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March Break: A child's dream, often a parent's nightmare

BY ANDREW KANE
Once again we are fast approaching another March Break. To some this is the true sign that spring is on its way. Yet for some parents, trying to occupy your children for the week is often a sign of trouble ahead.

Fortunately, if you dig a little, you can find many terrific activities to occupy your youngsters, and to help you keep your sanity.

The Acton Library is inviting all school-age children to join them for their "Jungle Week." On Thursday, March 18, the library will

host a "Lunch to the Movies." The children are invited to bring their own lunch and enjoy an hour of children's movies.

On Friday, March 19 the Library hosts "Safari Day." The children will be enchanted by the sights and sounds of the Jungle. You may register your children any time before the March Break. Children school-age or below are eligible to enter in the poster contest with the theme "Save the Rainforest." All entries must be in by Friday, March 19.

To go along with these events, the Acton Arena is hosting free public skating from 1 to 2:20 pm and the Acton Pool is having free public swimming every afternoon during the Break from 2 to 4 pm.

Oh, and kids — have a safe and happy holiday.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

A Weekly Round-Up of Coming Events in Acton & Area

March 10, Wednesday — 7:30 pm: "Alcohol and Comprehension of the Adolescent." Parent-Aid presents Dennis Walker of the Addiction Research Foundation in the teacher's lounge at Acton High, everyone is welcome.

March 13, Saturday — 6 pm: The Alert group at Knox Presbyterian Church presents its St. Patrick's Irish Stew Dinner. Entertainment will feature Irish dancing and music. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. For tickets call 853-2727 or the church office at 853-2360. You can also pick up tickets at Helen Jocque's Village Variety shop on Mill Street.

March 15 to 19, Monday to Friday — 2 to 4 pm: Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department offers public swimming at the Acton Indoor Pool.

March 15 to 19, Monday to Friday — 1 to 2:20 pm: Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department and the Acton Rotary Club offer free skating at the Acton Arena.

March 18, Thursday — noon: The Acton Library will be showing movies. Bring your lunch and a friend and come on by!

March 19, Friday — 10:45 to 11:45 am: The Acton library presents Safari Day! This adventure in the jungle program is suitable for children attending Senior Kindergarten and older. Come dressed for a safari and go wild with songs, games and prizes. There is no cost, but group size is limited so register now, in person or by phone. For more information call 853-0301.

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Wednesday, March 10
7:30: The Falls (R)

Thursday, March 11
7pm: The Last of the Mohicans (PG)

9:30: The Crying Game (AA)

Friday, March 12 & Saturday, March 13
7 & 9:30pm: The Crying Game (AA)

Sunday, March 14
1:30, 3:30 & 7pm: The Crying Game (AA)
9:15: Hoffa (AA)

Monday, March 15
7pm: Les Carabiniers (AA)
9pm: The Crying Game (AA)

Tuesday, March 16
7pm: The Crying Game (AA)
9pm: Hoffa (AA)

'Pack' in production

BY JULIAN SARK

Acton High School's production of the musical "Leader of the Pack" is now in its third month of rehearsal. Dr. Paul Tamblin, director of this year's production said recently that there are three distinct kinds of rehearsals.

"The first kind is vocal rehearsal where the cast learns the words and basic harmonies to the songs. The second kind is choreography rehearsal, where dance routines are taught and combined with the music and the third kind is the blocking or acting rehearsals where all the

non-musical scenes are choreographed," said Tamblin.

The cast will be performing 20 songs, 16 of which will have choreographed dances. "Musically, it's very challenging — simply because of the volume of musical numbers," said Tamblin. Many classic tunes from the 1960s highlight the musical score including: "Be My Baby," "Chapel of Love" and "Da Doo Ron Ron."

"Leader of the Pack" will run from April 29 through to May 1. Tickets will be available at the school (853-2920) beginning April 1.



Storyville

By Susan Lindsay

Storyville is a movie set in New Orleans, Louisiana, starring Jason Robarts and James Spader. The film is shrouded in mystery with two plots running against one another. Cray Fowler's (James Spader) defense of a Vietnamese woman who is charged with her father's murder is set against Fowler's quest to solve the mystery behind his own father's death. This is a violent, slow-moving film, however the surprise ending makes it worth watching.

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2. Eric Clapton	"Unplugged"	17. Poison	"Native Tongue"
3. Rankin Family	"Fare Thee Well"	18. Sven Gali	"Sven Gali"
4. Bon Jovi	"Keep The Faith"	19. Snow	"12 Inches Of Snow"
5. Van Halen	"Live Right Here"	20. Arrested Development	"3 Years, 5 Months"
6. Tragically Hip	"Fully Completely"	21. Shabba Ranks	"Xtra Naked"
7. Barenaked Ladies	"Gordon"	22. ABLogic	"ABLogic"
8. Cult	"Pure Cult"	23. Utah Saints	"Utah Saints"
9. Lemonheads	"It's a Shame About Ray"	24. Mick Jagger	"Wandering Spirit"
10. Genesis	"Live"	25. Simple Minds	"Glittering Prize"
11. Tori Amos	"Little Earthquakes"	26. N2Deep	"Back To The Hotel"
12. Sloan	"Smear"	27. Rockhead	"Rockhead"
13. Various	"The Bodyguard"	28. Nirvana	"Incesticide"
14. Moxy Fruvus	"Moxy Fruvus"	29. Jesus Jones	"Perverse"
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