

Milton YMCA seeks community involvement

The Milton YMCA which opened the doors of its brand new facility in January is asking for help from the community.

In an attempt to offset the costs of running the non-profit organization, the Milton "Y" has launched its second annual "sustaining" campaign with a target figure of \$3,500.

"Although we charge a fee for most of our services, this does not nearly cover the full cost," explained Brenda Coburn, regional director for the Milton "Y".

Their plea for financial aid is being directed to area business firms and industrial companies.

Thus far, \$1,100 has been collected.

The money will be used against a projected 1980 deficit of \$40,000.

"The difficult part to get across to the public is that while they may pay fees for classes, they are

not paying for the total cost necessary to run the program," she said.

Some of these costs include instructors' fees, rental expenses, promotion and advertising costs and miscellaneous office expenses.

"Even though we are expanding our services, our costs are also multiplying," said Miss Coburn.

The Milton "Y" has been in operation since 1975 when a Canada Works Grant was provided to begin the community service.

Lack of continued funds soon spelled the end to the group however and "Y" programs were offered through the Oakville YMCA.

The Milton "Y" was later established as a member of Central Ontario Lakeshore "Y" and the YMCA of Metropolitan Toronto.

Today, the new facility at White Oaks Plaza on

Bronte St. houses the Junior "Y" Day Care, nursery school, program centre and YMCA offices.

Their services include child care for preschoolers ages two to five years, early childhood education for 136 three to five-year-olds, recreation courses for over 600 preschoolers and their parents and adult physical education and interest courses mornings, afternoons and evenings.

The "Y" also runs a Youth Basketball Association and there are recreational opportunities for over 600 school age children after school, weekends, professional development days and on school holidays.

During the summer there are a variety of camps offered by the Milton "Y" which include day camp, riding camp, kinder camp and resident camp.



Diocesan preparation

A meeting was held Saturday in Holy Rosary in Milton to prepare for the Halton annual Diocesan meeting and convention which will be held June 5, 6 and 7 in the Burlington Holiday Inn. The meeting was to acquaint some of the 350 attending with the rules and procedures of the meeting. From left: Mrs. Marie McDonnell of Burlington who is Diocesan information convener; Mrs. P.D. Noonan of Oakville, who is Hamilton Diocesan President; Mrs. Irene Tonelli of Milton who helped put on the Saturday meeting in Milton; and Holy Rosary Church's Father Michael Isabelle.

It's 'Y' summer camp time again

By Linda Kirby

Planning for the summer months is not always a simple matter, but the Milton YMCA hopes to offer parents a few suggestions for their youngsters.

The local "Y" will once again present a variety of camping programs including day camp, riding holidays and resident camps.

And for the very young, there is "Kinder camp".

"The emphasis throughout our camping experiences is friends, fun, and good care and safety," explained Brenda Coburn, regional director for the Milton "Y".

Parents can register their children for two, three or five mornings per week.

Kinder camp will be held at Holy Rosary School beginning June 29. The Milton "Y" will work in conjunction with the Georgetown "Y" to offer a day camping experience at Terra Cotta Conservation Area this summer.

Activities will include hiking in the woods, exploring streams and marsh areas and learning camp songs.

Arts and crafts including tie dying, weaving and candle making are also a part of the program.

But the highlight of the day camp will likely be the "overnights" that are held during each camping session.

Children sleep in tents, and supper and breakfast are cooked by each camper group at their own campfire.

Day camp is open to girls and boys ages five to 12 years and begins June 29.

Riding camps, now considered the fastest growing specialty camping experience according to Miss Coburn, will be held at the "2 RC Ranch" near Georgetown this summer.

five years) and will concentrate on teaching youngsters new creative experiences, learning through discovery and play and socializing with peers in half-day expeditions.

Each camp day is divided into five periods which will include a riding lesson or trail ride, longeing lesson, horsemanship, crafts, games or sports and lunch.

Parents are invited to a special rodeo on the last Friday of each camping session to find out what their children have learned.

The riding camp is open to ages eight to 16 years.

Although the Milton "Y" does not run a local resident camp, area children may be registered in Milton for "Y" organized camps at Pine Crest in the Muskoka.

