



GIVING THEIR BEST are members of the "Old Fashion Edition" quartet from Oakville. In true minstrel form, the barbershop quartet strolled Main St. Friday evening, stopping frequently to

sing a tune upon request. The group was one of several musical performers to entertain during the three day Miltonville blitz.

'Madness in Miltowne' - all in fun

"Miltowne Madness" hit Main St. for three days and for retailers, residents and children alike, it was quite an experience.

Main St. had never seen the likes of the event, as balloons, the High Park Express and clowns entertained.

The three-day street fair was the first attempt of its kind to encourage people to the downtown core and drew plenty of mixed reaction, according to chief organizer of the affair Colin Best, employed by the Downtown Business Improvement Group.

Many commented they had never seen so many people on Main St. and there were those who wished they had never seen so many.

But it was an affair enjoyed by a lively crowd of all ages. Musical talent throughout the three-days drew an appreciative audience, and even encouraged a few to boldly step forward and kick up their heels to a tune, right in the middle of Main St.

Pottery, photography and paintings set out on Main St. attracted interested collectors, and those shopping for the bargains had a chance to take advantage of several sidewalk sales.

The scene was topped off with an open air beer garden, which enjoyed good success during the hot weather spell.

Despite forecasts of stormy weather, it was not until 5 p.m. Saturday when a sudden thunderstorm let loose, sending vendors and crowds scurrying into the shops.

There is still room for improvement, said Mr. Best, but he is already busy considering ideas for next year's "Miltowne Madness", which might see the event run as a week-long project.



BALLOONS and more balloons were the kickoff for Miltowne's downtown celebration. Officiating the opening ceremony atop a flatbed were, from left to right, Councillors Rose Harrison and Art Melanson, Halton MPP Julian Reed and Mayor Don Gordon with Colin Best, chief organizer of the event.

Photos by Linda Kirby



PATIENTLY, "Jefferson" obediently waits while his owner, Anne Ling, Halton Ave., Milton examines a ceramic wine goblet. The goblets were one of a variety of designs made and shown by White Oak Pottery in Milton.



KICKING UP THEIR HEELS are Dick Auckland and his partner Jane Doan, both of Milton. The three-day schedule included a variety of local musical talent, and several enthusiastic fans took to dancing on the Main St., adding just a little more character to the whole affair.



LOTS TO SEE AND DO included a train ride around town and it was not only children who eagerly scrambled aboard the High Park express. The special tour attracted several hundred keen riders during its three day stay in Milton, and is reputed to have enjoyed far better success in Milton than it does in its native home of Toronto.



CLOWNING AROUND, he was not. Instead this member of the Brampton Clown Band was very intent upon winning the prize trip offered by the Milton Fire Department, as he fills out a ballot form. Don Marshall, a member of the local fire department looks on.

Local talent shines in show



LOCAL TALENT featured young and old alike, as a variety of musical entertainers sang and played to the crowds Saturday afternoon. From left to right are Charlie Richards with his harmonica, while another local guitarist sang the blues. Randy Lippai sang and played his heart out to a

receptive crowd, and there was plenty of applause for this duet of Monique Hadley, (left) and Leslie Sheaffer. Sitting on the sidelines enjoying the whole afternoon were sisters Kerry and Christie McAllister of Milton.