

Dance crowd tops 300

By Linda Kirby
It was likely the biggest teen dance held in Milton.

On Saturday evening, over 325 youths turned out in force to attend the first social event sponsored by the Milton Committee for Youth at the Milton Optimist Club hall.

"I couldn't believe it," was the reaction of Committee organizer Rose Harrison.

"It was a tremendous success," she said and added the committee is now in the midst of setting dates for a future dance.

"Everyone leaving at the end of the evening was asking when is the next dance."

Teen organizer John Bennett admitted he was surprised with the response.

Along with two other high school friends, the trio spent time pinning posters to advertise the event throughout the town, but they were not prepared for the crowd that came out.

"It was good," said 13-year-old Trena Lirette. She attributed the crowd to good music and the fact few dances are held in Milton.

According to committee member Ed Stewart there were "very little" problems associated with the dance.

Several Optimist members in attendance at the dance expressed admiration for the behavior of the teens Mr. Stewart said.

Prior to the dance, concern was expressed by committee members for the brand new \$1 million complex.

"It really went just super," said Mr. Stewart proudly.

Admission was \$1 per person with the result, the month-old committee now has \$300 to its name.

According to Mrs. Harrison, the money will likely be used for publicity expenses in the future, or a live band, or for recreational needs for a planned youth drop-in centre.

The organization comprised interested service club members, parents, teens and other individuals. It was formed recently in an effort to establish a permanent schedule of teen activities including a youth drop-in centre.

The group meets Thursday evening at Milton Town Hall at 7.30 p.m. to discuss the dance and future plans.



GOT IT! Eight-year-old Lisa Hobbs bobbed her donut around for some time before she finally managed to get her teeth into it. The donut-eating contest was among several competitions run at St. Peter's School Friday afternoon during the school's first snow carnival.

Woman escapes serious injury

A 26-year-old Milton woman escaped serious injury late Saturday evening after losing control of the car she was driving and smashing into a ditch and culvert.

According to Halton Regional Police, Barbara Saliba, of 232 Derry Rd. was south bound on Eighth Line, when an unknown north bound car forced the Saliba vehicle into a water filled ditch.

Police estimated \$1,000 damage to the 1972 Valiant.

T.M. introduction offered at library

Interested transcendental meditation enthusiasts are invited to attend an introductory session at Milton Public Library, Tuesday evening, Mar. 13.

The Hamilton T.M. Centre is offering a free introductory session in an attempt to encourage individuals to consider the benefits of meditation.

Animal hospital vetoed

A proposal for an animal hospital, veterinary clinic and boarding kennel was turned down by Milton Council at its meeting Monday night.

The application by Dr. Janet Walters to turn a parcel of land at the corner of Trafalgar Rd. and Lower Base Line into a veterinary clinic was vetoed because of the number of residences in the area. Several people had objected.

Dr. Walters had made several attempts to resolve the objections.

She faced a March 15 deadline because the purchase of land would lapse.

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Smelly gas traced to diesel fuel dump

Diesel fuel dumped down a Lorne Scots Dr. storm sewer caused some worry for area residents over the weekend.

The Milton Fire Department was called to the area Saturday after homeowners complained of a gaseous smell.

The smell was traced to diesel fuel poured into a storm sewer.

Both the Milton Fire Department and town works department said they did not know how it occurred.

According to works director Joe Pitushka, the problem is common. Individuals often change their car oil and dump the previous oil, or sometimes a can of old paint into the sewer, he said.

"It is not a serious matter," he said, adding the fuel would be well diluted in the storm sewer water.

"It was a matter of opening up the manholes to allow the sewer to breathe," he explained.

12 boxes smashed

A mailbox-smashing spree left 12 local homeowners with damaged boxes Monday morning.

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New tenants welcomed with pot luck supper

With the 29 new units in the Pine St. wing of Bruce Seniors Apartments rapidly being occupied, two of the "first comers", Vera Timbers and Irene Luky co-hosted a pot luck supper to welcome the "newcomers" on Tuesday, Feb. 20. Forty-four hungry guests were present.

It was an ideal way to beat the "February blahs". Everybody had pitched in to make the supper a success, with dishes of scalloped potatoes, beans 'n franks, chili, cold meats in substantial slices, salads, relishes, rolls and butter, hard-boiled egg slices, all in quantities to satisfy everyone. Cheese and fruit, coffee and tea were enjoyed.

The butter tarts, custard tarts, apple pies, jellies, grapes, rich spice cake and muffins vanished when good resolutions to reduce caloric intake this month' melted away faster than the snow.

Several tables of cards were set up to finish off a pleasant evening.

Milton family adopts SA child

Does \$19 a month seem a reasonable figure to adopt a child?

It did to David Kiddle and his family of Milton.

Mr. Kiddle and his family have joined Foster Parents Plan of Canada, and have "adopted" Armando Lindao, age six, of Guayaquil, Ecuador.

Armando is one of nine children, two of whom no longer live at home.

His father, aged 55, is a fisherman. His mother, 37, does the household chores.

Monthly income is \$64.28.

Of that total, \$57.14 goes to nutrition, \$3.57 is spent on education and \$3.57 is spent on transportation.

Their diet is mostly rice, vegetables and seafood.

They live on the outskirts of the city in a house of cane with a wooden floor and metal plate roof. It has one room and a small patio.

For furniture, the family has two beds, some chairs, a table, a stove, and some kitchen utensils.

More information on Foster Parents Plan can be obtained by writing to 153 St. Clair Ave. West, Toronto, Ontario. M4V 1P8.

Region to decide whether to appeal

Regional council is expected today (Wednesday, Mar. 7) to decide whether it will support Halton Hills in its appeal of the Ontario Municipal Board ruling on allowing Ontario Hydro to extend a hydro corridor to Milton from Bruce through Halton Hills.

Council has indicated at its last meeting two weeks ago it might support the town.

Halton Hills Council decided a week ago to appeal the OMB decision to the OMB itself and the Ontario Divisional Court, Mayor Peter Pomeroy told this newspaper.

Council was informed at its meeting the town had spent \$6,500 at the eight-day OMB hearing and it could spend a possible \$20,000 more to appeal.

About 80 homes are affected by the proposed corridor.

John Minns of the Interested Citizens' Group said his organization has spent \$120,000 since 1972 opposing the 500,000 volt corridor.

\$1,000 grease fire

Milton fire officials are investigating a stove grease fire that resulted in \$1,000 damage to a Mill St. apartment.

According to the fire department, the blaze broke out at approximately 3 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28 and set fire to the kitchen cupboards.

Officials said there have been previous problems with the stove switches now being checked.

The apartments, owned by Altrona General and Electric Contracting, are rented to three tenants.

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Set meets for seniors

Bruce Senior Citizens' Apartments tenants' club met recently and agreed to change the dates of regular business meetings and social evenings.

It was agreed to hold meetings on the first Friday of each month and socials the following Tuesdays, starting March 2.

New tenants Jim Hopkins and Jim Jell introduced themselves. President Bill Haller conducted the meeting, assisted by secretary Florence Lamont and treasurer Mrs. J. Pilcher. Twenty-two attended.

View lamb care films

By Joseph Weeden Jr.

The second meeting of the Halton 4-H Sheep Club was held Feb. 21 at the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food office in Milton.

Pepy Weeden started the meeting.

Five people were nominated for the position of secretary and Ruth Gillies of Milton was elected. Mrs. Evelyn Gillies, the president of the Halton 4-H club leaders' council for 1979.

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