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## Sports

### SHORTS

#### Lacrosse sign-up

Halton Hills Minor Lacrosse House League season runs from mid-April to the end of June, plus a day of champs.

Fees are: \$30 for tyke and peanut and \$50 for novice and up.

Midgets born 1980 and 1981, Bantam born 1982 and 1983, Peewee born 1984 and 1985, Novice born 1986 and 1987, Tyke born 1988 and 1989, and Peanut born 1990 or later.

Registration dates are as follows: Georgetown Marketplace Mall on Friday February 2, from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday February 3, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. as well as Friday February 23, 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday February 24, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Mall.

A final sign up will be held at Memorial Arena on Saturday March 23, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

#### Slo-pitch meeting

The Georgetown Slo-pitch League is holding the 1996 Team Commitment meeting on February 19 at 7:00 pm in the McGibbon Hotel banquet room.

New teams and individual players are welcome for competitive, recreational, over 35 and mixed divisions. Teams are always looking for new players, men and women and new competition.

For more information contact Andy Courchesne at 873-0135 or Pete Wanner at 877-0776.

#### Local skier compete

Local skiers competing in the Milton Heights Racing Club put on a good showing in recent events.

Sheena Butler, of Limehouse, placed eight with a combined time of 47.28 at Glen Eden on Sunday, January 21. Butler is a member of the girls squad for the Hershey Alpine Blue team.

On the same day the Hershey Alpine Red Team traveled to Talisman Ski Club. Kathy Shier, of Limehouse, finished fourth on the girls side with a combined time of 61.64. On the boys side, Kevin Martin of Campbellville came in second with a combined time of 55.27.

The Milton Heights Open Slalom Invitational will be held on Sunday February 11. The event is held at Glen Eden Ski Area and will be hosted by the Milton Heights Racing Club.

#### Bridge results

Here are the results from Monday afternoon Duplicate Bridge held on January 22 at the Georgetown Legion.

In first, Elsie Whitham and Norma Maynard, in second Rene March and Peter Egan, tied in third Jack Kaarsemaker and George Sargent and Karol Tobiasz and Bill Dean, and in fourth Bill Scanell and Ken Ricardson.

### Crosstown rivalry heating up

## High schools battle for bragging rights

By STEVE LeBLANC

Special to The Independent/Free Press

Senior high school girls volleyball play has been heating up over the past few weeks.

And nowhere has the action been hotter than right here in Halton Hills, where the town's two representatives — Georgetown and Acton — have been showcasing their court skills throughout Halton and across Ontario.

For the Georgetown Rebels, the 1995/96 season is shaping up to be one of the best in the school's history as they currently rate among the top teams in the entire province.

Led by coach Jay Anderson, who took over for departing Bevin Clark before the holidays, the senior Rebels have ranked second in Ontario for the past three weeks. They sit behind top seated Samuel Genest of Ottawa — who beat them in the championship finals at the University of Ottawa tournament recently. The Rebels sport an overall record of 16-2.

"We've beat several top 10 ranked schools this season. Along with taking silver in Ottawa, the girls claimed the consolation crown at the Wilfred Laurier tournament as well," said Anderson.

Assisted by Tara Burrows and Brad Spears, Anderson says his team is extremely strong "from top to bottom". While Carrie Schenk, Erinn Steringa, Bridget Campbell, Jenn Murray, Julie Bottomley and Andrea LeBannister make up a powerhouse starting six, he contends Georgetown has a great bench as well.

