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## **In Memory of Jack Carpenter: Red Nose Day held on Feb 6th**

Residents in Acton and across Halton Hills got into the spirit of Red Nose Day on February 6th.

The day was held in memory of Acton resident Jack Carpenter, who passed away on January 5th at the age of 96.

Nancy Wilkes, owner of Acton Optical, and Angela Tyler of First Student, decided to resurrect Red Nose Day as a way to honour Carpenter while supporting the Townsend-Smith Foundation's North Halton Hospice.

"I never had the privilege of meeting Jack but I knew Angela had a tie to Jack as well, so we got talking and we thought it would be wonderful to bring some happiness to a dreary February," said Wilkes.

Carpenter started the Red Nose campaign on Feb 6th

1992 as a way for people to "lighten up" during the dark days of winter, which was his birthday.

The schools in Acton took part in the day and Tyler said it brought positivity to children after having a few years of difficulty caused by the pandemic.

"The kids have had a lot of upset and discourse in their life over the last few years... this will give them

a chance to be normal, to just be a kid."

Along with schools, businesses and organizations across Halton Hills took part and noses could be purchased for \$1 at Sobeyes and Acton Optical.

A total of \$377.15 was raised for the hospice, and both Wilkes and Tyler plan to hold Red Nose Day again in 2024.



Nancy Wilkes, owner of Acton Optical, Taylor Worthman of Acton Sobeyes, and Angela Tyler of First Student donned Red Noses as part of the festivities. *Scott Brooks photo*



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