Assistant Cubmaster Hans Trebiranous of 1st Hornby is seen here helping his Cubs make woggles at the annual craft workshop Jan. 23 sponsored by the North Halton District, Scouts Canada. The

workshop was held at St. John's United Church and Cubs attended from Acton, Georgetown, Glen Williams, Hornby and Limehouse. (Photo by Jean Layman)

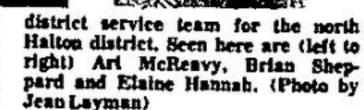


Scouters Club Co-ordinator Terry Colter, middle, is seen here with guest speakers Murray Harrison (left) and Elaine Williamson (right) at the North Halton District Scouters Club. Etaine Williamson of The Willon Associates spoke about how

to get Leaders and keep them, as well as getting instructors to set goals. Murray Harrison of Acton also spoke briefly to the gathering. He is with the Red Cross Society and talked about emergency services. (Photo by Jean Layman)



During the regular monthly meeting of the Scouters Club, District Commissioner Elaine Hannah Invested Art McReavy and Brian Sheppard to serve on the



# Project focuses on high school drop-outs

By CHERYL MOODER

During the fall 1987 Throne Speech the provincial Liberal government committed itself to decreasing the drop-out level in Ontario schools by one-third within five years.

of Education set aside \$500,000 to fund projects aimed at reducing the drop-out rate.

The Halton Board of Education selected from a total of 75 proposed projects, and received \$50,000 to help address this issue.

The Student Retention Project will study 600 elementary students in all parts of the region, said Superintendent of Curriculum Services Pauline Laing.

It will profile students in Grade six and eight who are most likely to be drop-outs. In this way, teachers can identify the characteristics of children most likely to leave school

NORVAL-Leanne Wilson,

daughter of John and Ria Wilson of

RR2 Norwood married Bill Mc-

Connell of Markdale, son of Doug

and Martlyn McConnell of

Lambeth, Ontario Nov. 28, 1987 at 4

The wedding took place in Nor-

Several showers and presentations

were held in honor of the young

couple. Herb and Joyce Van Arkell

of Cheltenham held the Van Arkell

The Wilson shower, including

Leanne's former neighbors, was

held at her grandparents' home.

Spencer and Kay Wilson. Assisting

in hosting the afternoon were Mar-

jorie Wilson, Jean Wilson and

Marilyn Reeve. Mac and Ruth

Hyatt of Brampton entertained the

Hyatt family and Judy and Julie

Quinlan of Indian River and San-

dra Hubble of Peterborough enter-

tained friends and neighbors at the

A Jack and Jill party was held at the Delaware Sportsman's Club bosted by the groom's brothers Kippen of London and Peter Mc-

A plumbing and electrical shower was held at the groom's

parents' home at Lambeth, with

Joanne and Kathy McConnell entertaining. Mr. and Mrs. Alan Hill of Markdale hosted a party for friends and neighbors of the bride

Following their wedding, the

couple have taken up residence at

their farm at RR2, Markdale.

Pinegrove euchre

NORVAL-Pinegrove euchre members had seven tables active

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All were miscellaneous showers.

Presbyterian Church.

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Community

child at a young age before it is too

Ms. Laing feels there is a problem in the attitude children have towards school. The project, which will be implemented in the fall, will help students "develop good feelings

If at an early age children feel suc-"they are more likely to carry on undiploma. They will feel positive towards education."

By the end of January the Halton Board of Education will have hired a project leader who will prepare material for the teachers and co-

Ms. Laing is not sure how many schools will be involved with the project but, she said, at least six schools from all over the region will be selected. There will be one designated school from east Burlington, west Burlington, east Oakville, west Oakville, Milton and Georgetown.

The superintendent is convinced But Ms. Laing added, every stu-

dent is important and if one drops out before graduation, that is one student too many.

Why do so many students leave school early? One reason is students set unrealistic goals and when they find they can not achieve them they give up, said John Todd, head of special education at the Georgetown District High School. They have little self-esteem and confidence, he said. They have an attitude built in from preschool that they can't do

Through peer pressure, teenagers cut classes, "You can not cut class and keep your marks up," said Prin-

cipal Barbara Singleton.
The curriculum may not be appropriate for them, said Carl Colbran, head of guidance and counselling at the high school. They do not experience success and become frustrated and angry. Or, if the support is lost at home, students have nothing to motivate them, he said.

Students may not achieve high grades because of issues at home, learning disabilities and health reasons, said Ms. Singleton.

"It has got to help," the principal said of the Student Retention Project. For the moment there are already a number of programs to

help keep students in school or help in the transition from school life to

A special co-op program run by Mr. Todd prepareds students for leaving school. It works on a halftime field placement coupled with school work. In the program, the student will achieve five to six credits.

