



TINY BUBBLES: Ian Durkin, 7, left, was busy chasing bubbles that Tom Higson was blowing at Rockwoods Pioneer Days Saturday. - Angela Tyler photo

Institute District Annual enjoyed by 11 branches

By EVE MARTIN

"Are we in the know" was the theme of the 97th District Annual Meeting of Halton District Women's Institute. Personal growth and community action is the underlying motivation for all branches of Women's Institutes in Halton County.

Almost every corner of Halton has a Women's Institute branch working within their communities and neighbourhoods to improve the lives of their members which in turn filters into the community, across the Provinces, throughout Canada and around the world.

Eight million members enjoy monthly meetings, sharing ideas, making lifelong friendships, reaching into their communities with assistance, and improving the quality of life be it young

or old, rich or poor.

Individual branches within Halton meet once a month at a convenient location and present programs to their members and guest. Every topic imaginable is covered over the course of a year.

Some of the highlights of this year's District Annual were: Ashgrove Branch member Peggy Knapp to be inducted into the Agricultural Hall of Fame; Halton Commercial Printers honoured for their continuing service to the Women's Institute; Barb Archer, from The Farm Museum in Milton, explaining their current situation, all the artifacts are still in place and volunteers are needed - phone 878-8151 if interested; two upcoming events where a Women's Institute display will be presented; several workshops in the fall; Kim Moore of Com-

munity Care Access Centre of Halton explaining their homemaking, nursing and caregiving services.

A new executive was voted in with Jane Bayton of Campbellville entering her third term as president. Funds were donated to the provincially owned Erland Lee Museum home and nationally owned Adelaide Hoodless Museum home and the headquarters fund. A banquet followed in the evening with entertainment and fellowship.

Anyone interested in the Women's Institute can contact President Jane Bayton at 854-2449 or Public Relations Officer Eve Martin at 853-1382. If you are new to the country, community or need an outlet for your interests, give us a call, try us out for size and I'm sure you'll find we fit.

LETTERS

Need department store here

To the Editor,

First of all I would like to say that I have lived here in Acton only since Jan. 3 of this year (1998).

My husband and I decided it was time for a change of lifestyle. Well, we certainly got that.

Don't get me wrong; we love this little town after spending all our lives in the big city, Toronto, that is. But we cannot understand why there is not one clothing, or dry goods store if you will,

in town.

I would think a town of 7,000 populace could and would gladly support such a business; to me this would mean more jobs for the people of Acton and would certainly be more than welcome.

Everyone we have talked to here in town seem to agree and want some sort of department store made available. Not everyone has access to a car. We are seniors and I myself use a walker to get around. My husband does not have a car, and because of poor health will not be able to get one, or for that matter,

afford to own one.

Please do not think that I am trying to put this town down, believe me, that is definitely not my intention. I love your lovely little town with its mixture of gracious old homes and new developments. All the more reason to provide this town with a very much needed department store, whether it be a big or small. I sincerely hope that this letter will help the "Powers That Be" to give Acton citizens a fair shake. After all we pay taxes, same as the rest of Halton Hills.

Anne Bloye

Cash control problems at Town arenas

Problems with cash control at a municipal arena and concerns about the municipal permit system are being investigated by Town staff after they were identified by the auditor in its review of the Town's records for the year ending Dec. 31, 1997.

A "fairly large discrepancy" between canteen sales and cash at the Georgetown Memorial arena led the auditor to recommend that cash registers be installed in the Town's arenas, including Acton, to control cash.

Town treasurer Andy Koopmans said they will tighten up internal controls and the auditor will review them next year.

"We're dealing with, relatively speaking, not a lot of cash going through those arenas and this is not a major concern," Koopmans said.

The auditor also noted the computer program for issuing permits is not working properly. In some cases at Alcott arena, permits to use the facility are not being prepared for regular customers.

 In support of the many veterans that granted us the opportunity to celebrate **Canada Day,**

Shoemaker Funeral Home will be placing a Canadian Flag on the graves of Veterans in Acton. If you have a loved one you would like to see honoured in this way, please contact Nick at Shoemaker Funeral Home between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to arrange for a flag to be placed on the grave. Flags will also be available to anyone wanting to place a flag on a Veteran's grave outside of Acton. Please contact Shoemaker's for more information at:

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