

Bagpipes need warming up

By ROBIN BAKWELL
Herald Staff
Virginia Hulme, of the Georgetown Girls Pipe Band, knows of no other instrument which takes up to half an hour to warm up. Bagpipes have four sets of reeds in them which must first reach the proper moisture point before constant playing is achieved.

Mrs. Hulme is the Pipe Major with the band which has 21 playing members and five beginners. The youngest member of the band is 10 and is already playing bagpipes with the rest of the group.

The Georgetown Girls Pipe Band has played all over Ontario and has travelled to Quebec City, Philadelphia, Chicago, Detroit and New York City. Most of these trips involved competing in band competitions.

"A lot of bands like competing because it improves their ability to play," Mrs. Hulme said.

Mrs. Hulme is presently preparing herself and the band for the ninth annual Speyside Highland Games which are to be held June 9 at the Georgetown Fairgrounds. There will be Highland dancing, pipe band, and drumming competitions with tug of war, caber tossing and athletic events. A sheep dog demonstration is also on the agenda for the day.

A massed band parade is scheduled for 11:45 a.m. to leave from Remembrance Park on Mill Street and make its way to the Fairgrounds. There is expected to be 27 bands at this year's games.

Mrs. Hulme also teaches the bagpipes to new members of the Georgetown Girls Pipe Band.

"I start getting them used to the pipes right away," Mrs. Hulme said, explaining that some teachers wait for six months to a year while their students learn on the practice chanter without the air bag.

"I let them inflate the bag, which gets them used to the instrument," she said.

Mrs. Hulme finds the girls learn quickly and feels "it's a challenge" working with them.

Mrs. Hulme will be competing as a soloist against about 25 other pipers at this year's games.

New officers for Legion's Ladies Auxiliary

LADIES AUXILIARY: On Thursday, May 17, we held our elections. The following are the newly elected officers: President - Liz McNeilly; Past President - Flo Carswell; 1st Vice - Hazel Dumper; 2nd Vice - Yvonne Larusso; Treasurer - Barb Heyce; Corresponding Secretary - Jean Reid; Recording Secretary - Rita Rudiger. There were five members elected to the executive, namely Rae McAustand, Monica Southon, Mary Franks, Mid Brunski and Nellie Bell. Membership chairman is Edna Rippon and sports chairman is Hazel Dumper. We wish them all success for the incoming year.

There are still some banquets in June, so please offer your help. Also, for any interested auxiliary members, there will be a bus tour of some of our Legion branches June 16; a list is up in the branch so please sign up early. June 21 is our next auxiliary meeting, please make the effort to attend.

Public meeting for Acton development

Herald Staff
A proposed development of 13 single-family residential lots, on a cul-de-sac road along the eastern limit of Acton's Churchill Road, will be the subject of a public meeting.

Town planning staff have recommended that the subdivision application by Cedar Road Developments be advertised for a public meeting.

Monday night, councillors in their general committee meeting, agreed with the staff recommendation.

The property has changed ownership a number of times since the original application for development was submitted, and plans have also changed for subdivision.

Currently, the portion of property being proposed for development is relatively flat, open tableland. There are single family homes to the west of it, along Churchill Road, vacant land and woodlot to the north. Acton High

Dangerous driver

An Acton man was charged with dangerous driving after he was observed driving his 1970 Plymouth with speeds in excess of 150 kilometers per hour last Friday afternoon.

While travelling northbound on Sixth Line, the vehicle passed two school buses, frightening school children standing on the side of the road.

The driver was also charged with having the plate of another vehicle and driving with no insurance, when confronted on Highway 7.

School property to the east and open fields or pasture lands to the south.

Current zoning on the land is rural and would have to be changed for development of the project. An application to rezone was looked on favorably by council in October 1979.

Regional council is prepared to recommend subdivision draft approval as long as water problems are resolved, supplying municipal water to the proposed residences.

