

# Lost and Found packs Knox Sun.

Between 500 and 600 packed Knox church Sunday evening to hear The Lost and Found Department, a musical group composed of Presbyterian clergymen. The doors into the Sunday School room at the back of the church were opened to accommodate the biggest crowd there in years. The program was part of the observance of the Church's 131st anniversary. The group related in music,

scripture and conversation the story of the prodigal son. Taking part were the Rev. Bob Spencer, vocalist, director of Crief Hills Community Conference Centre, Morrison; the Rev. Derwyn Hill, drums, Meadowvale West Church, Mississauga; the Rev. Warren McKinnon, clarinet, director of Christian education, Knox church, Woodstock, the Rev. Alex McDonald, valve and slide

trombone, St. Andrew's church, Aurora and the Rev. Red Green, guitar, Stouffville Presbyterian church.

The Lost and Found Department formed an immediate empathy with their audience, and everyone enthusiastically joined in lively singing.

A former member of the group was the preacher at the morning anniversary service at Knox, the Rev. Bill Nicholson of Central Presbyterian church, Galt. He is married to the former Vivian Smith of Acton.

After the morning service there was a luncheon and reunion gathering in the church.

Back again Present from out-of-town for the anniversary reunion were:

Edith and Wilmer Watkins, Dundalk, Stan and Bernice Robinson, R. R. 1, Campbellville; Wilma McMillan, Brampton; Jessie (Anderson) Robertson, Islington; Douglas and June Davidson, R. R. 1, Vineland; Jim and Barbara Greer and Beverly, Oshawa; Adelaide (Hurst) Wylie, Rockwood.

Joyce (Dessureault) Peroff, Burlington; Dora (Hansen) Coles and Eric Coles, St. Mary's; Aubrey and Jessie (Morton) McMillan, Islington; Rev. Bill and Vivian (Smith) Nicholson, Bill and Sheralyn, Cambridge (Galt); Alice M. Rumley, Guelph; Helen (Mainprize) Egan, Guelph; Lorraine and Don Van Norman, Orangeville; Mr. and Mrs. Verne Agnew, Toronto; Robert and Mary-Francis Parker, Islington; Roy and Linda (Parker) Clark, Cambridge (Galt); Harold and Marie Sutcliffe, Fergus; Grace (Lantz) Robertson, Milton; Anne McConnell, Oakville; Mr. and Mrs. Sealk, Victoria, B.C.; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hassard, Oakville; Bill and Shirley Somerville, Georgetown and Ross Patterson, Guelph.

Regrets at their inability to attend were received from Kay (Stewart) Moles, Ottawa; Dr. Duff Wilson, Ayr; Emma Robinson, Mount Forest and Majorie Mitchell, St. Catharines.

teaching, his wife will not be idle. She will be having speaking engagements and as a member of the Women's Institute here, she will be speaking to counterpart groups in New South Wales.

In the few weeks before they leave, the McCulloch's are going to be busy. The house has to be ready for a family of four, the dog has to be taken to the neighbors, clothes have to be packed and Christmas has to be celebrated.

Their two sons will be coming from Vancouver and Calgary to celebrate the festive season with their parents. This will be held a week early, to avoid a last minute rush.

Mr. and Mrs. McCulloch will be returning home on December 20, 1977, with lots of stories to tell their family and friends. They will have the chance to experience what most people never get a chance at — living and appreciating a country other than home.

Although neither Mr. or Mrs. McCulloch have ever been "down under", both have relatives in that country. Some they have met, some they haven't met.

White Mr. McCulloch is



CHRISTINE ARBIC RECEIVES THREE awards from School Trustee Tom Watson during private ceremonies at the high school. Miss Arbic was awarded the Caroline Nurseries Award, the Ledger's IGA scholarship and the Indusmin Award.

# Australia soon to be home for year

James McCulloch, R.R. 3, Acton, will not only be trading jobs, but homes while he and his wife Eleanor live in Australia for one year.

The couple leave December 28 for New South Wales where Mr. McCulloch will be part of a teacher exchange program. He will be teaching at Kura boys' high school. Bruce Gregory, his wife Judy and two children will come to this area from New South Wales. He will teach at E.C. Drury School for the Deaf, Milton, where Mr. McCulloch is normally a teacher. The two families will also trade homes for the year.

The program is put on by the Ontario government and anyone is welcome to apply. Mr. McCulloch did so, and was accepted, making him among the 34 Canadians who will be leaving. The same number of Australians will be coming to Ontario, some with families, others without.

