

MITSUBISHI VCR SPECIAL
 ... VHS — FRONT LOAD
 ... 5 MOTOR DIRECT DRIVE
 ... 8 FUNCTION REMOTE CONTROL

\$629

Milliere TV SALES and SERVICE
 14 WESLEYAN ST. GEORGETOWN
 877-3405

FAMILY SECTION

the HERALD
 Home Newspaper of Halton Hills - Established 1888

CANADA'S LARGEST LEATHER GOODS STORE

the olde Hide House

SECTION B, THE HERALD, Wednesday, June 27, 1984 - Page 1

Acton's top citizen

No mistaking the warmth in good-natured ribbing

By KAREN HEWER
 Herald Special
 Visitors to the 27th annual Citizen of the Year award dinner held at the Acton Curling Club Saturday, June 23

may have wondered whether Dr. David Van der Bent was being recognized or roasted! But there was no mistaking the warmth behind the good natured

ribbing directed at Dr. Van der Bent, who was honored for his 18-year contributions to the Acton community.

Delighting the audience with his humorous tribute, John Hurst referred to a lengthy list of Dr. Van der Bent's characteristics. It's been reported the good doctor places his hand in a bucket of ice water before each examination, said Hurst, chiding the honoree.

And while there may be some question about Dr. Van der Bent's expertise as a fisherman, the only four-letter word associated with the dedicated physician are "help, care, give and love," said Mr. Hurst.

MP Otto Jelinek (PC-Halton) congratulated the Acton Chamber of Commerce on their selection of Dr. Van der Bent as the 1983 Citizen of the Year. Mr. Jelinek commended Dr. Van der Bent for "going beyond" the usual community contributions by carrying them out with humility, and without expecting recognition. Traditionally, individuals who are chosen as citizens of the year are in the public eye, but Dr. Van der Bent, by contrast, is a family doctor who very quietly, still makes house calls!

Other community leaders also paid tribute to the Citizen of the Year, including Captain Wilson Perrin of the Salvation Army, who praised Dr. Van der Bent for his work with the Red Shield Appeal. Recognizing the dedication demonstrated by Dr. Van der Bent, he quoted a verse from the Bible, which states "if you want to be great, be a servant."

As Master of Ceremonies Gary Barton was about to continue with the evening's program, a seemingly unscheduled speaker catapulted into the hall and interrupted. The unexpected guest identified himself as the local school principal, and announced he had a presentation to make.

As the crowd roared with laughter the jovial character, decked out in old clothes headed for the guest of honour. "I'm glad you're the Citizen of the Year," he quipped, "otherwise, it might have been me, and I wasn't prepared to come out tonight!"

The amiable comic, later identified as Jack Carpenter, continued to delight the audience with a string of fishing and medical jokes, culminating with a presentation of a personal driver's licence for Dr. Van der Bent.

The award-winner laughed as he read the licence plates - "Say Ah".

Dr. Van der Bent spoke briefly to the group, thanking the Chamber and those in attendance for the recognition. The Citizen of the Year was also honored for his contributions to the Association for the Mentally Retarded.



CEREMONIAL SHOVELS
 Rev. Tom Bandy of St. Andrew's United Church on Mountainview Rd. S. asked his parish to bring along shovels Sunday to 'turn the sod' to symbolically signal the beginning of the church expansion. Out on the occasion to help out were (left to right) Laurie Van Lier and sisters Jennifer, Alana and Karlin. (Herald photo)



Out strawberry picking Sunday to take advantage of some Quint Ferril farm just outside of Norval are (left to right) Andy, delicious looking berries were the Zunic family. Seen here at the Willie, father Nick, Valentin, Grez and Maria.

Berries ready for the picking

By ANI PEDERIAN
 Herald Staff
 Pack away your linned food. Fresh fruits and vegetables are ready for the picking at local farms.

Whether you plan to make preserves, have a great family outing or simply enjoy the fresh taste of just-picked produce, why not head out to the many pick-your-own farms in Halton Hills? A list of them follows.

—Eccleston's U-Pick. Acton. 853-0909. Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Go 10 kilometers north from Highways 401 and 25 junction. Turn left at Sideroad 17 to First Line Esquesing Township. Turn north (right). The farm is halfway between Sideroads 17 and 22. Beans, beets, carrots, cucumbers, dill, squash, pump-

kins, tomatoes, turnips.

