

Environment and cemetery topics of Norval W.I.

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Dorothy McLean hosted the October meeting of the Norval Women's Institute. President Gisela Malchin opened the meeting reading

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a poem, *Little Leaves*.

Halton District W.I. Fall Board Meeting report by Aileen Nixon centered on FWIO Centennial Celebrations, being held at the Con-

vention Centre in Hamilton in June 1997. To participate, all members of Women's Institutes, past and present, should register soon with FWIO.

Halton Hills Councillor Kathy Gastle came to our

meeting to report that a letter, written by MP Julian Reed regarding the McNabb Pioneer Cemetery, has been received by Council. Mr. Reed will give to the Town a walkway from front to back of the cemetery lot and a small portion of land at the back of the lot to build a cairn.

John Hutton, serving his fourth term as Councillor for Ward 6 in Brampton, was our guest speaker. John spoke about his six years as a member of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVCA).

The CVCA includes 1,000 sq. km of land and 300,000 residents. Ontario Ministries are passing pollution problems on to Conservation Authorities. Municipalities have to look after their own parks now.

Brampton Industrial Employment Planning is working with landowners to plant trees through the Credit Valley. Churchville is now Heritage Village and Huttonville is publishing a history book.

Brampton planning has triggered a proposal for a GO Station at Mount Pleasant - Hwy. 7 and Creditview Road.

Our next meeting is Nov. 7 at Norma Thompson's.

Wildwood traffic calming?

Town staff will investigate complaints by a Wildwood Road resident about the volume and speed of traffic using 22 Sideroad, Eighth Line and Wildwood as a "Georgetown by-pass."

Ward 2 Councillor Kevin Kuiack raised the issue after receiving a letter from Wildwood Road resident Tom Bentley who wants safety improved by lowering the posted speed limit and installing speed bumps.

Mr. Alfano's Opus

BY JULIA SKIKAVICH
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At a time when there is so much controversy over the education system, a time when the educators are being labeled as corrupt and uncaring, it is appropriate that a teacher defies those labels and proves to be something much more to his students. Mr. Alfano, the music teacher at Bishop Reding, was recently honoured with the Excellence in Teaching Award.

The music program at Bishop Reding provides a unique way for students to break away from the monotony of the school day, giving them a chance to indulge in a different form of learning. Part of the en-

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joyment that comes out of the music program is greatly attributed to Mr. Alfano's unconventional methods of teaching. Although the program demands a great deal of time and commitment from the students involved, Mr. Alfano's constant guidance and encouragement drives many to discover talents of which they were unaware.

From the music program comes the Junior and Senior Bands, both of which are conducted by Mr. Alfano. These extra-curricular activities enhance the learning experience by offering the students an opportunity to improve upon their skills while taking part in a fun and interesting activ-

ity.

The Senior Band, consisting of nearly 60 members, will be taking a trip to Chicago later in the year; also they will be touring the elementary schools, including those in Georgetown. It is hoped that the Junior Band will be playing in some retirement and nursing homes in the area.

Mr. Alfano's contributions to the school, both in the classroom and beyond, are much appreciated by the students. His classes not only build an appreciation for music but equip students with ethics and knowledge needed later in life. Congratulations, Sir, and happy birthday!

Mountainview subdivisions get Town draft approval

Subject to a number of conditions including adequate water, Town Council gave draft approval to two adjacent housing development proposals on Mountainview Road North in Glen Williams.

Georgetown Investments plans to build 147 units and Meadowglen, on the site of the former mushroom factory, plans to build 67 units

in an adjoining developments which will share a collector road and will include park land, open space, roads and a storm pond.

The developers have approval to begin Phase I work of 59 units but draft approval for the remainder of the two plans of subdivision has been withheld until the issue of water capacity is settled.

Crime Prevention Week in Halton

The Halton Regional Police Service will once again be participating in Crime Prevention Week which runs this week until Friday.

The focus will be Auto Theft and Theft From Auto, crimes which have been plaguing this Region and the surrounding areas.

By working together we can curb or eliminate auto theft and related thefts in our Region.

Police will be at the GO Station on Friday morning.



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