

ACTON ACES: A number of Acton residents were among 42 people honoured with municipal awards at a ceremony on Monday at the Civic Centre. The recipients include, front from left: Shaun Morin, Iain Wright and Mark Humphrey (Acton Jui-Jitsu members) and Riley McGilloway, Jessie Kuenzig and Gordie McKeon (members of the Halton Hills Tyke Bulldog lacrosse team.) Back: Cassie Hunter (Jui-Jitsu) Halton Junior Farmer Kurtis Andrews and Devon Lambert. – Frances Niblock photo

Can't they lay off ...

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Clinton apologizing for America not entering the war sooner to stop the Holocaust. It might be a bit of a wait.

I'm not sure that our generation is in any position to be critical of decisions made back then. We do little to stop genocide in places like Rawanda, Chechnya, Tibet and hundreds of other countries around the world. Are we guilty of ignoring the Holocaust? What will historians say about us 50 years from now? Instead of second guessing the past wouldn't our efforts be better directed to earning from it and ensuring it never happens again to any people?

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where this Pope gets the stamina and courage to carry on. He is 79 years old, has been shot, has Parkinsons disease and lives in a fishbowl which must cause incredible stress. His very world is dissected and analyzed by an army of commentators. People who think they have a better handle on the plight of the human raced than this old priest. Think being the operative word.

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I sometimes wonder

A perfect example of the cesspool we have allowed our society to become was dem-

onstrated in last Sunday's Toronto Sun. The Pope was closing out his historic visit. His story covered half a page. Bernardo and that bitch combined for 1.5 pages on his appeal and four pages on her supposed lesbian relationships. Smut sells. A lesser man than John Paul II couldn't carry on in the face of such indifference.

This Pope has done much for the church and the world. We have been blessed by his presence. His moral leadership challenges all mankind to be better people. Our world is kinder and gentler because of John Paul II. Would that all our leaders could leave the same legacy.

Acton residents among Town awards

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By FRANCES NIBLOCK The New Tanner

Ten Acton residents were among 42 municipal award recipients at a ceremony at the Halton Hills council chambers on Monday.

The citizens were applauded for the honour and recognition their achievements in academics, arts, culture, sports and recreation brought to Halton Hills in 1999.

Three Acton lacrosse players – Jessie Kuenzig, Riley McGilloway and Gordie McKeon, all 8-year-old Grade 3 students – received awards as members of the Halton Hills Tyke Bulldog team that won five of their seven games to finish with a silver medal at the Provincial Tyke lacrosse Championships.

The Bulldogs were undefeated in their 12 regular season games and undefeated in the playoffs, capturing the Zone 8 championship.

Four members of the Acton Jui-Jitsu Club sparred and grappled their way onto to the podium at the Canadian Jui-Jitsu Association national tournament in Dundas and received Town awards for their efforts.

Orange belt Mark Humphrey, 8, won third place in grappling and Cassandra Hunter, 14, took third place in continuous sparring. Iain Wright, 7, a yellow belt, won third prize in grappling and orange belt Shaun Morin, won first place in the continuous sparring and second place in grappling. The continuous sparing includes kicks and punches and throws and ground grappling with points for throwing and controlling the opponent.

Acton's Kurtis Andrews, a Halton Region Junior Farmer, was part of a group that won second place at an Ontario Culturama competition. Andrews, also place first in poetry recitation and landscape photography and second place in public speaking and third in people photography.

Acton High student and drummer Devon Lambert is a repeat award winner and was honoured as the 1999 Champion Supreme winner in Grade 4 drumming.

During the 1999 Ontario competitive season, Devon had a first place finish, five second place finishes and a third place finish in individual

snare drum competitions. At the Canadian championship, the band she belongs to, the MacDonald Caledonia Pipe Band, took first prize in the overall Grade 4 competition. At the world pipe band championships in Scotland the band finished fifth.

Former Acton resident Cassandra Adams, who now lives in Guelph, missed the ceremony, but was honoured for capturing second place at the World Championship Jousting competition in Colorado. Adams was honoured by the Town in 1998 after she won the world championship female jousting competition.

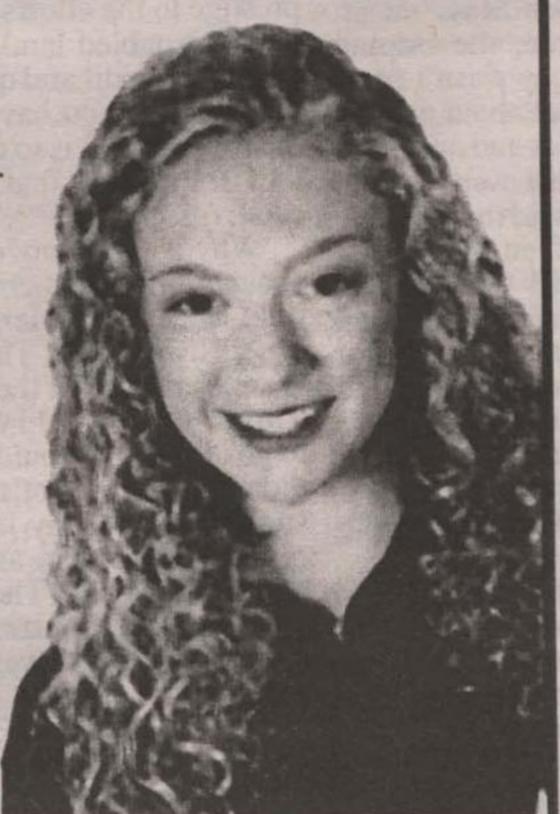
Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson thanked all of the awardees and told them to take pride in their accomplishments and noted the awards show how much talent there is within the Halton Hills borders.

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May bring back ride service By Maggie Petrushevsky Urbanski says losing the Christmas because grants

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Details are sketchy but it looks like the transportation segment of Halton Hills Community Support and Information services may be resurrected.

In a meeting last week Halton Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline told The New Tanner it is hoped funding to re-establish the program can be found through Ontario Works.

Halton Region Community and Social Services Department Commissioner Adelina

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HHCSI transportation network really undermined job search efforts for some of their clients in Halton Hills. Partnering with HHCSI, they came up with an "innonvative proposal" which would benefit both organizations. This proposal has already been submitted to the Ministry of Community and Social Services and is being "unofficially well received," she says, although no one wants to talk specifics until it gets actual approval from Ontario Works.

HHCSI dropped its van transportation program at

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Christmas because grants which supported it were phased out and no funds could be raised to replace them

Urbanski and HHCSI director Rosslyn Dowell, point to a long history of co-operation between the two organizations which saw HHCSI receive \$136,000 in grants towards its transportation program in the past five years. They also provide about \$28,600 in grants for the TEAM (Teen Education And Motherhood) program which supports pregnant teens to finish high school. HHCSI also receives about \$162,000 for operation of its Family Resource Centres in Acton and Georgetown.

Savoline says Halton has been very successful in working within provincial guidelines in a many programs over the years. That's why it is well respected when it puts proposals before various ministries and why its concerns about issues or programs are usually heeded.

"We've worked hard over the years at keeping our credibility with the province," she says. "We work cleverly within the system. You don't get anywhere just bashing

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