



TOURS WERE conducted through the pool areas, washrooms, showers and saunas Sunday. High school students answered questions. No one

swam in the inviting water—apparently regulations forbid it when there is a crowd around the pool.



CUTTING THE ribbon to open the pool officially are campaign chairman Art Gordon, M. P. Dr. Frank Philbrook, school board chairman Judy

Alexander, trustee Tom Watson, Mayor Tom Hill and M. P. P. Jim Snow. But nobody jumped in.

\$310,000 budget for Acton pool

Halton Hills has budgeted \$310,000 for the pool, although deputy treasurer Harry Henderson expects total costs to come in somewhat less than that figure. The construction contract for Con Dign is budgeted at \$200,000, equipment and furniture budgeted for \$7,000, contingencies including finance

charges \$13,000. Debentures were not issued for the pool.

Income Figures won't be final for a few weeks yet, says Mr. Henderson. He is applying now for the winter works grant and doesn't expect to receive it for some time. The anticipated federal-

provincial winter works grant is expected to amount to \$50,000. This doesn't have to be repaid.

Acton contributed from its recreation reserve \$45,000 before Halton Hills was formed. Esqueping township made a donation of \$5,000. The Lions club cheque, received Sunday, is for \$50,000.

Mr. Henderson also anticipates a community centre grant from the province of \$15,000.

Two years As part of the general operating fund of Halton Hills, the treasurer has allocated \$62,500 in 1975 and \$62,500 again in 1976 to be raised through taxes to complete payment on the pool.

The maintenance of the pool is taken care of by the school board and the payment of staff by Halton Hills recreation department.

Alarm sounds

Acton firefighters were roused out of bed at 4:45 a.m. Tuesday morning to go to the Diplomat apartments. The water in the sprinkler system pipes had frozen, causing the pipes to break and the alarm to sound. Water and ice got into the furnace, putting it out. Once the ice melted, it also flooded the halls.

Begin Jan. 23

3,900 phone books for town

Distribution of 227,826 copies of the 1975 telephone directory for the regional municipality of Waterloo-Guelph and surrounding territory will begin on January 23, according to Lloyd Denby, Bell Canada manager. Acton is included in this directory. Delivery of the books, 24,000 more than in 1974, will be on a staggered basis throughout the area and completed by February 15. Directory Delivery Associates have hired 400 local people on a contract basis to deliver the directories.

Up 500 Acton will receive 3,900 copies of the directory, an increase of 300 over last year.

Two new pages are being added to the blue information section, between the front cover and the white pages. One consists of helpful hints on how to readily find numbers in the white pages and the other is how to find government listings. There are four government listings

in the book, federal, provincial, regional and local. This information is particularly helpful because the 25-cent charge for each unnecessary call to directory assistance begins on March 9, Mr. Denby said.

Information Another page in the information section explains the function of directory assistance charges: no charge unless the numbers are in the subscriber's telephone book; three free calls to directory assistance a month for residence customers and exemption from directory assistance charges for the handicapped and those 65 and over who apply for exemption. All calls from business telephones to directory assistance for numbers listed in the book will be charged 25 cents for each call.

The new directory has a bright blue cover made up of a geometric design, repeated in blue and green squares.

On the inside of the front cover, emergency numbers are to be placed. Pictures of a fire truck, police cruiser, ambulance, a hospital, skull and cross bones for poison centres and a sign for doctor, have been placed for the first time to assist those who can't read English to use the proper number.

A personal directory is being delivered to each residence, Denby said. It would be used to update personal numbers.

This will apply particularly in the case of two number changes. In Kitchener-Waterloo 3,300 phones beginning with 74 and 57 are being changed to numbers beginning with 044 and 855. This switch of the phones from the Water St. centre in Kitchener to the Albert St. centre in Waterloo takes effect January 19. Customers' new numbers will be listed in the new directory.

Change The second change is in Guelph where 1,300 telephones presently beginning with the numbers 821, 822, 823 and 824 are transferred to a new 836 exchange in the Cork St. centre on the same date. These new numbers will also be in the new directory.



MANY SAW the new pool Sunday during the tours guided by informative students. Here, a group heads down the high school corridor toward the pool.

Boyle elected chairman

At the inaugural meeting of Halton Hills Library Board Ben Boyle was re-elected chairperson and Joan Lister was elected vice-chairperson.

The year the newly created position of vice-chairperson will be combined with the position of treasurer.

George Lee was chosen to be chairman of the building committee and Ruth Wilson will head up the publicity committee.

The board decided to have architect Paul Martel estimate the cost of a revised plan for the Georgetown Library extension, which will be presented to council.

Despite repeated delays and the original tenders higher than anticipated, the board made it clear they intend to re-tender in hope of securing a bid, council will approve.

The board approved the paying of the staff of the Acton library on a weekly basis, to coincide with the Georgetown staff. Previously the Acton staff was paid monthly.

Members of the 1975 library board are Ben Boyle and Cathy Perigo, appointed by the Halton Separate School board; Joan Lister and George Lee, appointed by Halton Public School board; and Lyn Beattie, Anne Currie and Ruth Wilson, appointed by Halton Hills council.

New poles for Cable

Four new hydro poles are being installed, to get clearance for cable T.V. Halton Cable T.V. company is having the new poles installed.

Transformers are also being changed. Eric Bell Communications is laying underground cable throughout town now. This

company also is using its equipment this week to cut the concrete for the installation of power at the new medical centre.

The long-awaited transformer is now here for the three-phase power required by the centre.

Toyota Community Calendar

What's doing in the North Halton Area!
SQUARE DANCING

Square dancing classes sponsored by the Erasmus recreation committee will start up this Friday at the Eden Mills Community Centre. Contact Stu Reed of Acton, the instructor who is still looking for more participants.

SWIMMING FOR THE HANDICAPPED
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Continued from page 1 doing the same thing as working as a phys. ed. teacher. "Both take the same type of planning lessons and programs," he pointed out. He feels that in Acton, he will work into the community responding to legitimate needs. "At this moment I have no definite conclusions," he said.

Presently working from the Cedarvale Community Centre in Georgetown, Mr. Cooper expects to be established with headquarters at the municipal office on Mill St. in early February. He says his job could run more into community services than sports and recreation and is looking at ideas for summer programs. He feels it is advantageous to leave ideas up to people rather than running programs for them.

"Right now I'm looking at a new job in a new year," he said, "and I'm enthusiastically looking forward to getting into the community and getting my hands dirty!"

He will act as liaison between recreation director Doug Collison and people of Acton and Esqueping. Office hours will be from approximately 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 in the afternoon. He expects to work mainly from



NEW recreation coordinator for Acton and Esqueping, John Ross Cooper began his duties Jan. 13.

the Acton office but will divide his time between the two areas depending on group needs. He anticipates night hours as well as many programs will be evening ones.

Swim plan

The physically handicapped people in Acton may be swimming in the near future, if enough people are interested.

Herb Dodds, a local businessman, is trying to organize enough people to make it possible to book the swimming pool on Sunday mornings. A certain amount of people must be willing to attend the weekly sessions before the pool can be rented out.

Mr. Dodds has been promised some aids for swimming from various people throughout the town, and is just waiting for the interest to grow.

He can be reached at 853-2423 for further details. Attendants and rides will be supplied if necessary to and from the pool.

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