



The Tapestry Singers will entertain in Acton February 4.

### Knechtel boosts section 86 but few support tax reform...

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While Knechtel was positive most of his colleagues were negative about Section 86, though two were missing and it was decided to defer the subject another two weeks for further study and consideration.

Mayor Pete Pomeroy said he won't support Section 86 calling it a "very poor vehicle for

tax reform." He said the market value factors used in determining new assessments are just a guess. The present system isn't fair, but Section 86 isn't any fairer, he felt. "This is just another stab in the dark at tax reform."

Councillor Dave Whiting disputed the mayor's claim that since the last council rejected Section 86 a motion must

be passed to reconsider the issue before a new vote is taken. Whiting said since it is a new council Section 86 could be brought back for consideration.

Still more information is needed, Councillor Russ Miller said. He said he was worried about Section 86's impact on seniors, but for the time being his worry has been solved by the \$500 grant for seniors. However, there is no guarantee the grant will remain.

He said he has discussed the issue with officials of Milton and Flamboro and they have warned against Halton Hills implementing Section 86. He pointed to the many municipalities which have rejected it and said there must be some good reason.

Miller said Milton had to pass out grants totalling \$50,000 to offset the tax hikes the first year under Section 86. Farmers were receiving cheques of \$600, he was told, to offset 50 per cent of the tax hike and this

year face increases of \$1,200.

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### St. Alban's Officers chosen

The Annual Vestry Meeting of St. Alban's Anglican Church was held on Sunday evening, January 25. The Rev. Arthur J. Tribe, presented his report, as did the Wardens and all the various church organizations, and plans for the coming year in the Church and Church School were discussed.

Officers for 1981 are: Rector's Warden, Grant Punccheon; People's Warden, David Hunter; Deputy Warden, Mary Anderson; Secretary, Lois Turkoz; Treasurer,

Pat Fritzell; Envelope Secretary, Mary Anderson; Lay Delegates to Synod, Alice Duby, Marie Hargrave, Carl Rosenquist; Alternate Lay Delegates, Pearl Rol, Karen Pitt. Elected or appointed to Parish Council: Cindy Blades, Penny Bristow, Lorna Clarke, Yvonne Courtine, David Deforest, George Hargrave, June Tribe, Jack Roo, Bob Barber, Claude Courtine, Bert Gould, Ken Grubbe, Marion Hunter, Susan Kuechler, Sharon Barker, John Robson, Auditor, Ken Grubbe.

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### Parents protest kindergarten age....

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problem and co-ordinate with the other groups in Halton. It is important to make sure all parents are aware of this problem. Mrs. Fleming, the trustee, and nursery school teachers are finding parents aren't aware of this regulation change.

Mrs. Fleming said she and other parents she's discussed the problem with think they can work with the board and ministry to find a solution.

She said parents aren't protesting the deadline, just the lack of warning or adjustment for children who have been prepared to enter kindergarten next fall.

"As parents we are concerned about the lack of a transitional period before the policy is implemented."

Mrs. Fleming said parents she has talked to so far will be writing to the minister of education as well as the board to make them aware of each individual case.

They are prepared to join other groups in Halton which may meet with the board and province to discuss the issue.

Gloria Tomlinson of Honeypot Nursery School said seven of her pupils won't be able to go to kindergarten as expected. She said it is a sad situation for the child is ready for school after two years in nursery

school. Mrs. Tomlinson said she has looked at developing a more stimulating course for these children, but if they work on reading skills and number concepts they'll still have to repeat the same work when they enter kindergarten. No matter what is done these children wind up wasting a year.

Linda Richmond of the Acton Co-op Nursery says she knows of just one child who is affected, but intends to discuss the

matter with more parents. She only became aware of the problem recently. Mrs. Richmond said it is unfortunate there wasn't more advanced warning because children don't need a third year of nursery school, they can't be kept at home again and she doesn't know if economical advanced programs can be arranged for these children. "It's too bad there hasn't been a compromise for this fall only."

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1 3/4"	17.22	28.60
2"	19.78	32.90
2 1/2"	43.28	71.96
3"	64.12	106.64
3 1/2"	77.16	128.32
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