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Council objects to listing pits. . . the others, but would not He explained at pre-

council meeting with residents, representatives Harborow wondered why the only wayside pits listed out of 24 were the three in Halton Hills, and pointed out all the others are commercial licensed

He emphasized nothing had been said about possible water depletion, except the contractor is liable for any damage and is covered by Insurance, and further no environmental impact study had been carried

Harborow stated, "We

pits.

(Cointinued from B 4)

felt we could support the contract if it was the last contract to be issued on the Spitzer, Pilutti and simply to study it.

be little material left in wayside pits out of 24

say they would delist Hills." He said he had recommendation. .

He concluded by pointing out if the MTC overrules council and is not prepared to make commitments on future operations, they will seek an opinion on their authority to do so.

Dale Gunter, of the geotechnical division of the MTC, pointed out Bot Construction may not take the full amount of the contract from a Sixth Line pit. "We feel the full amount would about clean out the source, but I caution you we have to study the pit after Bot is

Councillor Russ Miller, Odorico pits, but the MTC a member of the council would not commit them- committee on the pits, selves to delist the pits, said he felt if council refused outright they could He said the MTC did lose the advantages of commit themselves to no controlling pit operations reopening of the Spitzer on their own conditions. pit, and said there would "I am upset that the only

listed are in Halton hoped to negotiate but in light of the residents strong opposition, he was net prepared to make any

Miller said the Odorico pit was the real stumbling block, and pointed out rehabilitation has started on the north end "The MTC said only the southerly portion, which is 1,000 feet away from any home would be

Miller stated if the southerly part of the Odorico pit is not listed another wayside pit could suddenly appear. somewhere else in the

Gunter of the MTC said council had been asked for comments, and what conditions they wanted. "We listen we don't ride roughshod over the communities." He emphasized the resource use there to be used. "It's nuts to use high grade them.

mercial pits, when lower grade aggregate is useable and chebper. And the land can still be used after it's out,"

Councillor George Maltby, another member of the council appointed pit committee, said the MTC had made verbal commitment, including the leaving out of the Spitzer and Pilutti pits and using only southern end of the Odorico pit, now in return for council's listing of the Vincent, Cohoon and Odorico pits. "If we say no now, we have to release them from their conditions."

Councillor Roy Booth contended there must be other wayside pits within the 25 mile radius of the

Gunter retorted by asking him to tell them where they are, since the

MTC does not know of

had their first meeting of

the year on Wednesday

members present. Their

next meeting will be on

their turn to look after

with

afternoon

Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson raised the question of wells, saying she understood a resident had problem with water

Mayor Pete Pomeroy said the latest information he had which he admitted was hearsay since he had not seen the report, stated there had been no detrimental

effect on wells. Gunter said, "To use council's own words, I feel I've been led down the garden path. I thought we had an agreement with the council committee, after we made certain concessions for the betterment of the

The mayor said the committee talked about delisting the Pilutti pit, but only have the promise of a study. Continuing he said the ground water study is not here, neither is the information on total tonnage. He said negotiations are not finished.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jen-

nings will show pictures

of their trip to Australia.

Anyone is welcome to

by Elsie Loucks, Beth

Smith and Mrs. Robert-

Marjorie Hall played

for carol singing and with

attend the meeting.

Eden Mills

### New Year's dance 'Real neat time'

and Mrs. Manse Lowrie attended the New Year's. The Friendly Seniors - January 16 at which time by Mrs. W. MacDougall Over the holiday have enjoyed a week's Eve dance sponsored by season, Mr. and Mrs. Ed vacation at Wasaga the community club had. Jennings entertained all Beach and Orr Lake. a real neat time, good of their family, including Mr. and Mrs. M. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. J. Jennings and Mr. and

Mrs. Ted Jennings all from Acton. Recently, Mr. and Mrs. E. Jennings visited some former school mates, Mr. Mrs. Leonard Squires at Oakwood, and

Edith's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Goode in Oshawa. Rinehart spent New especially the two who carols. Year's with Mr. and Mrs.

Alvin Blacklock

spent the weekend with

Burlington. The Gilbertson ladies enjoyed New Year's dinner at the home of Mrs. Herb Gilbertson and Shirley, in Guelph; and another one at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jlm

Stevenson, Stoney Creek. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chamberlain and Mr.

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There wasn't a full music, good food and Mr. and Mrs. J. Gibson, house, but those who good friends. Pot luck supper for Knox 'Alert'

> The Knox "Alert" Evening Group held their Christmas Pot Luck Supper in the Dr. A.C. Stewart Memorial Hall. After a bountiful supper, the group gathered together for the meeting, which the president

had returned from Toronto for this special meeting.

