

Take a stand: let it squish through your toes

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Modern art. If you want to understand it take a stand in it and let it squish through your toes. To understand some things you must have the mind of a child; use your uninhibited sense in addition to the five others.

That was the message of Gretchen Day, who spoke on modern art to the University Women's Group last Wednesday night at Centennial Public School. Over 50 women attended the

talk that was open to the public.

Using two slide projectors Mrs. Day compared old art to new, on side-by-side screens. Her slides indicated that qualities of modern art are no different from more traditional art, more accepted art.

There are many explanations for the growth of modern art, she explained, but the most important reason is political freedom. "Artists could paint how and when they wanted. What a wonderful freedom, particularly with

those with imagination," she said.

She categorized art into two kinds: objective and non-objective. Non-objective art has no identifiable subject. Jackson Pollock's art is an example of that, she said.

Within those two categories there are four main others, she explained: realism, abstraction, expressionism and fantasy. Realism is the recreation of reality. Abstraction distorts reality. Expressionism stresses the artists' emotions about himself and the world.

Fantasy deals with dreams, mood and imagination (psychology).

Through her slide show Mrs. Day showed that all these styles of art existed in traditional art as they exist in modern art. For every modern art slide she showed an old masterpiece with similar qualities.

"We need rules in art. The rules in art are the same as in nature: harmony, contrast, balance and rhythm," she said.

To understand modern art you

must work harder to realize those elements exist, because they do, she said. You must use your senses more; children can appreciate modern art and create their own "because they don't have any hang-ups," she said. They do not have definite ideas on how things should look.

"Remember you've got to do some work to understand modern art, and at the same time you've got to be spontaneous. Use your emotions," she said. Her final message was "Participate and enjoy."



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Mission weekend

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A missions weekend is being planned by the Maple Avenue Baptist Church for Nov. 15-17.

Special activities will feature missionary guests from around the world. Friday Nov. 15 at 7 p.m. there will be a youth night at Acton High School with sports, songfest and guest speaker Pastor Reuben Goertz, the Canadian Director of Greater European Mission.

A Men's Breakfast is planned for Saturday at 8 a.m. with guest speaker Pastor Frank Wuest, the Canadian Director of Overseas Mission Fellowship.

At 6 p.m. there will be an international buffet, leading into a children's program and an address by

Pastor Frank Wuest. Pastor Wuest will also be sharing in the 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. worship service Nov. 17 at Maple Avenue Baptist Church.

In the evening he will be assisted by Mr. Michael David, a missionary designate with Africa Evangelical Fellowship.

During the weekend, there will be other guest speakers, particularly during the 9:45 a.m. Sunday School hour, which offers Bible teaching for all age groups.

Anyone wanting to visit any of these special events is welcome. Tickets are necessary only for the breakfast and buffet Nov. 16. For more information call 877-6665.

Dust off your dancing shoes

Dust off those dancing shoes and come to the Georgetown Auxiliary Christmas Ball Dec. 6 at Holy Cross Church Hall. For \$30 you and your

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dance partner receive a hot beef buffet dinner and four hours of dancing.

The Hospital Auxiliary volunteers cook the meal. All the money raised from the ball buys equipment for the hospital. "The hospital doesn't have money for equipment and the more equipment they have, the more cases they can handle," said publicist Shirley Chaplin.

David Smallwood is returning as DJ. "He's very good at finding what the crowd likes. He plays fast and slow music," Mrs. Chaplin said. There will also be some spot dances for prizes and some surprise entertainers will perform toward the end of the evening, she said.

Limited space allows only 150 couples at the ball. Tickets are available at the Hospital Gift Shop and by calling Shirley Chaplin at 877-4602 or Vi Haines at 877-4593. "This is our (the Hospital Auxiliary's) biggest event of the year. Everybody always seems to have a good time," Mrs. Chaplin said.



There's lots of treasure buried in Dave and Eva (right) Carney's basement. The two have boxes of it, in fact. Recently, the couple, and Bruce and Mary Hayward (left and centre) have come up with a new board game called Treasure Quest. The fun imaginative

Treasure Quest is full of peril

You could meet up with a giant iguana, fall into an abandoned oil well, or even worse, fall into a pit of tarantulas—all in your own home.

Nobody said going after treasure would be easy, least of all four Georgetowners who set up the traps in their imaginative board game.

Treasure Quest is an adventure game which just broke into the market this week. If you like the traditional Masterpiece, Monopoly and Clue board games, or the more creative Dungeons and Dragons, you're sure to like Treasure Quest.

The project of Dave and Eva Carney and Bruce and Mary Hayward, the fast-paced game is one of strategy and luck, inspiring your imagination as you work your way to the treasure chest.

"I've always been an inventive type of person, always switching the game rules because I like to win and make the game better," confessed Mr. Hayward, the one who sparked the project to life. "I decided I could make a game as good or better, this June."

