



Acton Firefighters had to use air packs when they were inside the burning Cockburn home on Rosemary Rd. Saturday. About \$5,000 in damages resulted from the blaze.



Acton Fire Chief Mick Holmes, in hat, supervises his men during the chimney fire call to the Simmons home on Churchill Rd. N. Sunday night.

\$5,000 fire damage to Rosemary St. home

Acton Firefighters turned out for four weekend blazes.

The worst call was to the Dennis Cockburn home at 12 Rosemary St. Saturday morning. About \$5,000 in damage resulted in the basement fire.

Mrs. Cockburn and the three children are staying with a neighbor. Much of the basement was damaged, and there is quite a bit of smoke damage, according to fire chief Mick Holmes.

A couch, chairs and television were among the items damaged.

Firefighters responded to two chimney fires later Saturday. There was no damage in either call, according to Holmes.

The first was to a neighbor of the Cockburns, the home of Gord Robinson, 7 Rosemary, at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Minutes later there was a call to the Tom Freestone home, 62 Cobblehill Rd.

Sunday night there was a third chimney fire call, this time at the Gary Simmons home, 47 Churchill Rd. N. No damage was listed in the fire department report.

K. Robbins heads Y

Keith Robbins was recently chosen to chair the board of directors of Acton's Murray Memorial YMCA for a third straight year.

Ken Grubbe was returned to the post of treasurer, as well as vice-chairman, and Dave Hunter is the secretary.

Carole Clark is again program chairman while Ways and Means committee is headed by Dot Redekop. The Building chairman is Dave Whiting and Gordon Chapman chairs the finance committee. The nomination chairman is Lynda Ruse.

Other members of the board include Ina Boyle, Mona Petrillo, Joan Phillip, Arthur Tribe, Chip Petrillo, Doug Leys, Lloyd Broostad, Jim Daley, Jack Meinen, Sue Robbins, Peter Andrabi, Bill Mainprize and Carl Rosenquist.



Brenda Denny's 1969 Chevrolet Camino won first place in the Custom pick-up class at the recent Trucksport-Speedsport auto show at the CNE. This is the Acton woman's third award. Brenda's truck won against five other entries, including her boyfriend's. She did all the interior restoration work herself.

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FOR LEADERSHIP

Propose 110 home development

A proposal for 110 homes on a 36 acre site on the east side of Highway 25 south of Acton, was presented to Halton Hills planning board last week.

M. A. Qazi, agent for owner Kay Fisher, of Mississauga, claimed there is more than enough sewage capacity to handle an additional 5,000 people and sewage capacity to handle between 8,000 and 10,000.

He said the development would probably yield 400 residents and stated the lots would have 65 feet frontage and between 9,000 and 10,000 square feet in area. An internal road was shown on a sketch.

Qazi explained buffering of trees and berms would surround the development, which he said had a density of 12 people per acre.

Councillor Ross Knechtel questioned the sewage capacity figures, pointing out there is a restriction on the present plant, with a substantial portion of the available capacity held for industrial use.

He said he doubted if an additional 8,000 to 10,000 people is possible since it conflicts with statements from the Ministry of Environment.

Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson termed the proposal premature in the light of the sewage question.

Planner Mario Venditti said Qazi was referring to studies by the region which seemed to indicate there might be extra capacity, but had not yet been determined.

The plan was referred to the planning department for a report.

Better Council by halving - Mannell

Regional Councillor Laurie Mannell has asked the 24-member Halton Regional Council be reduced to 12 full-time councillors.

Mr. Mannell made the suggestion as part of his input on a regional review of the current state on how well the municipality is working.

He said that "as most councillors run businesses, or have full time jobs, they are not able to devote the time necessary to check out and investigate the needs and concerns of Regional Government."

"As most of the meetings, staff reports are approved, without in many cases, the councillors knowing anything about the project, where it is, whether it is needed or not, or any of the details on which logical decisions should be made."

"I feel that with full time councillors, the member of the various committees could go out and look at all projects, could thoroughly read all material, and could actively participate in running the region and do the job for which they were elected."

Mr. Mannell said an adequate salary could be paid to the suggested 12 full time councillors by using the salaries now paid to all 24 members of Regional Council.

"The public would get better service and I am sure we could save thousands of dollars," he said.

Mr. Mannell has also urged the Regional Review Committee to use the recommendations prepared by an ad hoc review committee two years ago as the basis of the new review.

"Two years ago, a committee chaired by Milton Mayor Don Gordon held 23 meetings on this subject."

