

**OUR READERS WRITE:**

**Successful softball season**

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the Acton Minor Ball Association, I would like to thank parents, sponsors, and anyone else who contributed to a successful 1976 Softball Season.

More than three hundred boys and girls participated in House League and the Halton Rural Minor Softball Association. For the first time we were represented in the Ontario Amateur Softball Association Play-offs, and although the results were somewhat disappointing on the score sheet, the venture proved to be an interesting and an educational experience for all concerned.

Although Regional Government frequently provokes negative responses from many quarters, I am happy to report that we had excellent co-operation from both Works Department and the Recreation Department of the Town of Halton Hills. Maintenance of the playing field has been good; improvements, though slow in coming, have been made. Assistance from the Recreation Department has been in the form of coaching clinic and winter training facilities. They also gave us the opportunity to operate the booth in the park, which proved to be a profitable undertaking, due mainly to the hard work of Mrs. Verna MacEachern.

Through the auspices of Wintario, the Provincial Government generously provided us with a substantial grant for equipment. For this, we are very appreciative.

However, our association has one lingering problem. We do not have a lack of eager and enthusiastic young people, but we do have far too few adults willing to coach or take other positions of responsibility within the organization. We require at least twelve hard-working people to serve in other capacities other than coaching. In addition, we need at least forty people to serve as coaches, scorers and managers. During this past season the running of the organization was left entirely to three or four people. This was totally unsatisfactory. Not all the problems were properly solved. Some parents and players were frustrated because of it. In short, we need more people.

All interested persons are invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the Acton Minor Ball Association at the Acton Public Library on Tuesday, November 9, at 7: p.m. Lastly, the Executive of the A.M.B.A. would like to thank the Acton Free Press for their continuous interest and support.

Yours very truly,  
Robert C. Paul,  
President,  
Acton Minor Ball Association.



FOUR-YEAR-OLD Janeen Robinson went out on Halloween fully prepared to gather the evening's treats into her Christmas shopping bag.

**Ivan Armstrong will attempt a comeback**

Former Milton Trustee Ivan Armstrong has announced he will seek election to the Halton Board of Education in Wards One and Three during the upcoming December 6 election.

Mr. Armstrong represented the town on the board for one term but was defeated when seats were redistributed and he ended up fighting and losing an election to Bill Lawson.

Over and above his term as trustee Mr. Armstrong served four years on the board's advisory vocational committee. "I have some experience and would like to use it."

"I'm not critical of the board, they are doing everything they can. On core curriculum I have the feeling that in the early '60's the public and the teachers were complaining and things swung the other way. Now there is criticism that it has swung too far," he explained.

Seek balance  
Mr. Armstrong said it would be important to find a happy balance but he would not support a return to the rigid system of the '50's and early '60's.

He said the board would have to contend with strict budgetary regulations. "The public is saying we want a

good education system but we don't want to increase the education share of the budget. Because of that the only new programs that are brought in will have to be brought at the expense of lesser programs."

A resident of Ward Two, Mr. Armstrong has decided to run in the rural wards with a view to filling a seat left unoccupied by Trustee Doug Wood.

"I know a lot of people in the rural area and I own land in Campbellville," he explained.

Mr. Armstrong is 50 years old, the father of three children and an employee of Canadian Meter Company.

**Board learns**

**New course guidelines not ready until spring**

Halton Board of Education members aren't impressed that new guidelines for high school curriculum won't be available from Queen's Park until April.

Superintendent of Program Bruce Mather told the board Thursday the Ministry of Education hopes to draw up the new guidelines between January and April.

Director of Education Em Lavender said if the new curriculum guidelines come out in April they will be four months late. Students will have already chosen their subjects for the next year. They will also be two months late for teacher hiring.

Neither Lavender or Mather were impressed with the amount of time Queen's Park is giving boards to adjust to the new core curriculum before it has to be implemented next fall.

"You shouldn't worry so much about that. The new guidelines are five years too late already," Trustee Bill Priestner observed.

The board decided once the new Ministry of Education guidelines are sent out a report should be prepared by the administration to indicate how the regulations for compulsory subjects will affect Halton high schools.

Trustee Don Venus, who brought the subject to the board table, noted there has been an extensive program over the past few years in Halton administered by principals on core curriculum.

He said if the Halton system of encouraging students to make wise course selections has been effective any disruptions in the Halton high school system should be

"minimal".

Venus said the board must determine which schools will have trouble adjusting and why.

Lavender said the province wants to make sure students take English, Canadian studies, science and math in grades 9 and 10 but the administration has no idea "what constitutes grade nine history in Canadian studies."



A GROUP of fearsome witches attended the Eden Mills Brownies Hallowe'en party.

**Reed urges**

**Conserve energy**

I welcome the Minister of Energy's proclamation of the first week in November as energy conservation week.

However, he should have proclaimed it the beginning of energy conservation year, MPP Julian Reed said in a press release Friday. "The effective conservation of energy in all its forms is and has been for some time essential to our well-being, our economic stability and the preservation of our environment."

"In your interest, I would strongly urge you to use this occasion to examine energy utilization in your own home office, or factory. Energy conservation is reasonable, practical, and definitely money saving. To assist you I would recommend a book containing 'One Hundred Ways to Save Energy in the Home' produced under the auspices of the federal government which is full of tips on efficient caulking, double and tripping glazing, improved furnace efficiency and insulation. It has been proven beyond a doubt that

capital expenditure on measures to improve energy conservation will be returned in cost savings often within a year," Reed stated.

