

Summer recreation program involves five courses

This summer's recreation program has expanded and looks promising. Program coordinator, Glen Gray has divided the program into five courses which include an aquatic course in Georgetown, an aquatic course in Acton, a playground course for Halton Hills, a playground course for the mentally retarded, and a teen program course.

In the aquatic area, both the Acton and Georgetown courses will be basically the same, although because of

the lack of facilities in Acton some swimming programs won't be offered.

The aquatic supervisor for Georgetown is Sean Fisher and her assistant is Beverly Gummer. The requirements for these positions are Royal Life Saving Society instructors. These girls will have 10 or 11 staff members working under them. Their June program will begin by visiting the Georgetown public schools and talking to the students about water safety. This will last for one

week and the following week the students will experience an in-water program at the Georgetown pool.

Cathy Ashley is the aquatic supervisor for Acton. Working with her will be Susan Shoemaker and possibly two other people. The June program in Acton will be the same as Georgetown. Visits to Speyside and M. Z. Bennett public schools are planned in order to promote the water safety week. The in-water program will then follow.

Following the water safety week program, the pools will open for swimming on weekends and weeknights in Georgetown, and weeknights and afternoons in Acton. Lifeguards will be on duty at these times.

The swimming instruction will be in three week sessions beginning on July 2. The registration date for the Acton program will be on June 20, from seven to nine p.m. The Georgetown registration will be on June 19 from seven to nine p.m.

The playground supervisor for Halton Hills will be Kim Fisher. There will be 11 playground sites in the area with two leaders at each site. The sites will be, the Acton park, M. Z. Bennett, Robert Little, Limehouse, Pineview, Joseph Gibbons, Centennial, Park, Harrison, George Kennedy and one other public school playground yet to be determined.

The playground will be a seven week program, beginning on July 2. It will run from nine to four, Monday through Friday. The children will not only have physical activities but also crafts, games, and sing songs.

Every Friday there will be a regular outing, where the children will have to pay to go to such places as the Science Centre and Ontario Place. The playground program, itself, will not cost the children anything. The leaders at the site will take all the children from ages 6 to 12 together without dividing them into age groups, as was done last year.

The playground program for the mentally retarded will be headed by Jane Telford who has had experience in this area previously. This program will begin on July 8, with three two-week sessions. Each two-week session will cost \$5 and the children may be enrolled in one or all of the sessions. The children will participate in crafts, sports, games, sing songs and will be going on an outing every Friday with the regular playground.

Each leader will be in

charge of four or five children. Transportation to and from the Speyside school, to the program site will be provided.

Throughout this summer program volunteers will be required to help in some of the events.

If you would care to volunteer your services in this program, contact Glen Gray at the Recreation Dept. of Halton Hills, or Jane Telford.

Forteen

The summer teen program will be run by Janet Henderson and William Bonner. They will be programming activities for the youth of Acton and Georgetown. The course will run for seven or eight weeks and will be held at the Georgetown High School. Also in this program there is an opening for a teen

supervisor, who is required to be 21 years of age or over.

Also in the summer there will be a regular program of roller skating at both Acton and Georgetown.

If any other information is required on any of the summer programs people may call Glen Gray at the recreation department of Halton Hills (877-5185).

Slash recreation budget \$150,000

The recreation budget for Halton Hills has been slashed by \$150,000—from a proposed \$527,304 to \$377,304.

One of the cuts \$85,000 for the Acton arena roof, will be financed from reserves, and lot levies in Acton subdivisions, but will still be done in 1975.

The report of the proposed cuts were received and filed. "There's nothing we can do," commented the chairman, "I don't agree, but I commend the recreation director for the priorities he has chosen to cut."

Administration committee chairman said the finance department demanded the cut.

Councillor Les Duby said there seemed to be a lot cut out of Acton, but was mollified when he realized the Acton arena roof would go ahead.

Booth said he saw a lot cut from Georgetown, too, and said some of the things such as playground equipment for Cedarvale and Emmerson park, tennis lights, and paving the arena parking lot, had been approved by Georgetown council last year.

Booth said considering there was probably a ten percent increase in maintenance over last year, the budget should at least have been \$427,000. "Now we reduce it to \$327,000, so we'll reduce the level of recreation we had last year. That's disgusting," he added.

Mayor Tom Hill asked how much was being spent in Esquesing. When he was told \$34,000 roughly, he noted that was ten percent of the budget.

Chairman Booth said last year between 14 and 28 per cent of the youngsters using both arenas were from Esquesing.

Mayor Hill said the Esquesing youngsters were paying their registration fee like anyone else.

Booth shot back "but their parents weren't paying taxes to support the arenas."

The mayor said the township supported ball at Hornby, Glen Williams and Limehouse and soccer at Pineview. "I want to know what more the residents of Esquesing are getting for the money they'll be paying," demanded the mayor.

Third of a series

On the beat



Boat for Fairy Lake swim program

A boat, motor and trailer, will be part of the summer swim program on Fairy Lake in Acton.

The boat will be used to teach safe boat handling and to supervise swimmers. It will be trailered at nights to the nearby Acton arena.