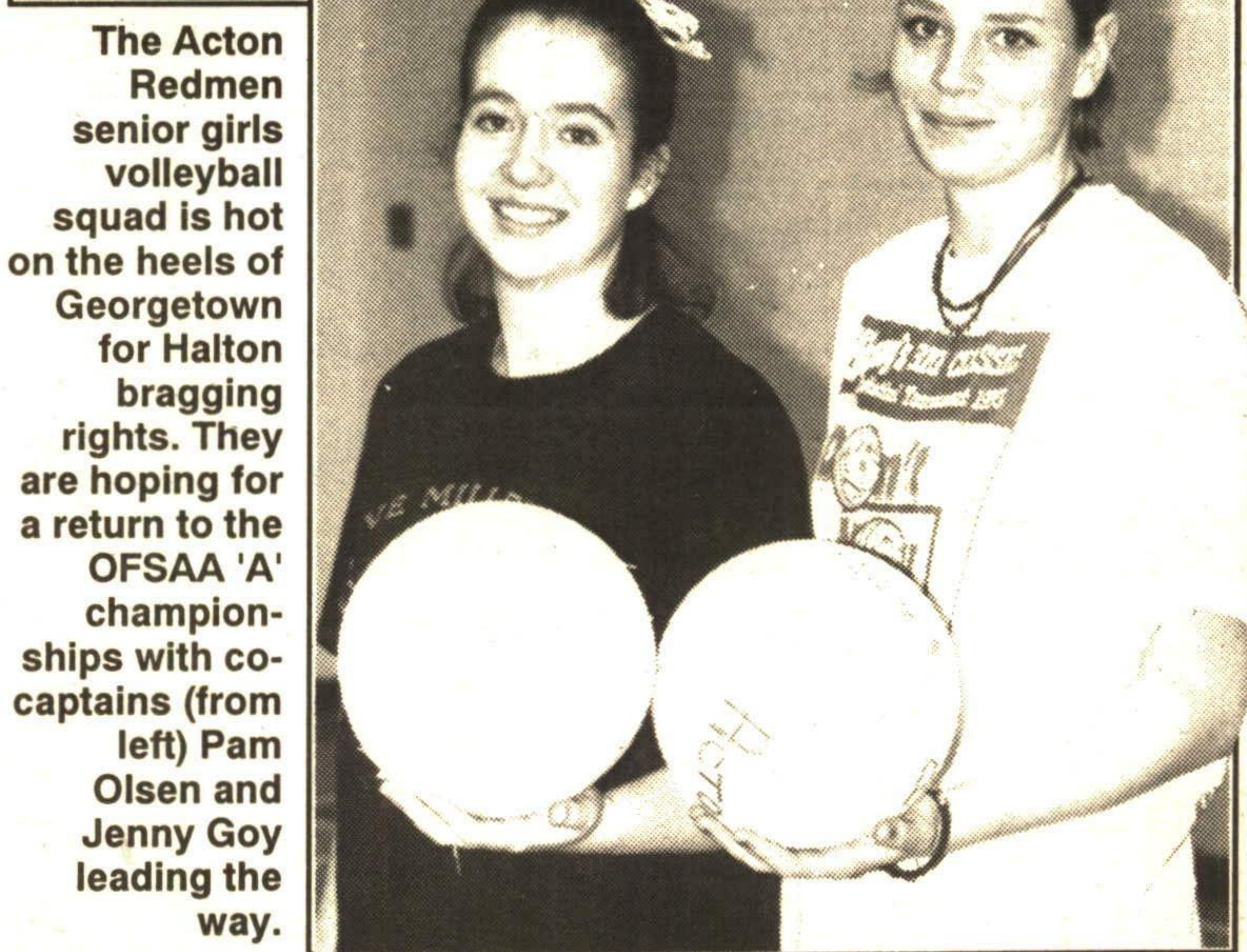
Comprising the rest of the roster are Missy Archdekin, Sara Arnesen, Roanne Sones, Haley Brown and Susie Jones.

"We have a great attack and excellent passing and defense," Anderson explained.

These strengths have seen the Rebels jump out to a perfect 6-0 record in league play. However, while heavily favored to win the



The Georgetown Rebels senior girls volleyball squad is unbeaten in league play and ranked second in Ontario this season. They are led by co-captains (from left) Erinn Steringa and Jenn Murray in their bid for berth at the OFSAA 'AAA' finals.



The Acton Redmen senior girls volleyball squad is hot on the heels of Georgetown for Halton bragging rights. They are hoping for a return to the OFSAA 'A' championships with co-captains (from left) Pam Olsen and Jenny Goy leading the way.

Haltons and advance to the OFSAA "AAA" tournament, Anderson is making every effort not to look too far ahead.

"We're going to start putting the girls in more pressure situations in practice to get them ready for bigger challenges. I'd say reaching OFSAA is definitely realistic this year, but I don't want to look past either GHAC or even the Haltons," he said.

While not ranked among the province's best just yet, the

Acton Redmen seniors have been making vast improvements over the past few years under the direction of Bob McKay. They are now poised the put together one of their school's best seasons as well.

With Jenny Goy, Jenn McKay, Jackie Jahn and Shari Patenaude leading the way, the Redmen have been virtually unbeatable in league play, with their only loss coming against Georgetown. The girls now sit in second with an impressive 5-1

record.

"In years past, the rivalry between Georgetown and Acton was somewhat unpleasant because it was one-sided. Now there's a competitive, friendly rivalry going. At the Ottawa tournament, where we were consolation finalists, each team was cheering the other on. It was great to see," said McKay.

The cross-town league match was one of Georgetown's tougher tests in Halton this season, as they had to fight their way back from an 8-3 deficit in game two to claim a 2-0 victory. At the start of the season, Acton managed to take a game from Georgetown in the Rebels' Invitational Tournament.

