# Herald's Pioneer Award winner

By SANDY CAMPBELL

Herald Staff The 1985 Pioneer Citizen Award presented by The Herald goes to 92 year old Frank Black, a painter who trained with members of the Group of

Frank Black bought his home on 80 Guelph Street in 1952 and has lived here ever since. His first three years in Georgetown were spent commuting to Toronto where he was a commercial artist for Bryant Press.

It was not long after his arrival before his reputation attracted attention. Mr. Black was approached by the board of education to teach art classes in the evenings.

Soon he was encouraging and developing the skills of local artists.

"I taught at the old Georgetown High School for two nights a week, at Acton for one night a week and in Brampton for another night," said Mr. Black. "Night teaching was a great success," he said.

"Saturday morning sketching was a weekly thing. We would sketch until 4 p.m., bring all the sketches into the community hall, and I would criticize each work," sald Mr. Black.

At the age of 75 he stopped teaching art. Of those years of teaching he said, "It's nice

teaching. I love teaching."

Because his father was a British Naval Engineer Frank Black spent most of his childhood in Bermuda, where he was introduced to painting. At 16 he moved to Toronto, and in 1912 Mr. Black got his first job as an artist working for McLeans Publishing.

Four years later he was in the trenches of France lighting with the 48th Highlanders.

A serious injury from machine gun fire postponed Mr. Black's discharge from the services until 1919. Sketches of those years of rehabilitation in France still hang on the walls of his Guelph Street home.

"The army gave me a chance to learn a trade when I came back to Canada," said Mr. Black. He studied art at night school for two years before becoming a full-time student at the Ontario College of Art. Group of Seven painters Arthur Lismer and John William Beatty taught Frank Black at the college, and through them he was introduced to others from the group.

"Arthur Lismer was a remarkable painter, extremely clever. He could pick up a piece of wrapping paper and in no time at all he would have a beautiful portrait," said Mr. Black.

Frank Black worked as commercial artist in Toronto for most of the 1930s until 1938 when he abandoned Canada for the land of his youth -Bermuda. That move was inspired by his love for the sea and work with renowned American harbour sea painter Emil Gruppe.

He was hired as a designer by a Bermuda paper. He also did some of his best work there. "I would probably be down there now if the war hadn't broken out," said Mr. Black. In 1942 he returned to Canada and settled in Georgetown ten years later.

"I heard Georgetown was a good location to sketch. Fred Bridgen and Fred Haynes used to sketch here.

Conestoga

graduate

Bongard, son of Ella and

Robert Bongard of Terra

Cotta, has graduated

from Conestoga College

of Applied Arts and

Technology with top

honors in the business

administration, manage-

An award from The

Canadian Institute of

Management and a certi-

ficate of appreciation

from the Doon Student

Association were presen-

ted to James in recog-

nition of his involve-

ment in college activiti-

GDHS, James will con-

tinue his education at

Lakehead University in

Thunder Bay, Ontario.

A former graduate of

ment studies program.

James

Rodney



FRANK BLACK

Frank Black has had exhibits with the Ontario Society of Artists and the Royal Academy of Artists in Toronto and Montreal. Locally, his work has frequently been displayed at his house and at the Gallery House Sol in Georgetown. "L'ye always enjoyed painting.

Globe Productions

## Couple's dedication recognized by ACT-CO

For their years of service with the local mustcal theatre group, a Georgetown couple were presented with a prestigious award recently.

Chris and Maureen Walker of Georgetown Globe Productions were presented with the ACT-CO (Association of Community Theatres -Central Ontario) President's Award June 11.

The award was presented by ACT-CO president Tony Durrant at the ACT-CO annual meeting held at the Curtain Club in Richmond Hill.

Chris and Maureen have both been active in Globe for many years both as members of the original Globe group years ago as well as with today's group revived in

The Walkers have been involved in everything from costume design, set construction and painting, the Globe executive, and most recently, the very capable management of the box office.

The Walkers are long time residents of Georgetown and came here from England 30 years ago, They have

By SANDY CAMPBELL

Herald Staff

town band Convention

has two new members

and a new direction.

including a concert to

raise money for tornado

Day passes are avail-

able for children so that

they can try Drama Club

"on for size" but It must

be emphasized that day

pass children can not be

included in the Friday

productions. A mail in

registration form is

included in the Spring-

Summer Recreation and

Parks Department bro-

The year-old George-



two sons Geoffrey and Phllip.

