

Meeting held in Nassagaweya

# Big bins are rural recycling's answer to Blue Box

By KAREN SMITH

Questions about what items can be recycled and where to dump them were the most common inquiries by Nassagaweya residents at Brookville Public School Wednesday evening.

Approximately 75 residents attended a meeting, sponsored by the Nassagaweya Community School Association, about rural recycling.

Those present included a panel of experts on the subject.

Representatives from the Town of Milton, the recycling industry, the Campbellville Women's Institute and a retail store which sells environmentally friendly products made up the panel.

Residents learned about the household hazardous waste depot on Steeles Avenue,

just east of the Hwy. 401 overpass in Milton, which is open Thursday to Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Various containers for paint products, solvents, cleaning materials, aerosol sprays, pesticides and automotive products can be disposed of at the facility.

John Matthews, director of the public works department for the Town of Milton, said the Town greatly supports recycling but is financially limited on the extent of services it can provide.

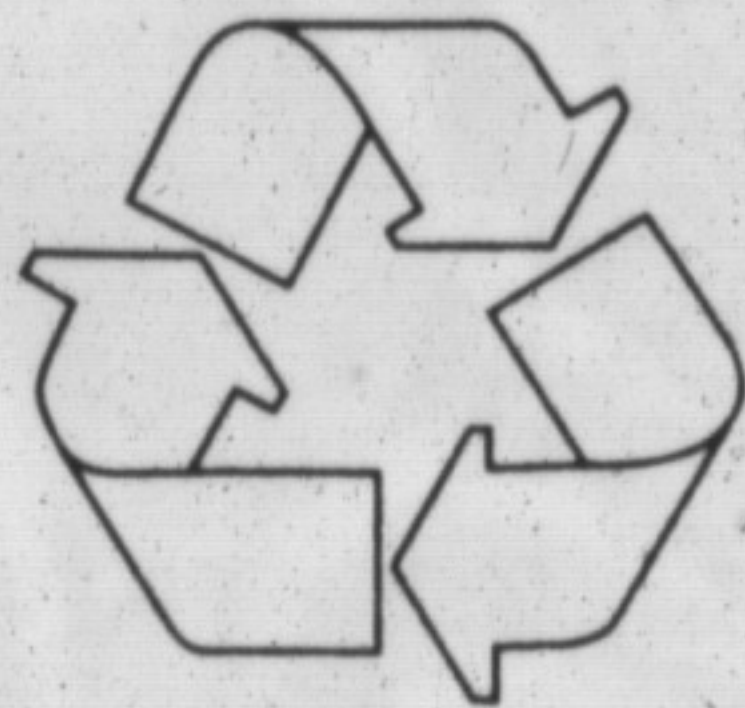
"Budget restraints have stopped further recycling answers," he said.

The Blue Box program is in effect in urban Milton but not in the rural areas, he said. Instead, on Guelph Line, bins for glass, tin and newspapers are available.

Brenda Elliott, owner of For Earth's Sake in Guelph, is trying to make a difference by running a business which sells "environmentally friendlier" products and services.

She called her products "friendlier" because "everything pays an environmental price," she said.

"Our reason for doing this was to make a difference and after three months, I can say we are making a difference."



## Sweet day at Crawford Lake

Crawford Lake's Sweet Water Day will be held March 18 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All are welcome to join in the festive activities.

The day of native Indian events will feature maple syrup demonstrations. Maple syrup products will be sold at the gift shop. Tasty bannock (corn bread) will be served along with the syrup.

Children will enjoy the crafts galore in the Kid's Room, while the whole family can participate in the Maple Scavenger Hunt.

A moccasin-clad guide will lead visitors through Crawford Lake's lush forests. Following the hike, natural tea will be served to all participants.

Live entertainers will perform foot stomping and folk music in the auditorium.

Crawford Lake is located on the corner of Steeles Avenue and Guelph Line, 15 minutes north of the QEW, or four miles south of Hwy 401.

## Kids and Balloon Science...

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We also took a look at Etta Kaner's Balloon Science. When the children spied my small bags of round and airship balloons, they were anxious to see the balloon tricks. The 11-year-old and I set up our balloon lab in the livingroom. To the delight of the children, the balloons shot through the air like rockets. Our three black cats took note too.

We lifted up a book by inflating a balloon underneath it and we played balloon games with static electricity. The show isn't over yet.

For each experiment, Ms Kaner explains what has caused the special effect. She also invites readers to try additional experiments. Next on our agenda is her underwater diver which, among other materials, requires a piece of Plasticine in the shape of a snake. I know just where I can find some.

These three 96-page books are all published by Kids Can Press in Toronto and cost \$9.95 each.

## Cancer society's daffodil sales get underway

If you work in Milton and your business has not been visited by a local Cancer Society volunteer you may miss your chance to give hope to cancer patients.

Last week, local businesses were given daffodil order forms that will be picked up next week. The flowers—a symbol of hope—are sold in bunches of 10 for \$3 each. They're delivered to businesses on Thursday, Apr. 5.

The flowers are also sold at Milton Mall starting April 5 at 1 p.m. and are available until they run out—usually by noon the following Saturday.

Any businesses that have not been contacted about advance daffodil orders are asked to contact Diane Comstock at 876-1829. The list of businesses is being updated by the daffodil campaign organizers, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

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