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**Holmes retires....**

(Continued from page 1) and one in Georgetown. Ken Bulkema was his cross-town counterpart.

When Bulkema retired in 1977, Holmes was named fire chief of Halton Hills, and held offices in both urban centres of the municipality.

With these added duties, the chief says he was forced to relinquish his duties as an active fire-fighter and become more involved in the administrative aspects of the job.

From a part-time volunteer job, Holmes today has a deputy fire chief Bob Hyde, fire prevention officer Bob Mead who replaced Larry Brassard, and fire dispatcher Red Asseltine.

Since the inception of Halton Hills, Holmes has been in the employ of the town: two clerks; two engineers; three recreation directors; three treasurers, two mayors and four councils.

A few years ago, Holmes, and the rest of the Acton fire brigade were named Citizens of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce. In 1977, Holmes was presented with the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal.

Holmes says he hates to leave the contacts he has made throughout the town as fire chief, but hopes to see them periodically. He is also going to find it hard not to respond to the fire siren, and admits he "probably will be nosey." The only difference now—he will no longer have the fire phone by his bed, or the pager on his hip pocket.

**Otto will come to Acton**

Halton MP Otto Jelinek has pledged to hold a public forum in Acton in the future as well as come to the ward one councillors' drop-in.

At the Acton-Milton public forum held in Milton Thursday night, Jelinek said he intended to hold a forum in Acton in the spring, summer and fall.

He said "in retrospect" he wishes his household mailer and advertising hadn't mentioned the forum in Milton was for Acton residents too.

Moderator for the forum Ken Hazard of Milton said "rightly or wrongly" they decided because of problems with finding a location in Acton to hold a forum they would combine the Acton and Milton forums.

At the outset of the evening Jelinek declared he wanted "to make it clear" he would hold a forum in Acton later this year. He said he has been told by people that it is easier for Actonians to meet with him, especially those living in the rural area, at times other than in winter. He recalled he had a trailer at two previous fall fairs, though not last year, and was able at that time to meet with many constituents.

In November Councillor Terry Grubbe contacted Jelinek's constituency office in Oakville to ask that

Halton's MP visit the drop-in. Grubbe and her colleagues, Dave Whiting and Ross Knechtel, have been trying to use the drop-in on Friday afternoons as a way of bringing not just the Halton Hills level of government to Actonians but also the region, province and federal governments by having chairman Jack Rafitis and MPP Julian Reed attend. Jelinek's office told Grubbe he would attend in January or February but apparently the request was lost.

Thursday in an effort to clarify the situation and obtain a commitment from Jelinek to attend the drop-in, Whiting raised the issue at the Milton forum. He described the drop-in as "unique" and asked, since he didn't come in January or February if Halton's MP was going to attend.

Jelinek said he couldn't commit to a date then but will let the councillors know this week when he is coming. He added he looks forward to attending drop-in and wants to make visits a regular occurrence. He added he likely won't be able to come to drop-in this month.

He also said later that he is in Acton meeting with constituents more often than people realize or he gets credit for since his visits aren't always publicized.

**Further study of Prospect well as water search continues**

The search for more water for Acton, which began in 1953, is going to continue and the region hasn't given up on making use of the Prospect Park well.

Last week the region decided to hire R.V. Anderson, a consulting firm at a cost of \$27,500 to either find more water outside Acton or find a way to treat the water from the Prospect Park well so it looks drinkable and won't damage clothing.

Regional Councillor Dave Whiting says currently there are four wells supplying Acton with 79 million gallons a day of water, which isn't enough to meet peak demands in the summer. He notes there is no danger or hazard in the event of fire when water is in short supply because there is a reservoir system.

The Acton water search has been on since 1953, and in the early 1970s the large Prospect Park well was found. This well produces a million gallons of water a day, and while it's safe to drink, as residents will remember from receiving this water for a week last fall it doesn't look very good. Not only is the yellow-brown water not very palatable, but chemicals introduced to the water to solve the color problem react with detergents and leaves some clothing with a brown tinge.

So far between \$200,000 and \$250,000 has been spent trying to get good water out of the Prospect Well, half of what would be recovered when and if equipment is ever removed and used at another well, Whiting notes.

The need for water, Whiting says, isn't for future residents or growth, it's for the people living here now.

The region is faced with two choices, either spend a lot on new wells or find a way to make the water from Prospect useable.

There is water in three areas around town. One is on Highway 7 east of Acton, where six to 12 wells would have to be dug to produce a sufficient quantity, 1.8 million gallons a day, at an estimated cost of \$1.43 million. The likelihood of finding water is described as "minimal" and a lot of holes will have to be dug. The second area is north of town on Highway 25 where three to six wells producing 9 million gallons a day will be needed. The cost would be \$1.353 million and chances of finding water "minimal". Chances of finding water in area three,

the "Blue Springs" area south-west of town, are "better". Five to nine wells producing 1.2 million gallons a day will cost \$1.7 million. Whiting notes none of these alternatives include the cost of buying land in the cost estimates.

The consulting firm, which has been involved in the Acton water problems for many years, won out over two other firms to carry out the region study because their proposal includes bringing in a firm which is experienced at chemically treating water. Anderson bid \$27,500, including using the firm Pollutech, while Gore and Storrie quoted \$20,000 and Simcoe Engineering \$23,000.

