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Education Day is fun, informative

FALL FAIR PREVIEW

BY DOUG HARRISON
The Acton Tanner

At first, the name probably wouldn't send area school kids into a wild frenzy, but Acton Fall Fair's Education Day is actually fun and informative.

A good bet the name doesn't spark much adulation with the youngsters is that it falls just days after they hit the books again.

This year's fun day, set for Sept. 17 from 10 am to 3 pm at Prospect Park, will pertain to agriculture with the theme, "Agriculture Is All Around Me."

Linda Inglis, who is serving her third year as Education Day co-ordinator, is hoping this year's event will attract more than the 1,500 children who attended last fall. She says all the Acton schools will participate, as well as schools from Burlington, Oakville, Mississauga and Georgetown.

The children, who must be accompanied by their teacher or parent volunteer, will be entertained by a number of organizations.

Demonstrating safety around the farm and home will be the Farm Safety Council. The Halton Junior Farmers will have a display about what cows eat and some of their habits.

The 4-H member council will talk about the Black Angus breed of cattle — what they eat and how much.

Providing corn for the kids to play in the corn box will be the Corn Producers Association.

Dr. Kopinak, a Rockwood-area veterinarian, will quiz the kids on

certain foods used for animals and pet care.

The Acton Horticultural Society will discuss how to plant seeds and care for your garden. They will mention how much soil the earth has by comparing an apple to the earth.

And the Public Health unit will display the five senses we have and how to use them.

Inglis is trying to get the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food to head an agricultural trivia game.

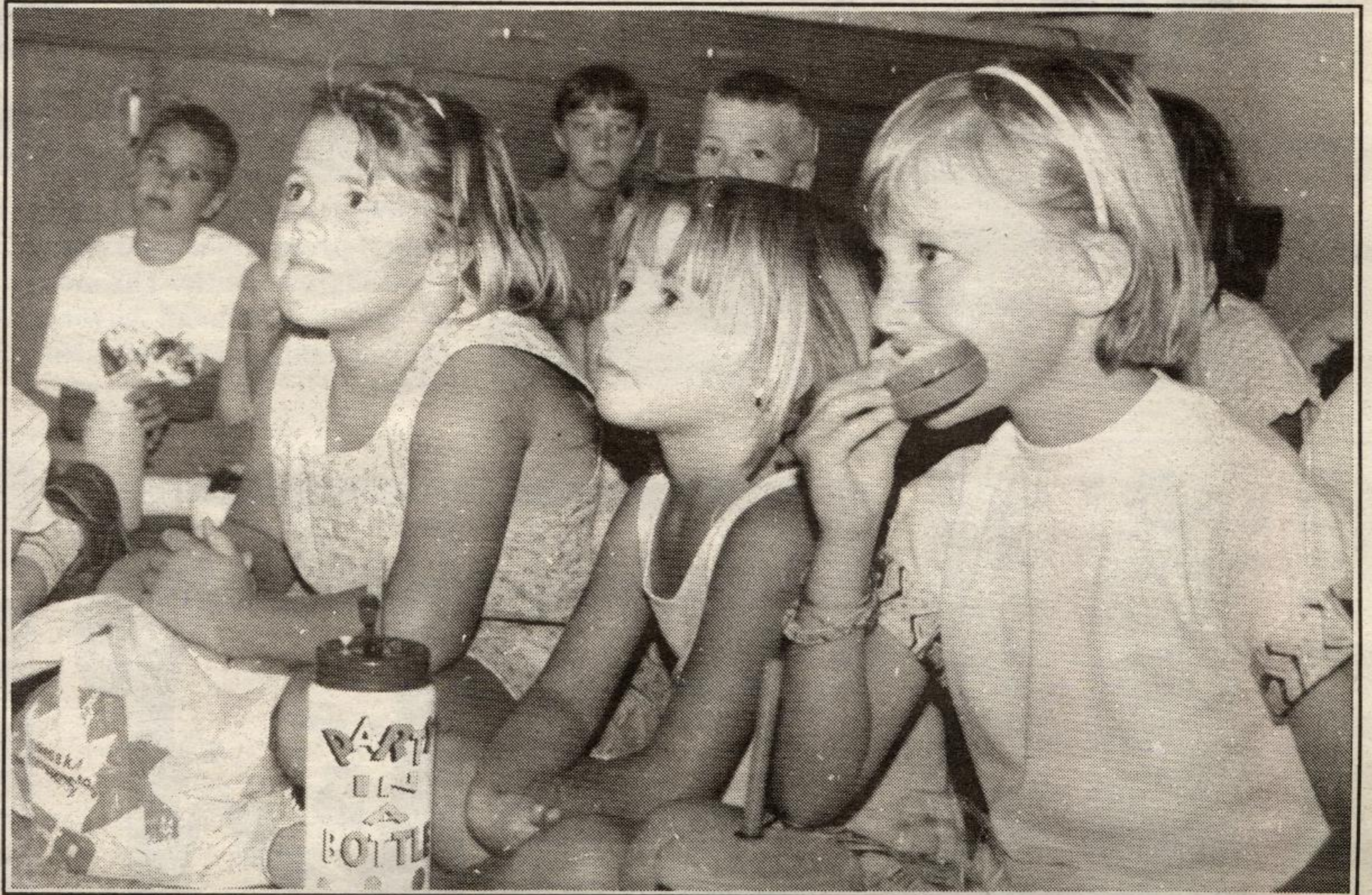
Other events include: Dressage Kur (horse and rider "dance" to music); Sue Burgan and her pot belly pig "Beast"; possibly an Agri-Fair Olympics; hay bale contest; rooster crowing contest; a wheel barrel obstacle course; folk art painting; sheep dog demonstration; Mr. Layman and his steam engines; and Hank Walsma, who will bring his two horses to instruct the kids about harnessing.

