

# Community

## Acton Fall Fair celebrates birthday

While most everyone's thoughts at this time of year are on catching a few rays or trying to beat the heat, the directors and other volunteers have been busy preparing for the 78th Annual Acton Fall Fair.

This year's fair is scheduled for the weekend of September 13, 14 and 15th at Acton's picturesque Prospect Park. The unofficial theme for this year's fair is "Educate and Entertain". The Homecraft Division's theme is "Ewe and Your Fair". When you tour the hall, watch for all the exhibits that pertain to sheep. School children are encouraged to enter the special contest advertised through area schools: Category A: Picture of a sheep suitable for hanging. Category B: A free standing sheep made from wire, paper rolls, etc.

Competitions and attractions are being lined up to ensure that people of all ages will be able to have a most enjoyable time. The directors hope that everyone will come out and get involved in the many competitions, or simply relax and meet their friends.

Among this year's highlights are the various displays put on by the area school children, including arts and crafts, photography, and many other exciting activities. In addition, people have a chance to show off their prize livestock or crops, garden vegetables or Mom's homemade pies and cakes.

The Fair kicks off on Friday the 13th with education taking the center stage. School children and seniors are admitted free from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to view the numerous displays in the Community Center and on the fairgrounds. On Friday night a special concert featuring the Guse Family will provide the musical entertainment with amusing interludes by "Binky the Clown".

On Saturday the Fair gets into high gear starting with a parade through Town at 12 noon. The

members of the Fair Board expect that the many floats and bands will make this parade a memorable one. Come out and see who can shear a sheep the fastest, or who can shoe a horse with the greatest of ease. Of course, the Fair just wouldn't be the Fair if the food booths weren't busy cooking up a storm. Sample the home cut french fries, or indulge yourself with some good old fashioned candy floss. For those so inclined, the "Spot in the Park" beer tent will be serving cold beverages to quench the thirst of the age of majority crowd.

In keeping with the Homecraft Division's theme of "Ewe and Your Fair", watch the amazing spectacle of dogs herding a flock of sheep. Demonstrations will be at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday. In the evening a Teen Dance will

be shaking the park from end to end.

Just when you think you've had enough excitement for one weekend, don't forget the fair is open on Sunday as well. Horse shows, cattle shows, remote car races, 4X4 truck pull and children's pedal tractor pull are among the many events scheduled. Musical highlights on this day are focused on the Arena as various Gospel music groups sing the praises of the day.

At 4 p.m. the Fair awards are presented to those lucky enough to have caught the eye of the judges.

So while you're working on your tan or your golf game, don't forget that the Fair is just around the corner. Mark it on your calendar and come out for a fun-filled weekend at this year's 78th Annual Acton Fall Fair.

## Emergency Services open house

Residents of Halton Hills will have a first hand view of the duties of local firefighters Saturday, September 14, at the Halton Hills Emergency Services Open House.

This annual event, sponsored by the Halton Hills Fire Department, will give local residents a chance to participate in real emergency situations including: fire fighting tactics, motor vehicle fires, high level rescue, and aerial operations.

While fire fighters will be backing participants up in these situations, area residents will be involved in the actual responsibilities fire fighters have to deal with.

"It lets the public see what it's like to be a fire fighter and gives them a chance to take part in situations they would otherwise not be able to," said Halton Hills fire fighter Joe Palmieri.

