



EXCELLENCE RECEIVES ITS REWARDS: Acton's best and brightest were honoured for their provincial, national and international accomplishments at the Town's 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Municipal Awards Evening last Thursday at he John Elliott Theatre. Shown here are front, left to right, Kylie Kruk, Kimberley Freeland, Devon Lambert. Rear: Shane Adams. - Frances Niblock photo

## Acton's best, brightest are honoured by Halton Hills

By FRANCES NIBLOCK The New Tanner

Despite a broken finger, Acton's Kylie Kruk, a Grade 6 student at McKenzie-Smith Bennett captured the Canadian national 5-pin girls' single championship last May.

Kylie's feat, after also winning first place the Youth Bowling Council Bantam Girls singles championship, was honoured on Thursday night at the Town's 23rd municipal awards evening. The awards are designed to publicly recognize those individuals and groups who have achieved excellence and fame at provincial, national and even world levels, bringing honour and recognition to the Town of Halton Hills.

Some 89 Halton Hills residents and four teams were honoured - 12 of them had competed at the national level and two at the world level in various activities including arts, culture, recreation, sports and academic pursuits.

Acton's Devon Lambert's drumming skills were evident as she helped lead dignitaries into the awards ceremony at the John Elliott Theatre in Georgetown.

Devon, 15, is a Grade 9 student at Acton High and a former member of the Georgetown Ladies' Pipe Band who now plays with the Milton Youth Band. She was honoured for her third place bronze in pipe band drumming in the Ontario championship at the Fergus Highland Games last August. Devon is one of the youngest recipients in a competition usually dominated by male drummers and also received the Louie Armstrong Jazz Award from McKenzie-Smith Bennett.

Acton's Shane Adams was an imposing figure at the awards as he came dressed as a medieval jouster, complete with chain male. Adams, who later said that as a young

boy he'd dreamed of being a knight, was honoured for being named international champion of the American Jousting Association following a competition in Colorado last September.

Acton's Kimberley
Freeland, a Grade 8 French
Immersion student at
Stewarttown Public School,
accepted an award for the
Georgetown Children's Chorus which received national
recognition after participating in a Bank of Montreal

commercial. The Chorus had also been chosen to take part in the Toronto production of Joseph and the Technicolour Dream Coat, but the show closed before the third run could be staged.

Following the awards ceremony Joy Thompson, the Town's Manager of Recreation Services, said that that the successes of the award recipients are excellent for a community the size of Halton Hills.

## Region wants car tariff to stay

Halton Regional Council wants Ottawa to maintain the 6.7% federal tariff on imported cars, and has asked the federal government to reverse a previous decision to remove the tariff on offshore auto parts. Regional Council ratified the position after considering submissions from several industry and business groups over the past several weeks.

"The automobile sector, particularly Ford Motor Company, is the main engine driving the economy of Halton," noted Halton Chairman Joyce Savoline.

"We recognize the significant and growing contribution that the Japanese auto manufacturers and dealers are making to the Ontario economy, but until North American automobiles have equal access to offshore markets we feel the tariffs are still needed." Many employees are from this town and dis-

The Halton resolution comes as the Federal Government conducts its Automobile Competitiveness Review process. The resolution supports the eventual elimination of tariffs; but recommends that no change should be made in the Most Favoured Nation tariff on finished vehicles and parts until multinational trade negotiations are held.

## Cancer campaign kicks off

The Acton branch of the Canadian Cancer Society is holding its campaign kick off and volunteer appreciation dinner on Wednesday, April 1 at the Trinity United Church.

All canvassers and volunteers including drivers, knitter and daffodil salespersons are invited to attend the chili dinner and meet canvassers at the dinner, which starts at 6 p.m. A draw will be held for a Tea for Two at Timbri's for all attending and there will be other door prizes as well.

The Acton branch of the Cancer Society would appreciate the help of more canvassers. Anyone wishing to donate a few hours to help canvass can call Liz Bailey at 853-0585.