

Schools celebrate learning

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hold open houses, literacy programs, an operetta and two book fairs to celebrate Education and Training Week. The highlight will be the Student Excellence award ceremony on May 7 at Acton High. Acton High's Jennifer Rigney, McKenzie-Smith Bennett's Shannon Tunney and Robert Lintel's Lindsay Neil have been chosen as recipients.

McKenzie-Smith Bennett kicks off Education Week tomorrow (Friday) with a book fair in the library. Teacher/librarian Holly Colquhoun said the big day would be Wednesday's literacy day.

"We will have parents coming in to the school with their kids to do silent reading beginning at 7:45 a.m.,"

Colquhoun said.

"There are about 30 workshops and presentations planned throughout the day and students will dress up as their favourite story book character. We have speakers coming into the school - we have multi-media people coming from the board to do computer things and a theatre company is coming and will do some mask making with the students," she said.

At Robert Little students will stage two performances of the operetta *The Canada Goose* next Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. A book fair runs Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 12:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Halton Catholic Board

The separate system's education week begins on

Sunday to emphasize the parish connection in Catholic education. The focus this year is "Catholic Education: Open To The Spirit"

Board Chair Jim Sherlock said the theme underlines how Catholic schools enrich the meaning of life, not only for Catholics and Christians, but for all of society.

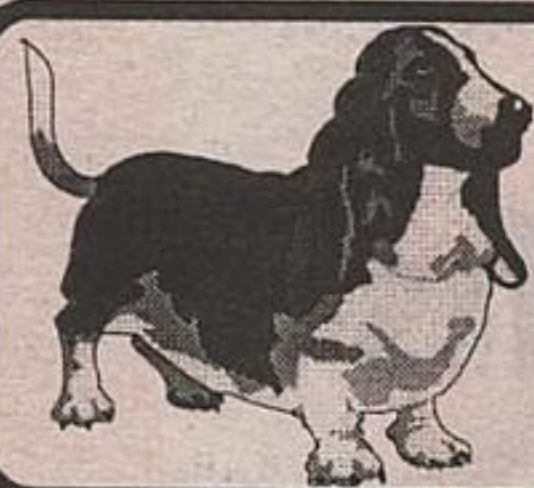
Education week planning is still underway at St. Joseph's school, but it will hold an open house on May 6 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

St. Joseph's Principal Robert Maggio said the open house will centre on the Vatican's Jubilee 2000 with a special liturgy.

"During the week parents are welcome at any time and we encourage them to come to the school and their children's classes," Maggio said.



MUSTANGS STAMPEDE TO VICTORY: The McKenzie-Smith Bennett Grade 6 boys' volleyball team shower superior skills in winning an Oakville tournament last week. Front, left to right: Bryce Sidor, Jesse Sparks, Brandon Kernohan, Jay Lalonde, Jason Beatty, Brett Manes and Redid Hendry. Back: Una Graham (asst. coach), Ryan Stroud, Dave Walker (Coach), Josh Bowen and Aaron Chaisson.



