

OUR READERS WRITE:

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 location, but the Committee has done none of its work on the assumption this would happen.
 I would like to quote a portion of a letter the Committee received acknowledging receipt of a request for funds for the feasibility study.
 ...I was encouraged to hear of your plans for the conservation of Acton Town Hall, and wish to commend your Committee for the very active role it has played in this matter. Clearly, there exists a sizeable

amount of public support in the community for the retention and refurbishing of this heritage structure, and I will be glad to relay this information to my Board of Directors.
 A.B.R. Lawrence, Chairman,
 The Ontario Heritage Foundation
 It would appear that at this level of Government the work of the Committee is neither misunderstood nor unappreciated.
 George Elliott

Morrow preaches gospel of region

Regional government is working, and has far less duplication than the previous separate municipalities, Regional Chairman Ric Morrow told Halton Hills council last Tuesday night. His visit was part of a whirlwind tour of the councils of Oakville, Milton and Halton Hills on the same night.
 "I see nothing has changed here," said the former town councillor. "There's more people here in the gallery at 9:45 p.m. than there was at Oakville or Burlington at 7:30 p.m."



Chairman Ric Morrow

The regional chairman pointed out there had been eight separate councils with eight staffs, now cut to five. He said there were five police forces where there is now one, which he described as, the envy of police departments in many parts of the country.
 He claimed the 100 year old county system had to be overhauled to find effective solutions to modern day problems. Morrow claimed regional planning benefited everyone, since formerly municipalities did not have the authority to plan for areas outside their own boundaries. He said through regional government the province is returning step-by-step, many of the planning responsibilities.

The region might be willing to do the project this year and wait for the funding. He said he hoped Norval water would be installed before the end of his term of office.

Councillor Pat McKenzie said he couldn't see how the difficulties on Site F landfill site could be resolved before the Halton Hills landfill site, which now also serves Milton, is filled up.

Morrow replied the landfill site in Georgetown might be extended by changing the grade if the C.N.R. allows it. "It's a serious situation on landfill". He said he was a little disappointed the trucks from Milton could not have been diverted to Oakville to prolong the life of the Halton Hills site. He predicted the trucks would have to be diverted to Oakville if the town landfill site is filled before Site F is ready.

Councillor Russ Miller asked if a resolution from council that Milton's garbage to go to Burlington would have any effect.

"It wouldn't do any harm," replied Morrow. He pointed out it would reduce haulage costs from Halton Hills if the life of this landfill site is prolonged. He suggested the engineer give figures backing this up.

Asked about the workload of the regional chairman, Morrow said it was worse than he expected in the first six months, but said it is a little better now, since some of the major decisions have been made. "Sometime down the road the position may be more closely aligned to that of the former warden. I'm feeling more comfortable and finding a little more spare time."

Main open

Main St. North has been open since Friday although work still continues on the dirt surface.

School buses driving to the Robert Little school were entangled in the detour routes on the first three days of school, with police helping sort out the lines of traffic and lines of school children.

Graders were working on Main N. Tuesday.

Parts of the street have been closed since late in July, with businesses in the area suffering.

Car pushed 13 feet

An estimated total of \$1700 resulted after a two-car collision on Main St. south September 11 at 4:45 p.m., Halton Regional Police say.

Police report one car was parked outside of 18A Main St., when the other vehicle collided with it, pushing it 13 feet.

The cars were owned by Cosimo Mercuni, R.R. 4, Acton and Donald John Anderson of Willowdale.

Miss Elizabeth Hulbig, Burlington, has been named the first Co-ordinator of Halton Cheshire Homes Inc.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR CADETS Georgetown

756 Squadron, Royal Canadian Air Cadets have commenced the 1977-78 Season and are welcoming enrolments of students, male and female between the ages of 12½ and 19 years. Air Cadet headquarters is located at the Cedarvale Community Centre, Maple and Main Streets, Georgetown.

Parade nights are each Monday evening between 6:45 and 9:00 p.m.

Air studies, pilot and glider training, range and sports are among the numerous activities scheduled for this upcoming year.

TELEPHONE NUMBER
 AIR CADET HEADQUARTERS
 877-7313 or 877-5532

Why make haste?

Everton Ontario

I am not opposed to the adoption of the metric system for use in international trade, but I fail to understand our desperate haste to metrify the measurement of everything in sight.
 We export farm produce, but not the farm, so why must acres be abandoned in favor of "hectares"?
 The metrification of highway distances and speed limits is even more ridiculous. This is a matter of purely North American concern. Our neighbors in the United States have rejected the idea at the present time, but this fact has been overlooked, and its implications for this province, and for Canada, ignored.
 We are adding another deterrent to the American tourist trade which is of considerable importance to our economy.

It would have been more sensible to have started by abandoning counting things by the dozen, and adopting tens and hundreds instead. This would have been true "Metrication" and of obvious benefit to all.
 Alas! That would surely be too simple for the bureaucratic ideologues whose unfettered enthusiasm has deluged us in confusion and expense. Let these same enthusiasts consider that we also share other U.S. standards — for example pipe sizes and so on, and act in concert with our principal trading partner in making changes.

