

# Anne MacArthur challenges Brian Best for mayor of Central Halton



Brian Best

Central Halton's unusually mild election picture suddenly sparked a rash of last-minute nominations assured voters there would be an election—and a fairly heavily-contested one at that.

With 21 candidates in the running for 14 seats on the new Central Halton Council and two boards of education, just two councillors and two trustees received an acclamation.

The big race will be a majority battle between two veteran politicians, incumbent Milton Mayor Brian Best and incumbent Nassagaweya Reeve and Halton Warden Mrs. Anne MacArthur. Best had announced four days be-

fore nominations opened that he would again seek the top seat on the local council and, while Mrs. MacArthur was rumored as a candidate, none was sure until her nomination paper was presented to the clerk Friday at supper time.

Both contested Central Halton will elect two councillors to sit on both the local council and the Halton Region Council, similar to the seats now held by the reeve and deputy reeve. And there's a contest for both of them.

Incumbent Nassagaweya Deputy Reeve Jim Watson of Campbellville is being challenged by former councillor and former clerk Don McMill-

lan of Moffat for the one seat representing the rural areas. One seat also goes to an urban representative and two incumbents, Milton Reeve Iob McCuaig and Deputy Reeve Mrs. Marjorie Powys are in the running for that seat.

Miltonians will have six names on the ballot for the four local council seats. Last-minute challenger Gordon Cartwright of Milton made it a six-way race Monday as he was nominated to oppose incumbents Jim Kerr, Gord Krantz, Hazel Porter, Ron Harris and Art Melanson.

Two pieces Rural wards east and west of Milton which are being lumped with Milton and a small portion of Esqueping

form the Central Halton unit of regional government, will each have two local councillors starting Jan. 1, 1974. Two are acclaimed and three others are seeking the other seats.

Acclamations went to Nassagaweya Councillor Russell Powadluk, a one-year council veteran, and new challenger G. Bradford Clements in Ward Three which comprises all of Nassagaweya plus all of Burlington north of Derry Rd. Both men were expecting at least a three-way contest for the two seats but no other nominations were posted as of 5 p.m. Monday, they were unofficially acclaimed to office.

On the east side of town, a ward comprising North Oakville and a portion of Burlington will have two local seats on Central Halton Council and two veterans Iob Gordon and Rick Day are being challenged there by Tony Green. Mr. Green is presently a member of Oakville P.U.C.

In the education field, one contest is shaping up between incumbent county board members William A. Lawson and Ivan Armstrong. Lawson has represented Esqueping since the board's inception and Armstrong was elected last December to be Milton's 1973 representative, but the regional boundary shuffle finds them both residing in

the Milton ward in Central Halton.

Long-term north Oakville trustee Douglas Wood of Burlington won an acclamation for the rural area seat on the county board. And Angelo Tonelli of Milton won an acclamation to the Halton Separate School Board. He's also an incumbent and has been a trustee since the board was formed, with earlier service on the Milton Separate School Board.

Monday's nominations indicated three present members of Milton and Nassagaweya Councils are planning to retire later this year. Syd Childs, a 22-year veteran on council, is calling it quits.

Keyed all guessing Nassagaweya Councillors J. Calvin McIntyre and Art Gibson are also retiring this year.

George Pollett of R.R. 6 Milton, another long time education trustee, is also retiring at the end of 1973.

The election day is Monday, Oct. 1 and the new councillors are expected to be sworn into office for their three-year terms around the middle of October.



Anne MacArthur

## Watch for ships?

### Station tower moved to Esqueping farm

The destiny of the tower of the C.N. railway station at Acton has been altered. It was purchased by La Verne Lipsett who cut it where necessary, numbered the sections and pieces, and removed it to his property near Silvercreek.

Eventually, the Lipsett's hope to reassemble the tower but they have not decided whether they will set it up as a lighthouse in which to watch for ships in Esqueping township or as a cosy dining nook. Their children, Steven, 7, and Tiffany, 4, are in favor of using it as their private rocket ship.

Mr. Lipsett was on holidays when he saw the station had been partially torn down and he was able to buy the tower from the new station owner and start to work on its removal. When the time came to lift off the tower roof

all the cranes and boom truck owners he contacted seemed to be tied up for the long Labor Day weekend. With the generous loan of a wagon from Scotsdale Farm, R.R. 1, Georgetown, and the volunteer help of two neighbors, Peter Walton and Frank Van De Valk, the tower was transported to 27 Sideroad, Esqueping Township.

