

# Few councillors support changing street names

Unless some councillors change their minds streets which have the same names in Acton and Georgetown aren't likely to be renamed. An independent survey of the 13 members of Halton Hills shows only five councillors support an idea discussed recently by Halton Hills works committee, which would see the names of approximately 50 streets, which have the same name in either of the two major urban centres or hamlets changed. The survey showed there is even less support among councillors to abandon the lot and concession system in the rural areas in favor of road names.



Roy Booth

Booth can see no difficulties with street names being duplicated in urban areas and noted the idea behind amalgamation of Acton, Georgetown and Esquesing wasn't to swallow them up into one town. "I would be very upset if the idea of killing communities' identities was the purpose behind forming Halton Hills," Booth added. He said he didn't want to see names used in the rural areas.

Halton Road Three and Trafalgar Road. Howitt admitted in the years to come urban street name duplications might become confusing but doesn't think there is any problem right now.

Noting Halton Hills is one town now Councillor Joe Hurst, Acton, said he supports the idea of ending duplicated street names in Acton and Georgetown. He pointed out the duplications



Joe Hurst

cause problems for the works department. "It has to be done sooner or later but there is no immediate hurry. It might not be too difficult to do, either," Hurst observed. "Sooner or later the rural roads must be named, too, he said but added the town could move much slower on that job. Hurst said new people continue to move into the town and the duplications are confusing for them. He doesn't think changing the names will destroy the identities of the two major urban areas and concluded "we have to work to make Halton Hills one town and if renaming streets will help them we have to do it."



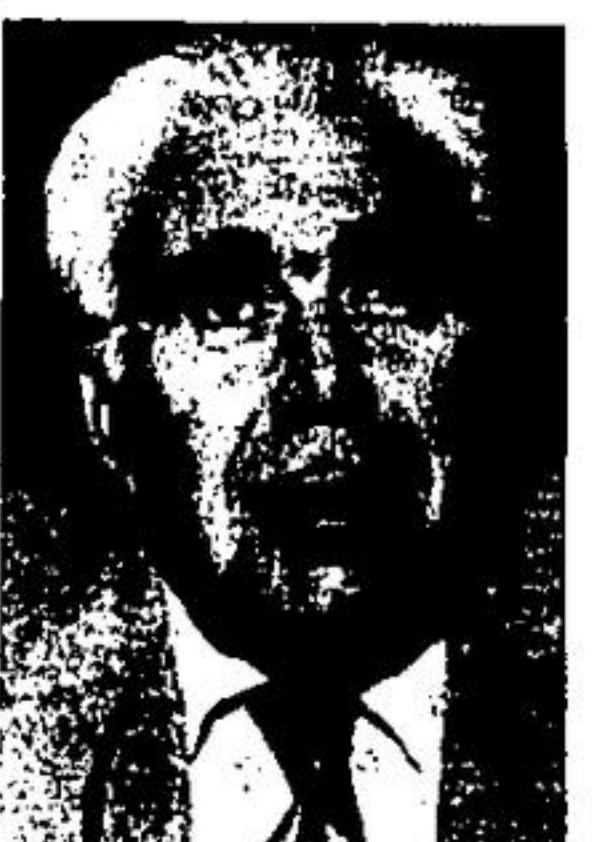
Harry Levy

"If we are going to unify the town then we can't have street name duplications," Georgetown Councillor Harry Levy said. He noted street names were straightened out a few years ago in Georgetown and they should be throughout Halton Hills so letters will come addressed to Halton Hills. He also supports the idea of revamping the road identification system in Esquesing.



George Maltby

Esquesing Councillor George Maltby said there is historic value to street names in Acton and Georgetown and isn't in favor of changing names. "I would have to look long and hard to find a good reason for changing street names and I don't think there is any real problem with our present system," Maltby says. He thinks there is a certain amount of validity to naming rural roads but thinks the numbers on some houses would be ridiculous. Maltby says it isn't a pressing problem in Esquesing and only roads which are extensions of urban streets should be named. The rural extension should have the same name as the urban road he added.



Ern Hyde

Georgetown Councillor Ern Hyde said renaming streets is just one of the things which has to be done to bind Halton Hills together. "I hope we can get started on renaming streets this year and I would like to see mail coming here addressed to Halton Hills," Hyde said.

He noted Cambridge was able to develop its own identity and so can Halton Hills. Hyde is willing to hear residents ideas for new street names. Hyde doesn't support giving names to rural roads as strongly as he supports renaming streets in Acton and Georgetown "because once you understand lot and concessions it is easier to find your way around the rural area."



Pat McKenzie

Acton Councillor C. W. (Pat) McKenzie doesn't think it is necessary to end duplication of street names in the urban areas and notes "Georgetown and Acton will always be viable places in Halton Hills."



Les Duby

Acton Councillor Les Duby is "completely opposed" to the idea of renaming streets in Acton and Georgetown and believes he reflects the feelings of most residents in both towns.

He questions the need to change names everyone has grown up with and noted there haven't been any complaints from the public. Duby thought rural residents might prefer names and suggests they comment on the idea but is dead set against any street name changes in the urban areas.

Esquesing Councillor Dick Howitt can't see any point in changing duplicated street names right now and would not vote in favor of the idea. He said the lot and concession system is easy to understand and logical. Howitt said roads like the Fifth, Sixth and Eighth Lines shouldn't change but thought there should be some official designation given to Seventh Line which is also known as



Dick Howitt



Mayor Tom Hill

Mayor Tom Hill says while street name duplications aren't that much of a problem now it could be in the future when mail starts arriving addressed for Halton Hills. "This subject has been discussed in the past and it is one of the things we will have to do if we are to become Halton Hills. We can't have three main streets," Hill said. He suggested the problem could be ignored only as long as mail continues to come addressed for Acton or Georgetown but predicted the day will come when new names are needed for many streets. The mayor added rural roads should remain numbered and said the rural route system works just fine. "Naming rural roads would be a problem," Hill concluded.