The expanded swim program is possible because of a \$4,000 grant given the recreation department under the Youth in Acton program.

This program pays salaries of all staff members required.

The original budget for this program \$2,406, will now be available for supplies and equipment.

The recreational director pointed out that the grant enabled the town to run a much improved program at no cost to the town.

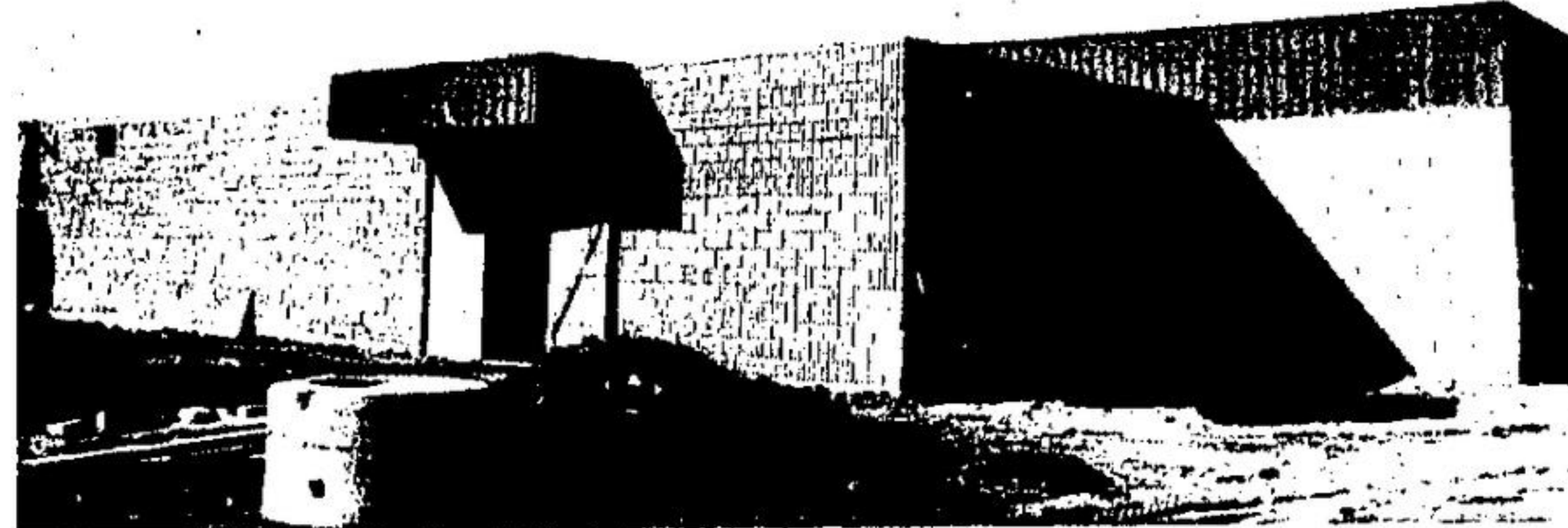
The committee approved the purchase of the boat, motor, trailer and equipment for the aquatics program at the budgeted cost of \$2,286.

This is the third of a series of photographs which will be published to introduce the public to their local police officers and explain some of their duties.

Constable Murray McCrea of the Acton O.P.P. is seen here placing a colored pin in a map of the town to indicate the time and location of an accident. A different colored pin is used for each shift. A second map is pinned, indicating location of charges and times. At a quick glance, you can tell the time and location of accidents and a second glance will tell you if sufficient enforcement is being detailed to high accident areas.

This is only one of the many extra jobs each officer has during his eight hour tour of duty each day.

Constable McCrea joined the O.P.P. in July 1965 and was stationed in Oakville prior to coming to Acton in July 1972.



LEGION HALL will be ready for occupancy before long. Interior floors are being poured this week. The new hall has a choice location alongside the lake.

Separate school meeting topic

About 25 parents attended a special meeting at St. Joseph's church last Thursday, when Dr. Leno Braida, chairman of Halton separate school board, spoke with them on separate schools.

The parents had requested a meeting to find out the mechanics of establishing a separate school in Acton.

Buses

Dr. Braida's best suggestion, by the end of the evening, was that the board would co-operate in providing buses for Acton children to attend separate school in Georgetown.

He explained his board works closely with the public school board, both controlled by the Ministry of Education. It wouldn't be reasonable to establish a new school and empty existing school rooms, he said. Establishing two schools in a new subdivision is a completely different case.

If the population here increased to such an extent a new public school were required, then a request for a separate school would be justified, he said.

Election meeting

Again this election, the Chamber of Commerce will be holding a Meet the Candidates night here. It's scheduled for Tuesday, June 18 in the Robert Little school auditorium. Conservative candidate Terry O'Connor and Liberal candidate Dr. Philbrook have agreed to be here. The NDP candidate is due to be named Thursday night.

The Chamber arranges these public forums before each provincial and federal election.



LEGION building project general superintendent Percy Jinks watches construction from beneath the rim of his hard hat.

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If you would like more information, visit any OHIP district office. Or write to:

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