"The committee was composed of elected councillors from each local municipality and they accepted briefs, held hearings with groups and individual citizens, had staff input and in my mind covered anything and everything that anyone wanted to discuss."

"There was considerable disagreement among the committee on many items but after all the shouting was over, by compromise and by majority vote, the recommendations went to the Committee of the Whole of Council where they were changed and amended and sent on to Council for ratification."

"Thus, with all this work behind us, I would humbly suggest that this report be the starting point for any review and that if the Administration Committee sees that circumstances have changed, then changes be made in the previous recommendations."

"But, please, let us not start at square one and rehash the whole thing again," he said.

No crop damage yet says ag. rep.

No damage to fruit and land crops has been reported during the unseasonably mild winter conditions, says Burke McNeill, an agriculture horticulture specialist and agricultural representative for Halton. However, pasture damage is possible if the weather continues cold with no snow covering.

The worst damage could occur in the Spring when temperature fluctuations are not uncommon. If there are fluctuations, flowering fruit buds could be damaged, affecting fruit crops. The effect of weather fluctuations on grain crops would not be as severe, Mr. McNeill said.

There are also possibilities that deer may be feeding on exposed winter wheat crops.

Land available Catholic High far in the future

Although the Halton Separate School Board has indicated an interest in a piece of property outside of Acton, plans to build a Catholic high school are a long way in the future, according to Director of Education Cliff Byrnes.

The 97.4 acre property, located 2 1/2 miles south of Acton on Highway 25, is owned by Ronald Green who approached Halton Hills planning board last Tuesday evening with plans for a 24 estate homes proposal and the donation of 7.3 acres to the Separate School board for the building of a high school.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS PUBLIC NOTICE

The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills has been approached by Herbert H. Hinton, 24 Park Avenue, Acton, to indicate his desire of making a gift of his home and land at 24 Park Avenue, to the Town, to form a part of the adjacent municipal parkland (Prospect Park) and to be used for future park purposes.

Mr. Hinton has indicated that the former Town of Acton and its residents have been the avenue through which many of his and his former wife's life enjoyments have been realized, and now he wishes to show his appreciation in this fashion.

In return for this gift, which would be subject to a municipal tax free life tenancy, Mr. Hinton has requested that a memorial plaque be placed at the site in honour of his late wife, and also that the park be renamed from "Prospect Park" to "Hinton Park".

The Council will be giving consideration to this offer at their regular Council meeting on February 18th, 1980, at 7:30 p.m. Any citizen wishing to submit considerations on this matter is invited to do so by contacting the Clerk's Office, Administration Building, Trafalgar Road (877-5185), Halton Hills.

Any submissions will be brought to the attention of the Council to assist in their deliberations. All submissions will be considered confidential by the municipality.

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Estate homes

A plan to build 24 estate residential homes on the east side of Highway 25 two and half miles south of Acton was proposed to Halton Hills planning board this week.

Ronald Green, RR 2, Georgetown, owner of the 97.4 acres spoke briefly saying he had a letter from the Halton Separate School Board showing interest in 7.3 acres of the land, he hoped to donate to the board as a future site for a high school.

No questions were asked and the proposal was referred to the planning department for a report.

L'Arche meets

The members of the L'Arche Auxiliary recently held their first meeting of 1980 at the home of Gayle Ferguson, Knox Avenue.

Lynda Paul gave the secretary's report of the previous meeting and Itby Lausten the treasurer's report.

Correspondence secretary, Verna Harrison, read thank you notes from Tinkerbell Nursery, Residents of Countryside Residence and various children in the Community for gifts received at Christmas time.

Plans are now underway for the annual Spring Dance which will be held on March 8 at the Bund Hall. Tickets may be obtained from Auxiliary members and we hope that many will come out and have a great time.

Julie Conroy reported that a Ladies' Group of the Christian Reformed Church are having a Valentine bake sale on February 15, with proceeds going to L'Arche Auxiliary and donations of baked goods would be welcome. The L'Arche Auxiliary of Acton always appreciates the generosity of the Ladies groups of the Christian Reformed Church and the amount of money donated to help the mentally retarded in North Halton.