"I strongly recommended to the minister that a concise leaflet giving practical effective suggestions for energy conservation be distributed with every hydro bill sent to Consumers in Ontario at the earliest possible opportunity.

"Regrettably the minister's approach to energy conservation has to date been weak and ineffective—more a public exercise of vague generalities than the dynamic program of practical suggestions and ideas easily understood and readily applicable by home owners, commercial enterprises and industry which the seriousness of the situation demands.



JOHN BRADLEY

"I have an interest in education, not only for my own children but seeing that the best possible education is being provided for everyone."

No one else has declared an interest in seeking that position in the Dec. 6 election.

**Car-deer**

There were nine car-deer accidents in the month of October in the area patrolled by the Guelph detachment of the O.P.P.

**15 year veteran**

**Bradley runs**

John Bradley of Milton has declared his intention to seek election to the Halton Board of Education representing separate school supporters in Halton Hills and Burlington.

Mr. Bradley claims he is hoping to make a comeback. A veteran of 15 years on the Milton Separate School Board, he dropped out when the regional board began in 1969.

During his term with the separate school board he served as trustee, chairman, secretary, and treasurer. He served with Milton Library Board for a number of years as well.

The father of nine children, Mr. Bradley has children attending university, high school and elementary school. He is a Branch Manager with Occidental Life Insurance Company in Toronto.

"My general feeling is that after so many years I feel I can contribute to the Halton Board in a general way. I have no particular area I want to zero in on.

school representatives on the board. Traditionally those two have come from Oakville and Burlington.

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**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA KNOX CHURCH, ACTON**  
Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D., Minister  
Mr. E. A. Hansen, B.A., Organist and Choir Master  
Sunday, Nov. 7, 1976  
11.25 a.m.—Church School for All Ages.  
11.25 a.m.—(Approximately)—A Community Service of Remembrance, with Parade of Veterans and Community Organizations attending. Sermon theme: "Peace—for Everyone."  
(The service begins when the parade arrives at the church after the Ceremony at the Cenotaph.)  
Everyone Most Welcome.

**UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA TRINITY CHURCH, ACTON**  
Rev. Chas. Beaton B.A., B.D. Dr. George Elliott M.A., Ph.D. Director of Music  
Sunday, Nov. 7, 1976  
10.00 a.m.—Service  
Also church School and Baby Care.  
Everyone Welcome

**MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
117 Maple Ave., Georgetown (A Fellowship Baptist Church)  
Sunday, Nov. 7, 1976  
9.45 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.  
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
6.30 p.m.—Evening Fellowship  
Thought—Peace rules the day when Christ rules the mind.

**BETH-EL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**  
Sunday, Nov. 7, 1976  
Sunday Worship Services at 10.00 a.m. and 2.40 p.m. Pre-school Sunday School during the morning service, Sunday School during the afternoon service. Please note time change for November 7 to 5.00 p.m.  
You are welcome Church of the "Back to God Hour" heard over these stations: Hamilton C.K.O.C. 7.00 a.m. dial 1150, St. Catharines, C.H.S.C. 8.30 a.m., dial 1220, Toronto, C.H.I.N.-F.M. 8.00 a.m. dial 101 M.H.Z., Toronto, C.K.-F.H. 11.30 a.m. dial 1400.

**CHURCHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Churchill Rd. N. Minister  
The Rev. J. L. McFadden B.A., B.D. and Mrs. Eleanor McFadden, B.A.  
Box 731, Guelph, Phone 821-3215  
Sunday, Nov. 7, 1976  
11.00 a.m.—Worship and Church School  
11.00—Communion  
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**ACTON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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Pastor: Rev. Das Sydney B.Sc., M. Div.  
Pastor's Phone—853-1835  
Thursday  
7.00 p.m.—Senior Choir  
8.30 p.m.—Youth Choir  
Sunday, Nov. 7, 1976  
9.30 a.m.—Sunday School, Adult Bible Class  
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7.30 p.m.—Evening Fellowship at the Parson's home.  
Everyone Welcome

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Rev. Leonard Ewing Rector  
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Presiding minister Arch-deacon T. Rigby.

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Rev. Ron Struthers, 853-2715  
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If you would like more information or would like to attend a fireside phone 878-6138.



CONSOLATION WINNERS in the high school's eight team varsity basketball tournament Saturday pose for a photo. In the back row from the left, coach Anne Lepik, Val Irwin, Lynn Margetts, Karen Glenn, Joanne Miller and Sheila Cook. In front kneel: Sue Lehn, Lisa Near, Sue Thomson, Karen Chapman, Karen Van Der Eyken and Wendy Brown.

**Warble control eliminates damage**

By Mark J. Leahy  
Warble flies can be a headache to the beef producer. They cause reduction in weight gain and a lower market value.  
It is estimated that 90 per cent of the cattle in Ontario are infested with grubs to

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**Acton Free Press**

**Priestner blasts Watson over remarks on board**

Trustee Bill Priestner is far from impressed with some comments made by Milton regional councillor Jim Watson on a radio program aired recently.

Priestner told Halton Board of Education, Thursday, that Watson's comments about the board were irresponsible.

He reported Watson had said the region should take control of the board's spending.

Priestner said the Milton councillor charged the board

is run by the administration and not the trustees, and a lot of money is being spent on education in Halton unnecessarily. The Burlington Separate School supporters trustee said Watson implied board spending is close to being out of control.

He said in 1974 the board approached the region with the idea of the two government bodies sharing an administration facility but the region nixed the idea.

"I notice we have now

moved into our new facilities while theirs still isn't even started. I think we are a lot better off not being tied into the region," Priestner declared.

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