

Community in Focus



Dancing for seniors

The funky music and wild dance moves used by dancer Emily Tabuchi (front) and her dance partner took some seniors by surprise at first but by the end of the performance, the seniors were clapping and having a great time along with the dancers from Cheryl Lindsay's Dance Studio in Georgetown, who provided the entertainment at the annual Lion

Senior Citizens dinner held Thursday night. Seniors, such as (back, left to right) Harry Miller, George Ridley, Joyce Gosling and Grace Kuenzig were among approximately 100 seniors honored at the dinner provided free to area seniors by the Lions Club. (Herald photo by Lisa Boonstoppel-Pot)



Helping the handicapped

The challenges of helping the handicapped was an issue three students, (left to right) Rosie Gimeno, Peter Bukovcan and Sandy Carreiro, addressed during education week at their school, St. Francis of Assisi Separate School in Georgetown. This display of braille writing and a one-handed weaving wheel was part of the project the students took part in and displayed to parents at the school's open house last Thursday night. (Herald photo)



PC Riding Executive

The Halton/Peel Progressive Conservative Riding Association held its annual meeting, with election of officers, last Friday evening at North Halton Golf and Country Club. Halton/Peel MP, Garth Turner, was the guest speaker. Pictured above, are the Association's new executive members. Front row, left to right, Ted Fry, Ross Husband, Marilyn Turner (Secretary), Roy Wood, Sue Miller, Doreen Shaw and David Page. Back

row, left to right, Bob Rightmyer (Treasurer), Bob Johnston, Marilyn Mitton (Past President), Halton/Peel MP Garth Turner, Don Naylor (President), Bill Patterson, and Norman Morris. Executive members absent when photo taken included; Bernadette Shaw, LeRoy Ho-Young, Dennis Stephenson, John Bartlett and Jean Skuja. (Herald photo)

Heritage evening a huge success

By BETTY SOJKA

Last week's Heritage evening was deemed a huge success with over 100 people filling the Community Centre. The meeting was set up by the Esquering Historical Society, whereby a panel of Ballinafad residents, each had a topic on which they would speak on.

Karen Hunter, president of this group, opened the meeting with several announcements, and then proceeded to introduce the panel of Lydia Snow, who also served as panel chairperson, Alma and Norm Sinclair, Will and Eleanor McLean, and Ernie McEnery. Each individual was impressive. Much was learned about early life, farms, roads, Women's Institute, Community Centre, Churches, factories, hotels, feed mill, general store, mail routes, etc. It was noted that the majority of early settlers were Empire Loyalists. Nathaniel Rotzel was the first settler. In 1819 Nathaniel arrived to live on a 100 acres for a cost of \$26.00 plus a promise to settle within a determined time period. A bargain price at today's standards, even though he had to cut through 9 miles of bush to get at it. From here Nathaniel did what he could to populate the area, by raising 16 children. A highlight of the evening was when members of the audience gave their own personal recollections of past life, and personages. The meeting ended with coffee and sweets being served.

The 4-H Club current session has formally ended with the Achievement Day being held at the Halton Radial Museum last

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Wednesday evening. Joined by other clubs in the District, the group went for rides on vintage streetcars. A safety video was viewed. This excursion was most enjoyable for all attending.

The Hall Board attended a recent Erin Twp. meeting to make a plea for funds. The Board's capital request, was initially not to be accepted; due to Erin Twp.'s decision to restrict capital expenditures from the 1991 budget. Karen Smith, chairperson for the Hall Board, addressed Erin Twp. Council outlining the importance of receiving funding. The Hall Board is focusing their efforts this year in making the original basement section a viable part of the Community Centre again. Currently this section sits empty due to water leakage. Funds are needed to cure the water problems, and then refurbish the interior. Erin Twp. will hand out their decision this week.

The Jim Dandies first game was a real nail biter for the first 4 innings. Carrying a score of 2-1, it was not until the bottom of the 4th, that the Jim Dandies broke the tension by adding a few more runs. Kathy Martin with her home run, Elaine Bowman and Marion Lumbers were the strong hitters, belting the needed runs in. The final score against Black Brigade was 14-2.



School awareness

No one can accuse Robert Little Public School in Acton, and its supporters, of not being aware of environmental problems. Last Saturday, Robert Little students, teachers, parents of school children and members of the Acton community joined together to

do their part in cleaning up their community. Groups cleaned up the Fairy Lake shoreline, the shoreline of Black Creek and the school grounds. (Herald photo)