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Rockwell hosts student trainee

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Marc Bassett, a Grade 12 Co-op student at Georgetown District High School, is working at Rockwell Wescom. In an average day Marc works with the accounting staff doing cash receipts and other odd jobs.



Marc Bassett

Marc's taste for accounting stems from a bewildering array of As and Bs in not only business and accounting-related classes but in all other classes as well.

Marc became involved in the Co-op program after watching a presentation in one of his classes by a Co-op

student that was working in an accounting related placement. Having a desire to work in this field, Marc decided to inquire further into the Co-operative education program. Within a few weeks Marc was accepted into the Co-op program and in the fall he was placed at Rockwell Wescom.

When speaking with Marc about working at Rockwell Wescom, he said, "Working here is great, the staff treat me like I am one of them - there is really nothing that I can think of that I dislike about it here."

A total of 240 hours must be attained in the 19-week period in which Marc is at his placement. Marc has accumulated 175 hours at the 17-week mark and he received an "A" on his mid-term report.

Marc is sure to gain a lot of knowledge and experience from this Co-op placement as he is working with some of the people that have designed such things as The Trans-Canada pipeline, a linking device between air to ground phones, hi-tech office equipment, and much more.

"Getting away from the day-to-day routine of school and being exposed to different avenues of the working world is what Co-op is all about," he said.

Cellar making headlines for owners

Starting your own restaurant can be challenging, but it does have its rewards.

Take, for example, chefs Harold Brown and Peter George. The duo bought The Cellar Restaurant in May and have been serving up special dishes since then to an appreciative crowd.

One of the nicest things about owning your own restaurant is that you don't have to work for someone else, said Mr. George. "There was always some one saying you can't do this, the product's too expensive, but that was the owner's opinion," he said.

Now, it's a matter of putting on the tables the best product possible, from a menu that you're proud of, he said.

Though open for less than a year, The Cellar is already making a name for itself.

The co-owners, who worked together at the Skyline Hotel dining room, raised about \$1,000 for the Optimist service club during Pioneer Days in June. They served beef on a bun and went through 750 lbs during the three-day event.

But their specialty is in "new continental cuisine," the type of menu that attracts the attention of



TASTY, TASTY - You'll find a well-stocked wine cellar and good food at the Cellar Restaurant on Main Street in Georgetown. Here, Harold Brown, left and co-owner Peter George display with pride their vintage wines. (Herald photo)

restaurant reviewers from Toronto.

Already their restaurant has been featured in the Toronto Star spotlight column in the entertainment section. The two chefs pride themselves on the menu which is entirely their own, featuring many seasonal delicacies. "There's nothing of this style of menu in the area," said Mr. Brown, who recently joined the Georgetown Chamber of

Commerce.

One of the focal points of the restaurant is the extensive wine collection - up to 59 varieties, including rare vintage wines.

The bottles are displayed in a beautiful oak cabinet in a room visible to patrons. "We cover all the important regions of Italy and France so people can experience a variety of tastes," Mr. Brown, 28, said.

Even without the fine food, the atmosphere of The Cellar is alluring, the old red brick is exposed and the oak chairs, white tablecloths, fireplace and soft lighting all add to an eventful meal.

There are "white boards" on the walls marking specials offered at the restaurant, such as fresh raspberries from New Zealand or seafood.

Fresh produce and fish is picked up personally to ensure freshness and quality.

The 54-seat restaurant features the paintings or drawings by local artist Carole Black, Gretchen Day and Wendy Buykes.

The menu has a lot of seafood featured, but also many non-fish items. For instance, there is lamb rack with juniper and peppercorns, breast of duck with raspberry sauce, sliced veal with scallops and saffron, beef tenderloin with stone ground mustard, breast of chicken with cashews, rosemary and amaretto and much more.

There is a delicious variety of soups and salads, hot appetizers and cold appetizers. Whether selecting from the lunch or dinner menu, no one should feel their choice is limited.

