

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Ab Irwin celebrates his birthday at the Acton Legion this past weekend with friends, who presented him with a surprise birthday cake. -James Hayes photo.

BRANCH No. 197 **LEGION NEWS** By James Hayes P.R.O.

Comrades,
Last Saturday afternoon this writer had the pleasure of attending the 23rd annual inspection of 197 Squadron Royal Canadian Air Cadets. In the auditorium of Br.197.

The Inspecting Officer was O.P.P. Superintendent Colin A.M.Cousins, Order of St. John, CD, Ret'd.

The cadet corps, some what diminished in numbers from previous years, more than made up for that deficiency in the quality of their presentations in all categories.

The Band, Colour Party, and Drill Team gave performances that reflected the quality and dedication of their instructors. Their Commanding Officer Captain Richard Chapman, who is retiring this year, has a right to be extremely proud of the quality of the squadron he is handing over to Captain Reg Cooke CD, the new CO.

The squadron, with the support of the sponsoring committee, is looking forward to bigger and better things in the future; there really is "no life like it"

President Wes Kutasienski was on hand to present the Legion Medal of Excellence to: Warrant Officer 1st. Class Aaron Smelsky, Who also recieved the "Air Cadet of the Year" award from the Squadron Commanding Officer Captain Chapman.

The day was finished off with a BBQ on the patio, with the support of Legion comrades, Jim Porter, Wayne Briggs and Bob Merrikin.

The Decoration Day last Sunday, saw some thirty plus members, family and friends attend the annual event at Fairview Cemetery. They were joined as in previous

years by several ladies from the Lakeside Chapter of the IODE. It was gratifying to see the young people in attendance, and their involvement in this very important day on our calendar.

This coming Saturday branch members will be attending the Highland Games in Georgetown, Our Colour Party will be in the parade, and our regular team will be manning the "Get to know Branch 197 Acton" booth, and of course selling Scotch Meat Pies and our famous Mushy Peas. You have still time to get in on the act, contact George O'Donnell or Tom Grant if you want to give a hand.

Next General Meeting, Monday June 11th at 8:00 p.m.

Yours in Comradeship,
Jim Hayes, Branch 197 PRO

Ladies Auxiliary News

Our general meeting and potluck supper is this Thursday, June 7 at 6:30pm.

Sunday June 3, our Decoration Day was well attended. Thanks ladies for coming out both Saturday and Sunday.

Every Thursday Afternoon starting at 1:30 p.m. euchre is being held in the games room. Everyone welcome.

Yours in Comradeship
L.A. President
Annmarie Lowin

Halton names CAO

Regional Council endorsed the recommendation made by the CAO Selection Committee to appoint a new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) for Halton Region. Effective July 30th, 2007 Halton's new CAO will be Patrick Moyle.

"Patrick has an extensive and impressive background within the political realm, including a variety of experience as a CAO in the municipal sector in addition to his work in the private sector," commented Halton Regional Chair Gary Carr. "His experience as the Executive Director of AMO, as well as his reputation in the municipal community, has proven that he will be an excellent leader and a valuable addition to us here at Halton."

Moyle will be leaving his position as the CAO of the Town of Caledon to join Halton Region in July.

Halton Region hosts growth seminars

Region needs to hear from residents on where and how to grow for a Sustainable Halton

Close to one million people are expected to live in Halton by 2031 and the region's planners are anxious to hear what residents think is important in bracing for that growth.

How much land is needed for development? What about air quality, transportation and loss of agriculture? What social and community services will be required?

What do residents want to protect?

A series of drop-ins are planned across the region to thrash out some of these issues. In Acton, the community is invited to attend an open house on Wednesday, June 20 from 6-9 at the arena, at 415 Queen Street East.

And on June 23, there will be a half-day symposium for those who would like to examine some of the key issues in-depth. It will take place at the Halton Regional Centre at 1151 Bronte Road in Oakville from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Those interested in attending the symposium are asked to RSVP by June 15 by calling 905-825-6000, ext. 7455 (toll free 1-866-4HALTON) or by emailing sustainable@halton.ca.

According to the province's growth plan, the region needs to plan for 780,000 people and 390,000 jobs by the year 2031, regional chair Gary Carr said in a news release last week.

The region has embarked on a comprehensive planning process, which it's calling the Sustainable Halton plan. But that's only a first step,

Carr said.

The region has also published 22 background papers online at www.halton.ca/sustainablehalton that provide a framework for discussing Halton's future.

They look at issues such as Halton's land supply and how the region can meet its future social services and infrastructure needs, such as roads and water and wastewater services.

The planning process will also take into account important parts of Halton's natural environment, the region said.

ON SITE AUCTION SALE

Saturday, June 9 10:00am Sharp

For the Pettibone Family

Fire # 5007, Hwy. 25 Acton, Ontario (Approx. 3.4km North of Acton on Hwy 25)

Note: The Pettibones have been long time collectors of Antiques and now must part with a good portion of their collection, along with lots of good useful items, as they have sold their country home and moving into much smaller quarters.

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