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"ALL THE NEWS YOU NEED"

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## Who is citizen of the year?

Wanted: The names of Acton citizens, or groups, who have enriched the community and made major contributions to the town.

The Acton Lions Club is now accepting nominations for the 1993 Citizen of the Year for those persons or groups "who have gone above and beyond the call of duty and have made a difference to the community of Acton," says nomination committee chairman Dave Pyke. "Those who have unselfishly given of themselves to our community."

The winner will be chosen by a panel of three Acton Lions mem-

bers and two citizens who review all nominations. Recipient(s) of the award will be honoured at a special dinner at the Legion on Friday, April 29.

Recent winners include: John Toebes, 1992 winner who has given many hours of time toward minor sports; Jon Hurst for his work with the Canadian Cancer Society and as organizer of the annual Acton Terry Fox Run; Joan Waldie of Acton FoodShare; Cornelia Turpin for her work with minor sports; the Acton Legion and the Volunteer Firefighters.

Expected to be in attendance

for the awards night will be Mayor Russ Miller and Halton Regional Chairman Peter Pomeroy.

The Citizen of the Year award was first presented in 1957 by the Acton Chamber of Commerce. The Acton Lions took over the event in 1989 after the amalgamation of the Acton and Georgetown Chambers of Commerce.

Nominations should include an outline of the individual's or group's work in the community and must be mailed no later than Thursday, March 31, to the Acton Lions Club, Citizen of the Year, P.O. Box 28, Acton, L7J 2M2.

## Skating Carnival celebrates 30 years

BY DOUG HARRISON

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After four weeks and over 60 hours of on-ice preparation, some 250 skaters will take to the Community Centre ice on Friday and Saturday in the Acton Figure Skating Club's 1994 Carnival.

Organizers of the weekend event felt coupling the *Hands of Time* theme with the club's 30th anniversary would be appropriate in celebrating how the years have passed.

The production will feature an *Anniversary Clock* scene in which present Junior AFSC members will be joined by alumni — their parents.

"It's very poignant and a nice gesture toward the past. It will express the family atmosphere within the club and its longevity," says AFSC vice-president Barb Metelka.

Other special appearances include solo performances from all-Ontario skaters Cara McGilloway and Stasha Vancek.

"The kids have to love skating with the discipline and dedication it takes to do this kind of production," Metelka explains. "There's so much athleticism and artistry.

It's quite an achievement."

Metelka marvels at the creativity of the costume designers and their ability to produce such a wide variety of watches. She adds the choreography is new for this year.

"We're the only club that has a carnival of this magnitude each year and makes its own costumes," Metelka boasts. "And I'm really proud when I see the level of talent on the ice after all the time people put in, some nights until midnight."

AFSC secretary Sharon Mashinter points out that the amateur coaches — who are sponsored by

the Acton Lions Club — will also strut their line dancing talents.

"It's the second biggest event of the year next to the Fall Fair," Mashinter says. "Even people who don't skate or live in town make it an annual event."

Ticket sales are brisk with few, if any, left for Saturday's matinee performance at 2 pm, while some are available for Friday and Saturday night's shows at 7:30.

Tickets, available throughout town, are: \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors-students and \$3 for children 12 years of age and under.

## Give blood tomorrow

Although the region's blood supply has not reached drastic levels, "there is a constant state of demand that exceeds the supply," says Geoff Moon, co-ordinator of Acton Red Cross blood donor clinics.

The Acton Tanner is sponsoring the Blood Clinic tomorrow (Thursday) at the Legion from 5 pm to 8:30 pm. There will be 18 beds available.

Other clinics in the region are

showing a trend of lower than expected turnout, while Acton residents continues to better the goal, year after year.

The goal of tomorrow's clinic, which falls in the middle of Red Cross Month, is to collect 150 units of blood.

Moon said he hopes to see some new faces at tomorrow's clinic. "If every registered donor gave (blood) once a year, we wouldn't have a shortage."



Debby Anderson closes the Acton X-ray doors for the last time Friday afternoon. (Doug Harrison photo)

## X-ray office closes

BY PAUL NOLAN

The Acton Tanner

If you sprain your ankle or break your arm, you'll now be travelling out of town to get X-rays.

Acton's X-ray office closed Friday, leaving local patients and medical professionals without an important service.

The office, which operated in the same building as the Acton Medical Group on Mill Street East, was owned by Diagnostic Imaging of Windsor.

Diagnostic Imaging did not return our phone call requesting a statement.

"The closing is something to be very concerned about, in terms of availability of service," said Acton physician Dr. David Vanderbent on Friday.

"It will be a great inconvenience to the people of Acton, not to mention the doctors."

