

# Anne Lindsay visits Milton Market Cooking School

BY DONNA DANIELLI  
THE COMPASS

The Milton Market Cooking School has come a long way in the year and a half it's been open. Registration for its many ethnic, low fat, baking or children's cooking classes has steadily increased as word of mouth report on this excellent school gets passed around.

But the highlight for chef and manager Christine Thomas came February 9th when well known chef Anne Lindsay stopped by for a visit. Not only is Anne Lindsay the author of such

respected volumes as "The Light Hearted Cookbook," "Light Hearted Everyday Cooking," and "Anne Lindsay's Light Kitchen".

Ms. Lindsay is also the nutrition editor for *Canadian Living* magazine and a frequent guest on Marilyn Dennis' *City Line*.

"It was wonderful having her here," said Ms. Thomas. "It's an honour to work with someone who's touched so many lives with what she's done to enlighten people."

"As well, I was overwhelmed

by the response from the community."

Over 40 women from all over Halton came out to learn and sample recipes from Ms. Lindsay's latest book "Anne Lindsay's New Light Cooking." Recipes prepared that night by Ms. Lindsay, Ms. Thomas and aide extraordinaire Roz McArthur, included: Quick Bean, Corn and Tomato Soup; Tomatoes, Mussels and Rice; Thai Chicken Curry in Coconut Milk; Strawberries with Lemon Cream in Phyllo Pastry Cups, and a Cranberry Yogurt Flan.

Ms. Lindsay took the time after the class to personally greet each participant and sign copies of her cookbooks. When asked if she enjoyed her trip out to Milton, Ms. Lindsay replied, "It was great. These cooking schools are just fabulous. I like it when they ask me to teach because I really like the direct contact with people. It helps me to know what people like and don't like about my books and what recipes they are using." She was quick to add with a smile that, "I'd love to come back to Milton anytime they ask me."

For information about upcoming classes, contact Christine Thomas, Milton Market Cooking School at 905-875-6871.



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**LIGHTHEARTED CHEFS** - Anne Lindsay, renowned cookbook author and nutrition editor for *Canadian Living* magazine, relaxes and shares a laugh with chef Christine Thomas at Loblaws Cooking School.

## Halton Hills Public Library receives Angus Mowat Award of Excellence

BY DEBORAH QUAILLE  
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Halton Hills Public Library in Georgetown received the Angus Mowat Award of Excellence at the Ontario Library Association Conference, a yearly event that was held in Toronto on Saturday, February 5. The award, a certificate on display at the information desk, honours the Community Newspaper project in which *The North Halton Compass* is participating.

The award is named after Angus Mowat, father of the famed author Farley Mowat. Mowat was a chief librarian in Saskatoon for years, as well as holding positions in such places as Trenton, Belleville and Toronto, where he worked at the provincial level during the 1960's.

The project involves scanning newspaper pages into the library database so that they may be viewed by computers over the Internet. Pages are indexed by staff and volunteers so that specific stories, named individuals or subjects can be found quickly and with relative ease.

The newspaper project includes an innovative, user friendly search engine created by library staff member Walter Lewis that enables the researcher to locate relevant citations in the indexed newspapers. Lewis also wrote the software that creates the index and links it to the scanned pages.

"We're very excited about the award," Lewis stated. "We've been doing something different from any one else in the country with this project. The library has done indexes for years, since the mid 80's."

The current website brings you to an image of the newspaper, page by page in full colour. The quality of the library's scans is quite remarkable and doesn't lose any significant amount of detail on either type or photos.

"At one level, the project was simply about setting the everything up, but now it's an ongoing process. The whole object of this is to make more information accessible to everyone now and in the future."

The project will be one of a suite of tools that will be made available to other Ontario libraries as part of their province wide "Network 2000" initiative. The intent of Network 2000 is to make it possible for public libraries to communicate effectively via the Internet and to allow them to provide value-added services and access to digitized collections.

Within a few years it should be possible for library patrons to consult local newspapers across the province from their homes or library computers. Access to a wealth of other local historic, genealogical, business, and leisure or entertainment resources will dramatically improve research techniques.

"The last time I checked," Lewis added, "there were about 500 searches a day done at our site. That's a lot of genealogists who are actively using the site, and other interested individuals as well."

To view Georgetown's newspaper index, visit the website at:  
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## ESQUESING "ANTIQUES ROAD SHOW"

BY STEVE BLAKE  
SPECIAL TO THE COMPASS

It was a bitterly cold day in early February 32 years ago when Ward Brownridge took the opportunity to tackle his first public auction. Auctioning has always appealed to him and he has been involved in it steadily ever since.

Being born and raised on a local farm, it's natural that Ward enjoys selling anything connected with the land - including land itself. Like a *Farmers' Almanac*, auctioning can provide a keen sense of the economic mood of the times. The variety of items that sell is unlimited. Ward chuckles when recalling a group of happy buyers leaving with feathers poking from their pockets - they had just bought a flock of racing pigeons!