Dealership faces delays

Red tape and bureaucracy are holding things up for a car dealership that wants to relocate in the rural areas, says Coun. Pam Sheldon.

Park Lincoln Mercury owner Walter Dixon operates at the northeast corner of Highway 7 and Sideroad 22. He wants to move the dealership to the east side of Highway 7, to a vacant lot owned by James and Catherine Bailey.

His application last April to the Niagara Escarpment Commission was turned down with the reason that the Bailey property is in the Escarpment Protection Area and the proposal doesn't conform to the Halton Regional Official Plan. As well the Ministry of Transportation and Communications objected to a shared common entrance between a residence on the property and the car dealership. Yet, it also wouldn't permit a separate entrance for the vacant parcel.

Mr. Dixon appealed the Niagara Escarpment Commission refusal, but that appeal hearing was adjourned when the Baileys made their own request to have their lands designated as "rural cluster" in the Halton Hills Official Plan. This requires a modification of the Official Plan by the province.

What Halton Region is recommending to the Minister of Municipal Af-

fairs on the Bailey application, is that a comprehensive review of the entire rural cluster boundary be undertaken by Halton Hills rather than just consider the Bailey request.

Regional Planning Director Rash Mohammed told Coun. Sheldon the comprehensive review isn't difficult to do, and anticipated it would take the town's planning director about two months.

Redrawing the line for the rural cluster boundary is the chief of Halton Hills.

"By the time this comes back to our council, is ratified there and comes back here, we're looking at five months," Coun. Sheldon said. "I think that's a bit of an imposition."

Mr. Mohammed said the Baileys made their request for the boundary modification directly to the Minister of Municipal Affairs to extend the boundaries of a rural cluster, rather than going the official plan amendment route.

"The Minister has asked the town and Region for their comments. The Minister can make the decision," Mr. Mohammed said. "That's not the way to do it. The proper way is the way we suggested it."

"I've seen Minister's modifications with far greater rapidity than this," Coun. Sheldon shot back.

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Co-op is tops

There's more good news in town. The Georgetown Co-op on Guelph Street is beating out all the other Co-ops in the Golden Horseshoe area in sales. According to the Georgetown Co-op's Russ Cohen, the Georgetown Co-op is enjoying the highest increased sales over plan in the current fiscal year. Their fiscal year starts in September.

The local Co-op outdid itself in sales last year as well, making close to \$1 million in sales above what was expected.

"1987 is looking even better," Russ says, based on the company's first quarter figures. "It's good, my job gets easier every day."

Asked what he attributed the success to, the manager pointed to his 25 staff. They work hard and try to get to know their customers. Of course, competitive prices help.

The Co-op has long been a part of the community. Before moving into its Guelph Street building, it used to be located in the building that now houses The Herald. Before merging with United Co-operatives of Ontario, it used to be called the Halton Co-op. Mr. Cohen said.

The gas bar that was put into operation last year has done well, with gas sales continuing to climb, he said. Another new addition is the work wear section which opened in November. It increased retail space by 1200 square feet, decreasing warehouse space at the Co-op.

Keep your eyes and ears open, there'll be more good news from the Co-op, but Russ Cohen isn't going to spill the beans for a little while yet.

Piano paid off

These piano lessons sure paid off for Georgetown's Donna Lambert. The owner of Scissors Hairstyling in the Halton Hills Plaza is one of the six Canadian talents featured on the latest record by Stompin' Tom Connors.

Donna sings two songs she wrote and composed, called "My Whole World" and "August Moon Waltz". The album "Stompin' Tom is Back to Assist Canadian Talent" came out in December. It was recorded at Norval's Orchard Studios.

This wasn't Donna's first time cutting a record. About two years ago she and some friends cut at 45 RPM just as a lark. On one side was an original song by Donna and on the other side a song by Cilleen Peterson.

But the record with Stompin' Tom was her first time "with anybody that was anybody". Donna said. It was a mutual friend of Donna and Stompin' Tom who got Donna involved in the record.

