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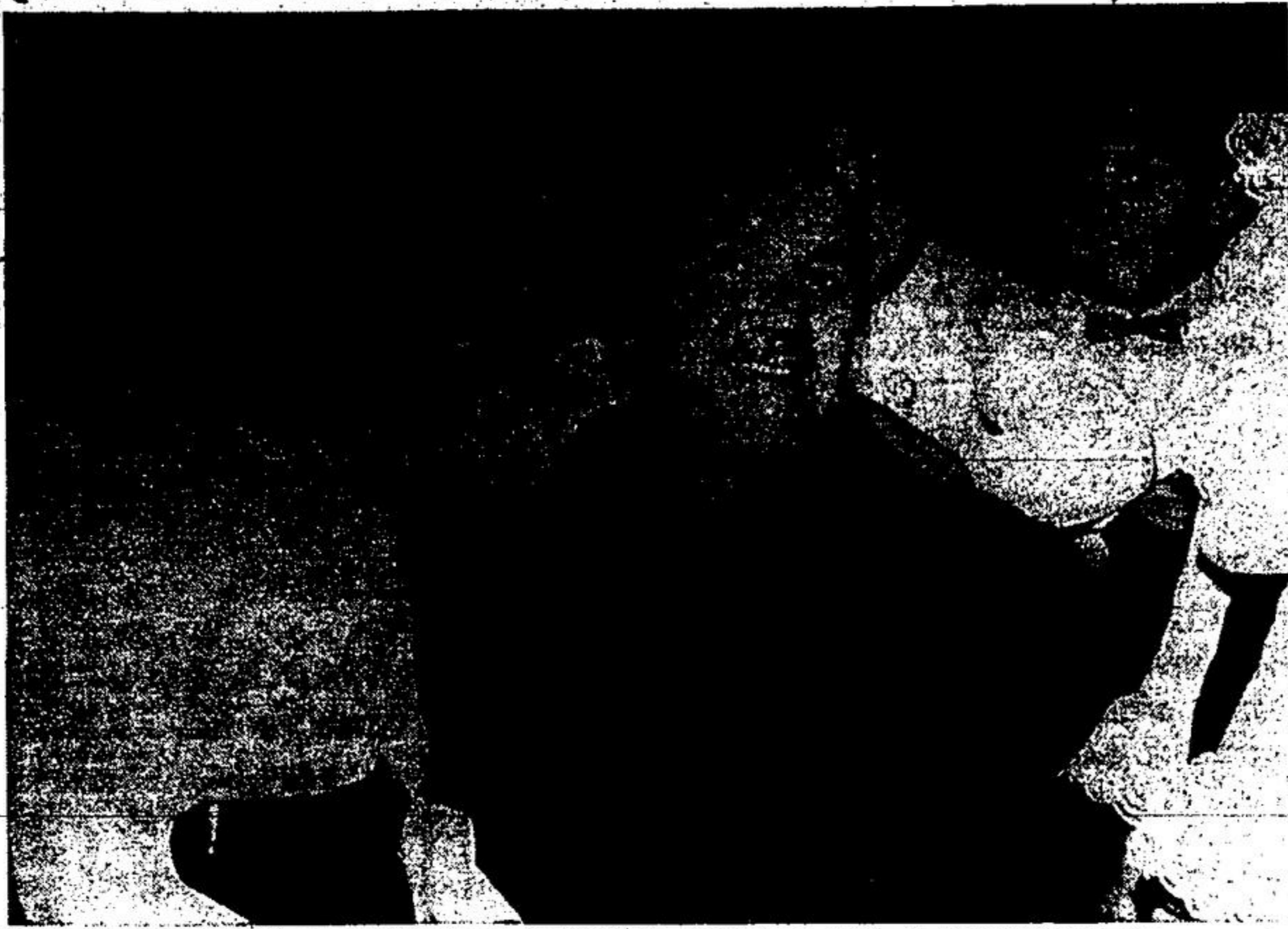
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QUARTER CENTURY AS PRIEST



SILVER JUBILEE FOR FATHER ZENO

CHILDREN SURROUND FATHER ZENO DEROO of Holy Cross Parish at his Silver Jubilee in the church Sunday. High mass was offered by six priests in concelebration, a first in Georgetown. See story page 2.