Actonites will likely be referred to X-ray clinics in Guelph or Georgetown in the future.

The closing leaves two part-time workers out of a job. Debby Anderson had worked at the office for 22 years; Chris Steen worked there for 20 years.

"Everyone I talk to is disturbed by the news," explained Anderson. "The company never gave an explanation why the office is closing."

"This is really sad, because there are so many people without transportation who can't get to Guelph to get an X-ray."

However Dr. Vanderbent has not given up hope; he thinks that another radiologist might be convinced to open an Acton clinic in the near future.

"We hope this is not the end of radiological services in Acton, and I hope there are other avenues that can be explored."

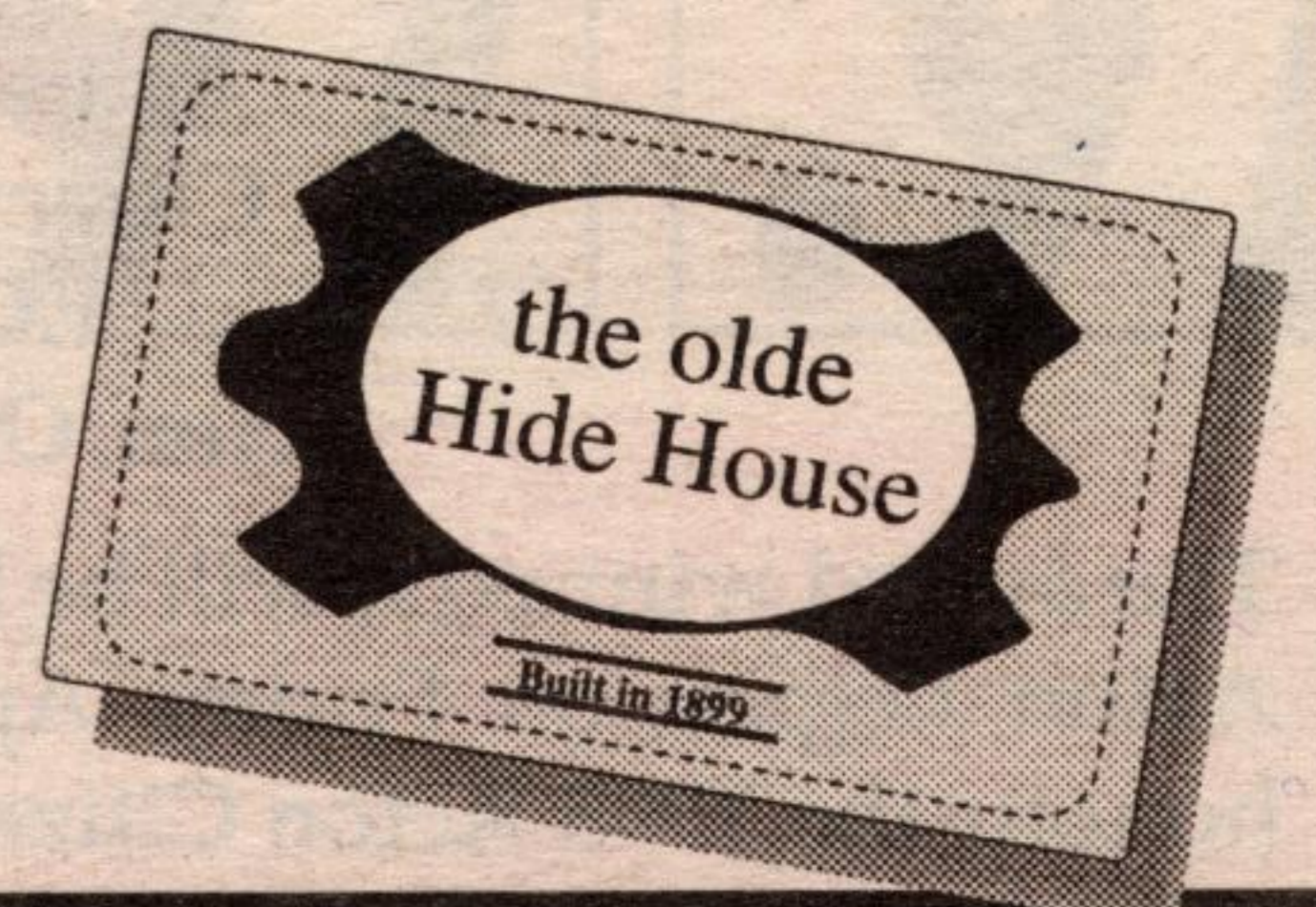
The numbers appear to support this idea, as there was an average of 50 patients treated at the office each week.

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