

Shaynes end 14 years of music entertainment

The Shaynes, a popular local music group, will perform once more in public before ending their 14 year span of entertainment.

Saturday The Shaynes will be at the Legion and except for a few private engagements, the six member group will no longer be playing, Lloyd McIntyre says.

"Everybody's got other interests or jobs," Mr. McIntyre said. He added that they had wanted to do the job they had always done.

Except for Mr. McIntyre, who stayed with the group from the start, only two other members come close to the 14 year mark. Organist Bernie Freuler and drummer Gerry Wieck left just a couple of years ago. Most of the members came, played for a year or two, and left.

Other members of the original group were Bill McEnery, and Terry Churchill. Mr. Churchill sings with the current Shaynes.

The Shaynes started entertaining high school dances, and then moved along into the company and service club circuit. The band seldom played beyond 60 miles of town.

Columbus Everything in the 14 year life of the group ran more or less smoothly, Mr. McIntyre said. The group, though and its audience in a small town Knights of Columbus Hall, ran into a snag last February.

The Shaynes played for eight hours, from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. because they and the crowd were snowed in. "Everyone slept on the stage until the snow blower came,"

Mr. McIntyre said.

Most popular tunes requested of The Shaynes were two Ronnie Hawkins compositions: 40 Days and Mo Jo.

Well Supported

What Mr. McIntyre's father Harold said most surprised him about the relationship between the town and the band was the support the Shaynes got. The Skating Club, Chamber of Commerce, Curling Club, Fall Fair and others hired the Shaynes. Harold McIntyre is band manager, he is Lloyd's father.

"People coming up and asking for songs, commenting on the music, made it worthwhile," Lloyd McIntyre said. "We'd like to thank people for patronizing us."

Encourage involvement

Halton principals will be encouraged to promote groups like Home and School Associations, parent advisory councils and community school councils.

In response to a request earlier this year from Georgetown Trustee Ernie Bodnar, the administration has drafted a new Halton Board of Education policy dealing with community schools and parent councils.

In a report to the board Thursday, Director of Education Em Lavender said everyone recognizes the importance of community and parents' councils and community involvement in the schools.

The new policy reinforces use of school facilities by community groups and municipal recreation departments when schools aren't being used by students.

Other aspects of being a community school include shared use of facilities like

pools and setting up of community or parent advisory councils.

The policy also states the principal has the final say and since he is manager of the building, decides what programs can take place. Board funds can't be used for community programs.

Lavender said principals have to be given the authority so groups can't swamp the school trying to use facilities and to prevent parents from

having enough clout to hire and fire teachers.

Need drivers

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Ban smoking bid goes in smoke

Vice-chairman Bill Herd's bid to ban smoking at Halton Board of Education meetings went up in smoke last Wednesday night.

Herd presented a motion calling for a ban on smoking at board meetings in an attempt to set a good example for the young people the board serves, and also to accommodate the wishes of the people attending meetings who don't smoke. His motion was seconded by Trustee Dr. Heln Howard-Lock.

Herd said he never intended the motion to be anything but serious and sincere and urged board members not to view it as frivolous.

He said a number of people have spoken to him and indicated smoking at board meetings is "offensive."

Herd said he hoped the debate on the motion wouldn't be "long winded" and delve into the rights of smokers versus the rights of non-smokers. If it passed he didn't think it would prove to be a big hardship for anyone at board meetings since there is a coffee break.

Trustee Fred Armitage suggested that if smoking is banned at board meetings then maybe it should be banned for board officials, staff teachers and students at all schools in Halton.

Herd said if Armitage felt that way he should amend the motion but he declined and

stated an amendment wouldn't be appropriate.

"If this passes however I will be bringing a motion banning smoking on all school property," Armitage warned.

Trustee Tony Goodyear observed many people thought the suggestion of banning smoking at board meetings was silly and the board shouldn't be wasting its time on such things. He asked to have items tabled but this idea was rejected.

Trustee Rev. Garry Morton said he has from time to time wished such a motion would be passed so he wouldn't be allowed to smoke his pipe.

"As for this being an example to our young people, what are we showing them by moving smoking into the back room?" he wondered.

