Residents boost legal clinic here

planner Ron Burnett said the

clinic could provide excellent

public education. He said

lawyers' offices scare people

and the trip to Legal Aid in

Oakville keeps many people

away. Burnett predicted the

Reed said he thought there

would be no conflict between

the clinic and the existing

Legal Aid plan since they

would complement each

Area social worker Carol

Lyons said a large part of her

workload could be handled by

the legal clinic noting social

services can't give legal

Acton lawyer Gord Chap-

man said he fully supports the

idea of a clinic. He said he

sincere attempt to help

thought Legal Aid makes a

business to local lawyers.

but some lawyers are opposed

Speaking on behalf of the clinic would even direct

RETIREMENT PRESENTATIONS were offered at Building Products of Canada Ltd. last week when Bill Struthers and Jim McKnight retired after 20 and 23 years respectively within the company. Pictured here from left to right

Residents from all walks of operate seven months with a

life came out strongly in

favor of a legal community

clinic for Halton Hills despite

opposition from some local

lawyers at a public meeting

August 30 at Knox Church

A surprising crowd of about

70 people turned out at the

meeting to discuss the idea of

a community based legal

clinic. It was sponsored by

the Clinical Funding Com-

mittee of the Ontario Legal

Dermot McCourt, a legal

aid official, told the audience

the purpose of the clinic

would be to handle problems

not normally taken care of

through legal aid like land-

lord-tenant disputes, and

problems with government

agencies like Unemployment

Insurance Commission. "The

clinic deals with laws and

statutes affecting poor

people." Another important

education of the public of

people's legal rights.

responsible people.

job for the clinic would be

McCourt explained the

application from 16 people in

Halton Hills for a legal clinic

was viewed favorably since

the people represented a

cross section of the com-

munity and seemed to be

It was decided to set up a

School . .

Gentleman pointed out.

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looked after in Acton, Mr.

school has increased. These students travel by bus daily.

Many young people will be leaving town this week to

register at universities and

colleges. Sheridan College

students can commute by

Hall, Georgetown.

Aid Plan.

\$22,000 budget and everything

was "go" he said until the

lawyers in Halton Hills ob-

jected. The hearing was

called to hear people's com-

ments for and against the

Halton Law Society Peter

Heslin said he has worked in

this area for 10 years and has

been heavily involved in legal

Heslin suggested if the

clinic went ahead it would

cost \$55,000 to run for a year

and his experience showed

there simply isn't the demand

or need for a clinic at that

Another lawyer, Monty

Hyde, said he wanted to see

how the \$22,000 was going to

be administered by local resi-

dents applying for the clinic and wondered what controls

Head of Halton Legal Aid

more than 15 calls a week.

there would be.

aid for five of those years.

are: Kevin Conroy, Glenn Jackson, Marjorie Struthers, Hector Daigle, Joan McKnight and Dan Boyle. Seated are Bill Struthers and Jim McKnight.

with new laws, especially in

the area of consumer protec-

tion, it is difficult for lawyers

Chapman thought public

education is badly needed

since so few people know

their rights. He added a clinic

is needed in Acton since

government agencies aren't

"This would be an addi-

Peggy Balkind, North

Halton Contact Centre, said

when people are upset and

under stress talking to some-

one in Oakville about legal

aid simply isn't good enough.

claimed young people will make good use of the clinic

and the \$22,000 will be a good

community.

tional service over and above

accessable to residents.

the private bar," he said.

to keep abreast.

Party politics would rule, Barrett says

If Halton mayors were to be elected from among councillors instead of the public at large, it would open the door for party politics to take over at the municipal level of government, according to Oakville Mayor Harry Bar-

Barrett was responding to comments by Burlington Councillor Walter Mulkewich. Mulkewich told the

Region's Bill 151 Committee he felt area mayors should be elected in the same fashlon as the regional chairman.

"To go the way Walter sug-gests is the fastest way to get into party politics that I can think of. Municipal government is the only level of government where party politics isn't followed and it is the only level of government where representative govern-

attempted a turn into a drive-

the turning vehicle.