—Rainbow Valley Orchards. 833-9569. Open daily 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. On Trafalgar Road about 10 kilometers north of Highway 7. Strawberries, raspberries, apples.

—Frank Krmelj, Acton. 259-6406. Open Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Take Highway 7 west through Acton one kilometer to the first crossroad. Turn right (north) and up to first crossroad. Turn left (west) and go to third driveway. Apples.

—L and M Farms. Acton. 833-9578. Open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Follow Highway 7 west from Trafalgar Road or east from Highway 25, to Churchill Road on the eastern limits of Acton. Go north 10 kilometers on Churchill Road to farm. Strawberries, raspberries.

—Bull's Berry Farm. Norval. 455-8344-8504. Take Mississauga Road South, turn right at Embleton Road (first road north of Steeles Avenue) past Huttonville Public School. First farm on your right. Open, most crops Tuesday to Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Strawberry hours are Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Strawberries, raspberries, black and red currants, gooseberries, peas, beans, tomatoes, okra, sweet corn, pickling cucumbers, pumpkin, squash, gourds, potatoes, peppers, eggplant, cabbage.

—Kingshott Gardens Ltd. Norval 455-8664. Call for hours and picking conditions.

On Fifth Line, 1.5 kilometers west of Mississauga Road and 1.5 kilometers north of Steeles Avenue. Strawberries, apples.

—The Country Apple Store. Norval. 455-8202. From Mississauga Road turn east (right) off Steeles Avenue to Fifth Line. Turn north. Watch for signs.

Strawberry hours daily 8 a.m. to dusk. Apple hours Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to dusk. Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Strawberries, apples.

—Boonstra's Farm. Norval. 455-8219. Open daily 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. From Steeles Avenue take Mississauga Road or Winston Churchill Boulevard north to the first road north of Steeles.

Turn west off Mississauga or east off Winston Churchill and go to Brown's Line. Turn north and go to the end of the lane. Strawberries.

—Migue Farm Fruit and Veg. Georgetown. 877-5582. Open daily 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. From Georgetown take Trafalgar Road to Sideroad 15 west. Follow to Fifth Line and south .5 kilometer. Strawberries, raspberries, beans, beets, pickling and slicing cucumbers, tomatoes, peppers, corn, carrots, spanish onions, muskmelons, fall squash, pumpkins.

—The Raspberry Patch. Norval. 455-8322. Open daily. On Winston Churchill Boulevard (Halton Hills Town Line, Sixth Line west of Brampton). 6.5 kilometers north of Steeles Avenue and 1.5 kilometers south of Norval. Raspberries. Call for recorded crop report.

—Braeside Farm. Norval. 453-2300. Open Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to noon and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. 1.5 kilometers south of Norval on Winston Churchill Boulevard, or 6.5 kilometers north of Steeles Avenue. Strawberries. Call for daily crop report.

—Orchard Fruit Farms. Norval. 455-8339. Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Turn off Highway 7 west to Fifth Line. South on Fifth Line to the farm. Apples.

—Chas. Greig Farm. Georgetown. 877-7484. Open daily 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Take Trafalgar Road to Regional Road

ABOUT THE HILLS

Church breaks ground

Parishioners at St. Andrews United Church on Georgetown's Mountainview Road broke the ground Sunday morning for their new church building.

On the same lot, the new church will add on to the existing building. Of the total \$376,000 cost of the project, already \$130,000 has been raised and committed including personal loans and grants from the United Church of Canada.

The balance of the money is being borrowed from a bank and the United Church of Canada. Final approval on these loans are pending.

Construction is to begin in early July with a service of dedication tentatively scheduled for December.

Queen's graduate

Laura Cannon graduated from Queen's University at a June 2 convocation ceremony.

The former graduate of Georgetown District High School received a Bachelor of Arts (Honors) degree, majoring in English.

She is the daughter of Barry and Patricia Cannon of Rexway Drive.

ROM visits Kelso

Saturday, June 30, the ROM "Museumobile" will be visiting Kelso Conservation Area. There is no additional charge to view the two units depicting Man in Ontario: The First 12,000 Years and Fossils of Ontario.

A Museumobile is a self-contained exhibit-space on wheels. Each unit is manned by a Driver-Interpreter who is available to answer your questions and explain any aspect of the exhibit. The Museumobiles are for everyone; appealing to all ages.

