

HALTON HILLS SENIORS RECREATION CENTRES



415 QUEEN ST. E. ACTON

By Julie Conroy

The social evening was well attended and everyone enjoyed the dinner. Denise Fix had everyone up dancing, whether it was slow romantic songs, country or rock and roll. Real had purchased exotic tropical plants for the door prizes and the delighted winners were Barbara Hibbert, Pat Jones, Pauline Barlow, Arlene Bruce, Willy Veerman, Jean Leonard, Lori Ryan-Lewis and Karl Kermer and the 50/50 by Shirley Loucks.

There was a fundraising meeting last week and the May 11 Spring Bazaar was discussed. Are you downsizing? Granny's Attic is looking for donations of gently used items and the Country store is looking

for jams, and other items found in a typical Country store. We will also have plants for sale, so when you get into your garden to split your perennials (or house plants), we would love to have them. We would appreciate donations being dropped off the week before the bazaar (starting April 29) and baking by 10 a.m. the day of the Bazaar. If you have visited our Centre you know storage space is limited.

Mothers Day is the following Sunday so this is your opportunity to find something special for Mom, maybe a delicious cake, baking or something from the craft table. If you have a project that has been sitting around for a while, and you aren't going to start it, the craft



BINGO BUDDIES: Avid Bingo players Adrian Alder (left), Pat Jones, Frances Hogenbirk and Stanley Hellam each won \$26 – Jones pocketed a double share – in the Share the Wealth Bingo on Saturday at the Acton Seniors Centre. – Frances Learment photo

ladies would make good use of it. They are always looking for projects, wool, and material.

Still thinking of food, starting on Thursday, April 18 and once a month during May and June, there will be cooking classes at the Loblaw's Super Store in Georgetown. They will feature meals with small portion servings in mind. Yes, you will be sampling. Check the bulletin board

and sign up if you are interested.

The Acton Seniors Centre is always open for your comments and suggestions. You don't have to find a piece of paper to write on as there are slips provided at the side of the red suggestion box.

There is a registration form on the bulletin board for anyone 55-plus who is interested in competing in the Halton District

Summer Games. This covers many sports including a variety of card games, Nordic walking, horseshoes, carpet bowling, swimming, and golf to mention a few of the sports listed. If you are interested check the sheets.

Shirley Hunter had the only mooner at Bid Euchre last Thursday.

Please mark May 1 to 3 on your calendar and try to visit the Centre during that

time. The Accreditation Survey Team will be visiting the Centre, meeting the membership and reviewing our documentation.

We're proud of our busy and friendly Centre.

Lunch on Friday, May 3 is hearty beef and vegetable soup plus a variety of sandwiches and desert.

There was no winner of the weekly 50/50 draw. The prize next week should be around \$250.

Clearing Estate Auction Sale for the late Bert Walton & Carlinbeth Fuels at 254 Guelph Line S., Campbellville on Saturday, April 27th at 10:00 a.m

COMPLETE CONTENTS of 3 storey home (with crawl spaces & attic), 3 car garage, 2 outside storage containers & small shed as well as yard items to be sold without reserve to the highest bidder.

FURNITURE - Ant. wooden beds, dressers, night stands, end tables, ant. treadle singer sewing machine, press back rocker & side chair (nice), fumed oak parlour table (4 leaf clover shape), plant stands, hall table, retro metal phone table, old office desks (wood & metal)

VINTAGE & RETRO tvs, stereo equipment, typewriters, lamps, light fixtures, suitcases, old trunks, wooden crates, oil lamps, old toys, dinky cars, die cast items, collectibles of all sorts, dishes, glassware, knicknacs, unique finds, old pictures (some dating back 60 yrs), artwork, some plane photos, old books & paperwork, heritage dresses & some vintage clothing

VEHICLES ETC.- 1979 Ford Lincoln "Collector series", fully loaded 03765 org. km., possible runner, selling as is; 1977 Ford Lincoln as is for parts/scrap; 1991 Ford Taurus 4 dr., as is; 1996 Ford Taurus 4dr., as is; 1000 gal. fuel tank and 3-500 gal. fuel tanks still used daily; 5-500 gal. fuel tanks, unused last while; 40 ft. sea container full of unsorted items; 20 ft. truck box full of unsorted goods; complete contents of 3 bay garage full side to side, front to back; old oil cans, some signs, old license plates; 2 old gas pumps (one Shell); 150+ milk crates of new & used hardware, tools, oils, etc.

MISC. - Furnace service parts & pieces, car & truck parts & hardware (some dating back 60 years), used tires (large trucks, cars, some for Model As), new bottles of oil, anti freeze, cleaners, new parts & hardware for numerous jobs, variety of tools related to automotive, carpentry & mechanical; "very large" collection of ind./residential duct work, electric & gas motors, compressors, piston pumps, batteries, elec. wire, copper pipe, fabricating steel, steel pipe, metal & wood shelving, gal. eavestrough & down pipe, oil tanks, 40 gal. steel drums (some with contents), old dryers, washers, stoves, lawnmowers, double stainless sink (good shape), cement blocks, RR ties, old wagon wheels & parts, Ford truck motor & trans (size ?), piles of scrap metal & wood

NOTE: Bert lived in this home since 1945 and ran a furnace service & fuel company since 1949, had many hobbies, collected many things and knew to save something because it might be needed.

DIRECTIONS - From 401 go south on Guelph Line for 1 km. to sale on west side, just south of the village of Campbellville

TERMS & CONDITIONS - Cash or cheque (with ID). All items to be paid in full day of sale. Auctioneer, staff or owners not responsible for loss or accident day of sale. Verbal announcements day of sale take precedence over written ad. NO BUYERS PREMIUM. Lunch booth and washrooms available.

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Town Hall history

The rejuvenated Acton Town Hall Centre re-opens May, and Heritage Acton members are selling bricks in a campaign to help pay for the work.

The Acton Town Hall was opened with a grand ball in the spring of 1883, and remained the hub of Acton's social life for over eighty years. In 1974 with regional government, Acton's Town Hall was deemed unnecessary and allowed to fall into disrepair.

In 1977, Halton Hills declared the building to be surplus and condemned it as unsafe. Council moved to demolish the building to create a 10-car parking lot for the adjoining fire hall. A grass-roots citizens' protest arose, forming two committees which persuaded Council to allow them to save the building.

The Town Hall was purchased for a nominal sum and then began the long task of restoring the historic building. Acton Town Hall Restoration Committee and Acton Town Hall Fundraising Committee merged in 1982 to become Heritage Acton, a registered charity.

With the help of grants and generous corporate and personal donations Heritage Acton saved the



building from demolition and renovated it to current standards (while preserving its heritage).

As well as maintaining the building with ongoing repair work, the committee has:

- installed new steel support beams
- insulated and drywalled the interior of the Town Hall
- replaced the fire hall heating system
- upgraded the wiring and plumbing
- installed a fire alarm system in the entire two-building complex
- installed heating and air conditioning in the Town Hall upstairs auditorium
- restored the crown molding and woodwork in the auditorium
- replaced the auditorium windows
- reconstructed the second fire exit from

- the auditorium
- upgraded the original Grand Staircase to current fire code standard
- restored the stage and installed a sound system
- rebuilt the bell tower and reconstructed the steeple which had been missing for many years
- installed an elevator making the fully accessible
- built Citizen's Hall to spotlight Acton's rich heritage

For many years the general public was unaware of the considerable structural restoration taking place out of sight inside the building. In the last couple of years the restoration has been much more visible. The auditorium has been returned to its former glory and the stage is once more ready to accommodate all the entertainment we can imagine on it.