Georgetown Hospital

ambulance, police say.

Car mishap on highway

Two Bolton cars collided in at about 1.29 a.m., when one front of Building Products plant on Highway 25 Friday morning.

Both drivers suffered slight injuries, according to Halton Regional Police.

The car driven by Stewart MacPhail received about damages, police say.

Both cars were south bound

Hyde thought the evening's

discussion made a good case

for lawyers being allowed to

advertise their fees and

Heslin said what the

lawyers had learned about

people's feelings about legal

aid was beneficial in improv-

John Chadwick, head of the

Clinical Funding Committee,

a committee of the Law

Society of Upper Canada,

consisting of three lawyers,

said after hearing everyone's

services.

ing the service.

ment really exists. "If you go that way the mayor and the council would

be controlled by the party and they would have to go along the party line whether they believed in it or not. The day that comes is the day I go,

disagreed. Mulkewich "Party Poltics is a necessary of representative government and party politics is far more prevalent now than most of us want to ad-Regional chairman Ric

Morrow told the committee he agreed with Barrett and agreed that mayors should way. The car following tried not be elected by their peers to pass, but caught the rear of but by the public.

The committee recom-Melonson was taken to mended no change in the election of the mayors but recommended the chairman

\$1,000 in damages, while the car driven by Melvin Melonson took about \$1,500 in Firestone supplies north police tires

will be putting treads on used. police cars in Georgetown, Milton and Acton for the next

Georgetown Firestone submitted a lower tender than Goodyear and B. F. Goodrich suppliers in Brampton.

The contract to supply approximately 80 tires for police cars was awarded Thursday by Halton Police Commission, subject to a check the firm can supply the

exact tires the force wants. Firestone supplies tires to the police at a fixed price and the force buys the tires as

they need them. Glenn Commissioner Halton Magnuson noted police want to have tires which are interchangeable from car to car so life of the

If the store can supply tires other area police departpolice want, Georgetown ments. In Burlington and Firestone, Moore Park Plaza. North Halton Firestones are

> Magnuson pointed out using the two brands of police pursuit tires will give the force the chance to compare performance.

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be elected by council but retain both his seat on local council and regional council. That was passed in spite of a warning from Mr. Morrow

that the load would be an in-

credible one and almost

impossible. Oh, you could do it. It would just mean rearranging your priorities," Milton Councillor Jim Watson said.

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comments the committee will make a decision regarding a treads can be monitored. In Oakville police use B. F. legal clinic in Halton Hills Councillor Peter Pomeroy Goodrich, recommended by **ERIN** REFRIGERATION Installation Service E. COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL

the clinic if it is approved. people in Halton Hills but office David McKenzie noted kulterasuriterasurulterasuriterasuriterasurit there is a direct line from the DOUBLE HAPPINESS Oakville office to Georgetown and there has never been RESTAURANT Resident Morely Mills said CHINESE AND CANADIAN CUISING the lawyers don't see the 352 Queen St E. Becker : Place Acton demand for a clinic because Tel. 853-2060 people are afraid to go to * WEEK DAY SPECIAL * (Sunday 'tll Thursday)

Halton-Burlington MPP Julian Reed said half the work his office does could be handled by the clinic since he

pilot project to see if the clinic is truly needed since a clinic has never been set up in a gets many calls requiring rural rear as opposed to "para-legal" work. He noted cities. The clinic would he urges constituents to get . F. legal advice but find they are extremely wary of dealing with lawyers.

special education will now be Connic Nieuwhof, Georgetown Red cross, said people feel about lawyers the same Enrolment of Acton way they do psychiatrists and students at General Brock avoid them at all costs.

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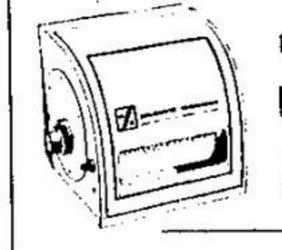
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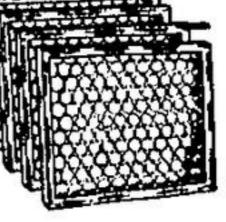


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