Dutlook on Halton Hills

Log cabin restored for rehearsing studio

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The pair tore out the plaster interior of the 12 by 16 foot cabin and leaned up the exterior. Two truckloads of junk later, the cabin sat as a skeleton, barely resembling what it was later to become.

Edgar is not sure how old the cabin is. The beams have all been neatly hewned and the dovetall joints still grip tightty, but the knowledge was there to build round logged cabins in that time period, Edgar said.

While excavating the interior, they found some relics of turn of the century journalism. Copies of the Globe and Mail dating back to 1907 were unearthed. "There is a Globe and Mail article which had a photograph of the CNE in 1910. (There was) an old stencil that a farmer used to paint his apple boxes

with," Edgar said. "It had to be built before the turn of the century because the house has been here for that long," said Edgar. He suspects it once served as a milk storage house. "That's why

they plastered it," he explained. Edgar set to digging a foot and a half deep trench around the outside of the cabin to get a look at the foundation. It was still sitting on the original stone, but the cabin had sunk well into the ground. "You had to duck to get through the door," he



Edgar Thatcher (left) and Jamle Edgar, Jamle and several friends basis two weeks later. Campbell lean on the fruits of their estimated to be 100 years old and

The pair consulted a few people, including John Brander, a local knowledgeable farmer to get advice said.

on how to go about the project.

They slid two 25 foot long timbers underneath the building and raised the entire structure on four hydrolic

took 212 months to bring the cabin hard labor. The log cabin is back to life. It now serves as a sleep- baseboard heater, "Which is a testa-

Once, while enlisting the efforts of The whole project cost between some friends, the cabin slipped \$1,000 and \$1,500 plus countless man about six Inches sideways because one of the jacks was settled in mud

from the drop ceiling to help build a porch, brought power in from the house and installed a pine wood

> they began rehearsing their songs in the cabin and Edgar christened the loft by sleeping there for the first time on Christmas Eve. Jamie took over that spot on a more permanent

and began sinking. "You've never

The cabin sat on jacks for the day

while they set to clearing away old

stones, raking the foundation dirt

even and pouring an eight inch slab of concrete for new foundation. To

that, they added eight inch dynder

blocks to help raise the cabin even

They put on windows, the door

(which Edgar found completely in-

tact in a garbage), used the wood

In the second week of December

The pair began to work well into the nights, utilizing lights to see.

life," Edgar said.

It's heated entirely by one ing quarters and a rehearsal studio, ment to how well insulated it is," Jamie said.

jacks. The trick was to raise the The roof itself is simply galvanizwhole cabin at the same time, Edgar ed tin - now patched with wood said.

"I always had an image of what I wanted. (Some people) including Doug said why don't you just build a new building? That wasn't really what I had in mind," recalled



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Guides learn fire safety

Thank goodness March came in like a lamb and stayed that way for most of the month because the Brownies, Guides and Pathlinders of Georgetown West District needed the good weather to carry on all of

their activities. On March 11, some of the older Brownies and a few Guldes visited the Georgetown Fire Hall to learn about fire safety and prevention. Seven Guides carned their Fire Safety badge, and wish to thank Dave Ford for being so patient in answering the numerous questions put to him. The girls really enjoyed the

outing. The next evening (March 12), the 2nd Guide Company and 1st Pathfinder Unit participated in "Operation Snowman" sponsored by Red Cross. The girls were victims in the mock disaster and had all kinds of imaginary illnesses dealt with by

the efficient volunteers. March 20th, saw the Brownles of the 4th and 6th Packs at the Library/Cultural Centre. The Brownles sang songs and danced in the aisles to the music of Glenn Benet and the Magic Dragon Band.

The girls really enjoyed the show. A pot-luck parent and daughter ban-quet was held at Knox Church by the 3rd Guide Company on March 24.
The food was absolutely delicious and a good time was had by all.
Congratulations to Roberta Dischok, Kristy Johnston, Cindy Squire and Charla Rutherford who

were enrolled as Pathfinders on March 26.

Good luck to the Brownies of the 4th Pack who are entering 'Sing On-



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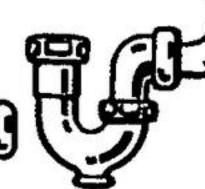
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