

# Get tuned in to your schools, Milton!!!

Beginning today, The Canadian Champion will provide a forum whereby each Milton Public School will share its goals and activities with our readers. The schools will do so on a rotating weekly basis. Today's introductory column will give readers a brief introduction to each school participating in the series.

## Robert Baldwin Public School

Robert Baldwin Public School was built in 1974 to serve the new community of Dorset Park, bounded by Ontario St. and Thompson Rd., Steeles Ave. and Main St.

In the original building, there are nine open area classrooms and a double kindergarten area. Eight closed classrooms were added in a wing in 1977. In addition there are presently five portables in use.

Principal Dave Hailey and vice-principal John Felce and 27 staff, including 2 half-time teachers, work with nearly 700 children:

128 kindergarten, 109 grade 1, 130 grade 2, 106 grade 3, 97 grade 4, 100 grade 5, 20 special education.

A very strong school community spirit is evident in the area. Not only do 12 different groups use the school facilities after hours but nearly 150 volunteers work either directly in the school or on various committees.

The "Baldwin Benefactors", with Carol Lonesberry as president, have organized two highly successful bike-a-thons and a children's bazaar. The nearly \$14,000 raised has been directed into field trips, two computers, six metal bicycle racks, dramatic presentations, extra physical education equipment, a display case for the library, a copy machine, incentive awards for children, etc. They are sponsoring a special family portrait project to commence Oct. 12.

Wendy Cloutier (878-1647) and her volunteers raised nearly \$3,000 through hot dog days to help support school programs. The fluoride rinse committee, under Beryl Stevenson (878-4906), come into the school on a bi-weekly basis.

The year is off to an exciting start with a meet the teacher night planned for Sept. 22. Class trips have been scheduled over the next few weeks for Camp Manitou, orchards, Metro Zoo and the Science Centre. All of the children are involved in a successful Pitch-In campaign to keep the school yard litter-free.

More information about coming events can be obtained from secretaries Mrs. McMeekin or Mrs. Frosch at 878-8833.

## Brookville Public School

Brookville-Campbellville Public School is a twinned unit which encompasses Grades 1 and 2 in the village of Campbellville and Kindergarten to Grade 8 in Brookville on the Guelph Line. There are two support classes for special needs as well as a full rotary program for Grades 6, 7 and 8. Both school buildings enjoy beautiful rural settings and constitute the most northerly school of the Milton family, where a staff of 23 is responsible for 490 students. Boys and girls who live in the large area bounded by Steeles Ave. in the south, number 30 sideroad in the north, and between the Halton-Milton Town Line in the east and the Halton-Wellington Town Line in the west, provide the student body.

Since Brookville-Campbellville draws from such a wide area, the school becomes a focal point not only for the academic but also for the social life of its students. Many friends who live far apart only see each other at school.

Understandably, most students are bused to school. Urban visitors are always fascinated by the dismissal routine in which students board nine big buses in remarkably short time for the trip home.

Special events in September and October include student council elections on Sept. 17, after a spirited election campaign; a school-community picnic in the format for meet the teacher night on Sept. 27; the Grade 6 and 7 classes are going to attend a production "The Magic Flute" at the O'Keefe Centre after dinner at The Organ Grinder on Sept. 28.

The intra-mural sports program has begun with Swedish dodge ball for girls and Bordon ball and flag football for boys. Some intermediate students are now practising for the cross country meet at Kelso on Oct. 4; others are attending tryouts and practises for the intermediate volleyball teams.

Brookville-Campbellville is a busy, happy learning centre which lives up to its motto, "We Learn Today to Serve Tomorrow."

## J.M. Denyes Public School

J.M. Denyes Public School is located at 215 Thomas St. opposite the fairgrounds in the south-west quarter of Milton. The school serves the community south of Main St. and west of Ontario St. (Hwy. 25). The community includes the new development of Bronte Meadows. J.M. Denyes has classes from

Kindergarten to Grade 5. The Principal, Mr. Fred Young, and vice-principal, Mrs. Pam Curry, head a staff of 19 full-time and three half-time teachers. The school is organized with four Kindergarten classes, three Grade 1 (one of which is French Immersion), 2½ or three classes each of grade 2, 3, 4 and 5, and one Special Education class. There is also a small class of six students and their teacher from E.C. Drury School for the Deaf who benefit from integration with hearing pupils and 425 grade students.

Denyes was built in 1955 and has the traditional classroom structure. Within the past decade, a new library and a double gym have been added. The school currently has four portable classrooms to accommodate our classes.

J.M. Denyes benefits greatly from the active support of the Denyes Communications Association (DCA) which is our parent group. Those wishing to become more involved can call Carol McGinnis at 878-9700. As well, an active corps of volunteers assist in the classrooms and the library. New volunteers can call the school at 878-2379 to become involved.

Upcoming events include "Denyes Day", Thursday, Sept. 23, 5 to 6.30 p.m. where parents can meet staff informally, and Denyes program night, Wednesday Oct. 6, 7.30 to 9.00 p.m.

## W.I. Dick Middle School

In a Grade 6 to 8 school with 592 students and a staff of 30, community involvement is vital. Serving an area of Milton bounded by the 401 on the North, Derry Rd. on the south, Tremaine Rd. on the west and Thompson Rd. on the east, W.I. Dick Middle School might be termed an "involved" school. A busy environment providing positive learning experiences leads to feelings of self-worth on the part of both students and staff. The school motto, "We Hold The Future" is most fitting as we work with those who will, before long, enter various "classes" of the 1990's. As we contemplate our young people, we know that the future is in good hands.

