



The Ontario Conservatory of Music staged a coloring contest last Saturday at its fundraising booth at Georgetown Marketplace. Four-year-old Shanya Miaddaugh was one of the appreciative youngsters who entered the contest. Photo by Simon Wilson

Spring Time Country Dance should be a sellout

By Betty Sojka

Last Thursday's euchre was very popular. There were 12 tables of players. With 106 points, Helen Humphries not only won High Ladies', she also had the highest score overall. Not too far behind Helen's points was Neil Frawley with 103, to win High Mens'. Most Lone Hands was also won by Helen Humphries.

A nice variety of sandwiches was provided by Marj McEnery, Ann Pattulo and Katherine French. Thanks go out to these kind ladies, as well as the ladies who set up the coffee/tea and served the very tasty sandwiches. Thursday, April 1st is the next date scheduled for euchre.

Tickets are now on sale at the Ballinafad General Store for the

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Spring Time Country Dance, happening on Saturday, April 24. It is advised to get your tickets early, as this dance is projected to be a sell-out.

The popularity stems from the live country band that is providing the music. The Country Versatiles have developed a following from being highly entertaining. The cost is only \$7.50 per person and will include a light meal plus spot and door prizes.

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Trial date held over

The trial date for a Halton Regional policeman facing charges of attempting to obstruct justice won't be announced until April 19 at Milton provincial court.

The court appearance date for 46-year-old Sergeant Rod Wilson, of Burlington, was expected to be announced Monday, but the announcement has been postponed for a month, a court official said this week.

The obstruction charges against Sgt. Wilson relate to a recorded message left eight months ago on the telephone answering machine of Halton Hills Councillor Pam Johnston. The tape was turned over to Halton Regional Police Service and an investigation was conducted by the Professional Standards Bureau. As a result, a Police Services Act charge of discreditable conduct was laid against the Halton policeman.

The findings of the internal investigation were turned over to

the Regional Director of Crown Attorneys, L.J. McGuigan, Q.C. The contents of the telephone message led to the attempting to obstruct justice charge against Sgt. Wilson.

Sgt. Wilson has been booked off sick since the charge was laid in mid-February.

The charge is connected with events which occurred last May. At that time, Councillor Johnston, who also sits on regional council, received an anonymous letter alleging a cover-up by Halton police administration on a domestic assault incident that occurred in 1983. An internal investigation conducted by the OPP concluded last June there was no wrongdoing by police administration.

The message leading to obstruction charges was taped on June 11 of last year on the answering machine in Johnston's Halton Hills home.

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