The Supervised Alternative Learning for Excused Pupils allows students, who are not experiencing success in school, to leave and take a job, Ms. Singleton said. A committee reviews the students' school history and makes the decision as to whether or not leaving school would benefit the student.

Among other such programs the Georgetown District High School has a support team composed of seven to eight people including social workers, guidance counsellors, the principal, and teachers, who sit and discuss what can be done for a student experiencing difficulty.

The group does anything from changing student timetables to putting students in a class with a different teacher, Ms. Singleton said. They do absolutely everything to look for alternatives and solve that

gram was originally set up by the

Ontario government but is now a

privately owned and operated com-

Following the tour the members

travelled to the Chateau Restaurant

in Georgetown for lunch then return-

ed to Hillcrest Church for the

and subjects.

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Herald Staff Every year a new crop of students enter the world of high school. And yet for every 100 of these Grade nine students, 62 taking the general level course and 14 taking the advanced level course never see graduation

To achieve this goal, the Ministry

was chosen as one of 12 projects,

early and move in and help that

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and groom.

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towards school," she said.

cessful at school, Ms. Laing said, til they receive a graduation

ordinate the year-long project.

that Halton Region is significantly below the provincial average of drop-out students. "We keep more students than average," she said.

96th birthday

96th birthday Jan. 15.

Isobel Fairmond.

NORVAL-Congratulations and

best wishes to Mrs. Joey Haines of

Huttonville, who celebrated her

A party was held at the home of

Bill and Reta Deenik of RR2 Nor-

val Saturday evening. Attending

were Roy and Shirley Abrams, Ar-

thur and Eva Burton and Mike and

NORVAL-Huttonville residents

were shocked to learn of the tragic

death of 40-year-old Ross Reid of

Brampton. Ross was the son of Jim

His mother was a Huttonville

giri, born and raised on the

Ostrander farmstead, at RR2 Nor-

The car accident happened Jan.

15 at Oshawa on Highway 401,

when a tractor trailer going west

went out of control and crossed the

median into the eastbound lane.

The Reid car careened off the

highway, through two wire fences

Ross was pronounced dead at the scene. His wife and two young sons were not injured. As well as his

parents, he is survived by a

brother Harvey and sister Carol

NORVAL-Neighbors and friends were saddened to hear of the death

of Earl McClure, who passed away

at Peel Memorial Hospital Jan. 17

Earl is survived by nieces and nephews Margaret French, Janet

Goy, Bob McClure and David Mc-

Funeral Home, Georgetown Jan.

20 at 2 p.m. Interment was in

Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

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Funeral service was

the J.S. Jones and Son

Farmed 60 years

in his 85th year.

before coming to a stop.

and Margaret (Ostrander) Reid.

val. on Mississauga Road North.

Tragic accident

## Canola seed facility perfects its product

By MARION HUNTER Herald Special

ASHGROVE-Jan. 19 was the Canadian Industries meeting for Ashgrove Women's Institute.

The program convenor, Mrs. Muriel Nurse, arranged for the members to tour the Allelix Inc. Greenhouses at Alloa Farms on the N.E. corner of Mississauga and Mayfield Rds. The members arrived at the greenhouses at 10:30 a.m. and received a guided tour of the facilities.

These greenhouses are used for research purposes and will be selling seed to meet specified requirements. At present most of the research is being done on spring and winter canola and wheat to find weather, disease, insect and herbicide tolerant species for different

Propagation is mainly by cuttings but also by seed and cells. This pro-

### Seniors use sign language to call 'help'

Senior citizens and handicapped people now have a way to ask

John Barrett.

the road, Mr. Barrett told Regional councillors. The cards feature big blue letters

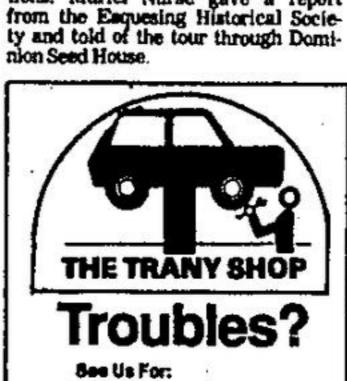
Virginia. The cards will be distributed to

passersby for help if their car breaks down on the road. New "Send Help" cards were in-troduced to Halton Region Jan. 20 by Halton Regional Police Deputy Chief The cards can be placed in the window of a car if it breaks down on

on a white background. Halton Police Chief picked up on the idea after he saw a similar pro-gram on a recent visit to Fairfax,

senior citizens and handicapped peo-

ple through the crime prevention of-ficer, said Mr. Barrett.



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