

GRAPEVINE



TV debut

Acton's Edyn Marshall, 16, made her television debut on Saturday night, playing the girlfriend of one of the main characters in the weekly show *Twice in a Lifetime* that airs at 8 p.m. on CTV.

Edyn, a Grade 11 student at Bishop Reding whose early acting included Christmas pageants and school plays, filmed her two scenes - no dialogue - at night in an Etobicoke park in June.

Edyn, who joined a Brampton model and talent agency last year, went on a number of auditions this summer and also landed a catalogue shoot for a sports clothing manufacturer.

Edyn fits the modelling and acting into a busy schedule of school, field hockey and volleyball.

Address adjustment

Acton chiropractor Dr. Tom Thompson is making an adjustment - he's moving his Wellness Centre from leased offices on Main Street south to the Royal City Realty building on Main Street north, which he has purchased.

The move takes place November 1. Royal City Realty will move to the upper floor of the building.

Brunch plans?

The popular Sunday munch and mingle - the Acton Community Brunch - resumes next Sunday (Sept. 24) after a summer hiatus.

As much as the hungry crowds love the all-you-can-eat buffet, people say they like to visit and chat with friends - all for \$5.

So far, several community groups

and high school sports teams have helped cook, serve and clean up at the brunches, earning proceeds from the brunch.

The brunch runs from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the arena.

Calling all babes

A four-judge panel will have their work cut out for them as they take on one of the toughest jobs at the fall fair on Saturday - judging the ever-popular baby show.

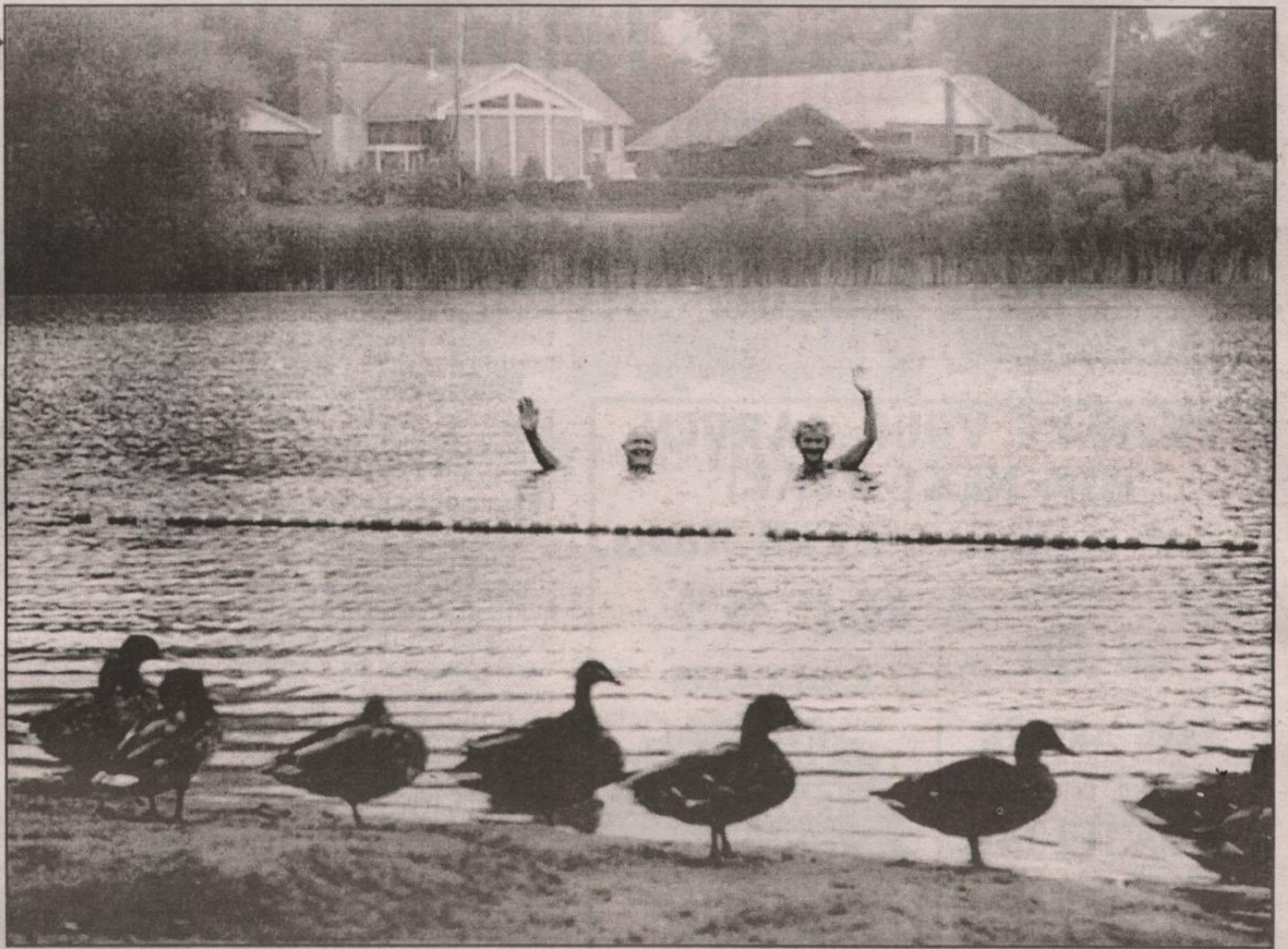
Organizer Carolyn Bell said like last year's event, every baby entered would receive a package of donated prizes. Babies - birth to 18 months - are eligible to enter and registration runs from 12 to 1 p.m. in the tent on the tennis court. The judging begins at 1:30.

