

## 1973...in the news

- Following a two-year battle to keep it open, Halton School Board announces Norval School is slated to close in June of 1974, as it only has 45 students. Chapel Street School will also close the same date, with 126 students in a school with space for 390.

- Halton's last Warden, Anne MacArther steps down as Halton's first Regional Chair. Allan Masson takes over the position in the new year.

- North Halton Contact Centre takes its first calls giving distressed people a place to call for solace, information or simply a person to talk to.

- Claude Picket of Georgetown received \$29,000 for a Holstein cow consigned to the Sale of Stars at the Royal Winter Fair. Hillside Farms of Rhode Island purchased Pickland Citation Maria, a Rosafe Citation R daughter.

- It was announced that Halton County Jail will be closed in 1975, to be replaced by the new Maplehurst Complex. The Peel County Jail in Brampton will be phased out at the same time.



Enjoying the crafts at a Union Church bazaar



GDHS cross-country runners



The Opti-Mrs Bazaar at Holy Cross



Left and below: The first office of The Independent on Mill Street



Dealing with a mattress fire on Carole Street

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- After 35 years working at Georgetown Post Office, retiring Postmaster Harold Marshall was honoured at a reception. Marshall was Postmaster for 24 years.

- Acton Fire Chief Mick Holmes was chosen to be the new Halton Hills Fire Chief, over three other applicants.

- Region Councillors came under fire after they voted themselves a \$8,500 salary

- While the Solandt Commission is conducting hearings regarding the proposed 500 KV power transmission corridor from Middleport to Pickering, Ontario Hydro is holding meetings to determine two rights-of-ways for 500 KV power lines between Bradley Junction and the Acton-Rockwood-Georgetown area.

- Jim Snow, MPP for Halton East and Minister of Government Services announced that leased premises have been obtained for use by the Niagara Escarpment Commission.

- A \$250,000 expansion doubling the size of Curwood Packaging (Canada) Ltd., is both good news and bad news for staff. Good news? The size of the plant will double and so will the number of employees. The bad news? Their floodlit skating rink will be lost to accommodate the expansion.



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