



Cathy and Beverley Bridge took part in Acton library's sign language program last Tuesday.



Many enthusiastic youngsters turned out last Tuesday for the sign language program at Acton library. By the end of the course most of them had learned at least a few signs.

## Designate Speyside as a rural cluster

A regional study suggests Speyside, Silvercreek and the area at Highway 25 and 17 Sideroad be designated as rural clusters in Halton's Official Plan.

Also, it may come as a surprise to Ballinafad and Limehouse residents that they live in rural clusters and not hamlets.

This seemingly trivial distinction makes a big difference to people trying for a land severance, since the Official Plan directs growth to hamlets rather than rural clusters. Only minor residential infilling is permitted in rural clusters, while plans for subdivision may be allowed in hamlets.

The regional study suggests Ballinafad and Limehouse be designated as hamlets. Already designated as rural clusters are Crewson's Corners, Highway 7 and the Fourth Line area, and Highway 25 and Lot 23 area.

According to the Official Plan a rural cluster is an area where there are six or more residential houses as well as two non-residential buildings; such as a store, church, school, service station, clinic etc. The region wants to direct future growth to identifiable rural communities, rather than having housing scattered all over and wants to avoid future strip development along rural roads.

The region study showed 127 or 146 land severance applications were approved in 1980, contrary to the Official Plan, and blames this on confusion between what areas are hamlets and which are rural clusters. Halton Hills has the highest number of rural clusters, or potential rural clusters in Halton. The study says a maximum of 56 more houses could be built in the existing rural clusters and another 23 in areas suggested as rural clusters, for a total of 79 in all of Halton Hills.



MaFy Jo Brownelle was called upon at the last minute to teach Acton library's sign language course last Tuesday when the scheduled instructor was tied up. Mrs. Brownelle had just gone as a bystander, but capably held the course, something she did at the 'Y' last year. Mikey Garton is a bit young, but he is slowly learning sign language as is Matthew Brownelle in the background.

## Legion happenings

by Jim and Lily Higgins

Since most people seem to be back from vacations now this is a good week to list the events for the remainder of August.

On August 22 there will be a corn roast. Admission and the corn is free. Who could ask for anything more?

The World Festival Tattoo is on August 23 at the CNE. Tickets are still available for this excellent show.

On August 30 the family picnic will be held. It's a chance for all members and their families to get together and enjoy boat rides, pony rides, contests, games and races, clowns, balloons etc. The corn is free and other snacks will be available.

Let's all show our appreciation of the efforts of the organizers of this event by attending for a fun Sunday afternoon.

On the sick list are F. Wright, D. Swetman, E. Ryder, A. Perry, and Joan McKnight.



Acton firefighters were called out around 4 a.m. Sunday morning to extinguish this bonfire on the dead end of the Third Line north of 10 Sideroad.

## Bonfire

Volunteer firefighters out an unattended bonfire on the dead end of the Third Line, near Ten Sideroad.

## Assault case is remanded

Two men and a woman charged with an assault on Halton Regional Police Constable Don Cousens last month were in court Monday morning for a first appearance.

John Nessel, Richard

Turkosz and Tracy Wood appeared before Judge J.E.C. Robinsons and were remanded to set a date for trial. Miss Wood will appear August 24 to set a trial date while Nessel and Turkosz were remanded to August 31.

## Storage building approved by town

Halton Hills council's Site Plan Review committee has approved a storage building for Michael's Building Materials in the Acton industrial park.

The committee recently studied the plan proposed by Michael Milligan, requiring nine

parking spots to be added to the site plan. Before a building permit is issued Milligan will have to come up with a grading and drainage plan and the plan for a fence must be revised so it doesn't interfere with a fire hydrant.

Prior to an occupancy permit being issued a new entrance will have to be constructed, drainage and grading work completed to the satisfaction of the town engineer, the existing entrance culvert stripped of all form work and needed ditching work completed.

## Alarm frightens thieves

An alarm at Acton Pharmacy, 2 Main Street N., frightened thieves during a break-in attempt just before midnight Thursday evening.

Police say the thieves forced a latch in the basement and removed a basement block in an attempt to enter the pharmacy. Nothing was reported missing and thieves fled the scene.

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### Twilight Driving

Down and dusk—with their dim and diffused light—can be especially dangerous for motorists, the National Safety Council notes. Non-reflective and shadowy areas become obscure. It can be difficult to see unlighted traffic signs and road markings, as well as cyclists and pedestrians.

Don't be reluctant to turn on your car lights, even though the sun is up; it may help your vision.

Also, clean your windshield before driving in the twilight; a dirty windshield amplifies glare and reduces overall vision.

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