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TIME FOR VEGGIES! Knox Presbyterian church was the place to be last Tuesday evening as Christine Cole, manager of Tuitman's Garden Centre and Landscaping, offered tips, techniques and practical advice to Acton Horticultural Society members about vegetable gardening. Cole, who brought along some carrots, broccoli, tomatoes and squash, also touched on the process from seeding to growing to harvesting and a bit of storage. (Doug Harrison photo)

Reaching for excellence at Acton High School

BY JULIAN SARK
AHS Reporter

See if you can answer this question: Solve for X, if the log of 2 plus the log of X equals 7. Or this: What is the volume, in litres, of 1 mole of any gas at standard temperature and pressure?

Did you manage to answer? These and other questions like it are typical fare for the School Reach team at Acton High School, who recently finished their regular season of competition.

"We played 12 games against teams in the East division," says teacher Geoff Sansom, who has been coach of the team ever since the school started competing. "We won nine out of 12 games, and were tied with White Oaks for first place."

The team, comprised of Eli McEilveen, Harch Brar, Shannon Bernstein, Jordan Bernstein, Ryan Telford and Andrew Kane, had

high hopes going into the championship round for the East division, but captured only one game out of three, putting them out of contention for the All-Halton finals.

They were disappointed after coming so close to victory, but each game tends to build on their collective knowledge, so that they will be better able to face the challenges of next year's competition, challenges that the group is looking forward to.

Branch 197 hosts social

LEGION NEWS

BY MIKE MATTOCKS

Please make note that the Branch Elections are to be held on May 17, not as previously mentioned, on May 3. It is an important date for all members, so make an effort to come and cast your vote.

Friday, April 22 saw the Branch parking lot filled with five bus loads of visitors for the Zone Social. Eleven different branches participated in the social with entertainment provided by Peter Glen. His professional style of entertaining made the evening a huge success.

On Saturday, April 23 the branch was one of the stops on a Mystery Tour organized by Kathy Moore, the Entertainment Chairperson of Branch 134, in Mount Forest. Thirty-seven of their members stopped at our branch after visiting Waterdown, Georgetown and Milton. They headed to Guelph and Fergus after their visit at Branch 197. It is hoped they all enjoyed their tour and will include Acton on their schedule again.

Euchre winners on April 21 were: Kay James, Stu Lantz, Louise Lindsay, Sylvia Neville and Lillian Bonfield. Meat Draw winners for the Early Bird were: Randy Lunn and Bill Taylor. Regular Draw winners were: John Jansen, Hugh McKee, John Toebes, Peter Comstive, Allan Ellerby, Bill Taylor(2) and Fred Andrews. Large Prize winner was: Larry Frizzell.

See you at the Branch!

GREAT MOVIES! *Entertainment Tonight* **GREAT PRICES!**

Mind Warp
By Julian Sark
Unknowns Bruce Campbell and Marta Alicia star in this post-holocaust Sci-fi thriller produced by Fangoria films. Judy Apple (Alicia) lives in the underground bio-sphere "Infinisynth" where all her needs are filled by the Infinisynth computer, capable of generating realities. Judy seeks more from life — she wants to leave the underground city and experience the reality of the outside world. She is so insistent that the computer grants her wish and she is thrust into the barren sands of post-holocaust earth. She meets Stover (Campbell), a descendant of the people who couldn't afford to be part of the Infinisynth colony and they team up to help each other survive the perpetual nuclear winter and fend off a civilization of mutant cannibals. In other words, this is a horror movie dressed up to look like science fiction, with enough gore to turn even the stomach of my sister who deadened her senses to this sort of thing long ago. Not really surprising, considering Fangoria is also the name of one of the hottest selling horror-film magazines. This is not a film that will be remembered, but it will thrill horror-fans.
Rated R, 91 minutes

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WHAT'S HAPPENING!

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

April 28, Wednesday — 7 pm to 10 pm: Self defense for teens. Learn the basics of self defense from this program offered by the Recreation and Parks Department. \$20 per person.

April 29, Thursday — 8 pm: Local Women's Institutes celebrate ACWW Day at Barrie Hall, United Church, Wellington County Road 29, three miles north of Hwy. 24. Speakers include Peggy Knapp and Jerry De Groot. Families welcome. Refreshments, free with donations for ACWW. For more information contact Jean McLean at 856-9598.

April 30, Friday: Italian Dinner and Auction at Rockmosa Community Centre. \$15 a couple, \$8 single. Cash bar, no minors please. This is an Optimist Club of Eramosa fund-raiser to benefit local youth. For tickets or if you would like to donate an item to be auctioned, please call Victor at 853-1242.

April 30 and May 1, Friday and Saturday: St. Joseph's Church holds its Spring Rummage Sale in the church basement on Church St. in Acton.

May 1, Saturday — 9 am to 2:30 pm: Acton Parent-Child Resource Centre Mother's Day Craft Show and Sale at the Acton Band Hall, 85 Wallace St., Acton. Free admission. For more information on renting tables call Victoria at 853-3215 from 6 pm to 9 pm.

May 2, Sunday — 10:30 am: The very rev'd Harry Dawson (dean of the Cathedral in Hamilton) will be guest celebrant and preacher at the church of St. Alban the Martyr. The Dawsons were in Acton from 1971 to 1975.

May 6, Thursday — 1 to 4 pm: Acton TEAM (Teen Education and Motherhood) is hosting free Mother's Day Crafts. Young moms, bring the kids, bring your friends. Come make a gift — no cost — childcare provided. Acton Baptist Church, 80 Mill St. Fun for everyone. For more information call Donna, 853-0690 from 1 to 4 pm.

May 12, Wednesday — 7 pm: Acton Social Services and Information Centre is holding its annual General Meeting and Volunteer Appreciation at St. Alban's Church, Willow Street, North. Following the meeting Rev. Andrew Asbil will speak on "clowning."

May 12, Wednesday — 7:30 pm: Esquesing Historical Society are pleased to welcome Henry Kelly to reminisce about Speyside and Dublin at Knox Presbyterian Church, Main Street, Acton. Mr. Kelly was born at Dublin, just west of Acton in 1914. Henry and his late wife Sadie ran Speyside General Store from 1959-1971. Everyone is welcome.

May 12, Wednesday — 7:30 pm: The myths and real story on Student Welfare. Parent-Aid presents Steve Cole of Halton Social Services. Learn everything you wanted to know about Student Welfare and more. Acton High School.

May 15, Saturday — 9 am: Acton Baptist Church is holding their annual Garage and Bake Sale at 80 Mill St., Acton.

May 15, Saturday — 2 pm to 6 pm: Family and friends of Lois Williamson (Dawkins) are cordially invited to a surprise open house on the occasion of her 70th birthday at the home of Louis and Bruce Williamson at 942 Johnathon Dr., Mississauga, L4Y 1J8. Best wishes only.

May 15, Saturday — 9 am: Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. will be holding a lawn and bake sale. This will take place at the home of Mary McKenzie, 163 Jeffery Dr., Acton.

May 23, Saturday — 7 pm: Mohawk Raceway holds its annual Fireworks Night with a special 7 pm post-time. Lots of activities and fun things to do for the whole family, in addition to a wonderful night of racing.

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7pm: The Miracle (AA)
9pm: Strictly Ballroom (PG)

Sat. & Sun., May 1 & 2
7pm: Strictly Ballroom (PG)
9pm: Dracula (AA)

Mon. & Tues., May 3 & 4
7pm: Strictly Ballroom (PG)
9pm: Reservoir Dogs (R)