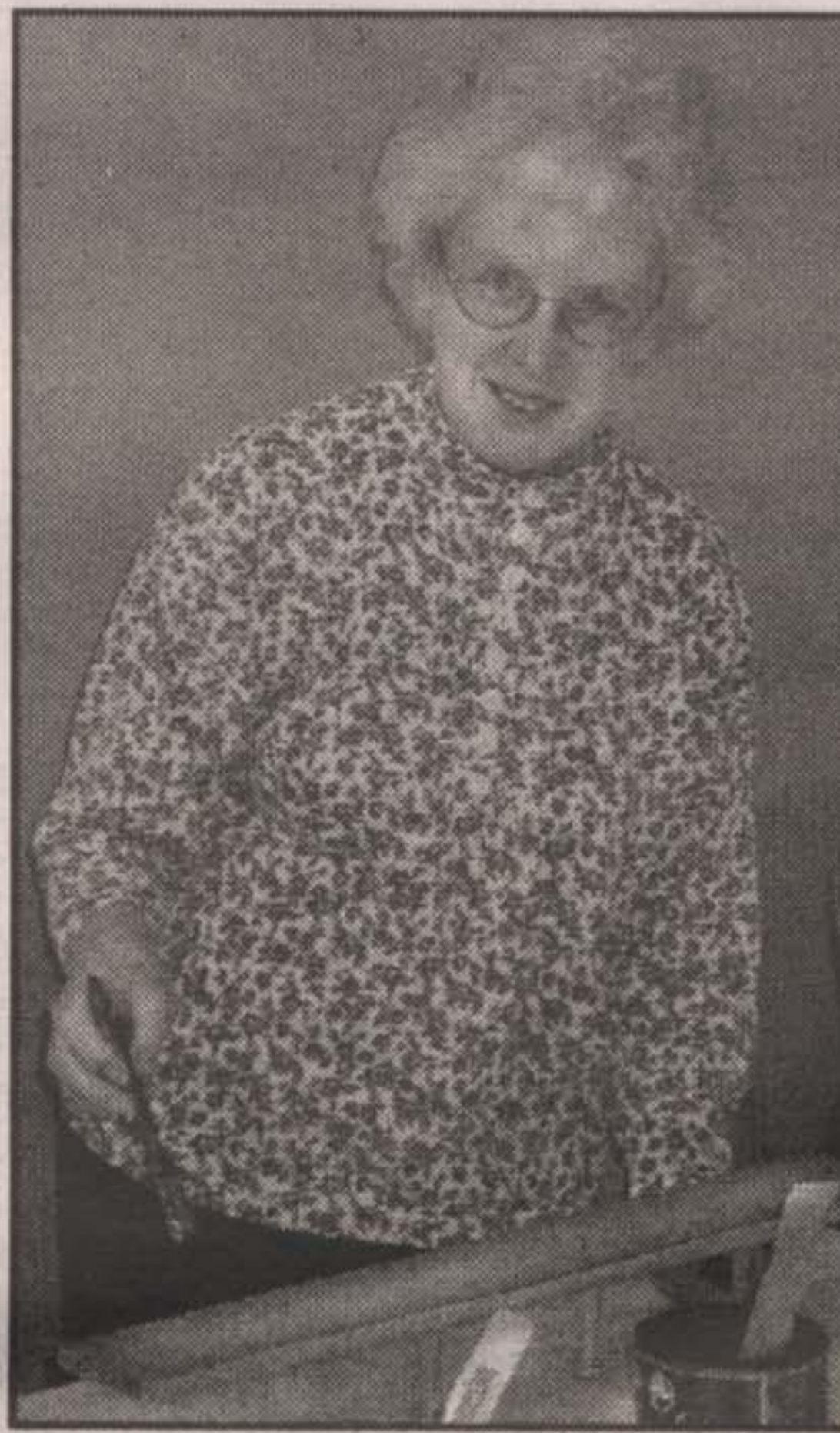
Over the years, Ward Brownridge has gained considerable skill in identifying and appraising antiques. The Esquesing Historical Society is pleased to have him with us at our "Appraisals Night" meeting on Wednesday March 8, 7:30 pm at Knox Presbyterian Church, 116 Main St. S., Georgetown. As usual, the meeting is open to the public free of charge and you are invited to bring "That Old Dust Collector" for some interesting comments and an evaluation by an old pro - just like "The Antiques Road Show!"

## CRAFTY IDEAS

Campbellville resident Sylvia Bailey adds a coat of stain to an apple peg rack, one of many bright, imaginative folk art ideas taught at Country Hearts store by owner Anni Baynton. Baynton's popular classes offer mostly her own original designs that students love to create.

"I shop for the wood, take it home and have my husband cut it. I don't usually buy the premade kits. This way, I can ensure better quality," she remarks.

For a schedule of spring classes, drop in or call Anni Baynton at 905-854-0002.



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