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# Chain of office ready



The chain of office for the new mayor was ready yesterday (Tuesday), according to councillor Russ Miller.

Mr. Miller told Halton Hills Finance and Personnel committee Monday evening that purchasing agent Hugh Patterson had inquired about a place to store the chain. The councillor said it should be a case lined with velvet.

The question of when to present the chain to the victorious Mayoralty candidate followed. Clerk-administrator Doug Pritchard said the chain was just a sign of office and did not have to be blessed or ceremoniously dedicated, just handed to him.

Councillor Pat McKenzie said the winner should wear it at the next council meeting, and not wait until the new year.

The committee decided to let council as a whole decide when the chain should be presented, or worn by the mayor. Either incumbent mayor Tom Hill or challenger Harry Levy will be eligible to wear the chain in less than two weeks' time.



MURRAY AND CAROL Piggott, 249 Kingham Rd., were the lucky winners of the Foodland Zenith Stereo draw last week. The draw was part of the store's grand opening under new management extravaganza.

# Town can't help residents

There is nothing the town can do about the state of the northern town boundary road from Ballinacred east.

Halton Hills works committee received and filed a copy of a letter sent to Wellington County roads department from residents of the area who want the road paved.

Mr. H. Hampshire, R.R. 5, Georgetown, sent the copy of the letter to the town which was signed by a long list of dissatisfied residents.

Engineer Robert Austin said the part of the town boundary road the people are concerned about is under Wellington jurisdiction.

**ST ALBAN'S CHURCH**  
is starting a  
**Bible Study Group**  
Thursday, November 25 at 8:00 p.m.  
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# High school enrolment likely to decline after 1979

Halton Board of Education expects high school enrolment in North Halton to continue growing through to 1979—and then start declining.

In a report to the board this week, Director of Education Em Lavender said high school enrolment in the north will swell from 3,979 pupils in 1976 to 4,105 in 1977. Growth levels, even after taking in the potential enrolment lost to the new separate school in Acton, the board expects pupil registration to continually grow in North Halton.

Board projections call for will continue with a high school registration of 4,220 in 1978 and 4,246 in 1979 and then taper off to 4,178 in 1980 and 4,061 in 1981.

Across the entire region, this year's high school enrolment of 6,424 pupils will jump to 6,457 next year and then decline to 5,802 students in 1981.

At the elementary school this year's enrolment 7,935 to go up to 7,969 in 1977, 8,077 the next year, 8,373 in 1979, 8,892 the following year and 9,465 in 1981.

It's a different story across the region with a steady decline expected at the elementary level until the end of 1979.

Projected enrolment will drop from 9,321 this year to a low of 8,496 in 1979, before climbing back up to 8,658 in 1980, and 8,924 in 1981.

Lavender said he would be presenting a more detailed report on elementary and high school enrolment pro-