Red Cross closed

The Georgetown and District Red Cross office will be closed in the afternoon for the first two weeks of July and closed for holidays completely for the last two weeks in July.

In an emergency or for sickroom equipment and returns please call the Distress (Contact) Centre for referrals at 877-1211.

Outdoor swim Friday

School's out and the Recreation and Parks Department's Aquatic Staff are ready for it! They will be completing their pre-season training on Friday, June 29 - and that's the day the Dick Licata Pool and Fairy Lake Beach will open.

Full swimming schedules are available now from the two indoor pools or from either of the Recreation and Parks Department Offices.

Accident victim better

By WINIFRED SMITH
 Herald Correspondent

BALLINAFAD—We were encouraged to hear that Ross Munro is slowly making progress on his road back to recovery after his serious accident some time ago.

The Community Centre will be having their Canada Celebration at the Hall Sunday July 1. Come and join in the fun and games.

Open air cancelled

By WINIFRED SMITH
 Herald Correspondent

BALLINAFAD—Due to the uncertain weather Sunday morning the open air service was cancelled and it was held in the church.

Special music was enjoyed by the Kerr family and Brian and Allison Arsenault. Rain over, lunch was enjoyed on the grounds of the Schwarz family with sports following.

Ballinafad bikers

The Ballinafad bike club will hold its annual bike ride on Saturday June 30 at the Ballinafad Hall.

There will be a variety of different courses available to bike depending on how fit you are.

The ride is open to anyone and gets underway at 9 a.m.

Bandshell concert

On August 16, a bus load of local resident entertainers and craftsmen will be venturing to the C.N.E. grounds to perform at the Band Shell.

We are looking for craftsmen and dance performers to round out our program. There will be room for six booths of artists to show their wares. We are encouraging artists where their media has some historical significance.

Call the Recreation Department, 877-5185, ext. 262 if you are interested in participating.

Swimming registration

Registration for Recreation Department swimming lessons, synchronized swimming, diving, summer swim team and more is now being taken at the Acton and Georgetown Pool (after 6 p.m.)

For more information drop in - or call the pool 853-3140 or 877-7721.



Dianne Gates is seen here amusing two youngsters at Acton's drop-in for parents and tots. The children are Kyle Billingsley, 10 months and Christopher Morisawa, 2 1/2 years. (Herald photo)

Drop-in for parents and kids

Herald Staff
 There's a service offered in Acton that's not a nursery school or a day care centre.

It's unique because it serves both parents and tots.

Called the Acton Y parent-tot drop-in, this free program allows parents to bring their children into an informal setting.

Open three days a week from 10 - 2 p.m., the drop-in is supervised by Dianne Gates and Marion Deltor. Dianne is presently working on her doctorate in childhood education while Marion has been with the Children's Aid Society for several years and is a founding member of Halton Women's Place.

In November a grant was received to operate the program by the Community and Society Services Department of the provincial government. The Acton Y provided the facilities for the drop-in.

With the grant money, the drop-in centre was able to buy toys and equipment for the children that would encourage

the tots to increase their gross motor skills and stimulate learning.

Each week the drop-in features guest speakers who talk about such varied topics as nutrition, fire safety and first aid for children.

Dianne Gates calls the program a good social educational experience. The leaders are trained in child development and can help with questions parents might ask about parenting or even family problems.

They are quick to help with referrals when they feel the problems cannot be readily handled. The program is just as much for the parents as it is for the children.

For the kids it's a nice fun place to come and play and for the adults it's perhaps a chance to learn a new skill such as knitting, or an opportunity to discuss their child's problems.

Ms. Gates estimates the centre will see about 30-40 mothers and tots during an average week. Parents come from Milton, Speyside and Georgetown to use the drop-in, she said.

IN YOUR OPINION

Question: "What do you like best about Pioneer Days?"

NORM HOLT: "From a personal point of view I like to meet people. It gives downtown more of an atmosphere and people here are very friendly."

JASON PATTERSON: "The high wire and the songs and the karate guy."

JESSICA HANNAH: "The people coming out to see all the stuff; the entertainment."

GREG BALL: "It's just nice to see the people downtown."

HILL RANNACHAN: "It teaches our children something about our heritage like the steam engine for example; they see what existed with the oldtimers."