Mike Armstrong

Councillor Mike Armstrong, Georgetown, said the duplication of street names in Halton Hills "is probably the only duplication under regional government that isn't costing us money."

He said it was premature to rename streets and noted it really isn't much of a problem right now. Armstrong admitted when the town is much bigger in 20 years renaming may be needed but not now. He did support the idea of naming rural roads because the numbers are sometimes confusing. Renaming of streets was deemed a poor idea by Georgetown councillor Roy Booth who said street names will help Acton, Georgetown

He says the two communities must continue to maintain their own identities and noted there are no problems with mail or fires with street name duplications. McKenzie promised he would be opposed to the idea if it comes to council. He didn't rule out the idea "in the distant, distant future."

McKenzie does support the idea of naming rural roads because the lot and concession system is confusing.



Ric Morrow

roads will ever be named because the roads run for so many miles and it would be hard to locate homes and property without the lot and concession system.

Georgetown Councillor Ernie Sykes said he frankly can't see much sense in changing names in urban areas because there aren't any problems or confusion. He says confusion about some rural roads must be



Ernie Sykes

eliminated and he prefers numbers because people are used to them. Sykes said once and for all one number must be established for rural roads since some have both Halton Hills and regional designations.

He doesn't think rural

## Ballinafad

# Visitors find rare rain

By Mrs. R. Shortill Sr. The marriage of Sheila Jamieson and Paul Reid was solemnized in the church on Saturday. The U.C.W. catered to the hot turkey dinner following the wedding.

Miss Lillian Shortill accompanied by her friend Sheryl Morrow of Toronto returned home on Wed. after a holiday in Las Vegas, Nevada. Sunny weather made it pleasant most of the time but they had two rainy days—the first rain Las Vegas had for seven months. The rain just pours down washing sand down from the mountains and even leaking through the roof of "Caesar's Palace" and other buildings. The sight of an ordinary bucket on this floor to catch the drip was an amusing sight as buildings are not built to withstand rain storms or else they are so dried out the water seeps in. Meals were very good and not at all expensive.

Entertains Mrs. Margaret Jamieson entertained at her home on Monday following Sheila's wedding on Saturday. Friends and neighbours attended to view gifts and costumes.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson are having a holiday in Florida.

Traffic officers have been trying to control the speed through here and have been lining up the cars.

We are sorry to hear Mr. Roy Hindley had the misfortune to fracture his leg and is in Guelph Hospital. Mrs. Frank Root also is in Guelph Hospital having suffered a stroke.

Anniversary We are happy to congratulate James and Bessie Leitch on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. May they enjoy many more years together in the wish of their Ballinafad friends.

Mrs. Ruth Burt attended the annual meeting of the Ebb riding club at Brisbane School on Sunday.

Mr. Ray Swindlehurst is able to be out and to take short walks but still is not able to do much active work. The Shortill place has a for sale sign on it again—maybe just the house.

Holiday Good Friday falls on April 16 and Easter Sunday is April 18.



For the third time George Lindblad has bought himself a flock of sheep and for the third time he has his herd up for sale. "The next time I get the urge to buy sheep I'm going to tie down until it goes away," says the owner of Lind Hill Farms on Highway 24.

George feels sheep provide the best return of any farm animal if you grow your own feed but he always comes through lambing season declaring it's not worth it.

His wife, Di, laughingly tells of nights spent shifting sheep around as more and more of them produce lambs. Horses were constantly put out of their box stalls as they were commandeered for nurseries. The sure-fire sheep shuffle!

Apparently, the amount of high energy feed given the ewes in the fall has a direct bearing on whether the ewes will twin, triplet, or have only a single lamb. In a good year (i.e.: when the food is plentiful and rich) nature decrees a bounty of young, and in a poor year, the number of lambs born will decrease.

Sheep are Houdinis George feels sheep give a good labour return per dollar invested if the farmer doesn't have to buy feed or bedding. Sheep can utilize rough pasture that no other animal can use. However, sheep crop pastures so closely it is difficult to pasture horses or cattle where sheep have been.

Sheep can also be hard on fences, being incorrigible Houdinis. They seem to be able to wiggle through a hole no bigger than a dime.

These last observations came from a friend whose husband had a small flock of sheep. She was always hollering about the difficulties of keeping them on their own property.

I've often had an urge to purchase ten ewes and a ram, just to keep me out of mischief. Maybe I should lie down till the urge goes away.

Get your tickets for Quarterama - Canada's largest horse show and western extravaganza. The dates this year are March 3-7th. Be sure to stroll down stallion avenue - it's a rare experience in stud marketing. I often wonder if the stallions appreciate the fuss, palaver, and expense gone to in order to sell them as potential sires.

The performance classes are well worth seeing. The cream of Canadian and northern United States Quarter horses will be there.

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## Two hurt on Guelph Line

Two young men suffered minor injuries at suppertime Saturday when two cars moving in different directions on the Guelph Line sideswiped each other near 30 Sideroad. Milton OPP said Michael Viol, 21, of Morrison, lost control of his southbound 1968 Firebird on the slushy and rain-swept road and collided with a 1968 Charger driven by Mark Mitchell, 17, of Eden Mills.

To hospital Police said Viol was not hurt, but a passenger in his car, 16-year-old Jeffrey Schwartz of R. R. 3 Guelph, and the other driver Mitchell were taken to Guelph Hospital for treatment.

The OPP estimated damage to the two cars at \$3,500.

Police reported 16 collisions of the fender-bender variety since last Wednesday, including nine during Saturday's dismal weather.

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