An "open door" policy enables parents to contact administrative personnel, teachers, guidance counsellors, child care workers or any member of the school resource team at any time. Exceptional children, both those with learning difficulties and those in need of a more stimulating program are integrated into the main student body. This organization, aided by the co-operation and efforts of staff, students and parents has proven to be most

successful. W. I. Dick staff are remarkable for their willingness and ability to focus on an individual with problems, a fellow human being, and lend their support.

Grade 6 to 8 encompasses the critical years of development. A well-rounded program, aimed to bring out each child's full potential, fills educational, social and emotional needs. Extra-curricular activities in academics, sports and music are taken care of by clubs or specially organized events. Several computers are currently providing staff and students with some basic learning experiences in this new and expanding field.

The school year will be off to a happy start with a program night for parents and the great balloon race at the end of the month. Later, a fund raising "run-a-thon" will be held. In the past, this activity has enabled the school student council to donate money to Halton Centennial Manor, Milton District Hospital and other important groups. W. I. D students regularly visit residents of Halton Centennial Manor to find mutual support, learning and friendship.

We are proud of our school and our young people. To sum up, students and staff seem to like each other, and that, after all, is what life is all about.

## E.W. Foster Public School

The E. W. Foster School is the newest addition to the Milton family of schools. The building is currently under construction, and is located on Coxe Blvd., between Laurier Ave. and Childs Dr., east of Ontario St. By September 1983, the school will service students from Kindergarten to Grade 5, with students beyond Grade 5 attending Sam Sherratt Public School. The maximum capacity of E. W. Foster is 515 students. There are two Kindergartens, 12 classrooms, and a variety of other rooms, including music, library, general Purpose, guidance, health and assembly area. The floor area of the building is 2,973 square metres or 32,000 sq. ft.

Construction is proceeding fairly rapidly, with the exterior walls complete, and most of the interior walls erected. The architect, John Harkness, and contractors Martin and Stewart, are hopeful that future construction delays will be minimal and that we may be able to move into the completed building by February.

The new E.W. Foster Public School is named after Mr. Edgar Foster, a gentleman often referred to as "Mr. Education". Mr. Foster, now 73, was principal of the Bruce Street Public School in Milton, opened J. M.

Denyes in 1955 and later was supervising principal of both schools, in addition to W. I. Dick and Martin Street Public Schools. We are honored to have our school named after him, and students look forward to his visits over the next several months.

While waiting for the completion of our new building, E. W. Foster students currently attend Sam Sherratt (Grades 1 and 4) and the Ernest C. Drury School for the Hearing Impaired (Grades 2 and 3). At E. C. Drury, we have acquired a self-contained portion of the residence, for approximately 150 students, and general offices. The Grades 2 and 3 students have many opportunities to associate with the hearing impaired students, and have already encountered many positive experiences.

Fortunately, E. C. Drury, Sam Sherratt and the new E. W. Foster buildings are within a short distance of each other and each can be reached within a few minutes. Students at the E. C. Drury location are able to take a school bus if they wish.

Staff and students in both schools have been organized to make an easy transition when we move in February. A total of approximately 250 students and Grade 5 students will remain at Sherratt for the duration of the school year. Beginning September 1983, E. W. Foster will be a full Kindergarten to Grade 5 school.

Mr. Wiens, formerly vice-principal at W. I. Dick Public School, is the principal of the new school, and looks forward to a very interesting and successful year. As soon as things "settle down" we will be holding an "open house" at the E. C. Drury location, and parents (Kindergarten to Grade 4) will be invited to attend.

The next few months will be an exciting challenge for staff, students, and parents. As we begin to form the personality of our school, and to interact with the community we look forward to working co-operatively with the community, in order to make this, and subsequent years, as pleasant an experience as possible.

## Martin St. Public School

Greetings from the oldest school in town. Martin Street serves the central and longer established part of the town; the school is situated on Martin St. directly opposite Woodward Ave.; the railroad tracks form natural limits to the grounds behind the building. Our school boundaries are Ontario St. (east), Main St. (south), Bronte St. (west) and 401 (north). In addition, we have children (Continued on page A7)

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## Running . . .

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Many came to give donations, others to cheer the participants around the track.

It is not known yet how much money was raised by J.M. Denyes, but the exact amount is likely to be made known by next week.

An estimated \$15,000 was raised by close to 200 area residents who participated in the Milton Terry Fox run.

All ages ranging from seven to 72 years walked, jogged and cycled the 10 kilometre track through town streets Sunday afternoon.

"We were very happy with the turn out," said Barry Martens, run organizer.

The oldest participant was a 72-year-old gentleman who ran the entire course.

The first runner to finish was Cliff Waddington who did the route in 34 minutes.

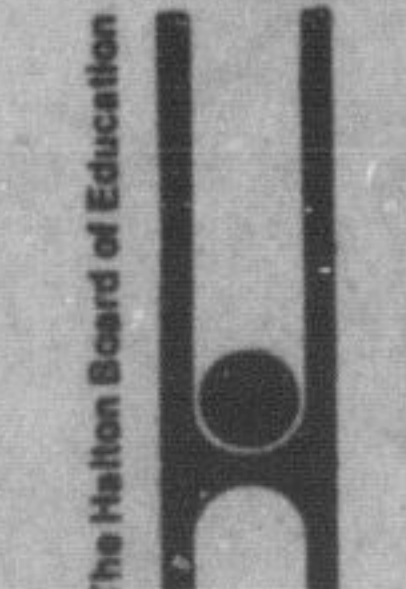
The first junior runner was Dan Wood 11, who did the run in 42 minutes.

Shannon Short 10, was the first junior girl to finish, completing the course in just over 58 minutes.

Mr. Martens, a runner himself, did the trek in 43 minutes.

Two water stations were set up and a juice booth at the finish at Milton District High School.

Mr. Martens said he is looking forward to an even bigger success next year.



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Sincerely,  
G.A. Krantz, Mayor  
Town of Milton