Hope Youth Forum May Be Semi-Annual Feature

"It was the most interesting and worthwhile youth organization meeting I ever attended. It was very beneficial and in the next session I will encourage all my friends to attend so they may also benefit. I only hope you hold another youth forum in the near future." These were the words of a young man who attended the Youth Forum at Knox Presbyterian Church last Saturday.

Sixty-four teenagers and about a dozen adults registered for the all day forum sponsored by the Georgetown Junior Chamber of Commerce. Mayor Joseph Gibbons and Joyce Al Teeter welcomed the participants who listened, discussed, and contributed to the panel discussions on the subjects of alcohol, sex and teenage responsibility and rights. The morning speaker, Mr. Garth Toombs of Alcoholism and Drug Addiction Research Foundation told the members that there were over 100,000 alcoholics in Ontario, but at least one third of the adult population say "no" to alcohol completely. Several were surprised to learn that too much alcohol can actually cause death.

After a noon meal provided by the ladies of Knox Church, Mr. E.B. Lillie, Guidance Counselor of Brampton High School, outlined the place and responsibilities which youth have but pleaded for greater rights for the young members of society. The movie, "Phoebe" was shown which in a moving and forceful manner showed the inward struggle of a pregnant high school girl. This was followed by further discussion and an address by Dr. Ken Allen, chairman of the Sex Education and Information Council of Canada. A panel discussion closed the day—a full one which will long be remembered by all who attended.

"I think that more of these

should be organized and more teenagers should be informed," was one comment. So on Monday, May 1 at 7:30 at Knox Church there will be a meeting of all those interested in discussing a future youth forum. Perhaps from this may come a permanent semi-annual meeting of youth in Georgetown.

High Festival Honors For Mezzo Sandra Greig

Mrs. Sandra Greig, won the W.E. Capps Memorial Rosebowl on her first entry in the Peel Music Festival last week. Senior vocal winner, Mrs. Greig was chosen from all senior singers who won gold medals in classes, soprano, mezzo-soprano, tenor and contralto.

A mezzo-soprano, Mrs. Greig won first and second honors at the Davenport Festival in Toronto. She is a dental assistant with her husband Dr. Harry Greig in Georgetown.

She was first in two classes for mezzo-soprano any age on Tuesday night, April 18.

Lois Elliott, also of Georgetown was first in the vocal solo class for girls under 14; and Milree Armstrong, Georgetown, and Bill Brush, Milton, won the class for mixed duet any age.

Busy Season Ahead For Georgetown Girl Pipers

The Georgetown Girls Pipe Band has had its elections and is now preparing for a busy centennial season.

The elections resulted with Marilyn Mackenzie named president, Linda Rudiger secretary, Patty Burns treasurer, and Becky Cooper property chairman.

Upcoming engagements include: April 30, Clarkson Centennial Parade; May 13, Burlington Community Parade; May 22, Township of Toronto Centennial Parade; June 11, Georgetown Graveside Decoration Service; June 17, Kitchener Pipe Band Tattoo; June 24, Glen Williams; July 1, Brampton Flower Festival Parade; August 23, Galt Kinamen Club Parade; September 1, Smithville Fall Fair; September 3, Black Creek Pioneer Village.

Drum major is Mrs. R. Hillier and pipe major Mrs. F. Hulme.

Larger Railway Share For Mountain Bridge

The CNR will contribute 10 per cent more toward the construction of the Mountainview Rd. Bridge than originally estimated, a letter from Damas and Smith informed council Monday night. The amount is upped from \$20,000 to \$22,000.

The engineering firm hopes to advertise for bids in mid-May and start construction in mid-June. They warned that labour costs might force the price up.

Cr. William Smith stated he didn't like the sound of rising labour cost, but reminded council the grants would increase in proportion.

Later in the meeting a motion was passed to install a 16" water main under the bridge for future use. Deputy Reeve Arthur Speight pointed out it would be much cheaper to do while construction was in progress.

Weather

April	H	L	R	S
Wed., 12	42	19	12	
Thurs., 13	48	30	1	
Fri., 14	54	41	07	0
Sat., 15	72	40	T	7.5
Sun., 16	69	38	12	
Mon., 17	54	41	34	0.5
Tues., 18	43	37	2	
Wed., 19	53	35	12	
Thurs., 20	59	33	12	
Fri., 21	45	39	10	0
Sat., 22	59	37	31	6
Sun., 23	43	33	1.5	
Mon., 24	44	31	4	
Tues., 25	50	26	13	

Average H 52.5; L 34.3;
Total R .82"; S 83.5 hrs.
(48 per cent of poss.)

