



TWO-CAR collision on Highway 25 and 22 sideroad Friday morning sent Dolly Deshaies of Speyside Auto Body to hospital. Driver of the other car involved was Jack Pope of 179 Poplar.

**MOH urges immunization**

**Diphtheria case reported**

Halt Regional Health Unit officials are still working to control any possible outbreak of diphtheria in Halton. Medical Officer of Health for Halton, Dr. J.H. Chamberlain is urging people who have not had booster shots within the past five years to see their family doctor.

The Health Unit became concerned early last week after being advised that a woman had been diagnosed as having the highly contagious disease. The Oakville area woman was treated in Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital and is reported to be in no danger.

During a press conference Wednesday Dr. Chamberlain said the woman and her immediate family had been advised to stay indoors for a few days but he explained there was no quarantine sign on the door. "The lady is all right. She is not sick but she was found to be harboring an organism that was identified as diphtheria."

Dr. Chamberlain said there is no way of knowing whether or not others had contacted the disease. The Health Unit has taken precautions and has ordered 100 throat swab kits. The woman went to her family doctor on or about March 12 to be treated for a respiratory illness. The family doctor took a throat swab and sent it off to the Ministry of Health, Dr. Chamberlain explained.

He emphasized the fact that people who have gone more than five years without a booster should see their family doctor. Dr. Chamberlain said the victim of the disease in Halton had visited her family doctor and received a prescribed drug for a throat swab. You don't do that every time."

Asked whether the program for immunization was adequate in Halton, Dr. Chamberlain said he felt the program in the schools was certainly adequate but expressed concern about people no longer in the school system. He suggested people should get booster shots at least once every five years after leaving the school system.

The town's fees to the Halton Region Safety Council for 1977 is up \$218 over last year. Monday Halton Hills Works Committee approved payment of the \$3,848 fee. Last year the town paid \$3,630. The council will spend \$2,573 of the money on school safety patrols and another \$425 on the Elmer Safety

Elephant program at 18 schools. In addition, \$475 will go to bicycle safety training, \$250 for safety displays and public relations, and \$125 for defensive driving.

Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson asked Councillor Pat McKenzie, a member of last year's safety council, to find out who benefits from the defensive driving course

**Two-car collision**

An Acton woman was treated for minor injuries at the Georgetown Hospital after she was involved in a two car collision at the Highway 25 and No. 22 Sideroad intersection at 7:30 a.m. Friday, according to the Milton OPP.

Dolly Deshaies, of Speyside Auto Body, was southbound on the highway when she attempted to make a left turn onto No. 22 Sideroad when a collision occurred between her and the car behind her driven by Jack Pope, of 179 Poplar, Acton.

**BEAVER IS BACK**  
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**ACTON PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION**  
*Annual Meeting*  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6th**  
9:00 p.m.  
**Acton Scout Hall**  
GUEST SPEAKER  
Mr. George Gray - P. C. Candidate for the Ontario Riding at Halton-Burlington.  
**EVERYONE WELCOME**

**Chair pinched from hotel**

Police are looking for a man and a woman in connection with the theft of a dark brown stained chair from the Dominion Hotel.

The chair is valued at under \$200.

The man is described as standing six foot four and has an earring in his left ear. He's about 23-years-old and has sandy blonde hair. He was wearing blue jeans and a dark shirt.

The woman has blonde hair past the shoulder, wears glasses and stands about five foot two.

**Golf, over-50 yoga on Y spring course list**

The Murray Memorial Y.M.C.A., Acton, has had good response and support from the town and surrounding area and this support seems to be growing constantly. The Y has had a few slack years in the past but is now expanding more each session. Although a few courses have to be dropped from time to time because of lack of support or interest others are being added.

Registration for the spring programs will be held at the Y building, 42 Mill Street East on Friday, April 8 and Saturday, April 9, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. For further information on courses being offered, check this paper for the Murray Memorial Y.M.C.A. ad.

**Region tax increase . . .**

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there would be strong concern expressed by the council. "There is a great deal of work that has to be done and a great number of cuts that can be made."

Mr. Morrow noted that three of the budgets with the largest increases are budgets outside the direct control of council.

He pointed out that the 31.9 per cent increase in actual dollars would be offset partially by an increase in assessment.

The increases won't be as great when they are calculated into mill rates as they are when they are expressed in percentages. Assessment increase and the fact there are more people to share the costs, make the increases more palatable.

They include increases of 29.1 per cent for the police, 20.3 for the conservation authorities and 62.9 per cent for the Children's Aid Society.

Other increases by department are as follows: council 4.1 per cent; clerk's department 2.3 per cent; treasury 10.5 per cent; legal 1.5 per cent; miscellaneous general government 3 per cent; public works 37.7 per cent; planning and business

**Old map, friends help Speyside couple get land**

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**Snow bothers resident**

A Limehouse resident isn't happy with the way Halton Hills works staff has been filling his driveway entrance with snow this winter.

A. G. Goodwin wrote to the town recently complaining about his driveway entrance being filled in numerous times during the winter, noting he was snowbound in his own driveway as a result.

Councillor George Maltby said there are a number of spots in the rural area where the works crews might show a little more concern about where they leave piles of snow. He said this might be one of the areas where the snow should be removed.

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To the **CITIZENS of ACTON and VICINITY**

A sincere "Thank You" from "Smitty" and "Pat" for the distinct honour bestowed upon them by naming the Middle School in Acton the "McKenzie-Smith School".

Any success they enjoyed was a team effort. They were surrounded by dedicated teachers, understanding parents and capable students as well as progressive Board members and School Inspectors.

A very special thanks to everyone who made this possible.

*From the Smith and McKenzie Families*