Chris retired from Douglas Aircraft two

Band to hold charity concert

The concert will be at

the John Elliott Theatre

on Friday, June 28 at 8

The music of Elvis

Presley, Chuck Berry,

The Beatles, April Wine

will be featured in addi-

tion to the group's ori-

Band members

include Peter Allen,

Kevin Gower, and the

two newest members,

Grade 12 Georgetown

District High School stu-

dents Ken Whatmough

Peter Allen, a third

year Ryerson student

taking radio and tele-

vision media, suggested

the concert to the band in

April. It was not long

after the tornado that

Mr. Allen wanted to give

part of the gate receipts

and Marc Bertrand.

ginal work.

years ago and Maureen is currently the secretary at Joseph Gibbons Public School,

to tornado victims.

"The band wants to get

some exposure. Maybe it

shows," said Marc Ber-

trand. Convention play-

ed at Georgetown's

Station House, the Nag's

Head in Toronto and

twice at the CNE on

"We are hoping 200

people will come. We had

a good response at the

Station House," sald

Tickets are \$3 in

advance and \$4 at the

door. Of that price 50

cents will go to tornado

victims. For ticket infor-

mation call Peter Allen

at 877-9293, Marc Ber-

trand at 877-6875 or

Tammy Gower at 877-

Halton Hills Day.

Marc Bertrand.

will lead to future

#### Scotsdale proposals to be aired

### JULY 3

By ANI PEDERIAN Herald Staff

Hiking trails, horse trails, a summer camp for underprivileged children, and a rural education centre for children are uses being proposed for Scotsdale Farm in Ballinafad.

The mixture of uses being put forward for the 540 acres property, bequeathed by Stewart and Letty Bennett to the Ontario Heritage Foundation, will be discussed in detail with the public July 3.

Feasibility study consultants Scars and Russell are making a presentation of their proposals to the public at 7 p.m. at Scotsdale Farm.

Sears and Russell planner Jane Holmes said the overall objective was to protect the natural and cultural heritage of Scotsdale Farm, when making these recommendations.

 She identified the cultural heritage as being that which the Bennetts developed on the proper-

ty, like the buildings. The plans seek to protect existing wildlife on the property, and to keep people away from areas that are environmentally sensitive, Ms. Holmes

sald. Rather than have people trampling rare vegetation, there may be boardwalks erected in these areas, with the support of the Halton Field Naturalists, the Credit Valley Conservation Authority and Ministry of Natural Resources personnel.

The horse park idea hasn't died on the drawing boards, the planner said.

She said the Ontario Equestrian Federation would like to use the property in the summer for a mini version of the Kentucky Horse Park.

Implementing this will take time, with everything starting on a small scale and gearing up to maximum development in five to 10 years, Ms. Holmes said.

Another option in the running is the holding of a summer camp for underprivileged children, by the Optimists Club.

Ms. Holmes sald it would be a day camp, to start.

The Halton board of education is interested in using the farm as a rural education centre, where children can learn about conservation, nature and be exposed to rural life.

Ms. Holmes said the consultants are also looking at maintaining the farming operation

currently managed by Emmerson Clark, the Bennett's farm manager who was willed the farm animals.

Several options for using the property were dropped, including having an equestrian or sheep research centre. Ms. Holmes said that idea was dropped because the research centre would be restricting public access and needed a flat terrain so

researchers could see what livestock were munching on.

As well, the Niagara Escarpment plans must be respected and that means there can be no housing developments on the property, or anything with a high intensity use.

For example, Ms. Holmes said the Heritage Foundation couldn't develop the property into a large scale hotel and conference centre or restaurant.

HALTONHULS

ARTS COUNCIL

By PAT HRETCHKA

Herald Columnist

people. But those with whom I associate are not

talking about the hostage crisis or de-indexing of

pensions or even the fall of the Tories after 42

years. What you may ask, are they talking about?

Will it give you a clue if I say that names such as

Cox, Garcia and Moseby are mentioned more

topic around. I don't mind that when they're

winning. I can even put up with the premature talk

of pennants and World Series. What I can't handle

is the leaping off the band wagon when things go

sour. The recent six game losing streak divided

fans into two groups. One set spoke in the funeral

tones of the recently bereaved. The other in the

second to tar and feather him. His sin was

supposed to be an inability to handle pitchers.

Nobody seemed to notice he had this flaw when the

rediscovered their winning ways. The noise you

hear are all those fair weather fans clambering

back on the band wagon. It's a long season. Some

of them are going to be on and off a dozen times

of advice. If one of them is particularly incensed at

a bone-head play and expressing his displeasure in

no uncertain terms, do not, I repeat, do not say,

"After all, it's only a game". Divorces have

armchair managers, who are always second-

guessing Bobby Cox. Of course I do think he should

move Garcia out of the lead off spot and what

about bringing Henke up from the minors

The first bunch wanted to fire Cox. The

As I write this, the Jays seem to have

I would like to give their loved-ones a word

I personally have no patience with those

often than Miller, Peterson and Rae?

shrill voice of one personally attacked.