Realizing there have been a lot of "treasure" movies out recently, like "Raiders of the Lost Ark" and much public interest in the sunken treasure of the newly found Titanic, Bruce researched the games market and found there weren't any board games offering that same lure of adventure and riches.

With the support of his wife, her brother Dave and his wife Eva, Bruce started looking into the feasibility of producing such a game and marketing it.

"We talked to the Trivial Pursuit people and learned what to do and what not to do," Mr. Hayward said.

Attempts to sell Treasure Quest to the big games-producing companies wasn't successful. The couples learned Parker Brothers gets 100 calls a month from people just like themselves who have a great game idea.

Looking at their white bristol board with the hand drawn design and squares, the company told the four it would pick up Treasure Quest only after they had produced it themselves and established some market for it.

Undaunted, the four kept their piece of bristol board and continued to play Treasure Quest with friends, neighbors, co-workers and family members. Through these games, the game and its rules were improved, and Treasure Quest was established as suitable for age 12 to adult.

"A big problem was writing the rules," Dave Carney said. "You assume people know things," his sister added. "In some cases, we'd left out things that were so basic we hadn't thought of mentioning them."

With the game honed, the two couples visited their lawyer and copyrighted the game. The wheels started to turn very quickly after that.

"We needed financial backing for the game," Mr. Hayward said. Their search for initial capital whipped up 34 investors in the Georgetown area and even gave them a waiting list of people wanting shares.

That was Sept. 3. Today, the young marrieds have quality boards with colorful adventure designs on them, and quality cards, chips and dice.

The past four weeks, the Carney basement turned into a plant, as the four sorted out 80,000 chips, 2,000 dice and 240,000 cards to make up the initial run of 1,000 games.

The next run is to be 5,000 games, and they've already decided they won't be involved in the packaging of it. "We all have jobs and this is too much," Mary said.

You can pick up the board game in town at the two Trio Mart Discount shops.

A game that takes about a half hour to learn how to play, Treasure Quest lasts about one and a half hours and offers you the chance to test your luck and strategy.

Mountainview designation

Road no longer main route

Official Plan amendments sought by Mountainview Road and area residents got regional approval last Wednesday.

Regional councillors went along with the changes to the Georgetown South and West Secondary Plans that the town had recently recommended.

The modifications now go to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for final approval.

The amendments mainly deal with the concept of Mountainview Road serving as the "major entranceway" into Georgetown. Area resident Peter Woolgar strongly objected to this concept and wanted a de-emphasizing of Ninth Line (Mountainview Road) as the main route into town.

Both town and regional councils agreed with this and endorsed the finding of alternate routes into Georgetown to balance distribution of traffic.

The change now designates Mountainview as one of several access roads into Georgetown.

Regional councillors also agreed to retain the current 30 meter right of way width for Mountainview Road, as town councillors had requested, and to annually monitor traffic volumes on Mountainview Road.

Present at the regional council meeting in which these amendments were approved, Mr. Woolgar asked council to also consider keeping the right of way width from Summit Lane to Steeles Avenue at its current 26 meters.

The Official Plans designate it to be 35 meters to handle the anticipated increased traffic from a Ninth Line and Highway 407 interchange the Ministry of Transportation and Communications proposes to build in the next 20 years.

"We ask that no action be taken until the residents in the area have had a chance to establish a case for a right of way less than 35 meters," Mr. Woolgar said.

He also said he wanted traffic alternatives looked at when traffic volumes on Mountainview Road get to a level where safety is a concern.

Burlington Coun. Joan Little said she appreciated his concern about

traffic and asked how he felt about having an extra turning lane on the four lane roadway.

Mr. Woolgar said he'd like to have a "warning flag" waved when traffic volumes get to the stage where safety becomes a concern. Rather than widen Mountainview or add an extra lane to accommodate more cars, Mr. Woolgar would like to see efforts made to distribute traffic along other routes.

COOK TO WIN

Have you found that your cooking isn't being fully appreciated? Here's a chance for Christmas chefs to prove to their families just how talented they are when it comes to delicious desserts and scrumptious suppers.

The Herald is sponsoring a Christmas Cookbook contest. The person winning first prize receives a \$100 cheque, while second and third prizes are \$75 and \$50 respectively.

Send in your special Christmas recipe to The Herald before the deadline, Nov. 15. The best three Christmas recipes will be judged by a panel of three prominent community members.

For more information call 877-2201.



KING OF THE KLONDIKE

Douglas Bell of the Yukon Territories was the honored guest Oct. 30 at the Georgetown District High School and the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce. The Commissioner of the Yukon (he's like Ontario's lieutenant-governor) is seen here with his wife

Pearl and Chamber of Commerce President Dave Kentor (right), High School teacher Tom Ramatarasingh organized the visit. The Commissioner spoke to GDHS students and local businessmen in two separate speeches. (Herald photo by Steve Foreman)

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