

## Education Week at GDHS

## Learning Korean history firsthand

Herald Special  
"Six hundred years ago we opened the Chinese window to the modern world - and used the angles of the window frame to form the components of the new Korean alphabet."

This was one of several insights into Korean culture conveyed to Georgetown District High School students during Education Week, by Yeong Jin Ko, teacher and unofficial ambassador of the host country of the 1988 Olympics.

Mr. Ko has taken temporary residence in Georgetown so that he might witness and learn firsthand the pedagogy and administration practised in our school system.

Already enrolled at the University of Toronto Graduate School for a year's courses in educational administration, Yeong Jin makes the candid, scrutable admission that he prefers the Canadian educational experience to that of the American: not only is



our system superior but that Canadians articulate English so much

better than our American counterparts.

Keenly conscious of his handsome, swarthy presence in the classroom, students were eager to know about him, and Mr. Ko did not disappoint them.

He enthralled them with the window symbols of his language; he compared our students to his.

Ours are less "gentle" (polite); he spoke of his father's co-ed private school, Banseung High School, where Yeong Jin had been vice-principal; students, dressed neatly in conservative colors, attend classes from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. Students bring their lunch - rice and gimchi (Chinese cabbage) - to school and supplement that with hot food, noodles for instance.

Their athletic program is similar to ours but for taekwondo and their

most successful sport, boxing. After three years of successful schooling, students write the national examination for university entrance.

Students politely steered Yeong Jin away from thoughts of examinations and requested knowledge about the Korean war, about his family and his city.

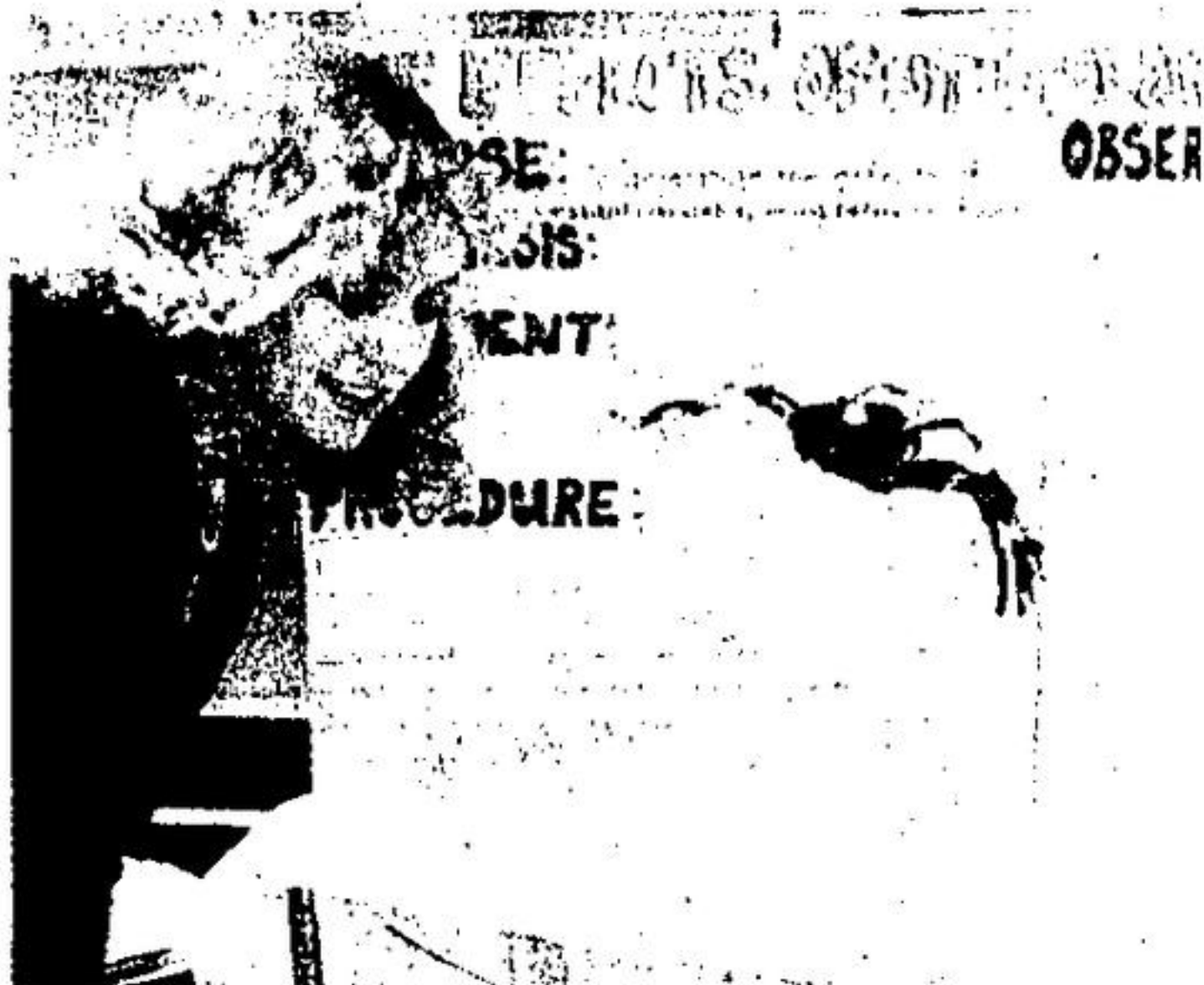
Mr. Ko, though only four years old at the outbreak of the war in Korea, has graphic memories of his relatives being killed, their homes destroyed, by those "wild" Communists.

