

**Churchill**

**Golden anniversary for Jenkins couple**

by J. Turner  
After regular morning service at Churchill on Sunday morning, January 2, there was a presentation ceremony to honor Mr. and Mrs. Emrys Jenkins, Sr., Rev. Jenkins' parents, who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

CCCW while Mrs. Lydia Kerr and Mrs. Eleanor Thompson presented the couple with a lovely corsage and boutonniere. The congregation then retired to the downstairs auditorium where Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins received the congratulations and best wishes of all. The friendly and outgoing couple have become very popular with the people of Churchill as they accompany their son each Sunday to worship with us here. Mr. Jenkins has a fine bass voice that adds much to the hymn singing, and he has also sung solos for us on several occasions. Rev. Jenkins in-

troduced their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Middleton and family from St. Catharines, and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Jateman and family from Mississauga. After a delicious lunch, Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins cut the beautifully decorated cake that adorned the head table, and it was served with ice-cream. Terry Souliere and Bill Thompson took photographs. Rev. Jenkins thanked everyone involved.

The Sr. Jenkins are flying to Florida next week for a few days' holiday in the sun. Please remember next week is Communion Sunday at Churchill.

**New director of education**

**Wally Beevor has ideas for Halton**

by Anne Redfern  
Can a progressively-run education system which worked for a small northern Ontario school board work just as well in Halton?

Wally Beevor, recently appointed director of education for Halton Region hopes so. When Mr. Beevor left Lakehead Board of Education, where he had been education director for nearly six years, the school system there was showing a marked success in staff relations, vandalism prevention programs, consultant policies, and priority budgeting, among other things.

"It was a much smaller system... less than 20,000 students and a total of 57 schools," Mr. Beevor explained. "Here there are close to 50,000 students and 83 schools to look after. But I think those programs could work."

If the new director of education has his way, there will be a number of changes in Halton's education system, in the next few years.

At Lakehead, Mr. Beevor and his staff introduced a form of priority budgeting which he feels made the school board more efficient. "By determining a number of priority programs and their funding re-



Halton's education director Wally Beevor

quirements, I feel the community got better service for the money they were putting into the education system," he described. It also allowed the school board trustees to have a better idea how much they could expect to get for their money, thus making budget decisions easier. "I'd like to see a system of priority budgeting established here," he added.

Lakehead was also the first board in Ontario to develop deferred leave and early retirement programs for its teaching staff—a system which not only benefited teachers but also helped take the pressure off school boards faced with the prospect of firing teachers due to declining enrollment. Mr. Beevor also found a way to utilize talent among teachers by using them as consultants on special projects. Not only did it give them a chance to work on a project in which they had a special interest, he said, but it also deferred the laying off of staff due to fewer students coming into the school system.

"There is little opportunity for people to move upward in a declining enrollment situation," Mr. Beevor explained.

Lakehead also introduced a more humane method of collective bargaining with its staff, a system which has been successful in concluding three collective agreements in the past five years. "We worked on a problem-solving rather than an adversarial system," Beevor explained. Prior to the new system being developed, Lakehead had suffered through a long teachers' strike.

"Halton has attempted to start a sort of similar system," he said. "But there are

two things which motivate people to change... either things get so bad that something has to be done, or people are exposed to a better system through training."

Motivation is the key to improving the system, Mr. Beevor believes. "I think the greatest motivating factor is showing people that you care. If the organization is cold, monolithic and insensitive, that's the kind of staff they'll have working for them." Mr. Beevor believes in giving everyone involved in education—teachers, employers, and community members, a say in the direction of the organization.

Most successful was the vandalism prevention program, by which each school was given a certain amount of money to cover the costs of vandalism. What they were able to save through the year by reducing vandalism could be used for other student activities, such as dances, special trips etc.

"We put a few parameters on how the money could be used... for instance, it couldn't be used for a new carpet for the principal's office," Mr. Beevor said with a grin. "One school bought T-shirts for all the students. And it certainly worked in cutting down vandalism."

**Obituary**

**Frederick Edwards**

Frederick Edwards died Dec. 16, 1981 at Milton District Hospital. He was 70.

Born Oct. 29, 1911 in Wales, he worked as a young lad after his mother had died, in the same coal mines in which his father was killed.

In 1928 he came to Canada and lived with the late David and Vera Wendover, where he was considered "big brother" to Carl, Brock and Eria (Brittain). Here, he was a member of Palermo Jr. Farmers, Palermo Tennis Club, and St. Lukes Anglican Church.

Enlisting at the outbreak of World War II as

a tank driver with the Governor-General's Horse Guards, he was active in North Africa and Italy. Discharged as a corporal, Fred farmed before joining D.A. Wendover & Sons Construction Co. as foreman and explosives expert.

In 1958 Fred and Dorothy Desand of St. Catharines were married. He worked part time at Halton County Museum before joining H.R.C.A. During this time they moved to Haltonville where Fred was a participant with the ball club, church, and in charge of the Cenotaph Flag care.

An ardent member of the Royal Canadian

Legion, Acton Branch 197, he maintained his contact after retiring and moving to Noble Towers in Milton. Here he also enjoyed the Millside Drive Club.

He derived much pleasure in viewing the growth of trees which he helped plant for the H.R.C.A.

Fred's cheery disposition and individual humor will be missed.

Interment was in Milton Evergreen Cemetery on December 19, 1981. Pall bearers were friends Slim Kangas, Jim Mullen, Bruce Brittain, Lee Brittain and nephews Bill Head and George Voisard.



Barb Robinson presents a cheque for \$250 from the Trinity United Church Outreach group to Peggie Balkind for Halton Women's Place.

**Separate Board needs 12%**

At least a 12-per cent budget hike will be needed for Halton Region Separate School Board in 1982, the board's education director expects.