Meantime, stop the foolishness and let our various and too numerous levels of government deal with our real problems before inventing new ones which are a nuisance to all, and a benefit to none.
 Yours sincerely,
 W. K. Petric.

Congratulations from MP

August 31, 1977

The Acton Free Press
 59 Willow North
 Acton, Ontario

Dear Sirs:
 I was very pleased to read that the Acton Free Press had been awarded the Blue Ribbon Award in the Canadian Community Newspapers Association competition.

Congratulations to all the members of your staff deserving of this award and for making the Acton Free Press the newspaper that it is.

Yours sincerely
 Dr. Frank A. Philbrook
 Member of Parliament
 Halton

Same old problems

R.R. 2, Rockwood, Ont.
 August 30, 1977

Dear Sir:
 If there is one cabinet minister in Ontario who has proven his incompetency beyond a shadow of a doubt, that cabinet minister has got to be Environment Minister George Kerr.

Having held three cabinet portfolios, one of them twice, Mr. Kerr has managed to blow each responsibility. During his first stint as the Minister of the Environment in the early seventies, conservationists and environmentalists urged him to do something about solid waste, non-returnables, etc. (we still have non-returnables and every community in Ontario has a garbage problem).

Today, with Mr. Kerr as Minister of the Environment we still have a garbage problem. Rivers, lakes and streams in many areas are polluted beyond belief, in fact Ontario is an environmental disaster. Now Mr. Kerr, in allowing the Darlington (Newcastle) nuclear plant to go ahead without Environmental Assessment Hearings, just endorses his incompetency. The Environmental Assessment Act is a provision to ensure no environmental disaster occurs. To by-pass the Act is criminal. Mr. Kerr may be popular at the polls. I can only assume he is either a good actor, or the affluency of his constituents won't allow them to support the alternatives.

William A. Johnson

Thanks for prize

Thank you for the prize money, for the Back to School contest.
 Chris Wood.

No limit on delegations

A suggestion to limit the number of delegations at any council meeting to four, went down to defeat last Tuesday night at Halton Hills council meeting.

Most councillors did not want the public restricted to a certain number, but favored a time limit on each.

Councillor Pat McKenzie said council spends so much time on delegations they don't get down to the nitty-gritty of town business. He pointed out each delegation is limited to 15 minutes at the region.

Miller said he would not want to see them refused if they insist on coming to council, but said he would favor a time limit.

Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson agreed, saying municipality government is one of the few governments people can reach.

Councillor Walter Biehn

EVENING COURSES at Sheridan's Heavy Equipment School

These evening courses will be offered at the Heavy Equipment School, Milton Campus, located on the 6th Line, Massagaweyas Township, three concessions west of Highway 25, north of Halton Road 9. Telephone 878-3577 or 826-3098. Courses start 7:00 p.m.

You may register in person at the Milton Campus during the daytime, or by mail to R.R. 3, Milton, Ontario L9T 2X7. You may also register for these courses at any other Sheridan campus.

EKT 8491 Automobile Care, Basic
 A practical course for all car owners, interested in a comprehensive program dealing with basic car care and preventative maintenance. Topics covered will be components of the engine, operation, plugs, points, carburetor, coils, basic tune-up, oil changes, etc.
 10 Sessions Fee \$35.00
 Thurs. Sept. 29

EKT 1029 Construction Welding, Basic
 Oxygen acetylene cutting and welding/bracing, arc welding, stick welding on mild steel, stick welding on cast iron, tig welding on aluminum.
 Students will be responsible for purchasing or supplying gloves, sleeves and aprons. Approximate cost \$20.00.
 10 Sessions Fee \$60.00
 Thurs. Sept. 29

EKT 1038 Sewer and Watermain Pipe Laying
 This course is designed to give more than a basic knowledge of pipe laying. Grades will be a big factor, as well as reading drawings and interpreting grade sheets. Methods of stringing and stockpiling pipe in different weather conditions. The best method of handling pipe while unloading from transport. Field work will be a part of the program. Pipe will be laid under actual field conditions.
 10 Sessions Fee \$60.00
 Tues. and Thurs. Sept. 27

EKT 1028 Construction Surveying, Basic
 This course is designed to give a basic knowledge of surveying methods and equipment, and methods for setting and checking grade. It will apply to anyone wishing to enter the construction field as an operator or grade foreman. The new Ministry rules making the contractor responsible for setting and checking most grades will make a good grade foreman a valuable asset on any construction project.
 10 Sessions Fee \$40.00
 Tues. and Thurs., Sept. 27 and 29

EXT 1032 Machine Identification - Application
 This course is designed to give a basic knowledge of various models of construction machines, the various attachments which can be mounted, and the different job applications for each type of machine. It is meant to give a basic orientation to provincial and municipal inspectors and any such personnel who are required to keep a diary of machines used on a construction project.
 10 Sessions Fee \$40.00
 Thurs. Sept. 29

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