Camp Pine Crest dates back to 1910 and offers visitors the experience of cabin living and the opportunity of appreciating the unique wilderness of the area.

Details on fees and registration can be answered by calling the Milton "Y" at 878-8711.

Catering to working parents, the "Y" does offer an extended day care service.

The normal camp day runs from bus pick-up time in the morning until bus return time each afternoon. For children of working parents, extended day care provides supervised care of campers from 7.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Milton YMCA facilities at White Oaks Plaza.

Non-union pact set

Halton Board of Education and the 72 employees who are non-union members agreed to one-year retro-active 10 per cent salary hike.

The contract covers supervisory staff, non-union clerks and secretaries plus bus drivers. Agreement was announced Thursday by board salary committee chairman Bill Herd.

Hospital post

David Katz was officially re-appointed for a further one-year term on the Milton District Hospital Board, by Halton Regional Council.

Mr. Katz, of Milton, will sit on the board until March 31, 1982.

adversarial system in negotiations.

"The environment and relationships that exist in an organization that influences, one way or another, the outcome of negotiations," was named by Lavender as "the most important" factor.

Other key factors were the selection of each team of negotiators, training for them and a common set of information on salary grids and comparisons.

Most members, according to Lavender, of the board's salary committee support the recommendations in the ad hoc committee's report.

Improved Negotiation Process committee went across Ontario searching for the best negotiation practice. London, Simcoe, East Parry Sound, Wentworth, Windsor and the Lakehead boards were asked about methods of negotiating successfully. The list of successful boards which use a variety of methods came from the provincial Education Relations Committee.

Lavender assured Halton trustees that negotiations have started with

Halton educators aim for new contracts by June

Halton educators hope to finish contract negotiations in three months by using new steps which were revealed Thursday to the public.

"There is no quick and easy solution to what is a complex problem," Halton education director Lavender told trustees at Burlington. The onus for successful negotiations rests on both sides, he indicated.

Some of the recommendations of the ad hoc committee on improved Negotiation Processes may be worked into this year's talks—if the committee's package is passed by the board.

Representatives of Halton Elementary Teachers' Association (HETA) Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation, Local 9, (OSSTF)—most of the board's employees—trustees and senior staff were on the committee.

HETA supports the ad hoc committee's work and has told its economic policy committee to "implement these recommendations as quickly and as completely as circumstances dictate."

OSSTF will discuss the report later.

Halton has used the

among other things—is a process committed to fairness for wages and fringe benefits.

Everything else on the bargaining table is to be taken care of by "a problem-solving approach".

Meanwhile the ad hoc committee would like to see a number of long-term steps started now which would mainly improve relations between teachers and the board.

The ad hoc committee urged establishment of a trustee-teacher relations committee such as exists at London.

teachers and others. "I understand negotiations have been going on."

OSSTF and Halton almost had a strike during the talks for the last contract. The board and teachers got together for the ad hoc committee "to study various approaches to collective bargaining" last June.

The target for the first contracts under the new methods is this June.

For this year's pacts the sides hope to use what's called "enlightened adversarial bargaining"—which

Mr. Griffin had an excellent memory and a keen interest in things historical. His reminiscences and anecdotes of times past enlivened many a gathering.

The Griffin family roots are Welsh, and have been traced back to Edward Griffin, who emigrated to New England in 1635.

The funeral service was held April 2 in Churchill Community Church, with the Rev. A. W. Fosbury officiating, assisted by Rev. Robt. Hyde.

Honorary pallbearers were: Frank Gray, Henry Wheeler, Bert Berry and Elmer McKinnon.

Active pallbearers were: Wallace Swackhamer, Ralph Denny, William Thompson, Doug Peck, Keith Leitch and Paul Hamilton.

Flower bearers were: Charles Burt, Gary Leitch, William Landborough, Bob Kerr, George Kuenzig, Keith Aitken. Interment was at Coningsby Cemetery.

Obituary

Harold Griffin

A well-known area farmer, Harold L. Griffin, RR 2, Acton, died Monday, March 30th in Guelph General Hospital.

He had been in declining health for several months.

Mr. Griffin was born October 1, 1894, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Smith E. Griffin, and lived all his life on their Erin Township farm. His son, Smith R., presently operates the farm.