Cliff Byrnes, director of education for the separate school board, said the board's priority item for 1982 is the staffing of a new high school in Oakville, a school which will serve the Oakville and Milton Catholic communities.

"It's hard to predict what kind of an increase in budget we'll need," Mr. Byrnes said. "We're trying to keep within the

bounds of inflation." The 1981 budget was set at around \$20 million, for the operation of 30 schools in Halton Region.

Halton, he said has "pockets" of declining enrolment, so far not sufficient to require a layoff of the board's teachers. Overall enrolment, he said, is not declining. A shift in population, however, has made it necessary to open new schools in Georgetown and Acton, and an increase in the French speaking population in the north Halton area has meant an introduction of French Language programming in

Milton and Georgetown areas. Ecole Sacre Coeur, which operates in Holy Cross School in Georgetown is now up to 135 students, he said.

The Separate School Board expects to open a new school building in Acton this coming fall to house students at St. Joseph's school.

In Georgetown, Holy Cross School has grown by 50 students since June 1981, he said. "At worst, we may need a portable at Holy Cross to accommodate the increased number of students next year," he said.

**Hospice volunteers topic of upcoming Acton meeting**

The next public forum presented by the North

Halton Hospice Care Interest Group will be held on Jan 21, 1982 at 8 p.m. at Trinity United Church, 70 Mill Street East, Acton.

The topic will centre on the Roles of the Hospice Volunteer and the Hospice Nurse. Guest speakers are amply qualified to speak on this subject area since they are actually working in their fields at Grace Hospital Palliative Care Unit in Toronto.

It seems most fitting to present these issues at this time since the group is progressing steadily toward the establishment of a working volunteer corps. Some doctors in the area have expressed their intention to refer patients when the cases come up. The organizers Karen Ferguson, Marguarite Knechtel and Eva Sansom are already actively offering care to three referral patient/family units, having made visitations both at home and at hospital, thus providing a continuity that would not be available. This is considered one of the major strengths of their service.

In another facet the NHHICG has been running a course "Developing Personal Resources for Helping and Dying and Bereaved". This 8 week course is held on Tuesday evenings and the feedback from the participants has been very positive. The group hopes to develop and use this course format as the basis of a volunteer training program.

Anyone interested in future volunteer work in Hospice; health professionals who might be working with such volunteers or who would like to upgrade their awareness of medical issues involved in caring for the dying; members of the clergy or other professionals who might be called to counsel and support either the dying, their families or caregivers; or those in-

terested in providing this kind of personal support to friends and family, this course would be of special interest to you.

In the month of October the North Halton Hospice Care Interest Group became represented as a full member of the Ontario Palliative Care Association which is dedicated to education, research and improved quality of care for dying patients, their families and friends in Ontario and also acts as a resource advisory group for other professional groups, hospitals, government departments and other agencies.



This vacant lot, where a house burned down a few years ago, is where the Salvation Army hopes to build a new church on Mill St. East.

**Salvation Army plans church....**

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chett says, combining adult and junior members, the Salvation Army has about 60 members. There will also be a large office where family services and church activities will be co-ordinated as well as two smaller offices. In addition the building will contain a fellowship hall where youth activities, dinners etc, will take place.

Carl and Yvonne Rosenquist and Jack Pink, neighbors on Church St., attended the Committee of Adjustment meeting expressing concern about traffic congestion, fencing, landscaping, drainage and the parking lot. Their concern will be satisfied by municipal site plan control committee decided. The Salvation Army pledged co-operation with neighbors, noting they want proper drainage, privacy fence etc. The privacy fence must be at least two metres high and drainage must be away from abutting property the committee ordered.



Where this house now stands on Church St. will soon be a parking lot for the Salvation Army citadel.

**Chief pleased with Force but break and enters have only 29.9% clearance**

In a report prepared for the Halton Police Commission, the force stacked up well against four other area forces (including Niagara, Peel, Durham and Hamilton-Wentworth) in 11 offence categories, from June, 1980 to May 1981.

In a letter directed to the Commission, Chief Harding said in part "...the performance of the Halton Region Police force in the major crime categories illustrated, compares most favorably with that of the other major regional police forces."

"I consider these figures to indicate a significant achievement by the Force, especially when read in conjunction with the fact

that the police-population ratio of the Halton Regional Police Force is considerably lower than all other police forces represented in the data provided." Halton has 288 police staff serving 240,300 residents.

Halton's overall success rate of 43.93 per cent was below the provincial average of 53.6 per cent. In solving violent crimes, however, the Halton force excelled, clearing 84.1 per cent of all murders, attempted murders, assaults and sexual offences as opposed to 77 per cent for Ontario.

In the attempted murder category the police cleared both offences during the period. Peel and Durham

regions also achieved 100 per cent, clearing seven and two crimes respectively. Another feather in the local force's cap was a 90.28 per cent success in solving 1981 assaults, the best result of all five forces.

Halton officers solved three of four homicides during the study period and 71.26 of all sexual offences.

In the robbery category, the Halton Force cleared 48.07 incidents while clamping down on 85.19 per cent of all fraud cases.

Halton had a total of 2,545 break and enters between June 1980 and May 1981 of which the police cleared up 29.9 per cent, a statistic which moved chief

Harding to speak up about new measures to combat them.

"On the basis of the data we may need an individual break and enter squad."

A total of 780 car thefts were reported, 25.51 per cent cleared. Halton had 86 arson fires of which 23.25 were solved.

Willful damage and theft over and under \$200, both difficult crimes to solve, gave the force its biggest headache. Halton suffered 3,909 incidents of damage to both private and public property, of which only 10.32 per cent were cleared, the lowest rate of all the forces compiled. Theft was a little better with a 18.39 per cent of the total 9,736 cases investigated.

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