"We've got a great team system here (Acton) this season. Our blocking and back-court defense are superb. In 71 games this season we're now 51-20. I've chosen tougher tournaments this season just to challenge the girls and build their confidence," McKay explained.

Krista Keir, Pam Olsen, Shelley Hand, Shondra Stroud, Lauren Furness, Sandra Wray and Yvonne Hendry make up the rest of the 11-member team — which is hoping to make noise in both their league playoffs and at the OFSAA "A" finals.

"If we could reach the Halton semi-finals, that would be great. I'd love to go to the OFSAA 'A' tournament again as well and make some noise there. Last year, the girls finished seventh at the provincials and I think we have a chance to equal or better that," said McKay.

The junior Georgetown and Acton teams have also showed strong so far. The Rebels are now 5-1 while the Redmen boast a 3-3 record — having beat White Oaks, Iroquois Ridge and Appleby College.

The teams all return to league play on Tuesday, February 6, with Acton traveling to T.A. Blakelock in Oakville and Georgetown hosting the Oakville Trafalgar Devils, starting at 3:45 p.m.

## Junior Raiders humbled by Hamilton

The Georgetown Junior Raiders dropped their 12th straight game Tuesday in Hamilton, losing a 9-1 decision to the Kilty Bees.

General manager Jules Russiani filled in for skipper Rick Bince behind the bench as

the regular head coach sat out a two-game suspension for using an illegal player at the Newmarket Showcase Tournament.

Scoring Georgetown's lone goal in the second was Darryl Slaney from Krys Barch and

Ryan O'Dette. Jonhan McCarthy was between the pipes.

Hamilton led 1-0 after the first and 3-1 after the second.

Raider captain David Bouskill represented Georgetown at last

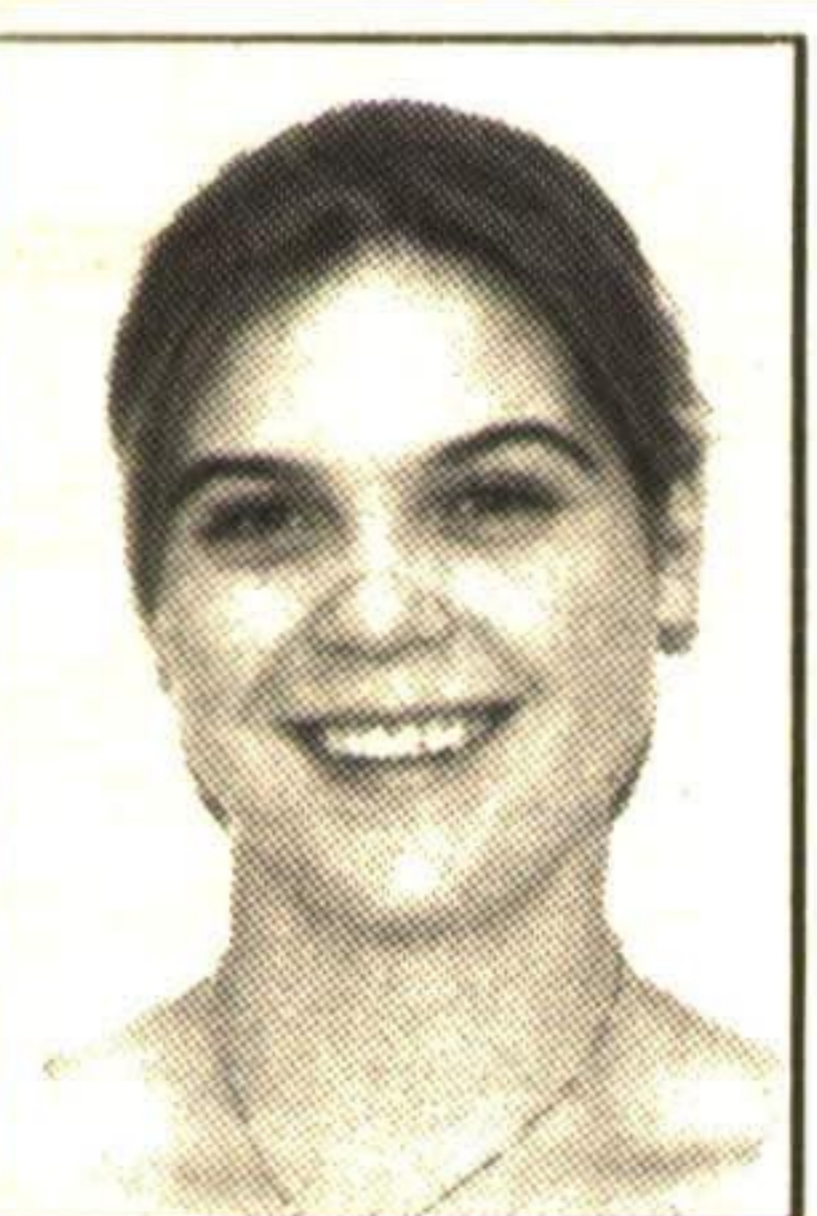
Wednesday's all-star game in Bowmanville, scoring a third-period, powerplay goal in his West Conference squad's 6-3 loss to the East All-Stars.