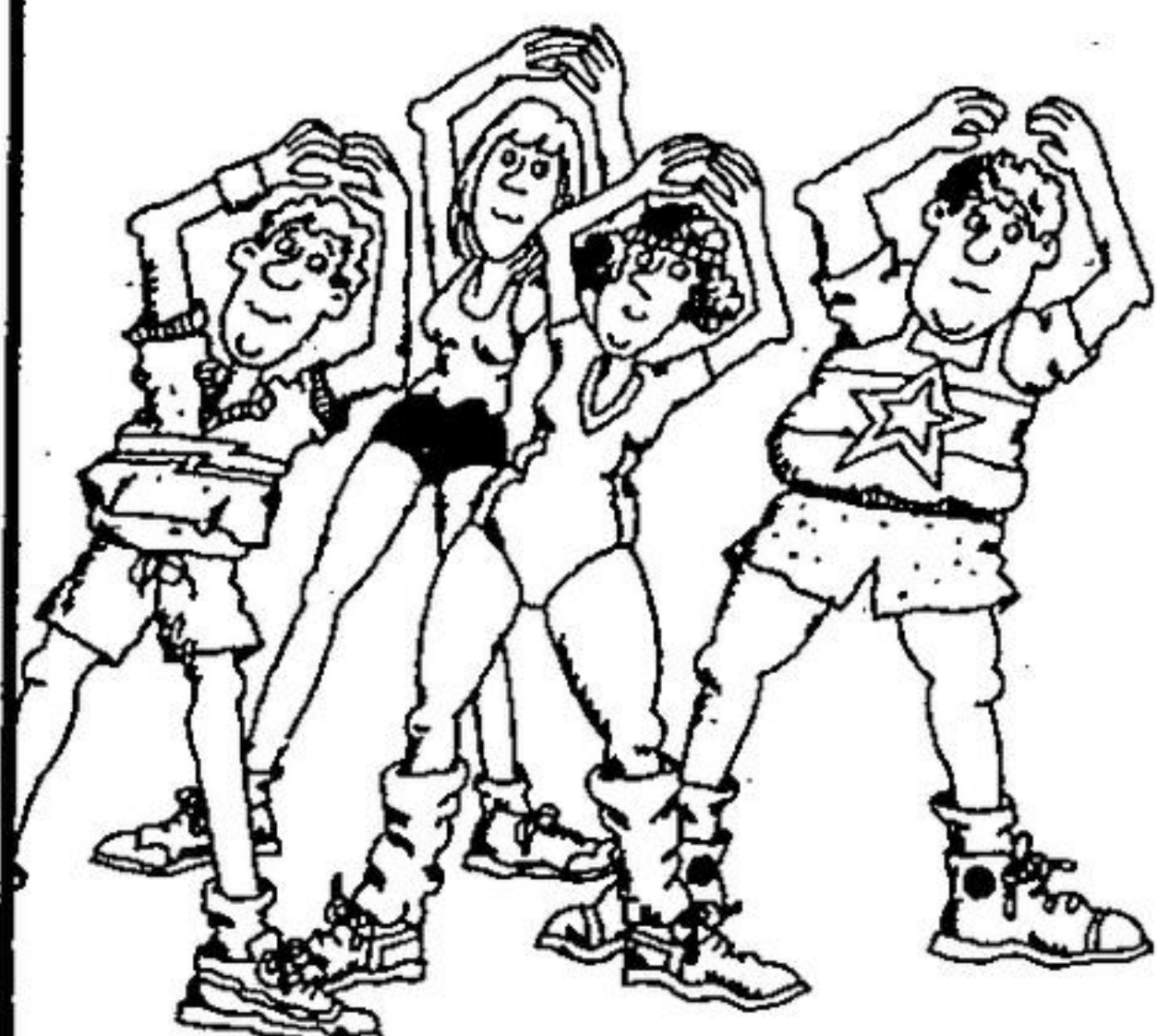
Mr. Palmieri explained the name

of the open house was changed from the Halton Hills Fire Department Open House to the Halton Hills Emergency Services Open House because local fire fighters felt it was important for the public to understand that during an emergency, all of the agencies work as a team.

The open house will include displays from Halton Hills Ambulance Services, Halton Regional Police Crime Prevention Unit, the Halton Regional Police T.R.U. team, and the Halton Hills Fire Prevention Unit.

The event will be open to everyone interested but you must be 18 years or older to participate in the exercises.

The open house will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Halton Hills Fire Department head quarters, located on Maple Avenue in Georgetown.



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