Harold Griffin attended Cedarvale (S.S. 7) Public School on Ten Sideroad, and later was trustee and secretary-treasurer. He was an active member of Churchill Church all his life, serving as church treasurer for 35 years. He was also for many years a member of Coningsby Cemetery Board.

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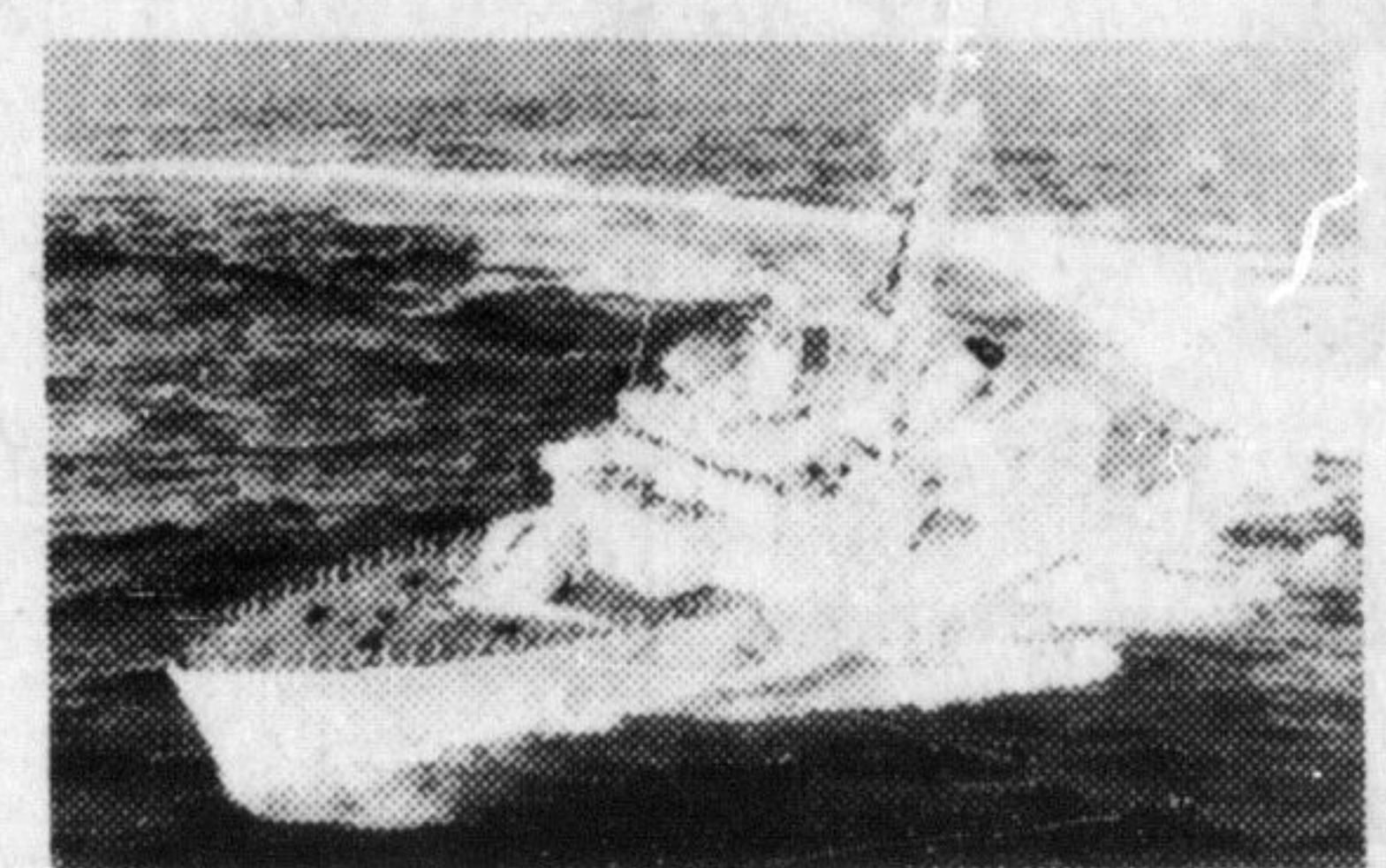
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