



Local Beavers and their parents took part in a fun hike recently, and had both an educational and enjoyable time. Members taking part were Paul Bakker, Gregory Bidwell, Jason Campbell, Robin Deeley, Trevor Cash, Danny Dwyer, Gregory Gosselin, Jim Harper, Jason Hayes, Chris Jones, Jeffrey Leonard, Mathew Ter-noway, Josh Travers, Andrew Wright, and Leaders Sue Deeley, Carol Harper, and Nicholas Deeley. (Photo by Jean Layman).

Beavers study wonders of nature

By JEAN LAYMAN
Herald Special

The 5th Georgetown Beavers met at the home of Beaver Leader Sue Deeley on Hall Street last Monday evening to go on a hike, down along the river.

The Beavers had made a crafty backpack at a Colony meeting where they carried a sit-up-on to use during the hike.

As the Beavers, Leaders and parents got started hiking Jack Bakker had the group singing "We are

the Beavers," sounding like a very happy crowd.

The hike proved to be most successful. Wild flowers were observed with special attention to the Trillium, being the provincial flower.

Beavers had a great time finding stones, rocks, pine cones, but more exciting to see the big fish in the river, and no one with fishing tackle. Observing trees where Woodpeckers had been at work and finding a snake made the hike all worthwhile.

Leaders organizing this outing were Sue Deeley, Carol Harper, and Keco Nicholas Deeley.

Several Beavers are ready to swim-up to Cuba and Leaders will be needed in both sections to carry on this very active group. Meeting place is at St. Francis of Assisi School and the contact person is Sue Deeley at 873-0317. Beavers are from five years to eight years of age and Cubs are from eight to eleven years of age.

Meeting set for housing coalition

Representatives from agencies, churches, service clubs, and interested individuals throughout Halton are preparing for the first meeting of a new housing coalition organized by the Halton Social Planning Council.

The meeting will be held Thursday, May 26 at 7 p.m. at the Regional Municipality of Halton's Headquarters on Bronte Rd., Oakville.

This new coalition is being formed in response to a provincial initiative entitled "Access to Permanent Housing Committees". This has been undertaken to encourage development of local housing committees throughout the province, provide a community focus on local housing issues, and ensure that those in need have access to permanent housing.

In addition to providing a focus for local housing issues, this coalition will be responsible for reviewing and setting priority of proposals for support services that are submitted by community agencies or groups and making recommendations to the Province on those that should receive funding. Under the program, funding would be cost shared by the Province and Regional Municipality.

Any organization or agency interested in making a submission under this program is encouraged to attend the first meeting of the coalition and to begin the preparation of a proposal for submission early in June.

This first meeting of the new housing coalition will establish terms of reference for the coalition, discuss possible services that may be considered for submission, and establish a work plan for reviewing and prioritizing program proposals. The meeting is open to anyone in the

community interested in this important issue.

If you would like to attend, or would like additional information, call the Halton Social Planning Council in Burlington at 632-1975 or, for Halton Hills residents, 877-3219.

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Unwinding from the rigors of school

Kay's Place popular with students

By BELINDA SNELL
Herald Special

Kay's variety store, located just houses down from the Georgetown District High School, serves not only as a convenience store for hungry passers-by, but also as a "hangout" for bored youths.

Store owners Kay and George Brandford opened for business back in 1949, and within six years the store was ready to undergo some major renovations. A new addition was built on to the side of the building by George as part of a plan to expand the business, but this idea was discarded soon after, and they began to consider the possibility of turning the adjoining room into a rec room for high school students.

With a lot of hard work, they agreed on this decision and together they succeeded in turning their tiny store into a popular meeting place for young teens.

High school students can often be seen wandering over to Kay's during their lunch and spare periods in order to gather with friends or to grab a bite to eat.

The tiny room has been comfortably furnished over the years and is now equipped with a jukebox, television set and a selection of video games which were installed for the sole purpose of the kids' enjoyment.

Comic store owner Larry Clark says that he used to "hang out" at Kay's when he was a student at Georgetown High.

"I've known Kay for 23 years and she has always cared a great deal about the kids in the community. She and George have always been there to give them an even break... to help. You could always go to Kay if you had a problem."

Kay and George have made many long lasting friendships throughout the years, and Kay speaks with pride as she reminisces about old times.

"One year the kids all got together and baked me a cake, especially for my birthday," Kay says that she was so touched by this considerate action on the kids' part that she began to cry.



Kay's Variety Store on Guelph Street also serves as a high school "hangout" for teens. Kay Brandford is shown here relaxing in the bull-on addition of her store where students often congregate during their lunch and spare periods. (Herald photo)

Kay and George are wholly responsible for the warm atmosphere found at Kay's variety store, and together they encourage all teenagers alike to come and take part in their friendly camaraderie of high school students.

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