Barbeque taken

A propane barbecue valued at approximately \$250 was taken from a Norton Crescent residence in Georgetown sometime between Sunday night and Monday morning.



These children were part of the group involved with Mountsberg Wildlife Centre's Beauty and the Beast program last Sunday morning. After searching and identifying some spring flowers in the area, the children began scouring the pond bottom for water beasts. (Herald photo)



Peter Hargreave looks carefully for any sign of water activity. He managed to find water spiders, leeches and snails which he then kept in his observation jar. (Herald photo)

A duplication?

The director of the North Halton Contact Centre also called the suggestion of a central phone number for seniors a duplication of existing service.

"Each centre, in the area where it is established, is quite efficient," Irene MacLaren stated.

She said it would be costly to taxpayers to fund a co-ordinator for such a service, provide office space, equipment and a telephone number.

If the region has extra funds, Mrs. MacLaren welcomed them for expanding future service by the information centres and to pay for extra full-time or part-time help.

"We're just concerned that they're not acknowledging the various information centres in existence," Mrs. MacLaren said. "We don't need duplication of the information centres."

Representatives of the five regional information centres will be meeting later this month with social services director Debbie Oakley.

see themselves as bad and worthless, and grow to adulthood with the same self-image.

"This, in turn, can affect all their adult relationships, including those with spouses and children.

One important benefit of the group, Plant said, is the immediate identification with other people with similar experiences.

NOT ALONE

"All through the sessions, there was a realization, maybe for the first time, that they weren't alone," Plant said. "Their experience wasn't unique, and it certainly didn't make them 'bad' people."

Another purpose of the group and the therapists' role is to provide a focus of anger and a vehicle for realizing the victim's own power.

By SUZANNE GREEN
Herald Special

Five years ago two experienced therapists started the first AMAC self-help group in Halton. They are now reaching the end of this first session.

AMAC stands for Adults Molested as Children, and the group deals specifically with incest, defined as any form of sexual activity between an adult parent, step-parent, surrogate parent, or extended family member, and a child.

The primary idea of the group is to provide an environment to facilitate looking at feelings and working them through to come to a new self-understanding.

Co-therapists Joan Lee and Ross Plant say adults who have been sexually abused as children often experience severe coping difficulties. Abused children



Virginia Hulme is pictured in the summer dress of the Georgetown Girls Pipe Band. The band will be performing June 9 at the Speyside Highland Games. (Herald photo)

Sizzling steak anyone?

Rain or shine, St. Andrew's United Church is holding a steak fry at their church lot on Mountainview Road and Sinclair Avenue June 2.

You can come for a steak dinner at 5 p.m., 6:15 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.

Reserve tickets by calling 877-4512 or 877-2328, after all, you don't want to go home hungry.

Steak plates are \$7.50 and there's a special children's hamburger platter for \$3.50.



The kick-off for our bicentennial has begun! Last week the Mounties invaded Georgetown, bringing with them an entertaining show. Constable Rejean Collard from the RCMP Musical Ride dropped by the town offices to help officially unfurl the bicentennial flag which will be flown at the Trafalgar Road site. Seen here with Const. Collard are (left to right) Councillors Pete Norton, Rick Bonnette and Mayor Russ Miller. (Herald photo)

Canadian Croats live in fear

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Croatian language.

Ironically, an atheistic government tried to ignite hatred between Catholics and Moslems. Rev. Cuvavo said hundreds of thousands of Moslems were expelled to Turkey and the government took an unusual step in 1979. It declared that Moslems are a separate nationality.

hit the Croatian republic. The government forcibly transfers industrial revenues to subsidize the economies of the other republics. Universities turned into

virtual diploma mills and many young Croats are unemployed after graduation.

Any expression of dissatisfaction leads to charges of "expression

of national hatred and anti-socialist views." Even dissident Communist Party members are labelled "fascists," said Rev. Cuvavo.

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