A full scale treatment plant at the Prospect Well will cost \$7.5 million, but if the water can be chemically treated on a lower scale it will only cost \$15,000 a year.

Chemically treating the water has been tried once and flopped. This time it won't be put through local water pipes and out Acton taps until it has been thoroughly tested and there is no problem with color, taste, odor etc. Whiting pledges.

Anderson's report is due in late August or early September.

**Rent hearings set for Mar. 11**

A tentative date of March 11 has been set for the Rent Review hearings for the Diplomat Apartments, 128 Church Street and Noble Towers apartments, 40 Maria Street.

Residents received notice late last year of rent increases of almost 50 per cent, resulting in a two bedroom apartment being worth \$400 a month. It was their strong vocal objections which resulted in a hearing being called.

The hearings are set for Milton Public Library with 128 Church Street at 10 a.m. The hearing for 40 Maria St. is planned for 2:30 p.m., but new information presented to the Residential Tenancy Commission this week could postpone this particular hearing. A definite date will be known by next week.

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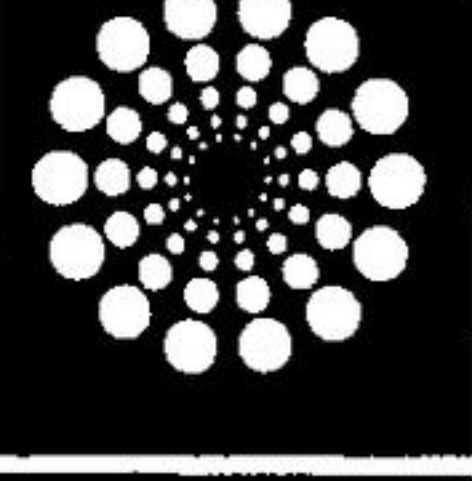
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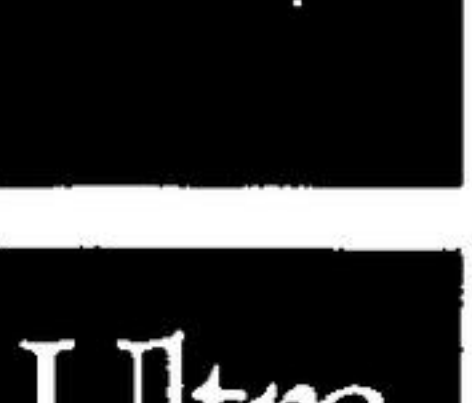


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Building Products held a safety day at the Acton Legion on Friday. Here, left to right, Jim Krewenki, Ed Muehlbacher, Tom Ostrander and Steve Schubert discuss fire extinguisher use.

**Building Products studies safety**

Building Products held its second annual safety promotion day Friday at the Acton Legion.

Plant manager Tom Ostrander explained the day is designed to generate commitment to safety both on the job and at home. All 75 plant, office and supervisory staff attended the seminar.

The day began with two officials from the Ontario Ministry of Labor outlining the Occupational Health Safety Act and the responsibilities of the employer and employees.

Then everyone broke into small teams to discuss ways to improve the current plant safety program

before coming together again to set down a new program and policy. Safety in the home was also discussed extensively.

Building Products has an excellent safety record, "we're quite proud of the fact." The firm has done well at eliminating disabling or time lost accidents but there are still little, minor injuries, Ostrander noted. "We want to have a perfectly clear safety record."

This June Building Products hopes to mark eight years without a disabling injury and in August one-and-a-half million hours without a disabling injury.



Religion In Life Awards were presented Sunday to these Brownies, Guides and Scouts at the Scout and Guide Week church service. Front row, left to right, Wendy Graham, Jennifer Bridger, Lee Ann Christie, Julie Wallace, Brenda Walsh, Denise Binden, Melanie Roque, and Kathleen Montgomery. Back row, Lori Beaton, Cynthia Donston, Cindy Wallace, Shelly Donston, Christine Graham, Beverly Elaine Bridge and David DeForest.

**Doctors Moore, Pun were in the office**

Dr. Brian Moore and Dr. W. T. Pun were both in their offices at the Acton Medical Group on February 18 for part of the day when doctors across Ontario attended study sessions to discuss Ontario Medical Association (OMA) demands of wage parity with OHIP and other provinces.

Both Dr. Moore and Dr. Pun were in their offices in the morning and then attended study sessions in the afternoon. Thursday afternoon is Dr. Pun's regular afternoon off. Dr. Moore was on call that evening. Dr. Moore said there was no inconvenience to patients caused by the study session and they kept regular appointments in the morning.

Last week's paper contained a story which stated both doctors were off the whole day, which was in

error. The information for the story had been provided by a member of the Acton Medical Group and the article had been checked by that doctor for accuracy and approved before publication.

**Rec. booklet out March 9**

The Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department will be distributing the Spring issue of "Community and Leisure Opportunities" on March 9.

This 40 page brochure will be distributed by carrier to Acton residents on Tuesday, March 9, for rural residents, brochures will be dropped off at general stores, post offices, banks and other frequented locations.