

Halton Hills asks LLBO monitor Yugoslav Centre

Halton Hills is asking the Liquor Licensing Board of Ontario (LLBO) to monitor activities at the Canadian-Yugoslav Centre on Highway 25 south of Acton.

Monday council passed a resolution calling for the LLBO to be advised of the concerns of the town regarding complaints about noise coming from abutting property owners.

Council called for the local LLBO inspector to "monitor" the remaining "special occasion permits" for this year.

Halton Regional Police, who have been called to the Yugoslav Centre frequently this summer by area residents annoyed by loud music from the public address system, have been asked by the town to increase their normal patrols in the area of the Centre during functions.

The owners of the Centre will be reminded the week prior to the last scheduled picnic on August 30 of the municipal concerns about the noise.

In addition Councillor Russ Miller revealed there are also complaints now about traffic congestion on Highway 25 on weekends when picnics are being held at the Centre.

Following council's actions Monday Gerry Brockelsby, spokesman for the 27 residents who signed a petition protesting the noise, said he was encouraged that the Centre was shut down the past Sunday and no picnic is planned for this weekend.

He said he believes the town is moving ahead with solving the problem, but unfortunately action is coming a bit late, most of the summer weekends have already been ruined for area homeowners. He described action now as a small "consolation".

Miller said he hoped the town receives some "co-operation" from the owners of the Centre at a meeting on September 8 after the August 30 picnic is monitored by the municipality for noise levels.

Noting the picnics are well attended with a couple of thousand people coming and going to picnics, Councillor Dave Whiting suggested the Ministry of Transportation and Communications be contacted about the traffic problem. He noted others have tried for access permits onto the Highway and been turned down. He wondered how the Yugoslav Centre was able to secure an access permit. The clerk's department will look into this matter with the province.

Councillor Pam Sheldon called for a report on the results of health and building department inspections at the site, nothing residents are concerned about health matters.

A report from bylaw enforcement officer Jack Lusty indicated that after talks with residents he would lay four charges against the owners under the noise bylaw and he hopes the first charge will go to court on September 3. He noted there is already one charge before the court from July 5.



One legged marathon runner Terry Fox captured the hearts of millions of Canadians from coast to coast. On national Terry Fox Day, September 13, his Marathon of Hope will continue in Acton with the Terry Fox Run at Acton High School. Entry forms and pledge sheets are now available so sign up quickly.

Terry Fox Fun Run is set for AHS September 13

September 13 will be Terry Fox Fun Run (or walk or jog) day in Acton and a group of citizens organizing this project are aiming to raise \$7,000.

Ten km runs will be held in communities right across Canada the second Sunday in September to raise funds for cancer research, a continuation of the late Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope.

Gord Auty, 27 Divison St., who launched the Fox Run project here, said the local organizing committee is aiming to have 500 youngsters and adults complete 25 laps of the track at Acton High School.

After reading a story in this newspaper about local reaction to the death in June of the one legged runner, which mentioned the Acton Cancer Branch was looking for someone or an organization to organize a Fox Run here, Auty contacted Susan Kuechler and volunteered.

He went to Newmarket, the central processing station for applications to hold Fox Runs in this area of Ontario, and was granted permission to organize the project in Acton.

Other people interested in the Fox Run also contacted Kuechler and then joined Auty to form a committee. Also involved with the project are, Jon Hurst, RR 4 Acton, Ron Heller, Elmora Dr., Blair Smith, Rosemary Rd., and Grant Carn, Division St. Auty notes the committee is looking for more volunteers to help stage the run. The committee has set the \$7,000 target based on

the fact there are 7,000 citizens of Acton and they hope each man, woman and child will donate \$1.

They feel \$7,000 in pledges can be collected if 500 people participate in the project by running, walking or jogging 10 km or 25 laps of the track, or less if that's all they can handle.

One hundred entry forms and 200 pledge sheets will be available at each of these four locations, L&L Ford, Acton Home Furnishing, the old Hide House and the Acton Free Press. There will also be a book in which persons taking an entry form and two pledge sheets art to record their name, address and telephone number.

Since the run will be held just a few days after the start of school organizers hope youngsters will get started now on signing up pledges.

The run will begin at 8 a.m. on September 13 and end at 5 p.m.

Auty, who is a runner himself, suggests anyone who plans to participate should be getting out and doing a little running now.

In recognition of their participation all runners will receive a color photograph of Terry Fox.

Runners under the age of 18 must have the signed permission of their parent or guardian to participate.

The federal government has declared September 13 as national Terry Fox Day.

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Will new St. Joseph's School open next spring or fall 1982?

Will the new St. Joseph's School open this spring or in September of 1982? The answer depends on who you talk to at Halton Separate School Board.

Head of the St. Joseph's Parents' Association Vince Whelan says there's no chance the school will open next spring. He bases his argument on information he has obtained from two board administrators as well as his own experience in banking.

Whelan was the losing candidate in the last election for the Halton Hills seat on the board.

