

Guide units visit outdoors, hospital

All of the units in the Georgetown West District have been very busy since Guiding started in September.

The Brownies have been making trays for the patients of Georgetown hospital at Thanksgiving and Christmas. The 6th Brownie Pack went to camp twice. In October, the Brownies earned their explorer, observer and pack holiday badges; in January, they earned their friend to birds and nutrition badges. They even got to try out snowshoeing with Pathfinder leader Lynn Clark.

The 2nd Georgetown Guides have been on several outings. Some of the girls enjoyed a hike to the Sixth Line property where they learned to cook over open fires and played wide games. The company visited Kincourt twice to entertain the people there. The girls really enjoyed hosting the parties and making small gifts for their new friends.

The company also went camping in January with the Brownies and Pathfinders. The Guides earned their bird watcher badge, had fun hiking, tobogganing and snowshoeing.

Of all the Units in Georgetown West and East, the Pathfinders have been the busiest of all.

The members of the 4th Georgetown Pathfinder Unit has been camping three times. They

went to a 25th birthday camp at Wyoka, wilderness camping with the 4th Georgetown Scouts and winter camping at Ma-Kee-Wa. The Scouts also invited them to go on a 15 km hike along the Bruce Trail. We are happy to say that everyone including leaders survived.

The girls also worked on ceramics in the month of November, hosted a Christmas party for Guides, and were invited to parties held by the Ashgrove Venturers and 4th Georgetown Scouts.

The Brownies, Guides, Pathfinders and leaders would like to thank the Georgetown Lions Club and their judges for giving us the first prize plaque for the Best Theme Float in the Georgetown Santa Claus parade. Thanks also to Burns Transport for providing the flatbed and truck. We would also like to thank the leaders' husbands for the help they gave us. The girls enjoyed being a part of the Santa Claus parade and are looking forward to next year's as well.

Congratulations to Kim Clark, Roberta Diachok and Michelle Robinson who have been chosen to go to 'Echo Walk, 88' in Saakatchewan in July.

Welcome to Eleanor Fuller who has been persuaded to become a Guide with the 4th Georgetown Pathfinders.



New members

A combination enrolment and all-round cord ceremony was held at Robert Little School for the 1st Action Guides Jan. 14. Seen here from left

are: Emily Savage, Melanie Jones, Melanie Adthead, Carrie Johnson, Melissa Toth, Charlotte Mahon and Anna Cook. (Photo by Sue Hewlett)

Bishop Reding awards top scholastic pupils

Two students at Bishop Reding Secondary School were awarded certificates for excellence in education Dec. 8.

At the school's first awards assembly, Dustin Chandler was first in the academic proficiency awards as well as winning the religious education award. C.J. deRyk won the Catholic Student Award (along with Adrienne Harris) as well as the Student of the Year award.

Lea Lion was second in the academic proficiency awards while Anna Hollett was third. Beatrice Bauer received the

English award and Steve Kokelj won the Christian Living Award.

The Bishop Reding Award went to Renata Luisetto while Ashifa Rehmulla received the Molly Fitzsimmons Award.

In the Waterloo math contest, team certificates were given to Andrew Hodge, Giles Hodge and Renata Luisetto.

Certificates of merit were received by Andrew Hodge, Jonathan Hodge, Jay Keralake, Steve Klein and Renata Luisetto. Giles Hodge won a certificate of distinction.

McGruff takes the crime bite away

By CHERYL MOODER Herald staff



McGruff has been touring area public schools teaching primary students how to take a bite out of crime.

The crime fighting dog, which was imported from the United States, made his debut in the region in the fall of 1987 when Const. Garry George of the community relations bureau of the Georgetown police department's crime prevention unit began introducing him to every public school in Halton Hills.

Garbed in a beige trench coat, the

brown furry mutt is comparable to Elmer the Safety Elephant and Smokey the Bear, said Const. George.

"McGruff is an easily recognizable figure that we can use to get our crime prevention message across to the children," he said.

During his visit to Grade 4, 5 and 6 classrooms, children flock to McGruff whom they recognize from television.

The shaggy dog is only new to the Halton police department, Const. George said. Children are familiar with him from cartoons.

He showed children a film presentation explaining ways the youngsters could assist the police and themselves with crime proofing measures.

Grade 5 student Amber Lyons received her certificate of merit from McGruff, the crime-fighting dog. (Herald photo)

toboggans and ski equipment in the garage in the winter.

The message the police department wants to get across is, "crime prevention is something not only for the police department... Everyone can play a part in it," he said.

As part of the program Const. George asked students to make up posters on the crime prevention theme. For their efforts, the children received certificates of merit signed with McGruff's paw print and french fry coupons from McDonald's which provided the certificates.

Halton's new figure has an added benefit to it, Const. George said. The police department has another program which will allow it to continue working within schools and make a police presence known to children in the higher primary grades.

"We hope to have this on an annual basis," he said.

Two subdivisions get first approval

Two subdivisions on the expanded rural cluster on Henderson's Corners have been recommended for draft approval.

The two properties, in the name of Ivan Bošnjak and William Person will contain 22 houses on 36 1/2 acres of land on the corner of Highway 7 and Sideroad 22.