Store Break-In Gets \$25 In Loot

Approximately \$25 was taken from a cash register in a break-in and theft at a corner Georgetown grocery store late Friday night or early Saturday morning.

The robbery was discovered by Walker Cleave, an employee of Rawson's Grocery, 7 King St., when he arrived for work at 8:30 a.m. The break-in occurred sometime between then and 9:15 Friday night.

Police said a window was smashed and a lock forced with a pry bar.

The store is operated by Mrs. E. Rawson, 1 Caroline St. Constable John Glass is handling the investigation.

Tornado Damage To Motel In Missouri

The severe tornados in the states last week damaged property of a former Georgetown man.

At the Rockway Motor Court at Osage Beach, Missouri, lightning struck one of the motel units and a trailer was destroyed in the subsequent fire.

The motor court is operated by Don Hutchinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hutchinson, 12 Edith Street.

Three Mill Hike in Georgetown Taxes

OPP Investigates Bad Cheques Passed at Norval

A sign at the Cedar Spring Motel, Silvercreek, broken by juveniles, and a bad cheque passed at Norval were local incidents in a list of 44 general occurrences investigated by the North Halton detachment of the OPP during the past week.

These include:

- 1 armed robbery where 2 persons hired a taxi in Hamilton and drove into Nassagaweya Twp. where the driver was robbed and the taxi stolen; this investigation is continuing.
- 1 robbery with violence in Nassagaweya Twp. involving 3 persons from Guelph, who have been arrested and charged.
- 1 fraud, involving the passing of a bad cheque at Norval.
- 1 investigation into the passing of counterfeit money at Mohawk Raceway.
- 1 malicious damage investigation where an outdoor sign at Cedar Springs Motel on No. 7 Highway was broken by stones thrown by juveniles.

2 persons arrested for Burlington Police Dept.

1 erratic driver removed from the highway and charged.

2 juveniles missing and both later located.

3 premises found insecure at night.

2 liquor seizures, resulting in 3 persons being charged under the liquor Control Act.

Other occurrences were of a minor nature.

During this period two escorts were supplied for Centennial Caravans travelling in Milton Detachment area.

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Councillors Heap Praise on Finance Chairman W. Emmerson

A three mill tax hike was officially adopted by council on Monday night over the objections of the mayor and Cr. Jim Young. (Reeve Bill Hunter was absent.) On a house assessed at \$4,500, this means an increase of \$13.50.

The mill rate now stands at 78.46 residential and farm, and 88.27 industrial and commercial, for public school supporters.

The break down for 1967 is as follows:

	Resid'l. & Farm (Mills)	Indus'l. & Comm'l. (Mills)
Public School rate	21.69	24.10
High school rate	19.93	22.15
General rate	30.89	34.07
County rate	5.95	5.95
Total consold. Public Sc. rate	78.46	80.27

The three mill increase consists of a 2.29 increase in the high school rate, .23 in the county levy, and .48 in the general rate. The general rate is the only one over which council has control.

In presenting his first budget, finance chairman 'Steamer' Emmerson explained that the anticipated four mill increase was cut to three because the unconditional government grant was upped \$1.50 per capita.

He stated this budget would include the fire truck and the ambulance. "The important thing is the increased cost of education," said the finance chairman, "between the high school and the public schools for the maintenance and debt there is an increase of \$87,000." He pointed out that in the past few years the general rate had not risen, but this year it was up, almost half a mill. He attributed the rise to salary hikes in the works and police departments, plus \$25,000 for the town's share of the new Mountainview Road bridge.

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creases. "There has been an increase of only \$50,000 in general spending since 1962," claimed the finance chairman. "In addition the general debenture debt is declining, but the debenture debt for education is going up rapidly."

Cr. Robert Francis, who last week criticized the procedure in adopting the budget, stated he still felt the procedure could be improved, then added, "the present finance chairman has done the best job I have ever seen in the years I've been on council."

