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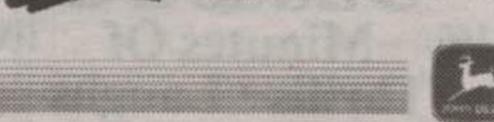
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### Our Heritage

BY ELAINE COLES

On February 15, 2000 the third meeting for the "Our Heritage" Club was held at Georgetown Library. The meeting was opened with the 4-H pledge. Mr. Lewis (Sarah's father) showed us how to search for family history and genealogy on the Internet. He mainly focused on the library's web site and showed us the different kinds of searches available and how to go about looking. We first searched in Halton Hills, then it was Wellington, and then we did a world search. When Mr. Lewis was finished we went downstairs in the library. He showed us how to use the microfilms and what books to search in and where to find them. After that we got to go and conduct our own searches. We searched for about an hour and then we thanked Mr. Lewis for his time and the meeting was over.

The fourth meeting for the "Our Heritage" Club was held on February 22, 2000 at the OMAFRA Office in Georgetown. First thing we did was introduce new business. Then Mrs. Brooks informed us about the different programs that are available on the computer to make pedigree charts. When she was finished three members at a time were allowed to go and make their own pedigree charts on the computers. While they were doing that the rest of the members had to guess what ten items were and what they were used for. When everyone was finished Mrs. Brooks printed all of our charts onto larger papers so we can use them later. While she was doing that, the meeting was adjourned.

March 12, 2000 was the date of the fifth meeting for the "Our Heritage." The Burt family of Erin was kind enough to host the meeting. Most of the meeting was conducted by candlelight and at the end we turned the lights back on. Mrs. Brooks spoke about Ontario's cultural past and she made some tea biscuits and a corn meal cake cooked over a fire. We ate them with some maple syrup and some apple cider to drink. We worked on our projects for a little while, and then the meeting was over.

#### Dear Members, Volunteers and Friends of 4-H

We are at the dawn of a new era for 4-H, not just because it's the year 2000, but because 4-H will be delivered solely by the Ontario 4-H Council by April 1st.

The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs remains as a major funding partner. This funding will be used to support 4-H associations and volunteers through Council's staffing structure.

To improve communications among our 4-H Associations, 52 Association Representatives (ARs) will meet twice a year.

Ten directors were elected by AR's to form the NEW Board of Directors. Your new Board is:

President: Linda Porteous Larry Barkley Vincent Brennan Ellen Chojko-Bolec Lisa Crawford Carolyn Harris

Past President: Donna Bridge Geoff Innes Angela Miller Grace Oesch Colin Pool Lorna Wilson

To keep you informed, included is an organizational chart on How Council Works for YOU. The new staff structure includes an Executive Director, TBA; Suzan Lennox as Administrative Assistant; Lucy Duke as Business Manager; Bev Spriel as Funding Manager; Karen Scott as Program Manager; Evelyn Chambers as Volunteer Service and Support Manager; and Darlene Sears as Website Administrator. Seven Association Support Representatives (ASR - regional staff) will be announced in the near future. The ASRs will work directly with local 4-H Associations.

I am pleased to announce, thanks to the generosity of Gencor, that 4-H Ontario's provincial office location will be in the Gencor Building at RR#5, Guelph. I hope you'll come to visit us there but give us a little while to unpack the files.

The highlights from Ontario 4-H Council's Conference and Annual Meeting 2000 were the ratification of the new 4-H By-laws and the election of the new Board of Directors. In addition, the support from the 4-H associations resulted in the Silent Auction raising \$4,900 to support 4-H opportunities for members and volunteers in the year 2000.

2000 will be a landmark year for Ontario 4-H! I look forward to serving 4-H at this very exciting time in the program's evolution.

Sincerely, Linda Porteous President, Ontario 4-H Council

#### 4-H Dayplanner Winners!

February

14- Marjorie Murray \$250 16- Laurie Straw \$25

18- Claudette Taylor \$50

21- Phyllis McMaster \$25

25- Lloyd & Chaleen White \$50 29- Ken & Marie McNabb \$100 March 1- Rob Hodgson \$25

3- Albert Poelster \$50

6- Allen Brownridge \$25 8- Shirley Kay \$25

10- Ken & Marie McNabb \$50

13- Tim Gayman \$25

Required immediately: Storage area, heated, 24 hour accessibility in the Georgetown area for storage of 4-H documents, trophies, small office items. Contact Nancy Comber at 905-

878-4955 or Austin Carpenter at 905-873-6888, (phone or fax).