Trustee Irene McCauley the winner in that ballot battle, has repeatedly said the project is on timetable.

A senior board administrator, superintendent of business John Braud, says the aim remains to break ground this fall and open the school next spring. In addition he says nothing has happened to scrap that timetable.

However, another board administrator, manager of plant operations John Birrett, says he is "dubious" that the school can be opened by next spring. But, he allowed, he is pretty low on the board administration totem pole and his "opinion" isn't based on the facts there have been any delays. He admits everything is "rosy" so far.

Responding to an article in this paper last week, Whelan called to say he wanted parents to know that the school wouldn't open until September 1982.

He says he talked to Birrett on August 7 and was told there is a "serious" drainage problem at the site on Mill St. West. He says he was told it will take two to three months to solve this drainage problem, in conjunction with Halton Hills.

Birrett agrees he discussed the drainage problem with Whelan. He says he pointed out this problem could cause a delay, but didn't say it has or will cause a delay. He said there are alternatives to solving this problem which are being studied.

McCauley says the matter of the drainage problem was discussed by trustees "in camera" (behind closed doors) and they are "directed" not to release any information from those meetings.

She said the drainage problem came to light just recently and trustees discussed various alternative solutions to solve the problem "expeditiously". She added Birrett was directed to go back to Halton Hills with the board's alternative suggestions.

McCauley says she remains optimistic for the new school project and added it isn't uncommon for a project of this size to run into some unforeseen problems. She said she is hopeful the drainage problem won't cause a major setback to the board's timetable.

Whelan notes the provincial grant for the new school, \$1 million, is for fiscal year 1982, which doesn't begin until April of next year.

The board would normally arrange interim financing for the project so it could go ahead before the grant is received. Whelan, who is an official with the Toronto-Dominion Bank, says he was told in May by the board's top administrator, education director Cliff Byrnes, that because of record high interest rates it was "very unlikely" that the trustees will support "interim or bridge financing".

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Two youths were hurt when this car crashed early Sunday morning. Power was off for about 90 minutes and the ambulance and fire department were called to the scene as well as police. A large crowd gathered at the scene.

Two hurt in night crash

Two Acton teenagers are in Guelph General Hospital following a single vehicle collision early Sunday morning which wiped out power to west end homes.

Paul Moore, 17, of 88 Lake Avenue, was driving east-bound on Highway 7 at 12:20 a.m. Sunday when he failed to negotiate a right curve. The vehicle cut across the grassed shoulder on the north side of the highway and struck a hydro pole on the east side of Main St. The car rolled down an embankment coming to rest on its wheels.

Moore escaped the accident with a broken left leg.

left knee and nose. His passenger, 17-year-old Bill McKenzie, 65 Mill St. E., sustained facial abrasions and a sprained left shoulder. Both youths were taken by ambulance to Georgetown hospital and later transferred to Guelph General.

Halton Regional police estimate \$8,000 to the vehicle and the hydro pole. Acton firefighters were called to the scene to hose down the roadway and vehicle, and hydro crews worked through the night to restore power to the hundreds of affected homes. Power was off for almost one-and-a-half hours.