It was an excellent motion. Trustee Dick Goodin said although he thought pipe smokers should maybe be exempted since pipe smoking trustees often make valuable contributions to meetings while puffing away. He admitted some wouldn't like that idea because it would be discrimination.

Goodin said he was most concerned about smoking by health teachers since it has been proven smoking is a health hazard. He said it annoys him to see so many of Halton's health teachers looking so unhealthy and

smoking, too.

He suggested actions like the board was possibly going to take had led to the "generation gap". Priestner said the generation gap has been created by adults who say one thing to young people and then do the opposite.

Trustee Alex Aitken, who doesn't smoke, noted he has always ended up sandwiched at meetings between two smokers and it has never been a hardship for him. He said he believes it is an individual's prerogative to smoke or not smoke.

Only four trustees voted to ban smoking at meetings and after the motion lost Chairman Judy Alexander invited everyone to "light up."



THE ORIGINAL SHAYNES FROM 14 years ago included from left to right: Bill McEnery, Lloyd McIntyre, Gerry Wieck, Terry Churchill and Bernie Freuler.



AS THEY ARE NOW, THE SHAYNES. From the left Lloyd McIntyre, on bass guitar; Roy McMillan, guitar; singers Anne McIntyre and Terry Churchill; with Rick Goodings on drums and organist Dorjeano Poloni.

Halton among thriftiest boards

Halton Board of Education has a very favorable cost per pupil when compared with other boards across the province.

In a report released this week cost per pupil for each aspect of the education system for last year and for this year's budgets were revealed by the Ministry of Education for every board in the province with more than 20,000 pupils.

Best comparison for Halton at the elementary level is Waterloo which has 30,484 students while Halton has 30,600 pupils. Last year Waterloo spent \$1,116 on each

elementary pupil while

Halton spent \$1,032. This year Waterloo has 30,593 pupils and Halton has 30,421 students. For both boards cost per pupil at the elementary level has gone up to \$1,114 in Halton and \$1,227 in Waterloo.

Halton Separate School Board spent \$1,017 per pupil last year and this year budgeted \$1,147 for each student. Enrolment rose to 7,959 pupils from 7,791 last year.

Total expenditures for each elementary school pupil for the 18 boards ranged from \$974 in Durham to \$1,577 in

Ottawa last year.

This year budgeted total expenditures for each elementary pupil runs from the Halton low of \$1,114 to Ottawa's high of \$1,876.

At the secondary school level, Halton is best when compared with Hamilton which had 18,677 students last year and 18,639 this year. Halton had 19,510 high school students last year and now has 20,479.

Last year with lower enrolment Hamilton spent \$2,014 on each high school student last year while Halton spent \$1,625.

Hamilton budgeted more again this year with a total of \$2,158, while Halton has budgeted \$1,710.

The range at the high school level for this year's budgets runs from Halton's low of \$1,710 to Carleton's high of 2,259 per pupil.

Last year, Wentworth was the lowest at \$1,608 and Carleton-highest at \$2,105.

Planners discuss Acton land use

by Noel Blake

In continuing to make the Urban Studies course at Acton District High School meaningful and functional, Harold Mahatoo, grade 12 urban geography teacher, is emphasizing current and local issues. Last week, Ron Burnett, the assistant Town Planner for Halton Hills talked to the class about land-use classification in Acton and how a community grows.

This was followed by another guest lecture when Garnet (Pat) McKenzie, regional Councillor for Halton County, Rasheed Mohammed, senior Planner for the county and Miss Kawun of the same office, visited the class.

Teacher Harold Mahatoo discovered just prior to the class that one of the visitors, Mr. Mohammed, was an old neighbor of his from Trinidad. Mr. Mohammed outlined the regional official plan which was started in 1974. He emphasized the need for a physical inventory of land, goals and objectives, policies, planning programs, public consultation programs, and the need for prioritization.

He next dealt with the issue of agriculture, answering questions from the class. Solutions to agricultural pro-

blems were compared with the planner's recommendations, which are now in our Resource Center.

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Last year when the central municipal office was considered I could not support a new complex in Georgetown or ONE-TIER Regional Government so I voted for an addition to our present facilities on Trafalgar Road. Since then many Acton citizens have clearly indicated to me that we should not build at this time. Therefore I will not support further consideration to the central office in the next term.

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