

EDITORIAL

with Iain Brennan

We often hear people lamenting about the 'good old days', about how the times are changing and wanting our town to stay the same. But too often we forget about the price of turning back the clock.

Rolling back just a few years would take away our new library. Rolling back some more and the skate park, arena, senior center would be gone. Back a little further and the Market Place plaza is gone and the new Home Hardware. Just how far back would we have to go for these good old days?

I think the real issue is not what 'days' we live in but how we choose to live in them. When was the last time that you held the door open for someone else to enter first? Gave up your spot in the line to the person behind you who only had one or two items or was dealing with a fussing child? When did we as a whole stop caring about what everybody else was going through and instead worried about ourselves? I am not trying to say that nobody does these good deeds. In fact it often makes newspapers letters to the editors when someone wishes to thank a good Samaritan. Is it so rare a thing now days that it becomes news?

Our challenge to each and everyone is to look for just one opportunity in the next week to help someone else for no other reason than it is a nice thing to do. If we can make that small change a habit, and teach that lesson to our children then the future can be the 'days' we want to live in.

Looking Back



Ten years ago

- Family, friends, colleagues and former patients of rural Milton physician Dr. Len Landry mourned his sudden passing. Landry was semi retired when he offered to help with the acute doctor shortage in Acton following the death of local physician Dr. Brian Moore.

- A head-on collision between a minivan and a tanker truck at the Dufferin Aggregates Quarry on Dublin Line sent a 42 year woman to hospital with severe head and facial injuries.

- Reporting illegal garbage dumpers to a new hot line was one weapon in the Acton BIA's renewed fight against litter and dumping on the streets of downtown Acton

Five years ago

- A 17 year old Acton youth was charged with three weapons offences after accidentally shooting himself with a handmade gun at his rural Acton Home. A search of his residence uncovered three homemade handguns, a loaded factory made .22 calibre rifle and a quantity of ammunition.

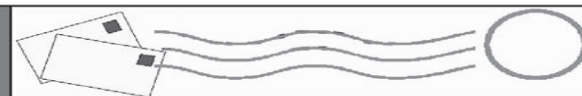
- Anthony Querques a grade 8 student at St. Joseph Catholic School was one of 450 finalists at the Canada Wide Science fair in Nova Scotia bringing home a Bronze medal in biotechnology for his scientific experiment searching for bacteria-fighting enzymes.

- A thick carpet of state-of-the-art artificial turf was finally installed on the playing field of the new Acton Agricultural Society/Indoor Soccer facility in Prospect Park, awaiting their expected opening in June 2007



HAPPY TUNES: Robert Little Public School recently received a generous grant of \$1,500 from the Halton Learning Foundation to purchase rhythm instruments for their music program. – Submitted photo

Letters



Robert Little School thankful

Robert Little Public School would like to thank the Halton Learning Foundation for their generous grant of \$1500 to purchase rhythm instruments for the music program.

The instruments purchased with this grant include: Alto Xylophone, Cabasa,

Cowbells, Guiro, Thunder Tube, Triple Tone Wood Block, Tic Toc Blocks, Maracas, Vibraslap, Wrist Bells, Bell Cluster, Egg Shakers, Tunable Bongos, Agogo Bell, Djembe, Lummi Sticks, 16" Ocean Drum, and Triangles.

These instruments are used in the music, dance and drama program to support curriculum expectations, as well as during performances at assemblies and concerts.

Thank you
Marie Buland
Robert Little School

The Acton Navy League thanks

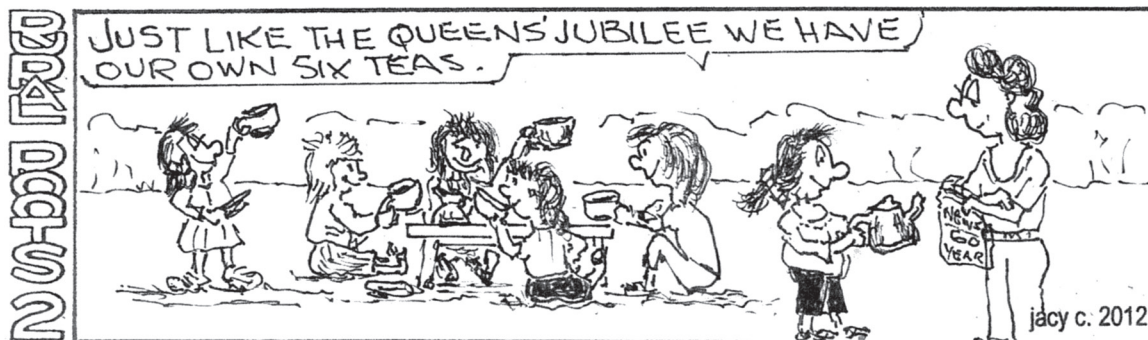
The boys and girls from Acton's Navy League Cadet Corps, Compass Rose, would like to thank all the people in town for their generous donations during their recent "tag day." The only annual fund-raiser for

this dedicated group; the proceeds from this year's tag day far exceeded their expectations.

The Corps was also grateful for the opportunity to participate in the community and spread the

word about what a terrific organization they belong to. The cadet program is one of the rare free activities that parents can enrol their children in.

Thank you,
Judi Hopper



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