Jays were winning.

before it's over.

resulted from less.

Perhaps I hobnob with the wrong sort of

You've got it. The Blue Jays are the hottest

**NUMBERS GAME** 

These Grade 12 students earned their whiz kid status by finishing first in the Peel-Halton in the Euclid math contest. They were 27th in Ontario, and 55th in Canada out of 790 schools entered. Seen here are (left to right) Grade 12 coach Sheena Kewley, Ian Matsuura, Ken Whatmough, Jeff Janssen and Scott Pundsack.

#### victima. TV taping to get underway

included in the two week

program. Our second

session also highlights a

visit from Dalia Gesser,

a professional actress,

clowning.

specializing in mime and

open only to Drama Club

registrants, but in

August the Travelling

Trunk players will be

This workshop will be

Lights - Camera - Action! The Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department Drama Club Summer Activities Program is ready to roll! Tuesday, July 2 marks the first day of the

Twilight Zone session,

culminating in a TV production to be taped at the Halton Cable Sta-The taping will take place under the able supervision of leaders Paul D'Entremont and Tina oddard, Supervisor

Halton Cable's program director John Ollivler. The community, will have a chance to view their production on Cable 4, as Mr. Ollivier incorporates the tape

Cathy McGowan and

into his programming. This is only one of the highlights in each two week session, aimed at kids 7-14 years.

Week two Wild Wilderness week, culminates in another production at the John Elliott Theatre, to which everyone is invited. Show time is at 2 p.m. Friday, July 12. Come and see a sample of the fun we have been having.

Frequent swims, crafts, games costuming and makeup are also

student teams represent-

ing Quebec, Ontario,

Nova Scotla and Alberta,

and there will be 20 to 24

senior teams from all

To prepare for the

event the senior team

started training in Octo-

ber. The junior team

started in March.

provinces."

performing for the chure. For more information Drama Club with an call Summer Activities invitation to other Centre at 877-5185, ext. Summer Activities Centres and the Commu-

Outdoor baptismand picnic lunch

By WINIFRED SMITH Herald Correspondent BALLINAFAD - The weather was perfect for the open-air church service Sunday, for which a record number of people

turned out. The Kerr family supplied the music. It was special, as there was a baby baptised at the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Cooksley presented their infant son Saccerly Wesley Edward to be baptised. The grandparents and other relatives stood up in front.

Rev. Tom Bandy invited the children present to witness the ceremony also.

This Sunday was the last Sunday of Sunday School til September. The teachers were recognized and each scholar got a little memento of the occasi-

Mrs. Kerr directed the children as they sang their favorite hymn. The beautiful grounds

drew many at the Schwarz home were ideal. Tables were set up and all enjoyed the

> picnic lunch. Bud and Evelyn Snow who live next door to the Schwarz family invited the christening party to their home for lunch.

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#### In Ottawa

#### Acton canoe club out to win ing stiffer every year," he said. "There will be 13

Herald Staff Acton District High

School students and staff will be donning their buckskins and putting on. their best French Canadian accents to compete In the Canadian Canoe Festival. It's all part of Canada Day celebrations in Ottawa between June 30 and July 1.

Acton Canoe Club, two senior and two junior. will be competing in 26-foot fibreglass canoes. The canoes are replicas of the birch park canoes used by traders between 1650 and 1875. Each holds

to 300 pounds.

are maneuvering and a teacher, puts the hopes of the team much higher this year in the race because of a new lighter Champlain. cance. They have always

below third place.

two and a half kilometer leader in costumes and race on fast water. still is," said Mr. Tam-Coach Paul Tamblyn, an blyn. According to the Acton High science coach, team members skins, Indian dresses,

"Competition is gett-

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The Municipal Elections Act states the qualifications as follows:

A) Is a Canadian citizen or other British Subject

B) Is 18 years of age or over

C) Is a resident of the town of Caledon or is the owner or tenant of land in the municipality or the spouse of such owner or tenant.

#### NOTE

Every person is qualified to hold office as a member of a council of a local municipality who is entitled to be an elector as set out above and who is not disqualified by this or any other act from holding such office.

Dated at the town of Caledon this 19th day of June, 1985.

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ers did.

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six people and weighs up done well in the other The Ottawa event is

called a canoe festival, but the competition involves more than just canoeing. Teams will be judged in threeways, one being costumes. You must look like the trad-

The other two events

two events. Acton canoers have

been competing in the event since 1980 when the senior teams won. Last year they came in second. The juniors have finished second twice and third once. Neither team has ever finished

"Acton has been the will be dressed in buckformal wear and even as

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