

Firefighters busy house, grass fires

Grass fires once again dominate the fire news this week with four grass fires and one house fire.

Acton Volunteer firefighters fought a grass fire at the home of Loy Roksz, R.R. 1, Acton on April 12.

A house fire at 5 p.m. April 15 (Friday) at the home of Colin Gould, 57 Frederick resulted in damage to the two front rooms and smoke and heat damage to the rest of the house. Fire chief Mick Holmes suspects electrical wiring to be the cause of the blaze.

The next day two grass fires were fought, one at the home of William Knight in Esquesing. Another one later in the day occurred in the field to the west of the Royal Canadian Legion.

The volunteers fought another grass fire on Saturday at the home of Ivan Belbeck, R.R. 1, Campbellville. They were assisted by the Itocwood fire department.

The last call of the week was to the property of M. Sinclair, Erin township, where the firefighters were called to put out a blaze in a manure pile.



FIREFIGHTERS HOSE DOWN and sweep field area immediately west of the Legion building during a grass fire Saturday. The blaze started near the lake.

Hinton wants censure lifted

Acton-Esquesing Trustee Bert Hinton wants Halton Board of Education to lift its censure on Rev. Ken Campbell and Halton Renaissance. Thursday, he will present a motion to lift the censure imposed December 11, 1975.

The board imposed the censure after Campbell and Renaissance severely criticized Dr. John Meyers, who ran the school's values education program.

Just before Christmas last year retired Oakville member Dick Goodin presented a motion to lift the censure, but it was defeated by the trustees.

Recently, Campbell apologized to Meyers and Hinton now believes there are enough trustees willing to take another look at the censure that it is worth bringing it back to the board.

Recreation courses are popular this spring

It's spring and Actonians' fancy turns to thoughts of physical fitness. More than 150 people have signed up for recreation spring courses, including 40 for the coaching level one course.

The Judo course drew 12 applications, while gymnastics attracted 33 overall, plus 11 registrations for trampolines. Judo will be instructed by Oliver Reynolds. According to W.D. Manson, executive director of Judo Ontario, Mr. Reynolds "has an excellent tournament record as regional champion and has a vast amount of national and international experience."

The belly dancing course drew enough applicants to run, but had to be cancelled because the instructor is sick, according to Miss Pickering.

The fitness courses, including fitness and volleyball, swim and trim and exercise to music, garnered 38 ladies in their enrolment.

17 people registered for ballet.

Goodwin sent the town a letter advising he was blocked several times this winter because snowplows filled in his driveway entrance.

Town engineer Bob Austin told committee he didn't know how else to handle the situation, except by plowing.

Mushroom farm allowed trailer

The new owner of a mushroom farm on Highway 25, south of the Limehouse Road, may finally have permission to locate a mobile home on the property so the farm can be worked.

Over six weeks ago Sadhu Atwal asked to have a mobile home for hired help, until a permanent home could be built.

Wednesday night, Halton Hills Planning Board recommended the licence be issued for a year for a mobile home at least 40 feet long. Council has yet to approve it.

Two other mobile homes were approved at the meeting: one on the Walker Wood Farm, Lot 8, Trafalgar Road; and the other at Lot 6, Con. 6.

At the Walker Wood Farm the mobile home will be used for hired help, but eventually a Pan-A-Bode will be built.

Councillor Pat Patterson explained the location right in the cluster of farm buildings would make any possible request for a severance in the future impossible.

In the case of the Eller licence, the mobile home permit will be issued for six months, while a permanent home is being built.

Mission work in Nigeria will be outlined when the Bible Society holds its meeting tonight (Wednesday) at the Christian Reformed church.

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Move children's section of library downstairs

With great satisfaction, Halton Hills library board chairman Joan Lister read a motion to engage architects for the new Georgetown library.

It passed unanimously. The firm of Brook, Carruthers, Shaw, Toronto, will be hired by the board. Their first responsibility will be the site survey.

The library board met in Acton library board room Wednesday evening of last week, with new member Doug Magwood attending his first meeting. He is a resident of Georgetown and is the new principal of the M. Z. Bennett school in Acton.

The whole board will act as the building committee. The new library will be built at the Cedarvale site, about 1,000 yards from where it is now.

Last payments for the last payments have just been made on the Acton library, which was built at a cost of about \$80,000. Members commented that ten years later, the next library will cost ten times that amount.

Council approved \$750,000 for construction of the new library.

The board approved improvements in the grounds at Acton library including railway-tie planters, graveling under the eaves and the planting of two trees. While two ornamental trees will cost \$48, the cast iron guards being purchased to protect them cost \$112.

At Georgetown library, shrubs will be removed and periwinkle planted. Chief librarian Betsy Cornwell said the shrubs were becoming an eyesore. An estimate will be obtained for the construction of a pathway. Bicycle racks were also mentioned.

The work outside the two libraries will be done by White Oaks Landscaping, R.R. 1, Acton.

Acton changes - Ms. Cornwell reported on her inquiries regarding a vehicle access for Acton library. An entrance from the school lane would require an easement. She feels the ac-

cess is necessary for deliveries and wheel chair users.

She showed library board members where she is planning to move the children's section of Acton library downstairs into the present reference room. This would require several changes in the room, including the building of an emergency exit through the corner window. She will budget for more help of library pages when the change comes about.

The shut-in service "is starting to shape up," Ms. Cornwell said.

It is a volunteer service in Georgetown with mileage paid. In Acton, librarian Eileen New delivers books and tapes to shut-ins. "It is very time-consuming," Ms. Cornwell explained, since it's

Development officer added

The town will hire a development officer for the engineering department, despite some opposition that had resulted in the advertisement being withdrawn from newspapers.

Monday night council again voted to add the staff member, after a motion to delete the position was defeated on a close vote.

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There will be variety, to suit everybody, explains bandmaster George Elliott. The pieces will all be well-known kinds of classical numbers... in the way some cars are classics, he explains.

Some of the numbers on the program are the Canadian march Mon Ami, All the World is Waiting for the Sunrise, the Light Cavalry Overture, The Lost Chord, highlights from The Sound of Music, the andante from the Second Violin Concerto by Strauss, Hayden's Serenade for Strings, the RAF Marchpast, the Colonel Bogey march, and a tribute to Louis Armstrong which will include popular jazz of the 30s and 40s.

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