



H.S.S. sociology students are taking turns helping children at the Haldimand School with academic and art work on Wednesdays. Pictured here going clockwise are Greg Atkinson, Lynn Bilton, Timmy Henry, Dan Barilla, Billy Hofweller and Tim Horne. (staff photo)

H.S.S. Sociology Students Help At Haldimand School

Twenty Hagersville Secondary School students are learning first hand the problems, education and adjustment of mentally retarded children.

They spend one day a month working with young people at the Haldimand School in Cayuga.

The grade 13 sociology class volunteers assist in sports, crafts, reading, numbers and outings.

It's a tremendous program, Haldimand School principal Mrs. Ed Parsons told the Record last week. Some students have a case study and take the children for walks, participate in their activities and study their environment here. She finds the extra help a great boon.

John Cecchini, who teaches the course at Hagersville, is also enthusiastic about the program.

He explained that in the past students have visited the Haldimand School or

Adult Opportunity Centre for a day while taking the problems of the physically handicapped and mentally retarded.

This year, however, since they need the extra help at the school, grade 13 students volunteered to go on a regular basis.

Five students go at a time to spend their Wednesday in Cayuga. They have to find their own transportation and are responsible for the work they miss, Mr. Cecchini said. They are not marked on their effort, but he does feel it is helping them a great deal.

The kids are really keen about it and he is hoping some will go into this area after graduation. This experience is really making the students aware of retarded children, Mr. Cecchini said. And you definitely appreciate your own well being when you see the handicapped, he added.



Trudy Schaeffer matches colors and symbols in an exercise at the Haldimand School. (staff photo)

They try to keep a happy atmosphere alive in the Haldimand School section of J.L. Mitchener P.S. "It's one of the most important aspects of the whole thing," Mrs. Parsons told the Record. "If retarded youngsters are happy, we feel they can achieve much more."

Teachers must definitely live within the children's limitations for achievement and not frustrate them, she said. "We tread very slowly, carefully..."

Forty-four students from all across Haldimand attend the school. And volunteer assistance is relied upon heavily.

If it weren't for volunteers, the kids wouldn't receive nearly as much individual attention, Mrs. Lou Tyson, primary class instructor commented. Every child is working at a different level and needs someone to stay with him or her while printing a word or doing an exercise.

Every day five unpaid workers willingly spend their time doing crafts.

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H-N Looks At Three Sites In Jarvis Area For Complex

Haldimand-Norfolk regional councillors are looking at three sites in the Jarvis area for their new administrative complex.

Regional Chairman John McCombs told the Record last Thursday all the properties are located in the Townsend site on land owned by the province. Two are on Highway 3 and one is on Highway 6.

The Region wants a 25 to 30 acre parcel or maybe even more, Mr. McCombs said. And council hopes the

Ministry of Housing will appropriate a site to them.

All the land falls under a clause requiring the province to give two years notice to the tenants, he said. If Queen's Park won't give the land away, we'll have to look at private land, he added.

The Highway 6 site is just north of Bray Chicks in Jarvis, one Highway 3 site is west of the stoplight and the second Highway 3 is at the Nanticoke Creek.

Also at council: The Engineering Committee chairman and vice-chairman for 1975 are John Casselton Jr. and Gordon Miller.

Twenty-nine two-way radios have been purchased for trucks in the regional Truck Pool at an estimated cost of \$23,087.

A resolution from the Regional Municipality of Halton suggesting traffic in both directions stop when school bus lights are flashing

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Jean Reu (right) presented guide leader Ruth Perry with a cup and saucer last Wednesday night as a going away present. Monica Perry looks on. The Perry family is moving to Oakville where Reverend Douglas will be preaching. (staff photo)

Mohawk, Niagara, Fanshawe

H-N Wants More Than One College To Develop Here

More than one community college should be allowed to continue and expand its educational programs in Haldimand-Norfolk, regional councillors decided at a meeting in Cayuga Thursday.

And they intend to protest to James Auld, minister of Colleges and Universities and the Council of Regents for Community Colleges a recently announced decision "to charge Mohak College, Hamilton with the responsibilities for all future community college development in the Region."

Fanshawe and Niagara also serve the residents of H-N. Regional councillors feel both of them, along with Mohawk should be

permitted to carry on to meet the needs of the Region until it can support its own community college.

People Pick West Route

Area residents prefer the "West Route" in the Nanticoke to Hamilton Highway 6 Corridor Study, according to results in a preliminary survey.

Steven Radbone, Senior Project Planner with the Ministry of Transportation and Communication, told H-N regional councillors Thursday people participating in public meetings gave the westerly route the greatest number of votes. "No Choice" came second, with the Highway 56 Route, Central Route and CNR Route following

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in that order. Approximately 400 citizens attended the meeting in Caledonia and 274 in Jarvis.

The Joint Use Corridor planners have eliminated the Highway 56 alternative and added two more - the Glancaster Route and the existing Highway 6 with Bypasses.

They are inviting the public to attend another series of meetings to hear their evaluations, make comments and state a route preference. The first meeting will be held in the

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