How times change

Heading into the fall fair weekend, a search of the early history of Ontario fairs showed not a lot has changed since the early fairs with their livestock and homecraft exhibits, taverns (beer tent) and displays of new farming practices and implements. It also showed just how much things have changed.

In 1834, the Bathurst Agricultural Society offered five pounds to the best servant who had "resided the longest time with one master and can produce the best testimonials as to character."

In her book *Life in the Clearing*, author Susanna Moodie says domestic servants who came from England "soon became independent and unruly" and the cash was an incentive to encourage servants to remain with their employers.



DAILY DIPPER: Acton's Vic and Joan Morris are happy to share Fairy Lake with the waterfowl. The Morris's try to take a leisurely daily swim in the lake from very early spring until late fall. - Frances Niblock photo

Teen dance returns to Fair No dogs allowed!

It's hard to believe that the Fall Fair starts tomorrow. Fair weekend seems to have come especially fast since we didn't really have a summer. This summer is the worst I can remember since '89 or '90 when it rained every weekend. There ought to be a law against weather like this.

I love our Fair and want to point out a few items of note. The popular teen dance will be held in the tent on Saturday night. Please tell your teens that, in addition to their regular admittance, they have to purchase a ticket to the dance at the Round House. Tickets are limited and should be bought before the event begins. There is a zero tolerance attitude towards liquor at the dance. Teens showing up after imbibing may be charged since police will be in attendance on the grounds. This attitude is adopted for the safety of everyone attending and in an effort to ensure that the majority of good kids don't have their fun spoiled by a few idiots. In past years, the dances have been sellouts and the teens well behaved. I'm sure this year's event will be another success.

I hope to catch some of Greg Barrington's performance on Sunday. He's a horse whisperer, a talent showcaser in the movie starring Robert Redford. Mr. Barrington will be taming an unbroken horse using motivational training techniques. Sounds interesting. I wonder how he gets the horse to lay down on the couch? Hopefully, I'll pick up a few tips on how to keep my girls from killing each other at family gatherings.

When you come to the Fair please leave Fido at home. In past years some folks have brought the family pooch but this year the Fair Board adopted a policy of "No Dogs Please." When you think about it, the policy makes sense. With all the crowds and noise the dog can't be comfortable. Some of the horses are high strung and skittish. A loose barking dog could cause a calamity. The other livestock exhibitors and the Petting Zoo folks are other potential problem areas. So please, come and en-

The Way I See It

with Mike O'Leary



tractor pulls and much, much more. See you there.

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I was preparing to write a vicious diatribe concerning our postal service. The Bride and I have not received our invitation to this weekend's nuptial extravaganza in Montreal. Caroline Mulroney, only daughter of Brian and Mila, will wed her Yankee fiancée with all the appropriate pomp and ceremony. Surely our invite must be hung up in the mail. But then I read that only 450 of the Mulroneys' best friends will be invited and the matter of our missing ticket, er - invitation, was immediately cleared up. We are the 483rd best friends the Mulroneys have so that's why we missed the cut. It's just as well because, with the fall fair on, we couldn't have made it anyways, and you know how bitchy these society mavens can get when you pass on their soiree. Besides, the "Hellow - my name is -" tags leave glue marks on the lapels of my tux. Best wishes to the newlyweds. All the same, I understand the guests are going to chip in and buy the happy couple their own country. It will be called Grand Sacred Trust, or GST for short.

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It must be time for the Olympics; athletes are being bounced for positive drug tests. With the games so close, don't these people realize that testing will be done more often? How dumb are they?

So far we have lost a female hammer thrower who tested positive for steroids. One assumes the beard was a tip-off for Greg Lamaze tested positive for cocaine. This is his second offence.

No problemo, oh bugle-nosed one. Join the Canadian Snowboarding team (no pun intended). Just explain you were walking through a room, where others were sniffing and snorting, and the spray must have seeped up your nose. It worked last time. Just remember, never snort yellow snow. Words to live by.

LETTERS

Problems with phones

Dear editor,
Recently, I was talking to a telephone operator on the hook-up line called Michoice. She was asking for information about a room mate who wanted to get his own line and asked me to assist him. I told the operator to hold on and put my hand on the phone's speaker so my conversation with my room mate could be private.
Just as I finished speaking with my room mate and lifted my hand off the speaker, the operator said she had

overheard everything I had said.
I asked how this was possible since I had my hand on the speaker and this was an invasion of my privacy. The operator apologized to me when I said this was illegal but said she was sorry but there was another system connected with theirs which caused the problem. I'm frustrated with the system that invades my privacy.
Richard Brown,
Acton

Polish Scouts appreciate IGA'S help with jamboree

Following is a letter to the staff at Acton IGA from the Polish Scouting Association, filed with The New Tanner for publication.
Attention: Staff of IGA
Dear Friends,
I would like to thank you all for the wonderful service we received while the Polish Scouting Association held its Sixth World Jamboree at the Blue Springs Scout Reserve near Acton. My associate, Barbara Wozniak and I both appreciated your assistance. Any time we needed something you were able to help us out. I can't tell you how many times you saved us from disaster.
Every employee we dealt with was helpful and efficient. They all went

out of their way to get the necessary products even when we arrived at the last moment before closing time.
I'd particularly like to thank John, Hartley, Lynne, Verley and Charlie for their help as we struggled to feed our 1,500 participants. A special thanks to Mike for agreeing to take us on as customers not really knowing anything about the Polish Scouting organization.
I would certainly recommend your store to anyone who needs groceries to food 1,500 or even just a family of four.
Thanks again. We could not have done it without you!
Sincerely yours,
Teresa Berezowski

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