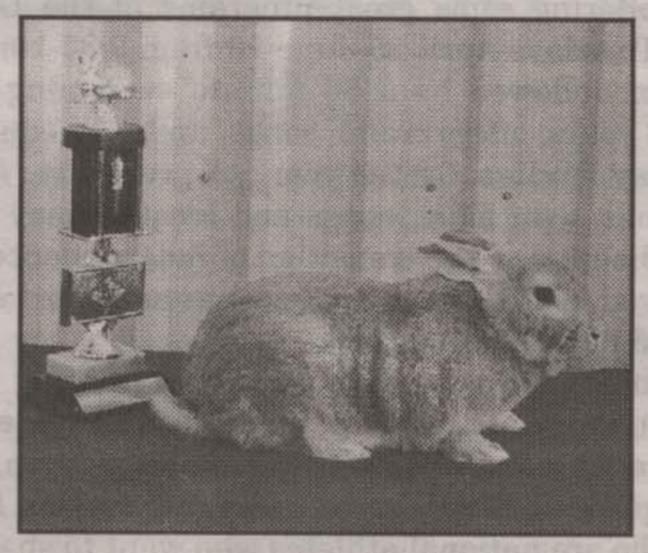
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#### "THE QUILTING QUEENS"

AKA "The Ashgrove Quilting Club" will be holding their Quilting Achievement Day on Sunday, April 16, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. at Hillcrest Church. The members will be displaying their quilts and will also have many displays for interested guests. Guest speaker at this function will be June Sparling, a well known Master Quilter! All are invited and a light lunch will be served.

#### **4-H Newsletter**

For further information, contact A. Carpenter, Coordinator for Applications, (905) 877-5537 or fax: (905) 873-6888



#### A SAD PASSING

Mr. Brownridge regrets to report that our beloved mascot "Trix" died of old age on Monday, March 20, 2000. He will be missed by 4-H Rabbit Club members and the many school children that enjoyed him at Milton Fair. To those that knew him, he was always the "Best in Show."

#### **Available Awards to Post-Secondary** 4-H Club Members

Holstein Canada Education Award 2000

Three \$1,000 University (degree), awarded annually. Three \$500 College University (diploma), awarded annually. Contact 4-H Coordinator or Holstein Canada for application forms.

#### 4-H Opportunities

#### 4-H Opportunities of a Lifetime Booklet

This booklet contains all of the information 4-H members and volunteers need to apply for member travel and scholarship opportunities and volunteer travel opportunities. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY and mark your calendar. Application Dateline:

May 1, 2000

September 1, 2000

Information is on the 4-H website, www.4-Hontario.ca The Opportunities Book and Selection Guide has been mailed to 4-H member families in Halton County.

#### 4-H Millennium Campout

May 26-27-28, 2000 Ontario Farm Museum, Milton

For registration or volunteers contact Lorna Wilson, 905-875-1786 email: loramer@aztec-net.com

mail: 8931 Sixth Line, RR#3, Georgetown, Ontario L7G 4S6

#### Halton 4-H 2000 Executive



PHOTO BY REID KENNEDY

Back Row, L. to R. - Jeff Nurse, Treasurer Joan Lambrick, Marie Martin, vice-president Carol Sparling, Nelson White. Front Row -Tom Parker, Pat Bennett, President Nancy Comber, Ontario 4-H representative Lorna Wilson and Coordinator Austin Carpenter.

#### Gencor Challenge 2000 **Beef and Dairy Show**

Note: New format!

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Markham Fair Grounds Beef:

> **Education Day** Show Day

Wednesday, August 2, 2000, 10 a.m. Wednesday, August 2, 2000, 5 p.m. (We would ask that the calves move out after the show Wednesday evening.)

Markham Fair Grounds Dairy:

**Education Day** Show Day

Thursday, August 3, 2000, 2 p.m. Friday, August 4, 2000, 8:30 a.m.

**Durham West** Dufferin Peterborough

This show is open to 4-H members ages 14-21 from the following counties: Halton

Wellington

North Simcoe South Simcoe York

The dairy and beef competition will still have a maximum of 25 competitors per county so each county must appoint someone to coordinate entries and ensure they send a team of only 25 to the attention of Martha McFarlane, Member Relations Coordinator, before June 19, 2000.