

# Pleads not guilty

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Barons until 1965 in Toronto. The Barons moved to Acton in 1968. Five years later, Mr. Mayer's wife left him. After a visit and phone calls to the Baron farm, Mr. Mayer testified that Mrs. Baron said she had discussed Mr. Mayer's moving with her husband. Mr. Mayer moved, and at the end of the school year, Wayne also moved to the farm. Mr. Mayer continued to work in Toronto. "Very good" were the words Mr. Mayer used to describe how he got on with the Barons.

The atmosphere in the house became "tense", Mr. Mayer said, following Manfred's troubles. The jury is composed of Joyce Knisley, Don Taylor, Lorne McMillan, Helen Yacubucci, Wayne Reid, Matthe Vooro, Margaret Overholt, Agnes Summerville McDonald, Robert Labadie, Susan Glover, Joseph Richardson and Ken Chambers. Most of them are from Burlington and Oakville.



FIFTY YEAR membership pin is presented to Ross Patterson, centre, by his brother Pat Patterson. Ready to offer congratulations is District Deputy Grand Master Irving Schneider, who paid his annual visit to Walker Lodge Monday evening. A banquet at Knox church preceded the meeting.

## Firefighters discover one steaming cruiser

Where there's smoke, there's fire but where there's steam under a car hood it can mean radiator hose, a police officer discovered last night. Halton Regional Constable Robert Davidson was driving towards Georgetown from Acton on Highway 7 near the fourth line last night when he noticed a cloud billowing up from under his cruiser's hood. Constable Davidson says he yelled "Fire" into the radio, pulled off the road and jumped out. The Acton Firefighters responded at about 9:30 p.m., but arrived only to find that cruiser 117's radiator hose had broken. Les BP arrived on the scene soon after the fire truck departed. The cruiser was still "smoking". Constable Davidson was soon back on road duty with the spare cruiser, number 118.

## One library board for all of Halton?

The public would benefit from a drastic cutback in the number of library boards in Ontario, says a controversial report by an independent library consultant. Albert Bowron recommends in his report that there be only one library authority in any political region. Hamilton-Wentworth, for example, would have only one board instead of the present three (Hamilton, Wentworth and Dundas). Halton region also would have one board, a reduction from four (Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville). The half dozen boards operating in Brant County would be replaced by a single board. Mr. Bowron discussed his report during a recent professional development day organized by the South Central Regional Library System, which co-ordinates the resources of 13 library boards. 250 attend About 250 library staff and trustees attended the event Monday, March 29 at the Holiday Inn, Hamilton. Many Ontario libraries currently provide poor service because they do not have access to sufficient resources, said Mr. Bowron. In his opinion, reorganization of the province's library structure is the only way to remedy this. Residents of small communities must have access to full library services as a right, not something that must be negotiated and can be withdrawn, he stressed. He wants library boards made more sensitive to local politics. To achieve this, at least four members of each library board should be council members, and the rest should be appointed by council, he suggests. Although libraries should remain a municipal responsibility, at least a third of their funds should come from the province, Mr. Gowron told his audience. "We have to devise a system whereby the community is well-served but all libraries in the province are working together in some sort of network," he continued. He expressed concern at the lack of overall leadership and planning in Ontario's libraries. Year study In his report, made after a year-long study, he urges restructuring of the provincial bodies responsible for library affairs. Robert Johnston, Deputy Minister of Culture and Recreation, told the SCRLS staff and trustees his ministry wants input from the library community on the Bowron Report. Automation in libraries, reference tools and public relations were other topics explored during the professional development day.

## Interest-free loan for nursery school?

An unusual recommendation was made by Halton Hills administration committee when they suggested council approve an interest-free loan, maximum \$1,000 from general revenue for a licensed co-operative nursery school in the Hornby area. Mrs. Pat Thornton and Mrs. Glenda Barton would be recipients. The loan has not yet been approved by council, who will rule on it Monday. According to Recreation Director Glen Gray the loan would be paid back within five years or less. He said he had negotiated a rental fee for Hornby Community Hall where the school would be held. Councillor George Maltby said he would agree if proof of financial stability is forthcoming. Mr. Gray said that would be investigated.

## Permits issued

Building permits for Acton for March include two for repair, alteration and addition to residential buildings totalling a value of \$1,700 and one commercial permit for a cost of \$8,000.

## New door

A new door was placed on the police office this week. The other one was wearing loose on its hinges.



DISTRICT DEPUTY Grand Master Irving Schneider visited Walker Lodge Monday; he chats with Lodge Wor. Master Jack Carpenter.

## Obituary Siebolt DeVries funeral in March

Funeral service was held on March 25 in Humley Shoemaker Funeral Home for the late Siebolt DeVries who died in Guelph General Hospital on March 23. Born on July 3, 1921, in Holland Mr. DeVries was the husband of Myrtle Irene Anderson, 82 York Rd., Guelph. He had lived in Guelph for nine days before his death, moving there from Rockwood. He worked at Fiberglass in Guelph. He is survived by his wife, children, Jack Eddie, Jean, Judy, (Mrs. Bastien) and foster son, Charlie Allen, all of Guelph; brothers George of Acton, John of Smooth Rock Falls, Bill of Rockwood and Gordon of Cambridge, sister Mary, (Mrs. F. DeHaan) of Acton and mother Anne Mary DeVries, of Acton. He was predeceased by one sister, Jane in Holland, and his father. The Rev. Sinclair officiated at the funeral. Interment was at the Rockwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were Dave Kociuk, Bob Bolton, Gord Bilton, Al Groves, Robert Gamble, brother-in-law, and Cor Snook, cousin.

## Tickets cash gone

Sometime Friday 15 Olympic lottery tickets and \$250 in cash were taken from an untended safe at A and B supermarket. The police are investigating the theft.

## Theft

A tape and cheque book were stolen from a car belonging to a Rosemary Rd. man in Georgetown last week. The theft was reported to police who are investigating.

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# \$20,000 bill? no way - council

There is no way the town is going to pay a bill of \$22,000 sent to the municipality by the developers of Kingham Hill subdivision as the town's half of Mill Street reconstruction.

## John Turkosz resigns from volunteer service

After 16 years of service to the Acton Volunteer Fire department, John Turkosz has announced his retirement. Alan Thomson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thomson will be taking his place on the department. Mr. Thomson, in his early 20's, according to fire chief Mick Holmes, will be trained from scratch. He has no previous experience on a fire department staff.

## Approve fence

Halton Hills works committee recommended Monday that M. E. Franklin, 24 Duby Road, be allowed to erect a fence on top of the town's storm sewer easement.

Mr. Franklin also wants to build a sidewalk beside his house and a concrete patio. While both cement structures will be on the easement they won't be over the storm sewer.

## Second ball diamond on CVCA property

Limehouse Ball Club will once again be able to use the ball diamond on Credit Valley Conservation Authority property and have received permission to create a second diamond.

Halton Hills maintained the portion used by the town according to the long standing annual agreement.

## \$50 rent

Norval Community Association will pay \$50 a month rent for the use of one classroom in the old Norval school, now known as Norval Community Centre, if council accepts a recommendation made by Halton Hills administration committee, Monday night.

## Streets

The street watering and sweeping program is almost over now. The annual spring job prevents much of the dust from swirling in the winds.

## Acton winner

W. Briggs, 44 Mowbray Place, won \$1,000 in the March 18 Wintario Lottery draw, held in Toronto the Ontario Lottery Corporation announced this week.

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