Since the 25 acres already has historical merit in that it belonged to the late Col. Ballantine and the four stone buildings on the property (not counting a little stone dog house) were built from limestone quarried on the site, it seemed that the acquisition of the Acton station's tower would preserve more of the history of Halton County, but the Lipsett property lies on the Niagara escarpment so the tower will probably lie

dismantled until the future of their land is determined by the government.

Mrs. Margaret Lipsett is the author of the humorous article "The Antique Bug" which appeared in the hard-cover collector's book "The Book of Auctions" published by Ward-Price Ltd., Auctioneers, in 1970.

While attending Orangeville High School she wrote a weekly column "High School Highlights" for the Orangeville Banner and while attending Alliston High School was "roundabout editor" for the "High School Herald" which was published weekly in the Alliston Herald and four other weekly newspapers.

Starting in September, 1973-June, 1974, she will be serving as a volunteer parent on the editorial board of the "Halton Education News".

## Ottawa Report

by Terry O'Connor — Halton MP



Fall in rural Ontario is synonymous with county fairs. There are six fair weekends in our riding of Halton this year, including those at Milton, Georgetown, Acton and Erin, as well as the Milton Steam-Era and the Hillsburgh Potato Fest. The Members of Parliament from rural Ontario are the envy of those from the cities and other provinces. It seems that our type of small agricultural fair is almost unique to Southern Ontario. These weekends provide an informal and pleasant atmosphere in which to meet and chat with friends and neighbors.

It is also a chance for politicians to do a little politicking. This year, with regional and municipal elections slated for October 1, there is a virtual waiting line of big smiles and hearty handshakes for every fairgoer.

People tend to forget soaring prices and capital punishment for a while and spend a few hours pretending they know all about knocking

a wooden milk bottle off a shelf with a worn out baseball. Or, if you are less energetic, you can simply stand around and stare at some of the biggest and best Holsteins in the world. No fear of a hassle—they just stare right back.

Two weekends ago, I took the whole family, including Moe, the four kids and two in-laws, up to the first annual Hillsburgh Potato Fest. It turned out to be an extremely ambitious first effort for the town of less than 600 people. However, all 600 must have been involved in the organization over the last year because the two days of activities included snowmobile races, games, rides for the kids, the crowning of a queen, fashion show, dance, etc., etc. But the most popular attraction, as might be expected, was the beer garden out there in right field at the ball park—tent, music and all. Hillsburgh deserves a great deal of credit for the success of their first venture.

By the time you read this,

the Acton Fair will be over, but here is a rundown of those remaining in Halton riding this fall:

Milton, Sept. 21-22  
Georgetown, Sept. 28-29  
Erin, Oct. 5-6

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## New road

Construction of the new roadway at Elizabeth Dr. and Main N. is finished and the crew of workmen commenced two injured in an accident there last week. Just the paving remains to be done.

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## Acute shortage at county

Faced with an acute shortage of space for administrative offices, Halton County Council is investigating the possibility of using the former Children's Aid headquarters at 48 Hugh St. in Milton to alleviate growing pressures at the Steeles Ave. office building.

One proposal currently being considered is moving both the Emergency Measures Department and the Social and Family Services Department to the Hugh St. office.

Not ideal The building was once a house and has been converted

but according to county officials, the building consists of many small rooms and does not provide ideal office accommodation.

Social and Family Services Administrator Rennie Vivian indicated the move could cause some hardship on his department

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**REMEMBER**  
Residents of Nassagaweya and North Burlington are invited to meet your candidates to-night (Wednesday) at a meet-the-candidates meeting in Fairview School, Lowville, at 8 p.m., sponsored by Upper Burlington Citizens Forum.

**TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH HALTON**

Nominations are in, acclamations awarded and now we know who will be engaged in the age-old struggle of proving to you, the voter why he, the candidate should be elected to a specific seat.


Many of the political aspirants have something to offer due to personal ability and municipal experience. I believe much more than that is required — Regional Government for North Halton must be thought of as a junior Provincial Government and must be administered accordingly.

It will require ability and experience, no argument; it will also require integrity, effective bargaining and the ability to put it all together so that North Halton will become a close-knit community that we can work and play in. It must become a community serviced and administered equally and fairly to all who will and do reside here. To this end I dedicate myself if elected and with the belief that I, Bill Hunter can effectively mould this new community. I respectfully solicit your support to achieve this end on election day, Monday, October 1st, 1973.

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