Cr. Jim Young also commended Cr. Emmerson's efforts, but attacked a \$1,000 amount set aside in administration budget for conventions. "I thought I set a precedent by abolishing convention funds in my police budget" he commented. He criticized also, the increase to the Library Board from \$14,331 to \$16,000. "Last year they had a surplus of \$6,500, which they are now spending, with the \$16,000 they are up to the \$22,000 they asked," he contended. He doubted the need of a second garbage packer, saying "there's \$15,000 we could save."

Cr. 'Tut' Harrison defended the purchase of a second garbage packer, on the grounds that the rental is applied to the purchase price, until the town has bought it. "\$20,000 in the sanitation department budget was never used last year, but was used instead to bail out other departments," he remarked.

Cr. Roy Ballentine complimented the finance chairman on the job he had done. "It was nice to sit with a finance chairman who would listen to other committee chairmen's ideas," he added. Cr. Ballentine explained he had originally been opposed to the second garbage packer, until he realized that the present one would be paid up in July, and the second one would begin payments in August. He felt that the projected increase in the number of homes this year warranted the purchase.

While adding his congratulations to the finance chairman, deputy reeve Arthur Speight contended that the mill rate increase should have been left at the proposed four mill rise, to provide for contingencies.

However, he stated, he would not oppose the budget.

Cr. William Smith stated "Steamer has done a tremendous job, even if I'm not completely satisfied with the allocation of the money." He wondered how the May 15th tax collection date would affect the homeowners who pay their mortgage and taxes at the banks. "The only big increases are in welfare and ambulance, and I support the new ambulance wholeheartedly."

"Everybody is complimenting the finance chairman, and rightly so," began the mayor. "but nobody has complimented me on having the wisdom to appoint him finance chairman in the first place."

The mayor repeated earlier statements, saying that the retention of the present mill rate would have been the greatest publicity for the town. "The budget could have been held, if some things were eliminated," he expressed disappointment at the Library Board's increase and claimed there were girls in the town office with salaries \$30.00 less than the librarian.

He claimed that the assessment from the houses now under construction and from industries just getting started, would have held the mill rate at the '66 level. "If public money were handled in the way we'd like to handle our own money, the mill rate could have been held the same as last year," he concluded.

"We could have held the mill rate if \$70,000 in subsidies had not gone down the drain," reported Cr. Robert Francis.

The bylaw to set the mill rate passed 6-2, with Cr. Young and the mayor opposed.

Reeve Hunter was away and unable to attend the meeting.

High School Board Moves to Acquire Tost Property

A 2.5 acres deficiency in Georgetown High School property noted by the Department of Education two years ago will be erased if a move to expropriate a parcel of land to the east of the school is successful.

The high school board made public this week that their solicitors, Dale, Bennett, Latimer and Baines, are proceeding to expropriate the last piece of a farm owned by Jack Tost, 72 Guelph Street. The parcel measures 2.8 acres.

A board spokesman said "the current building project made it imperative that the high school eastward-onto the new school add to its property and

the Tost land is the only solution."

Appraisal was made in July and again in November. The board's decision to expropriate was made in October.

Negotiations between the board and Mr. Tost for the remaining parcel started in 1962. Sale of the land was discussed twice in 1966 without an agreement reached.

The board anticipates another construction project in two or three years and if the expropriation project made at the time it is successful will extend the school eastward-onto the new school land.

Georgetown, Esquering Settle On Fire Agreement

Cr. Jim Young announced Monday night that the controversial fire agreement issue between Georgetown and Esquering had finally been settled.

Esquering had agreed to pay 45% of the town's \$23,975 budget for the fire department, which would make Esquering's share \$13,145.

This agreement is a fourteen and a half month agreement dating back to October 11th.

LOUISE MIGUE WINNER HAMILTON TALENT SHOW

Louise Migue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Migue, RR 2, Georgetown, was second place winner in a variety talent show in Hamilton on the weekend.

Louise, a Holy Cross separate school pupil, is 12 years old and plays piano. She is a pupil of Mrs. Morrison of Brampton.



Tory Flag Bearer Jim Snow at Esquering Meeting. MR. AND MRS. JIM SNOW, R. R. 2, Georgetown, talk with Esquering Councilor Tom Hill and Mrs. Hill at the annual meeting of the Esquering Progressive Conservative Association in Stewarttown Hall, Thursday night. Jim Snow will carry the P-C colour in the next provincial election. Mr. Hill is the Esquering Association president.