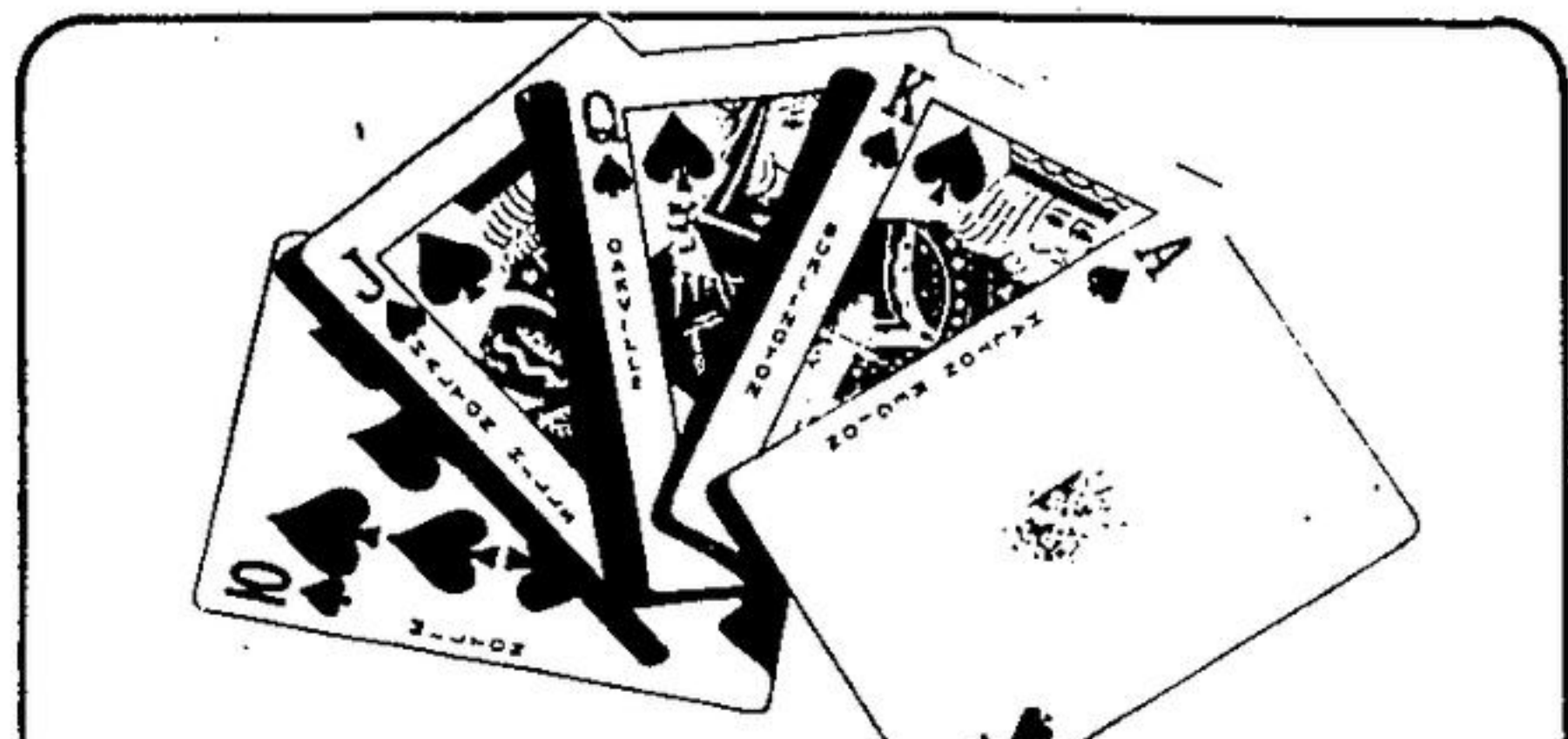
jections in North Halton next month.

He said the board expects there will be a continued shift in Halton from the heavily populated urban areas to suburban areas across the region, and less occupancy of new homes.

Factors in future enrolment will include the opening of Halton's first separate high school next year and Acton's first separate school in September.

He said the separate high school would create a drop in high school enrolment in the south but this would be compensated with growth in the north especially in Milton and Acton.

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• Downtown Georgetown  
• Milton Mall



**The Regional Stacked Deck**

**OBSERVATIONS:**  
On October 1, 1973, The Province of Ontario re-shuffled the Municipal cards and dealt the new deck of 25 to the four players as follows:  
Burlington 9  
Halton Hills 5  
Oakville 7  
Milton 2

One card remained face down in the deck head (joker?).

**PROBLEM:**  
Which Municipality will have to have a few cards up its sleeve in order to remain in this game very long?

**CONCLUSION:**  
One of the cards up Milton's sleeve is the "charge-back" system which we have been fighting to keep at the Region in spite of the new card game rules. By this system, if we went something done that is a Regional responsibility, the two big card players to the south don't seem to care as long as we pay for it. Therefore they don't trump our fees and we don't take the trick. I shall continue to support Oakville to maintain the "charge-back" system at the Regional level.

Sincerely,  
*Jim Watson*  
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—Association of Canadian Community Colleges  
—Canadian Vocational Institute  
—Ontario, Canadian and World Craft Councils  
—Reeve of Acton — Warden of Halton County

**CONCERNS**  
—High cost of education and resulting high taxes  
—Back to basics and the discipline of core curriculum  
—Structured programs to ensure student mobility within the school system  
—Competition — minimum standards and goals  
—System should rest of accountability of everyone involved  
—Involvement of community in educational process.

**ISSUES**  
—Facilities should be functional, not expensive  
—Add proven new methods, while retaining the best of the old  
—Demands for remedial teaching are excessive and increasing  
—Expenditure of approximately \$1,000,000 on a new Board room is highly questionable  
—Policies on re-organization would benefit from further evaluation (e.g. demanding academic qualifications for Chairmen as is presently required for department heads.)

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**ELECT HINTON DEC. 6**  
**HALTON BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**WARDS 1 and 2**