



Verdun Rebekah Lodge 184 is sponsoring a student trip to the UN and Richard Cook is the lucky guy that gets to go. From left, Jean King, chairperson for the UN Pilgrimage for Youth for Ontario, Jim Broughton, GDHS social science teacher,

Richard Cook, trip winner, Adam Poyntz, runner-up, Lee Buchan, Noble Grand of Verdun Rebekah Lodge 184 and Reta-June Metvedt, Vice Grand of Verdun Rebekah Lodge 184.

## Top marks in quiz earns trip to UN

By JEAN LAYMAN

Richard Cook, a Georgetown and District High School student will be going to New York, New York in July.

Richard, 16, who is a Grade 11 student will visit New York and the UN Pilgrimage for Youth.

Jean King, Secretary of Verdun Rebekah Lodge 184 approached the high school and social science teacher Jim Broughton about sending a student to attend the U.N. pilgrimage. Mr. Broughton made up a quiz for students to qualify for the trip.

Mrs. King, chairperson for the U.N. Pilgrimage said it is the first time in 20 years since the lodge has

sponsored a student for the trip.

Mrs. King is the co-ordinator for Ontario and for 29 other provincial Lodges which are sponsoring students.

Adam Poyntz came in second on the quiz, and would make the trip if Richard Cook is unable to go.

Both Richard and Adam and Mr. Broughton attended the supper recently at the Verdun Rebekah Lodge.

Richard will leave on July 16 and return on July 26th. He will give a report on his trip to the Rebekahs in September.

## Prudential employees plant a forest today

Employees of The Prudential Insurance Company of America will be planting a 25,000-tree forest near Georgetown today (Saturday, April 27) at 10 a.m.

Fifty employees will gather at the Silver Creek Conservation Area at 9:30 a.m. to receive instruction from tree-planting experts from the Credit Valley Conservation Authority. After a ceremonial planting at 10:15 a.m., volunteers will begin the two-hour planting of "Rockwood Forest", the name chosen by Prudential employees because of the company's familiar "Rock" logo.

The project involves the planting and maintenance of a forest on a 25-acre area of old field and pasture

at this conservation area in the Credit River Valley north of Georgetown.

Trees Ontario, which co-operated in the funding, is a partnership between the Ontario Forestry Association and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. It was created to assist sponsorship of tree establishment projects by corporations and interested

groups wishing to demonstrate concern for the environment.

Root Action helped out also and is a volunteer organization dedicated to helping replace the many trees cut down every year by encouraging the planting and maintenance of forest land. The organization has pledged to plant one million trees in the spring of 1991, and Rockwood Forest is part of this effort.

## Students focus on celebration

Education Focus '91 has already been an entertaining time for residents of Halton Centennial Manor.

To kick off the special celebration of education (April 22 - May 3), the seniors were treated to an afternoon of music and drama performed by students from various Halton schools April 22.

Six north Halton schools participated in the event.

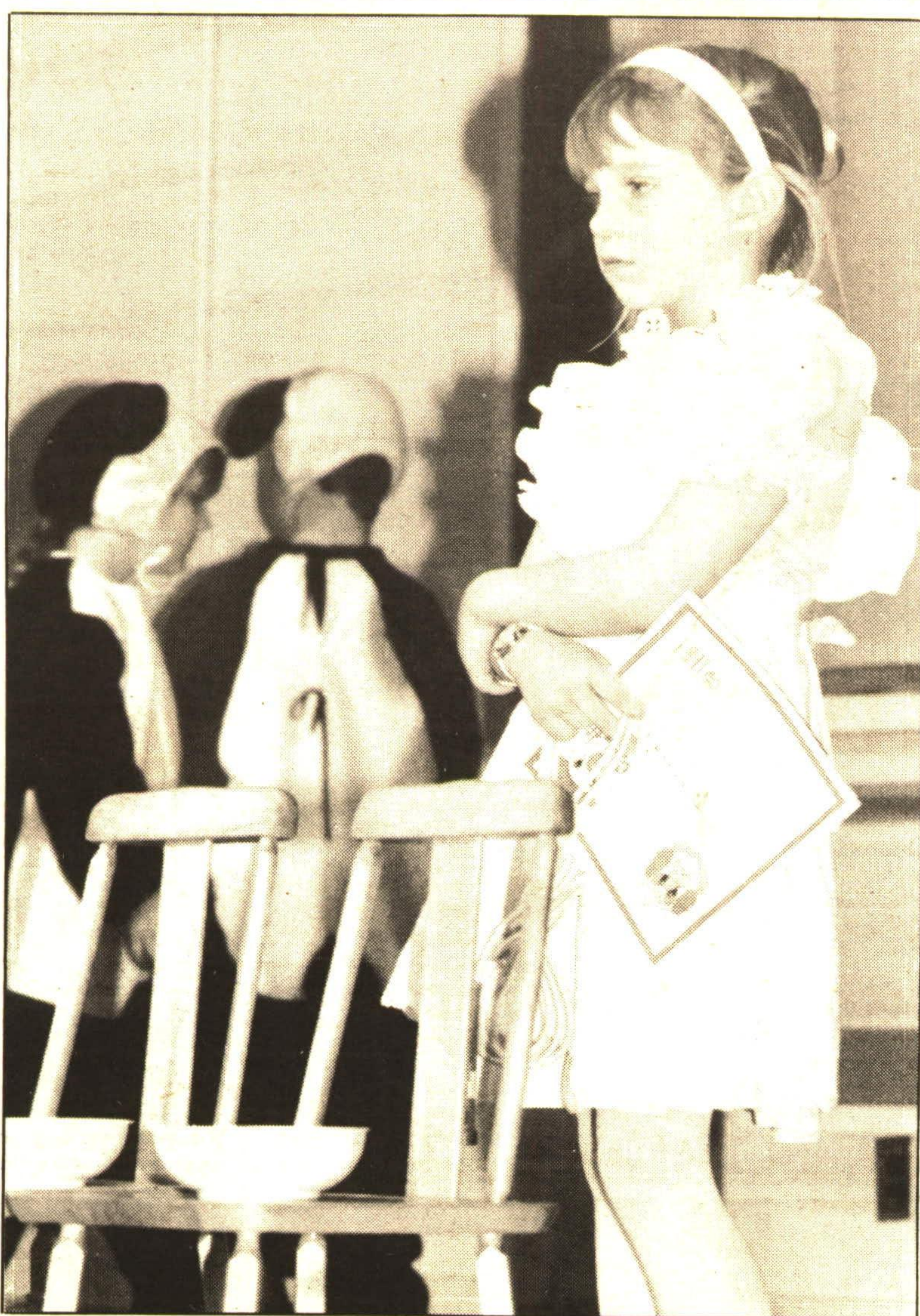
With the theme Learning is for Life, the Education Focus function also included short speeches from local school board representatives.

Halton Board of Education chairman Bill Harrison brought greetings from the board. He said the event was a way to show residents of the Manor "what is being done in the school program in Halton."

Bob Williams, Halton Board of Education director, gave the board a pat on the back.

"We've developed an international reputation for providing quality education to our students," said Williams.

Throughout Education Focus, several local schools are holding events of their own.



'Mother Goose things about 3', a play presented by students from Glen Williams School, helped kick off Education Focus. The annual Halton Board-wide celebration of education in the region runs for two weeks this year with many activities at individual schools. Photo by SUSAN JACOBS

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