in Halton Hills and during Volunteer Week, local agencies, service clubs and groups will say a big thank you to them.

Town councillors proclaimed April 23 to 29 Volunteer Week '84'.

Peace meeting

Brampton and area peace council is holding a meeting April 18 at 7:30 p.m. at Cardinal Leger School and you're invited.

Cardinal Leger is at the corner of Guest and Mary Streets in Brampton and the meeting is in annex room 2. For more information, call 453-0288.

Stewarttown news

By J. ROSS and P. STEWART
Herald Correspondents

Sympathy of the community is extended to the Magill family in the passing of Mrs. Magill of the village.

Brian Hogarth of Hornby has just returned from China and April 11, he will be showing slides at St. Stephens. As many are interested from St. John's wish to attend, the Guild meeting was changed.

Bob Gracey of Hornby, has made and donated a cupboard for the use of the Alter Guild of St. John's.

Tennant thanked

Georgetown resident Ab Tennant was personally thanked by Brampton-Georgetown MP John McDermid for his years of service to the local PC riding association.

Mr. Tennant resigned from the association's board of directors, but he is still active on the advisory committee to the campaign chairman for Brampton-Georgetown PCs.

Pathfinders host Buffalo girls

The 1st Glen Williams Pathfinders hosted two Girl Scouts from the Buffalo area last weekend.

The weekend ended on a happy note with a luncheon back at Bramalea before the girls returned home.

Best float

The 1st Glen Williams Pathfinders were presented with a plaque for the Best Theme Float in the 1983 Santa Claus parade recently.



Working for a major industry has allowed a lot of travel for Myra and Ken Jackman.

A special fund set aside for energy-waste

By creating a special reserve fund, Halton region hopes to prove to residents that it is committed to finding other ways, besides landfilling, of getting rid of garbage.

Last week, the region's administration and finance committee agreed to inject \$250,000 into a fund which the committee hopes will one day be used to build an "energy from waste" plant where garbage is burned rather than buried.

EFW plants are widely used in Europe and parts of North America. The incineration of garbage produces steam which can be used for heat or to produce electricity.

Although the region is currently looking for a new landfill site, it is also studying the possibilities of locating an EFW plant adjacent to a

regional industry.

As he presented the request for funding the EFW plant, Halton chief administrative officer Dennis Perlin said, "this is probably the most important report we have presented."

"We need to demonstrate to the community that energy from waste can work," he added. "The feasibility study is out there to make it work."

A final report on an EFW in Halton is expected in July.

As well as starting the EFW reserve from an existing reserve of Halton's money, the region will turn to ratepayers to help build up the fund.

If the committee's decision is endorsed by regional council today (Wednesday), ratepayers will begin paying an extra few dollars for trash disposal per year. In 1984, the extra

amount will be about \$3.38. In the next four years, the amount will be closer to \$6. That, coupled with regular injections of reserve money into the EFW account, plus revenues from a new \$4 surcharge on each load of trash dumped at the landfill site, will raise about \$10.5 million by 1988.

The EFW plant is expected to cost about \$35 million, with 70 per cent of the costs made up of government subsidies.

In the region's 20-year waste disposal plan, which is supposed to be in 1988, 75 per cent of Halton's garbage will be burned.

Ash from the EFW, as well as unburnable garbage, will be buried at the landfill site. A small portion of the unburned garbage will be recycled.