Babe Roszell opened the program with a solo "There's a Song in the Air" followed by a carol. Elsie Loucks and Babe opened with the Call to continued the program Worship and a welcome with Christmas readings, Mr. and Mrs. Fred to guests and members, scripture and -more

Lillian Berry and Mar-During the business, jorie Hall, and a lucky the President reminded number contest was won the group that it was

the lunch for the Friendship Hour in January. Slips were given out for the Every Member Part-

A Lucky chair contest

best wishes for a Merry icipation program in Christmas, the last meeting of 1979 was closed with the repeating of the

Mizpah Benediction. was won by Beth Smith, Epiphany party at St. Alban's

Eucharist Sunday, the companied by Karen Pitt provided by the Sunday congregation of St. Alban's Anglican Church number of choruses, ladies and a period of after which everyone enwas led into the parish joyed a short film about hall by the Three Wise they diliminist ugitta to the Men'for the annual Epip Bahvalastinda

hany Party The children of the Sunday School, under the

leadership of Terry

There isn't a single Wintario grant for Acton among the 33 announced last week. The Ministry of Culture and Recreation revealed grants worth

Halton. Grants for five projects, totalling \$16,808, went to Georgetown

No grants

Oakville.

for 33 projects in

Mild winter

Hurts sales a little Some winter clothing

sales were down over Christmas because of the balmy temperatures (for winter) and dearth of snow, a

on balance Acton businessmen haven't been hurt as much as those elsewhere. There were gloom and doom reports and warnings of many impending bankruptcies from retailers in larger centres and malls over the holidays. It was

supposed to be a disastrous Christmas sales season because of the unseasonably temperatures, lack of snow for several weeks sluggish and the economy. Sales of items like

equipment and winter sports equipment nosedived. A survey this week of Acton retailers showed some clothing sales dipped but . . snow

were strong. Mike Kinal of Acton Home Hardware, , who sells many winter oriented items, reports it was his best Christmas ever. In fact, sales were up 18 per cent over the 1978 Yule season. Snowblowers, gans and skis moved

very well. However. stores like Toddlers to Teens can't report as

owner of Toddlers to Teens, says lack of snow early in the winter slowed sales of items

like snowsuits and mittens, although things picked up over the Christmas season.

lunch, on the guitar, sang a School and the A.C.W. fellowship was enjoyed

and fruit to the children as they left for home. **Acting Mayors** 

Three Wise

presented gifts of candy

Acton Esquesing councillor in Halton Hills will serve

> council's term ends in November, as Acting The Acting Mayor

Councillor Terry

Grubbe will be acting mayor in March. Ross Knechtel - April, George Maltby - June, Russ Miller - August, Pat Patterson - September

### vember. month by attending some

Although Mrs. Charlebois hasn't got any specific figures she says sales are down over 1978. Paul Nielsen Nielsen's Clothing tells the same kind of story. Sales were down a bit carly and then picked up at Christmas, which

> "fantastic." -Nielsen explains an early winter, with lots of snow, influences sales, but with the return of cold temperatures last week sans appreciable snow falls, meant brisk business and heavy clothing like coats and sweaters are selling, just as they were before

described

Christmas. Of all winter clothing items it appears boots sales were the hardest hit in Acton. Alma Swetman of Swetman's Shoes says sales have been "disastrous." She explained "If you don't have snow, you don't

sell boots." Winter boots usually start selling heavily in October and carry through the Christmas season but this year Mrs. Swetman noted sales have been quite low. Fortunately, Swetman's doesn't carry a high inventory, she stated, so the store isn't as adversely affected as larger retail outlets.

Heather Porte of Larry's House of Buys says sales of outer winter wear items like snowsuits, scarfs and mitts are down from last year while slacks and sweaters were about the same.

The lack of snow has also cut into the towing business Les Pelitis of Achilles' Motors says. "I believe people have

been very careful (driving). Not too many accidents and not too

ch," Pelitis stated. Traditionally nicer weather means brisker car sales and that's what happened Pellitis observed. Car sales are up, he noted, 15 being sold around Christmas, and they will be

delivered this month.

Kinal says it was his

temperatures didn't hurt his business a bit. It may seem odd, but snow blower sales have been good. In fact, one was sold Christmas Eve, despite the fact there wasn't a flake in sight and it was pouring down rain. He expects the last of his snow

out quickly once the

next heavy snowfall

arrives. \* Acton Home Hardware is completely sold out of toboggans and sleds, even without snow and there won't be more in stock until next winter. Those items are ordered in April.

weekend rentals had been booked, but the disappearance of the snow caused cancellations. Home improvement

product sales were excellent and the week Christmas produced a tremendous run on wallpaper and paint at Home Hardware, more sales than during all December. With winter outings off, people took advantage of time during the holidays to spruce up their

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