

AT THE CNE BANDSHELL



The seven local aspiring members of Personality Convention showed off their original tunes during Halton Hills Day at the C.N.E. Thursday. Here Peter Allen, and Mike Daquano (right) keep the audience rocking at the C.N.E. Bandshell.

(Photo by Rosemary Cino)



Georgetown's Lindsay Anne Black, 8, gets some pointers on braiding from Grace Williams of Glen Williams. Lindsay is already an accomplished painter and dollmaker.



They're hooked on hometown pride. Jean Ruddlell (left) and Peggy Ewing, president of the Georgetown Rug Hooking Guild demonstrate their skill at the Halton Hills arts and crafts display.

Town has 'Personality' at the CNE Bandshell

By ROSEMARY CINO
Herald Special
TORONTO - Someday fans may be packing the C.N.E. grandstand to hear Georgetown's own Personality Convention in concert.

But for now the seven young musicians have to be content with a gig at the nearby bandshell Thursday during Halton Hills Day at the C.N.E.

The self-described rock-pop-blues band was among some 27 acts and dozen artists who bused down to the Ex. to represent their community and show off their talents.

"We'll play anywhere to get our music heard," said the band's lead singer and spokesman Peter Allen. The 20-year-old singing guitarist already has seven years' experience behind him.

The other members include Mike Daquano on bass and vocals; Paul d'Entremont on keyboard; Andy Beddoe on

drums; Kevin Gower playing lead guitar and female backup vocalists Tammy Gower and Jane Timleck.

Most of the group's original compositions are created from a co-operative effort, Mr. Allen said.

"We all contribute, somebody throws in a line here and a sound there," he noted. "It's a little bit of blues, dance music, top forty and pop. We don't like to beg our sound."

What Personality Convention would like to peg is a recording session and appearances in Toronto, where aspiring musicians have to make it, he added.

The group has landed an entree into the city's music circuit with a spot at the Nag's Head in the Eaton's Centre Sept. 16.

Meanwhile Joy Thompson with the Halton Parks and Recreation Dept. said the community day at the Ex. which

was a local Ontario Bicentennial project drew 90 enthusiastic local participants.

On stage, performances ranged from Personality Convention to drama, comedy and break dancing while local artists and craftsmen displayed their talents and wares.

The Halton troupe made the trip together

on buses. "It's fun to work with people who get out and support their community," Thompson said. "We made time to fit everybody in the daylong program."

Halton Hills was the first of a dozen communities which will highlight their local attributes during the next two weeks of the Ex.

Legal aid wants help for tenants

By ANI FEDERIAN
Herald Staff
When you need some muscle in dealing with an unco-operative landlord, you should be able to turn to the town's bylaw officer.

That's the opinion of the Halton Hills Legal Aid Clinic.

The clinic wants the municipal bylaw officer to go to bat for you when your landlord refuses to

act on problems of disrepair like faulty plumbing, broken windows or inadequate garbage facilities.

Right now, to get any action, tenants have to take their landlord to county court. Most prefer to move out or give up the fight, Noel Jefferson, a summer student at the clinic, told councillors Monday night.

Presenting a well-written report, Miss Jefferson told councillors most communities have a property standards bylaw including neighbouring Milton and Brampton.

Halton Hills has the bylaw too, but it only covers downtown Georgetown or Acton. Tenants in the 15 major apartment buildings in Georgetown and the six

in Acton are not affected by this bylaw, Miss Jefferson said.

Legal Aid Clinic lawyer David Craig said he frequently gets complaints from tenants who say their apartments aren't up to standard.

"This happens most frequently in the least desirable type of

accommodation, for those on the lowest income level," Mr. Craig said.

The Landlord Tenant Act isn't effective because it's very vague in defining what "habitable" conditions are, he said.

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Gord and Wendy Stewart Hockey family off to warmer climes

By DAN RALPH
Herald Staff
Working together for young hockey players is the key to the Georgetown Minor Hockey Association, says a long-time executive member and coach.

Gord Stewart, who for 10 years was involved in the GMHA as an executive and juvenile hockey coach, said putting too much emphasis on the representative teams would end up hurting the organization.

"It's important to look at how well we have done within our own group," he said. "If the teams are properly balanced, you can get the same effect of good hockey without leaving your own rink."

Mr. Stewart and his family will be leaving Georgetown later this month for Vista, California. An inter-company promotion prompted the move.

For 11 years Mr. Stewart worked for Construction Specialty Ltd., a New Jersey based company with an office in Mississauga, as vice president and regional sales manager. The new move will be to vice president of sales and marketing.

LARGER

With it comes the added responsibility of a larger business area.

"As a sales manager I was responsible for all of southern Ontario," Mr. Stewart said. "Now I'll be responsible for everything west of the Mississippi."

Included in that area will be Alaska, Hawaii, Japan and the Philippines, but Mr. Stewart said the main area of responsibility will be the western U.S.

Mr. Stewart and his family admit sadness at the prospect of leaving Georgetown after living here for 16 years.

"We're trying to contain all our feelings within us," said wife Wendy. "We have a lot of friends here, and we don't want to say goodbye."

Mr. Stewart's children feel the same way.

"In a way I want to move," said daughter Leslie, 16. "But on the other hand I'm leaving a lot of friends. I like Georgetown."

"I feel the same way my sister does," said Mr. Stewart's 14-year-old son Gary.

MORE HOCKEY
But just because California does not have snow does not mean Gary won't be playing hockey this winter. The Stewarts enrolled him into a league for the upcoming season. Mr. Stewart admires the hockey craze that grips Georgetown every

winter won't be present on the same level in California, but he said hockey is starting to gain popularity.

The high school Mr. Stewart's children will be attending is also the summer training camp for the San Diego Padres of the National baseball league.

The Stewarts will officially be moving to California in early September.

Y offers fall programs

The YMCA of Georgetown is ready for the fall season with a host of new programs to interest residents.

A booklet outlining courses is being distributed in The Herald this week and is also available at the Y office at 89 Mountainview South.

In Gile Williams the fall booklet is available at Preston's store while Speyside residents can get a copy at Speyside General Store. In town, the list of programs will be on hand at the Georgetown library.

Courses begin Sept. 15 and registrations will be accepted up until then.

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