"She presented my record to him and bang, right away he got me on the phone and asked me if I would play for him. It was really great, a wonderful experience," the hairstylist said.

"He doesn't make you feel nervous. He makes you feel you belong there," she said. "He made each one of us feel we were the star of the album. The feeling of good will just spread throughout."

Stompin' Tom's wife Lena was just as wonderful, making the Canadian musicians feel they were part of the family, feeding them and running errands for them, Mrs. Lambert said.

Would she like to do another record with Stompin' Tom if the opportunity came her way?

"At the drop of a hat, as fast as I could write some more material," Donna said enthusiastically.

The record was launched to help promote Canadian talent and included Halton Hills singers Bruce Caves, Cliff Evens and Art Hawes.

Pit permit

Casey Boss got the support of Halton Regional councillors for his application to operate a provincial

rights pit at Part Lot 23, Con. 5 in the former Township of Esqueping.

The Region recommends there be some text changes to the Niagara Escarpment Plan permitting this use.

Mr. Boss is required to rehabilitate the 74 acres of land back to agricultural use after the aggregate is all extracted. The lands are north of Sideroad 22 and east of Fourth Line, west of Limehouse.

The Region's comments go to the Niagara Escarpment Commission which then prepares for a hearing. The hearing report is forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and then the Minister makes a recommendation to Cabinet. Cabinet makes the final decision on amending the Niagara Escarpment Plan.

Mr. Boss has said he wants to extract the gravel as quickly as possible and return the land he has farmed for 27 years to agricultural uses.

Pump station

The tender of a Richmond Hills, Ontario, construction company is being accepted to put a groundwater pumping station in Acton.

The new station will tie in with the existing water line that feeds Acton from the Fourth Line well.

James Flett Construction Limited's tender of \$50,700 was the lowest of seven tenders received by Halton Region. However, this low tender was \$15,800 higher than the estimate of a consulting engineering firm hired to recruit for the contract.

The engineering firm underestimated for excavation and backfilling, mechanical work and the concrete meter chamber and site work.

The project is slated for completion June 1.

"This is a heck of a lot out on a small contract," Burlington Coun. Joan Little objected last week. She pointed out an outside consultant, R.V. Anderson Associates Limited of Willowdale, was supposed to be the expert on the contract, and failed to give Halton a reasonably accurate estimate of cost.

Container contract

A new deal is being worked out with Leferink Transfer Limited in Georgetown.

The operator of Halton's public container station on Armstrong Avenue is to be paid \$3.65 per vehicle for each local load of residential waste weighing 350 kilograms or less that's dropped off.

That's a saving from last year's charge of \$3.80 per vehicle. The drop is due to the increased use of the transfer station, but the lower average weight of waste deposited per vehicle.

Leferink has also agreed to keep their 1986 price of \$125 for the supply and tipping of a newspaper container on the site. The newspapers dropped off there are sent to Halton's Recycled Resources Limited for recycling.

Leferink has been operating the container station since 1981, soon after the town's landfill site was closed in 1979. Leferink leases the property on which the station is located from Halton.

Women trained for print jobs

Halton MP Otto Jelinek announced this week a federal government program to train 30 women re-entering the work force.

The 36-week project is sponsored by Sheridan College and will assist women in the Halton-Peel area.

The project's objective is to provide participants with entry-level skills as either press operators, printing apprentices, bindery workers or sales representatives.

Going back to a job?

Thinking of getting back into the work force but you aren't sure how to go about it? Consider doing volunteer secretarial work for a social service agency in your community. For further information, call the North Halton Volunteer Bureau, a program of the Social Planning Council, at 877-3219.

Water rates will increase

Water and sewer rates levied by Halton Region are anticipated to go up by 1.5 per cent or almost \$4 more than you paid last year.

The Region's preliminary budget is out, and it shows water and sewer rates will cost you \$248.87 this year, compared to the \$245.14 you paid last year.

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