The 19-year-old leads the Raiders in scoring with 23 goals.

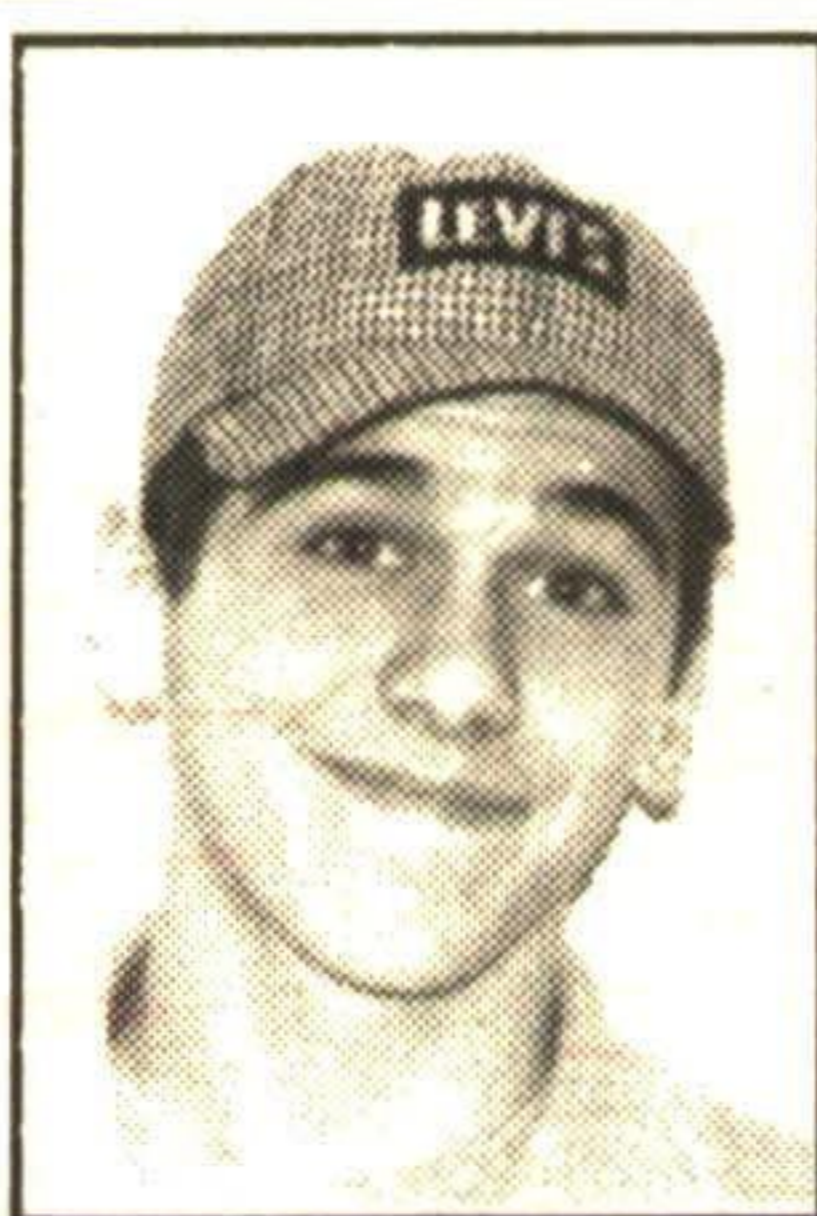
### Athletes of the Week

The Acton High School Athletes of the Week are Kelly Holmes and Aaron Byard. Kelly was recognized for her serving, hitting, and leadership on the junior Redmen girls volleyball team. Aaron, a power centre on the midget Redmen boys basketball team, scored 20 points against White Oaks.

Georgetown District High School Athletes of the Week are Meredith Sones and Paul Sandifer. Meredith was selected for her play on the junior girls volleyball team. Paul was selected for his play with the senior Rebels hockey squad.



KELLY HOLMES



AARON BYARD



MEREDITH SONES



PAUL SANDIFER