

Youth Forum

What are your March Break plans?

It's all in the stars

What is the difference between a star and a planet? A star is a huge ball of hot glowing gases, whirling in space. Our sun is a star and the only one close enough to earth for us to see its ball shape.

Many other stars in the universe are much larger than the sun — some even 1,000 times larger. But all are made up of the same two gases, hydrogen and helium.

The stars shine because atomic energy at their center makes them very hot. They shine night and day, but we

only see them at night when the sky is dark.

A planet, however, is a solid, smaller body which does not shine by its own light, but the light reflected off the sun. While planets shine steadily, stars seem to twinkle.

This is because of the movement of layers of air between the stars and the earth.

Scientists believe that the sun and all the planets were originally formed from clouds of gas and dust left over from old stars when they exploded!



Krista Glass, 9, Grade 4, Robert Little Public School: "Nothing. My dad is going to stay home and look after us. We might go away."



Becky Taylor, 7, Grade 1, Robert Little Public School: "I am going to go away to my cousin's wedding."



Jennifer Douglas, 9, Grade 4, Robert Little Public School: "My friends will be coming over and we might rent skis or go to the Toronto Zoo."



Scouting banquet

The 1st Acton and 3rd acton Scouting parent and son banquet was held at Acton High School. Piper, Alex McCarthur, led the Color Party into the banquet. Cub, Matthew Schiller, read the opening prayer from the "Let's Celebrate" book. Troop Scouter, Ron Birrell, welcomed the large gathering of 140 Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Venturers, Leaders and parents and guests attending. District Commissioner, Elaine Hannah, brought greetings from the District. Irene Birrell, and Nancy Price, along with various committees, organized the event. Pictured

above, front row, left to right, John Eddolls, Paul Schiller, Mathew Schiller, Nicholas Greerson, Michael Moore and Ryan Townsend. Standing, left to right, Rose Stall, Ron Birell, Andrea Schiller, Group Committee Chairman of 1st Acton, Karl Heidi, Group Committee Chairman of 3rd Acton, Craig Booth, representing the Optimist Club, sponsor of 3rd Acton and Piper, Alex McCarthur. Absent when photo was taken: Doug Fread, of the Rotary Club, sponsor of 1st Acton. (Photo by Jean Layman)

CAGEY MAZE HELP THE ZOO-KEEPER TO TAKE THE TIGER ITS FOOD.

CARRIER OF THE WEEK BOYS - GIRLS

Cheryl, 11, a Grade 6 student at Georgetown District Christian School, has been delivering the Halton Hills Herald for two years and in a unique way. Weather permitting, Cheryl puts on her roller skates to deliver the Herald.

Cheryl delivers 84 papers Wednesday and Fridays and is putting the money she earns from her paper route in her bank account. She is saving up with plans to re-decorate her bedroom.

For her efforts, Cheryl will receive a large pizza courtesy of Pizza Hut in Georgetown.



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Singing for seniors

Children from the Halton Hills Childcare Centre sang to residents of the Bennett Health Care Centre in Georgetown last week. Some of the singers are (from left to right) Alexander Fraser, Carly Stein, Ashley Jackman, Simon Graham, Joel Hamilton, caregiver

Margaret Brown and singer Brittany Cameron. Residents seated behind the children are (left to right) Vi Blake, Winnie Houston, Vern Wheeler and Annie Bingham. (Herald photo by Lisa Boonstoppel-Pot)