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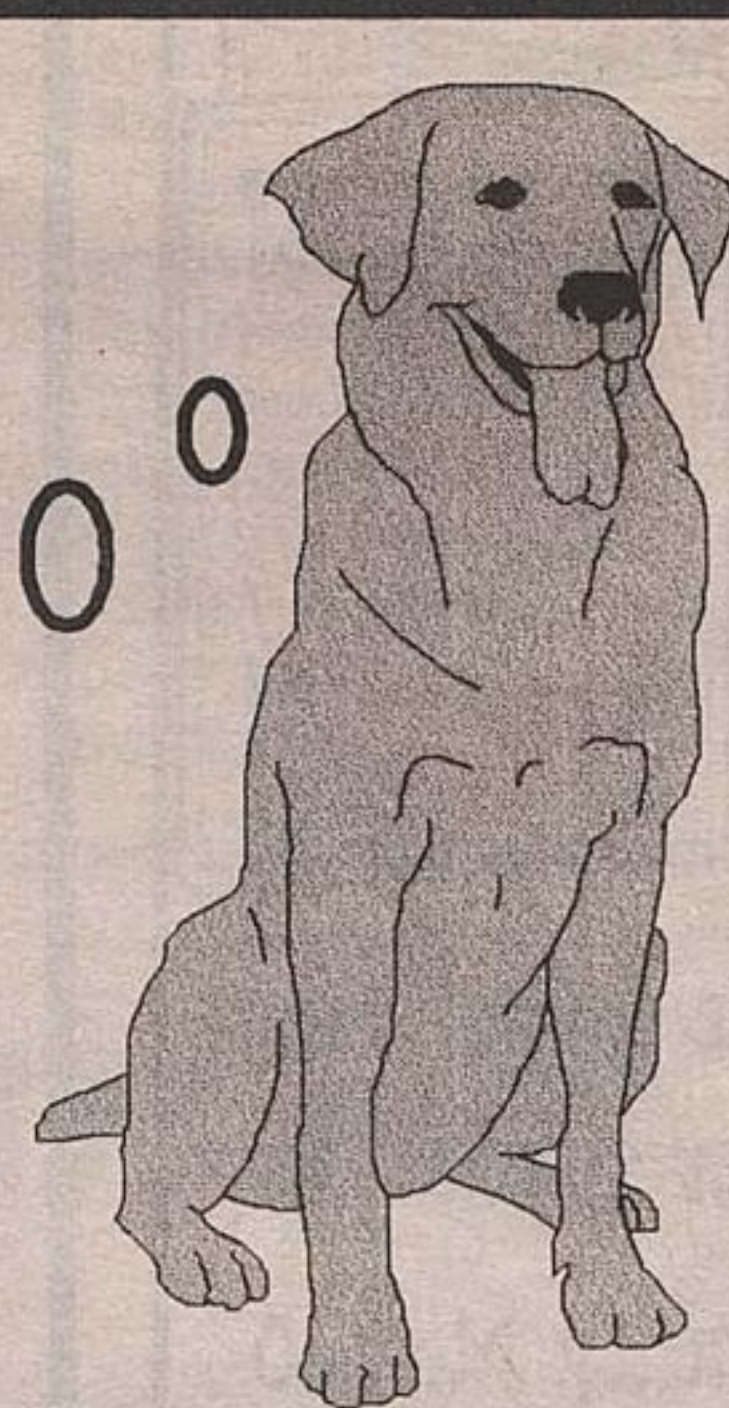
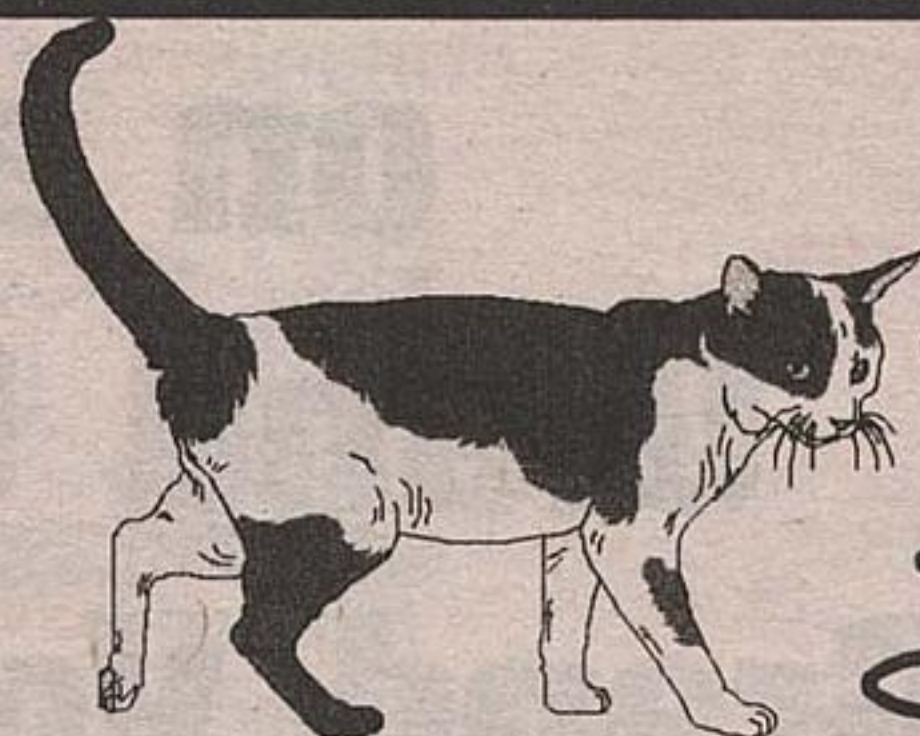
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