

**MILITARY MUSIC:** Drum Major David Chapman leads the Cadet Band into the Acton arena during the 197 Typhoon Squadron's annual inspection. - Frances Niblock photos



**SPIT & POLISH:** Cadet Christina Wood looks sharp while being inspected by Reviewing Officer Halton Hills Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson.

# Annual inspections for Air Cadets

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With proud parents and friends looking on, members of the 197 Typhoon Squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Cadets - shined, polished and looking smart - held their annual inspection at the Acton Community Centre on Sunday.

Led by Drum Major Dave Chapman, the squadron band and cadets marched onto the arena floor to be inspected by Reviewing Officer, Halton

Hills Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson who has a soft spot for cadets, as two of her four sons were Air Cadets.

"The young people who participate in Air Cadets add a lot to our community and the cadets really gain a lot from it as well with all of the activities that are offered," Serjeantson said during a break in the ceremony.

"Two of my boys took their glider pilot's licence through their squadron and then their power licence. Going to camp for six weeks to learn to fly is a wonderful experience and

the skills the cadets gain through the program give them self-confidence in all parts of the lives."

Commanding Officer, Captain Peter Miles is retiring after four years and leaves a strong, active squadron.

"We've had a good year. We've gone on 12 different activities including camping and flying and it's a very strong squadron with enthusiastic cadets," Capt. Miles said as he prepared for the inspection, the squadron's 15th.

"This is the highlight of the year. This is the day the cadets have been working towards all year and they look good," Miles said.

Administration Officer, Captain Reg Cooke takes over as CO in September.

The squadron will hold a recruitment drive in Acton schools this September. Air Cadets is open to youths aged 12 to 19.

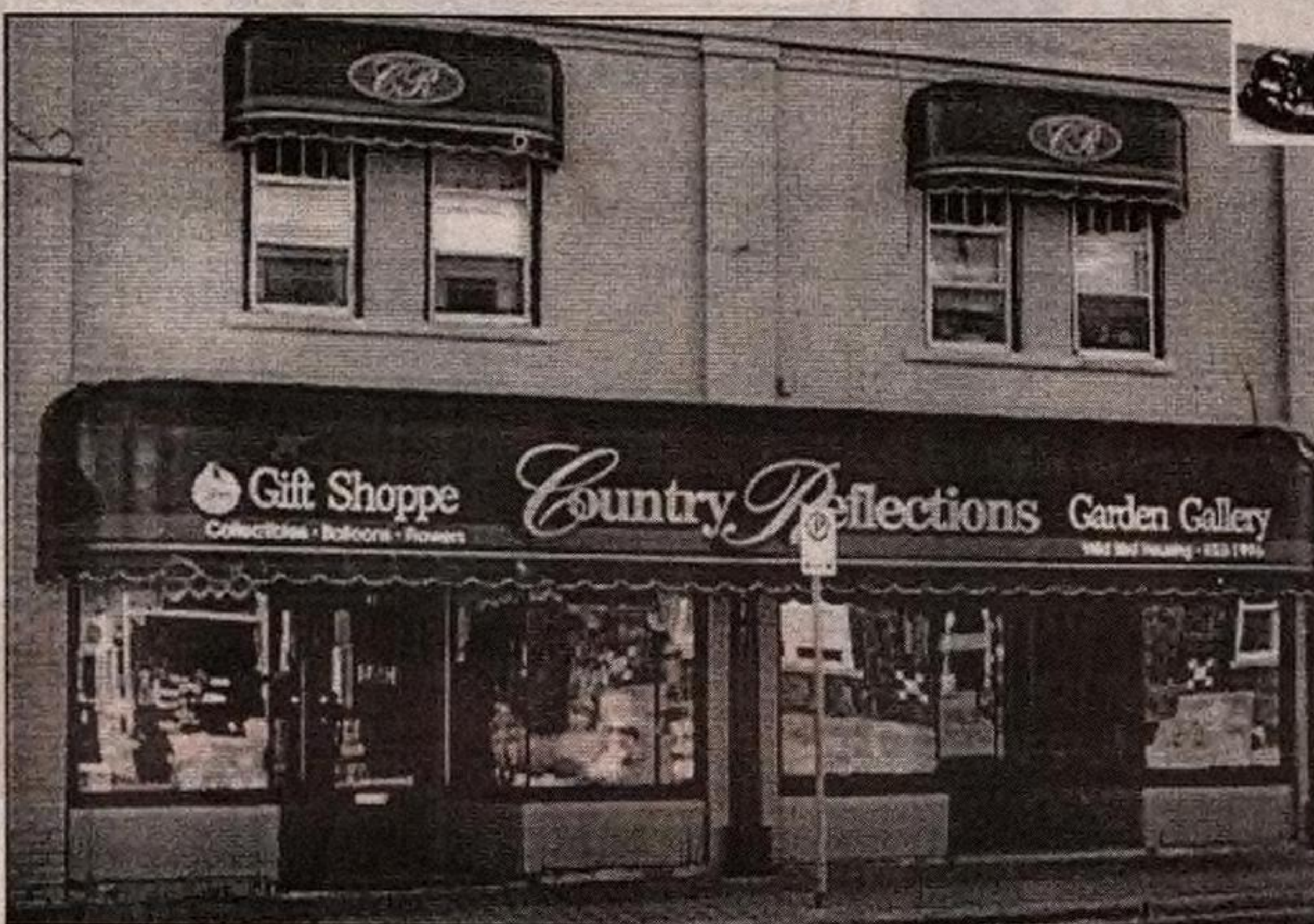


**DRESS RIGHT!** Members of the 197 Typhoon Squadron tidy up their ranks in preparation for their annual inspection. After the inspection the 35 cadets - all spit and polish - showed their proud parents what they'd accomplished during a very busy year.



**CADET INSPECTION:** Above, 197 Typhoon Squadron officials, dignitaries and officers were on hand at the Acton squadron's annual inspection. Among the guests were Squadron parent committee chair, Phil Powell (left) Air Cadet League rep Jennifer Vincent, Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson, CO Captain Peter Miles, Captain Pascall Godbout, Administration Officer Reg Cooke and civilian instructor Ken MacKenzie.

**PERMISSION PLEASE:** At left, Warrant Officer Cadet Carolyn Miles requests permission to proceed with the march past.



**MILL MAKE-OVER:** The new awnings and paint job that Country Reflections owner Judy MacDonald gave her Mill Street building sure go a long way to improving the look in the downtown. McDonald recently purchased the building and expanded her business into an adjoining store.



**SPRING FUN:** Kids living near Bovis Park off Wallace Street can now enjoy the new playground equipment, including two slides, a jungle gym, a covered play area and more. Town works crews removed the old worn-out wooden climber recently. Total cost of the project is \$18,000. - Angela Tyler photo.