



Business development manager Bill Marshall has the responsibility of promoting Halton. However, he has found the task of having the four municipalities within the region ready for promotion is much work.

# Marshall goes to bat for Halton

Three strikes are all a baseball hitter has going for him, but when Bill Marshall comes to bat, he has four.

Marshall is Halton's business development manager and when he steps up to interest a client in investing in the region, he has four opportunities: Milton, Halton Hills, Burlington and Oakville.

"Our promotional brochure is geared to that end," he said.

"Inside are the brochures of each of the four municipalities."

Midway between Hamilton and Toronto in the centre of Ontario's Golden Horseshoe Halton and its four communities have a lot going for them, he said.

A quarter of the na-

tion's population and a third of its industry are situated in the complex of which Halton is a part.

The sophisticated transportation system, business expertise and availability of labor as well as access to recreation are major advantages.

Marshall said the objective is to get the message to potential investors and then make con-

tact.

"So often business or industry will locate where personal contact has been made," he said.

He said he would like to take a week out of the office to visit prospective clients.

As it is, he has only enough budget to follow up initial contacts.

While it's one thing to promote, it's another to

know how what to promote.

Marshall said he would like to create a regional economic plan that is reasonably acceptable to the four communities. This would not only help him in the promotion work but help the municipalities crystallize their opinions on related matters.

Much of his time is

spent at planning and development meetings in the four communities.

Although these sessions are often down to the nitty-gritty it is here that decisions having major ramifications are made. Thus, it is important the

region's representative is present to advise what he thinks would be the best avenue to follow.

Marshall said his job would be easier if the four communities had tracts of serviced industrial land waiting for potential

clients.

That is not the case in Milton. The tract of industrial land which is frequently called Amendment 7, is still before the provincial government.

However, once that is passed and ready, Marshall said he feels it will be a viable attraction on Milton's behalf.

He said Halton Hills has land available for industry but it is scattered and the owners are hard to locate.

## Osprings

### Holiday visitors throughout area

by Doris Fines

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bruce received an early Christmas gift when they became grandparents again on Dec. 20. The new wee arrival Jordan Allan, visited them on Christmas day along with his parents Catherine and Garnet Bruce of Mississauga.

Other guests on Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bruce, were Mrs. James Sayers and Lorna, Mr. and Mrs. Gaetan Patenaude, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Johnston of Acton district, Miss Gladys Sanders of Kitchener, Mr. and Mrs. Les Wilson, Jennifer and David of Rockwood, Mr. and Mrs. Allan McCallum and Mrs. Margaret Cyr and Genevieve of Toronto, Mrs. W.W. Bruce of Whitewood, Sask., and Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bruce and Brenda.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hurren visited on New Year's day with Dr. and Mrs. Ron Green and Karen of Hillsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leslie spent New Year's day with the Leslie families at the Bruce Leslie residence, Milton.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherlock Aitken and Heather of Ottawa visited during the

## Ice warning

The recent rain and ensuing bitter cold have provided acres of ice surface in the area but children should not be allowed to skate on these areas until they are checked for depth of ice, the Credit Valley Conservation Authority warned this week.

## Ebenezer

### Officers elected for local women's group

by Mrs. Ron McLean

Ebenezer United Church Women were divided into two teams, the "Scribes" and the "Pharisees" for the year 1978.

They collected pennies to help the hungry. The Pharisees were the losers, so the Scribes supplied the lunch for the annual meeting.

Rev. Russel Finley installed the officers for 1979, as follows: past president Audrey Kitching; president Pat Chalmers; first vice president Sadie Moore; second vice-president Jessie Munro; secretary and press reporter Isobel McLean; treasurer and convener of sales Sharon Anderson; social convener and good cheer secretary Beryl Clegg; supply secretary Jean Early; citizenship and stewardship secretary Lillian Thomas; friendship and visiting secretary Anne Blyth; program chairman and archivist Dilys Joss; pianist Audrey Weideman.

things we should carry over into the new year. We grow when we go through hard times. She mentioned the late King's message, "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God." One thing we need to take with us is "hope." Another is "heart." The Lord sees into the corners of our hearts, where we harbor little grudges. The third thing to carry with us is "humility."

Art Diamond and Bob Johns were elected as elders for a two year term.

The roll call was answered with a verse containing the word "begin". Several thank you cards were read from those who had been remembered at Christmas. Eighteen boxes and six plants were sent out. The president thanked everyone for their co-operation. Jean Early reported that two large boxes of used stamps were sent to help the lepers, three boxes of Christmas cards and a donation to the World Vision Mission Guild.

Jessie Munro then gave an inspiring talk on

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Grundy, Douglas, Deborah, Tommy and Gary, were guests on New Year's day of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bilton at Rockwood.

New Year's day guests with Mrs. Thomas Fines and Mrs. William Henderson of Belwood, Mr. and Mrs. Don Wilson and Danny of Ferguson, Mrs. Harry Armstrong of Guelph, and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ferguson had New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. William Johnston, R.R. 4 Grand Valley, and also visited with Gary's grandmother, Mrs. Thomas Fines.

Bruce and Anne Smith spent Christmas at home entertaining Mrs. Smith's parents Mr. and Mrs. George Kearns of Guelph, her brother Peter Kearns of Meaford, her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Earle White of Woodbridge, and her aunt Marnie Rumsey of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wright of Harriston were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Grundy and family.

Miss Ann Wylie of Georgetown, visited over Christmas with her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Barry Clarke. Christmas morning they spent with their father William Wylie at Milton Manor.

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