"It's a fun day," says Inglis, who has been preparing since January. "The kids leave with a lot of information and realize when they do agricultural activities in class, that they learned about it from Education Day."

Inglis stresses that the day is free as long as the youngsters are with their teacher or a parent volunteer.

As well, the police, fire and ambulance departments will be at the park.

"I want kids to realize that agriculture is everywhere," Inglis says. "It's incredible once things get going what's at the fair on Education Day. It's like a mini-fair in one day."



MUNCHIN' AWAY

The Galvin sisters, Kristina, 8, left and Kimberly, 4, middle, enjoy the movie *Ramona* with Meaghan Finnie, 8, at the Acton Library recently during Munch to the Movies Day, part of the library's summer activity program. For more information about the children's activity program contact the Library at 853-0301. (Doug Harrison photo)

Annual corn roast on Aug. 21

LEGION NEWS

BY HARRY NORTON

Regular Bridge on Wednesday, Aug. 11 had the following winners: First, Lil Cook; Second, Dot Norton; and Third, Helen Otterbien.

There were 15 and one-half tables for Euchre on Aug. 12 with the following winners: First, J. Matthews; Second, Cassie Oldfield; Third, Lil Howson; Fourth, Alexandra MacIntosh, Ab Cudney; Hidden Score, Pearl Baker.

Dot Norton at Bridge and Lil

Howson and Betty Green at Euchre are trying to fill the gap left by Jim Higgins' sudden death on Aug. 6. A hard act to follow.

The Beef Draw winners on Aug. 14 were: Early Bird draw, Merle Dear and Ed Edison; Regular draw, Pat Chamberlain, John Robinson (twice), Paul Gallant, Bob Doyle, Bill Powers, Lucy Synott, Bill Taylor, Alison Willmott, Lil Howson, Josie ?, Annamarie Lowin; Large Prize, Jean McKee.

Coming Events

Wednesday, Aug. 18: Bridge.

Thursday, Aug. 19: Euchre.

Saturday, Aug. 21: The annual corn roast! All you can eat of the sweetest local-grown corn. Music for dancing provided later in the evening. Come out and join your friends at one of our more popular events.

Saturday, Sept. 11: Legion Master's Golf. Tickets are still available at the bar.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

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

Aug. 23, Sunday — 11 am to 1 pm: Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce Golf Day. Tee off times are from 11 am to 1 pm. Cost for the day is \$100 plus G.S.T., which includes golf, cart, dinner and entertainment. Or just join us for dinner and entertainment for \$35 plus G.S.T. For more information or to register call the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce at 877-7119.

Sept. 5, Sunday — 7:30 pm: Mohawk Raceway opens for the fall harness meet, post-time is 7:30 pm. Don't miss Grand Circuit week, Sept. 5 to 11, featuring North America's best trotters and pacers.

Sept. 17, 18 and 19, Friday, Saturday and Sunday: The 80th annual Acton Fall Fair will be held, rain or shine, at Prospect Park. There are many exciting events scheduled for the weekend. Don't miss the crowning of Miss Acton Fall Fair 1993 on Friday evening, the lawn tractor pull on Saturday afternoon and the all-new goat show on Sunday!

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Video Review by Julian Sark

Robot Wars

Everyone needs a good dose of campy film-making once in a while, and *Robot Wars* is an exceptional example of the species. Watch as the rebellious and misunderstood Capt. Drake, along with his friend and mechanic "Stumpy," battle evil forces in post-twentieth century America. Feel your jaw drop as the brilliant archeologist "Leda" stumbles onto a government cover-up using no real scientific skill at all. Tremble as her friend Annie is repeatedly asked by weirdly-dressed government officials if she is with the press, only to have her reply with the exact same speech at three different points in the movie. Keep your eyes glued to the set during the climactic fight between giant robots — one loses, but due to budget constraints you never manage to see its fiery end. Camp lovers, enjoy!

Rated PG, 100 minutes, released in 1993.

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Cinema Listings

41 Quebec St.
Downtown Guelph
821-9271

Wednesday, Aug. 18

7pm: My Brilliant Career (F)

9:15: Simple Men (AA)

Thursday, Aug. 19

7pm: Ju-Dou (AA)

9pm: Indecent Proposal (AA)

Friday, Aug. 20

7pm: Indecent Proposal (AA)

9:30: Map Of The Human Heart (AA)

Saturday, Aug. 21

7pm: Buried On Sunday (PG)

9pm: Map of the Human Heart

Sunday, Aug. 22

7pm: Map of the Human Heart

9:15: Buried On Sunday (PG)

Monday, Aug. 23

7pm: Buried On Sunday (PG)

9pm: Map of the Human Heart

Tuesday, Aug. 24

7pm: Map of the Human Heart

9:15: In The Soup (AA)