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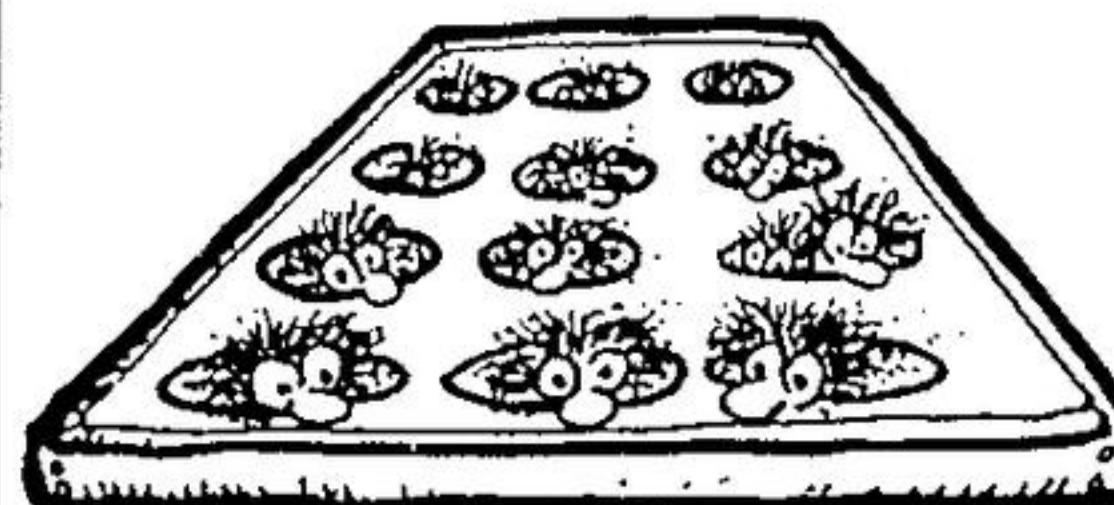
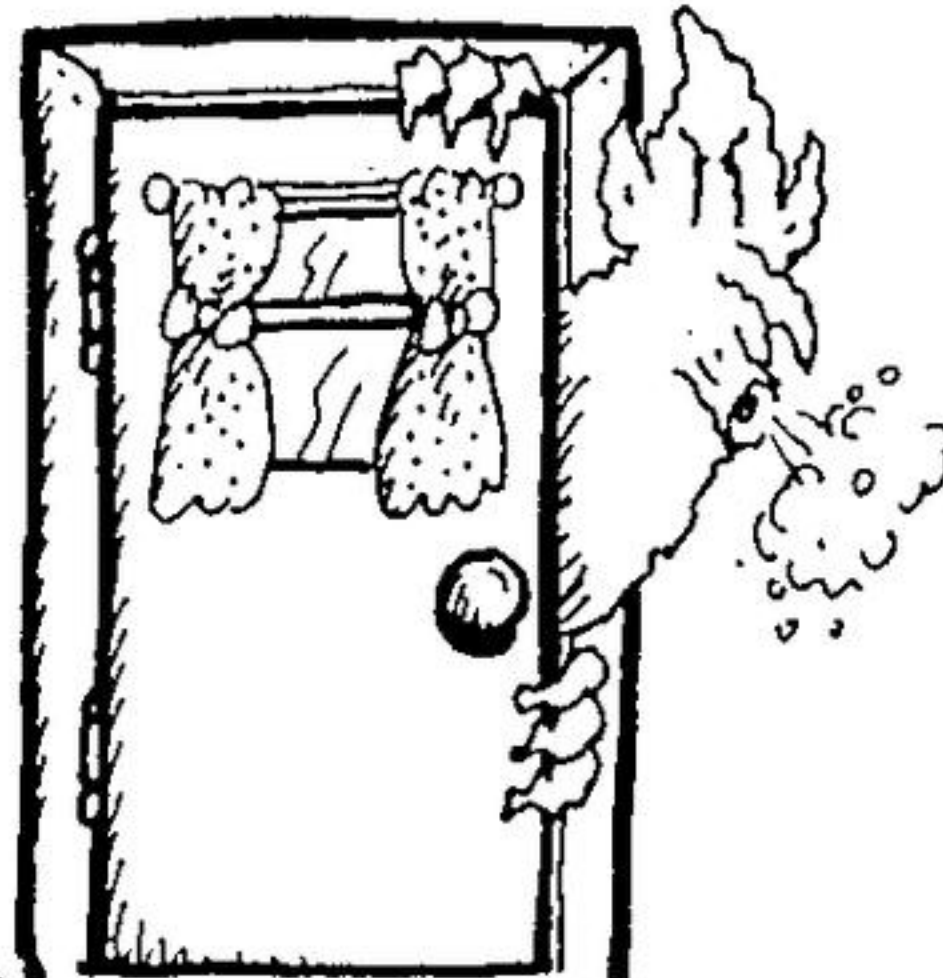
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