The Niagara Escarpment Commission had initially labelled the applications premature because the Minister of Municipal Affairs had not formally expanded the Henderson's Corners rural cluster, said a report by senior planner Terry Korsiak.

But the Minister officially expanded the boundaries in November so the NEC is allowing the subdivisions subject to various conditions, said Mr. Korsiak.

At a public meeting in October one resident voiced concerns about the availability of water in the area, said Mr. Korsiak.

But the Regional Health Department said preliminary water studies say the development will not deplete local groundwater supply.

The Region has also instructed the developers to conduct a detailed hydrogeological study before the development goes ahead, said Mr. Korsiak.

Asthma class begins Feb. 27 in Georgetown

Every year the Lung Association receives hundreds of calls from the parents of children with asthma. While doctors are able to diagnose and medicate asthma, they rarely have the time to help parents deal with the problems which go along with having an asthmatic child in the family.

Thanks to Christmas Seals, the Lung Association is able to offer pro-

grams which help the whole family.

Parents learn about asthma from resource speakers who discuss medication, physiology, diet, allergies and coping techniques. There is also time for parents to interact, and learn that they are not alone.

If the "Family Asthma Program" is what your family needs, contact the Lung Association - Halton Region, at 632-8496 to obtain more information about this free program.

Eight-week sessions begin Feb. 26 in Oakville, March 1 in Burlington and Feb. 27 in Georgetown.

For the child with asthma and his/her brothers and sisters, there is a swimming and gym program.

Remedial riding wants funds

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The Thomas Remedial Equestrian Centre was founded in 1987 to provide riding for the physically, mentally and emotionally handicapped people in Halton.

The centre currently has five horses and ten new riders were registered in January.

More riders and equipment will be

added to the program as money becomes available, an application from the centre to the Region indicates.

The YMCA is looking for a total of \$9,000 which includes an operating grant and a one-time capital grant. The YMCA wants to use the money to help expand services in Georgetown as a part of the potential community services centre at Howard Wrigglesworth School.

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Legion Lines

By JIM HAYES

The branch mourns the passing of our comrade Bill Bryden, a long time member. Bill worked at the Domtar paper mill until his retirement. He was a Second World War veteran. Our sympathy goes to his family and friends at this time.

CAR CLUB: Jan. 28 winners - 50 John Doherty, 95 Wade Emmerson, 185 George Hughes, 122 V1 Allen, 438 Linda Ford and Jan Hunsley, 20 Lillian Crawford. Feb. 4 draw: 253 Lorne Cox, 294 Shirley Fendley, 228 Glen Hillcock, 53 Mike Swec, 474 Hal Hulme, 291 Stan Larusso.

YOUTH AND EDUCATION: Congratulations to Charlie Gibbs, a Grade 13 student at GDHS and Jodie Johnson, a Grade six student at Stewarttown. Charlie and Jodie were 1st place winners in their respective categories at the District level of the R.C.L. Youth and Education contest. Their essays on "Remembrance" will now be advanced to the Provincial level for judging. Well done.

SPORTS: Zone B7 - The five pin bowling team from Branch 120 took 2nd place in the zone competition Jan. 30 in Oakville. They will now be playing in the District bowling at Park Royal Bowlerama in Port Credit Feb. 13. Gary Hole, Bruce Clarke, Roger Dugay, Al Gardner, Jack Hillier, and Wayne Norton are to be congratulated. Jack Hillier also qualified as a single with a 350 score, the double of Jack Hillier and Roger Dugay, qualified with a pin

fall of 614. Well done, Branch 120. MEMBERSHIP: Chairman Pat Chamberlain has received cards for all members who paid 1988 dues before Dec. 31, 1987. Check at the bar for yours.

EARLY BIRD DRAW: The draw took place in the clubroom Feb. 6. The following members will have their 1988 dues refunded: H.R. McConnell, Mid Brunski, S.R. Clayton Jr., H.C. Kock, N.E. Monk, Cec. Reid, Flo Carswell, J.T. Hayes, W.G.L. Bell, Stan Larusso. Not bad eh?

SATURDAY AFTERNOON MEAT DRAW: One of the following members is going to need a bigger freezer: N. Monk, E. Clarke, K. Jones, A. Telford, J. Martin, J.T. Hayes, Doris Chamberlain, R. Bayne, B. Dunne. The six pack of steaks was won by Doug Logan.

ENTERTAINMENT: In the lounge, Feb. 13 Arrow, Feb. 20 Daniel Bruce, Mini-bingo, Feb. 20.

Legion ladies

By MID BRUNSKI Herald Special

There were no winners for Georgetown at zone euchre in Milton last Friday. It is to be hoped that zone bowling in Georgetown this Saturday, Feb. 13 will remedy this losing streak. Good luck to you all.

Our next auxiliary meeting will be Feb. 18 and we hope for a good turnout for this one.

The Plymouth group will be holding a chili dinner and dance March 5 from 8 p.m. to 12 p.m. Musci by Sonic. Tickets for the chili dance will be available through Shel Law, 877-9109 or at the bar.

We hope to see as many of our American friends out for this occasion as last year's affair which was very successful.

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