While pursuing his Western education, Yeong Jin leaves his wife Lim Sun Lee to care for their son Jun Ko and daughter Seoulin Ko in Jinju, population 220,000, about 300 miles from Seoul.

Jinju is both a centre for education: Gyeong-sang National University and five agricultural and teachers colleges, and a centre for the agricultural economy.

More germane to our students' interests were Jinju's five movie houses and two theatres, its swarm of restaurants, with Korean, Chinese and Western cuisine - yes, McDonald's is there. (The most expensive meal costs ten Canadian dollars; the least expensive, fifty cents, for gimchi and rice).

Yeong Jin Ko, whose goals are to create the best high school in Korea and to be an active participant in the creation of the best educational system for Korea, has truly opened a magical window to the occidental world for our high school students.



## IN THE NAME OF SCIENCE

Acton High School held their annual pure science exposition Wednesday May 1 where friends and parents could view their work. This particular exhibit was on the effect of stimulants have on how spiders spin webs.

(Herald photo)

## Letter to the editor

## Wrecking area not safe for children

Dear Sir,

The residents of Limehouse are once again bearing the brunt of the recent actions exhibited by Halton Auto Wreckers. Late last Wednesday afternoon, an additional 4' high chain link fence was erected to extend the compound area of the wrecking yard, and thus enabling its owner, Mr. Fred Tolton, to enter a plea of not guilty in the County Courthouse in Milton on Thursday morning.

His thoughtless actions have resulted in creating a safety hazard for the residents of the village, and in particular, the children who must walk past the wrecking yard after dismissal from school in the afternoon. The area between the new fence and the edge of the road ranges from four to five feet in width.

In addition to being severely restricted in their movements, the children, as well as the adults, are at the mercy of the oncoming gravel trucks which are leaving the local pit in a loaded condition, thus creating an extremely hazardous situation.

The safety factor should be given top priority and action taken immediately to rectify this potentially dangerous situation.

The residents are very much aware of the tragedy which occurred to one of our children last

September. His extensive rehabilitation program is a reminder to all of us that our children could very well become the victims of another tragedy.

The present situation in front of Limehouse School demands action immediately.

Mary Shier,  
Limehouse

EDITOR'S NOTE: At Monday night's general committee meeting, clerk Ken Richardson said the town's bylaw enforcement officer had been out reviewing the site and found no violation of the wrecking yard bylaws. Mr. Richardson said Halton regional police had also looked into it and found the site wasn't creating a traffic movement problem.

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## Clerk gets assistant

There's a new face in the town clerk's office. Stephen Thomson, has been hired as the clerk's assistant.

Coming from Cambridge where he spent two years in municipal work, Mr. Thomson is a history graduate from Trent and Ottawa Universities.

He has done a clerk-treasurer course at Conestoga College.

Mr. Thomson began with the town Wednesday. He has family in Georgetown.

## Two Legion parades

June is parade month for the Royal Canadian Legion of Georgetown.

This week, they asked town council for permission to hold two parades next month.

June 9, the Legion wants to hold a "Decoration Day Parade" at 2 p.m. from the Go Station parking lot to Greenwood Cemetery and back.

June 22, also at 2 p.m., at the Georgetown Fairgrounds a second parade known as "Diamond Jubilee Parade" is scheduled to head out along Charles Street to James Street then down Main Street to Park Street and back to the Fairgrounds.

Councillors are expected to give final approval Monday night.

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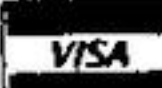


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