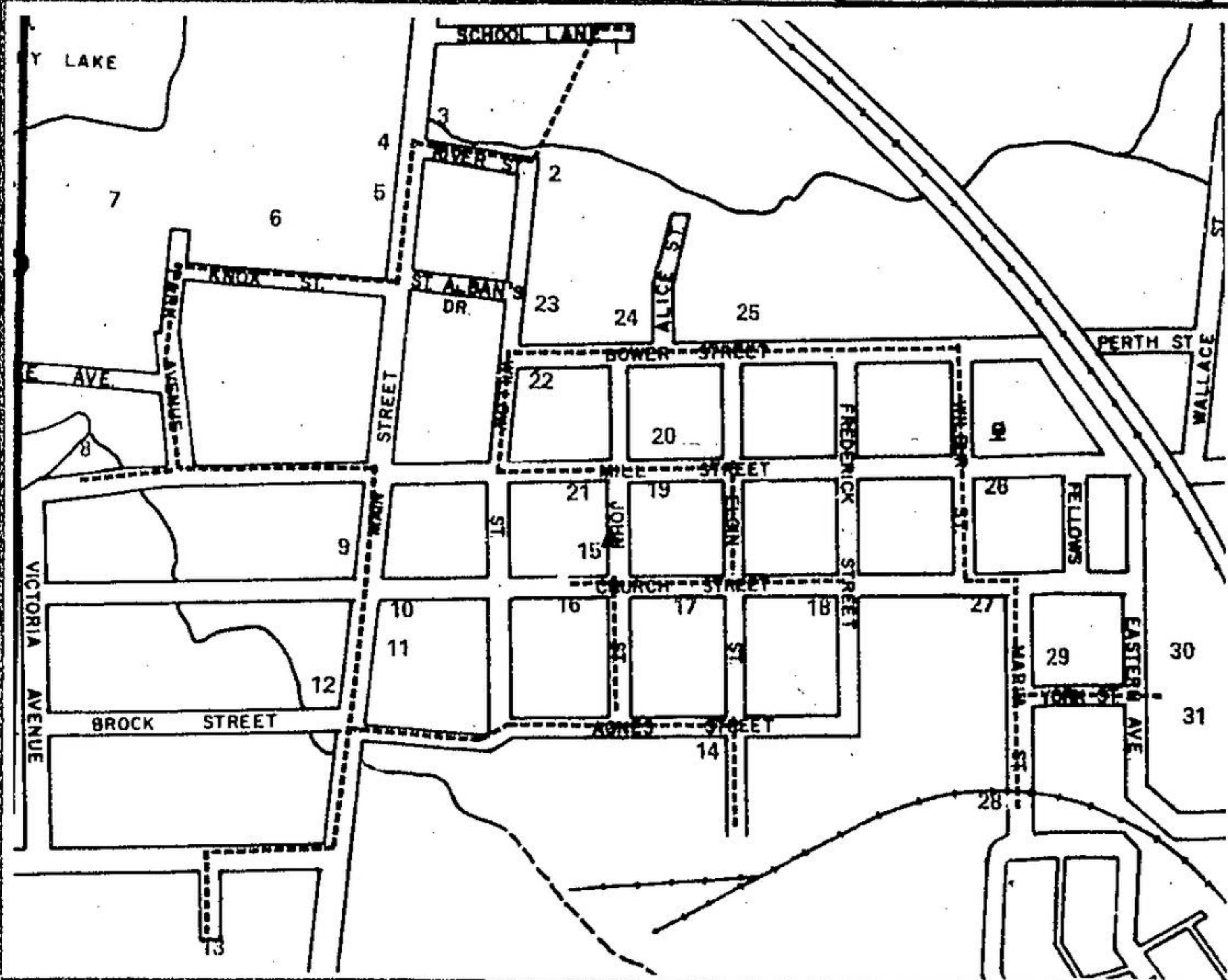
Miss Acton Fall Fair Lisa McGrath will be after the coveted title of Miss CNE-Queen of the Fairs this Friday. See story inside.

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A Limousine is being recovered after being struck by a car. Details on page B7.

Former Acton OPP officer Hugh Parson has been charged. Turn to page B7.

There's an O2 base from Acton in the CNE. More on page B5.



Leathertown Walking tour mapped out first tours on August 29

The Leathertown walking history tour or walking museum has been all mapped out and the first tours will take place on August 29.

The three students hired by the committee to research Acton's history have now designed the 31-stop tour (see map at left).

As part of the Leathertown committee's participation in the Leathertown Market, being held downtown on August 29 in conjunction with the final Acton draw of the first year, the girls, Anne Lindsay, Laurel Benville and Elizabeth Morrison, will conduct two or three tours that afternoon. People wishing to go on the first ever Leathertown tours can sign up the day of the market at the Leathertown booth.

When the tour is fully set up there will be display boxes on posts at most of the stops. In these cabinets will be a story about the site as well as a drawing or photograph of what the tourist is looking at. Leathertown will be seeking permission to put up the display cabinets on private property.

Leathertown would also like to eventually set up a museum in St. Joseph's School, the first stop on the tour. There would be displays of leather artifacts, old photographs and more drawings based on Acton's history.

When people take the Leathertown walking tour in the years ahead they will be given a booklet outlining the route and Acton's history. The girls note Mill Street is so full of the town's history many more stops could be included in the booklet for that part of the route, as well as other streets, even though the historical building isn't standing there anymore. They figure another 30 sites could be added to the tour simply by extending the route to cover all of Mill Street.

The girls also suggest park benches be placed at the entrance to Fairview Cemetery for those who don't want to go through it to view the grave monuments of famous Actonians.

Leathertown tour. (See map at left—turn to page 3 for Leathertown sketches.)

1. Fairview (St. Joseph's School)—home of Sydney Smith Esq.
2. Free Press Building and Henderson's Pond—site of many businesses (saw mills, Acton Plough Co. Baxter Labs, electrical plants, Heller's and Free Press. Henderson's Pond was a popular swimming and recreational area of town.
3. Historical plaque on the lawn at the Acton Library.
4. Site of the first school in Acton as well as where the Methodists met before their church was built.
5. The Old Knox Presbyterian Church, later turned sideways and used as a private home.
6. Pioneer Cemetery.
7. Prospect Park
8. Mill and Pond area where Acton began.
9. Ed's In N Out—where the Adams family, founders of Acton, had a home. They owned most of the land in that area.
10. Corner of Church and Main where Zenas and Ezra Adams lived.
11. Site of the old Electric Railway Station.
12. The creek at the corner of Main and Brock Streets where drinking water came from and it was known as a second Mill Pond.
13. Fairview Cemetery
14. Beardmore
15. Old Methodist Church site, where Kay and Dave Dills now live.

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