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## Three Projects Given Approval

Three Georgetown Opportunities-For-Youth projects were approved by the federal government last week, the total grant amounting to \$21,395.

There were 30 projects submitted from the entire Halton region, of which 13 were granted approval. Seven projects from Oakville, three from Georgetown, two from Acton and one from Erin were approved, creating 98 student jobs with a total of 983 man weeks. The budget for all 13 projects amounted to \$30,447.

Margaret Chiason, of RR3, Georgetown, and Pauline Casey, of 154 Prince Charles Dr., Georgetown, organized the biggest Georgetown project, called Divertissement Pour Enfants. It entails a summer amusement park designed for children from four to 13. The park will be open each day and will provide 12 jobs for 92 man weeks. The project was aimed specifically at the French speaking community in Georgetown and was granted \$3,570.

Another project was called CAP 1974. CAP stands for Creative Activities for Preschoolers. Brenda Fisher, of 14 Shelley St., Georgetown and Kathy Krowchuk of 15 Pennington Cres., also organized a project designed for small children. The children will be three to five years old.

The two girls hope to run a creative playground capable of keeping 25-30 children happy throughout the summer. The project will provide six students with summer jobs for 71 man weeks.

The third Georgetown project is the Pineview Creative Playground. Organized by Bill Gage of RR 2 Georgetown, and Herb Piles of 3143 Palmer St., Burlington, their playground idea was granted \$6,000 and should give eight students jobs totalling 80 man weeks.

# \$2 Million Cut Is Expected In 1974 Municipal Budget



THEY GET TO KEEP THIS TROPHY

Georgetown Volunteer Firefighters won the Levitt Firefighters' trophy in special category winners in Ontario First Aid Cham-

ionship at the St. John Ambulance Provincial Open Competitions. The competition was held at Moss Park Armory, Toronto

From the left are Victor Levitt, of the Levitt Safety Company; Bob Hyde, Brian Pile, Craig Marchington, D. Harley and J. Payne.

This is the third time the Georgetown team has won the trophy and will keep it.

Mr. Levitt also presented the team with a bottle of champagne. Championship team was from Canada Cement, Woodstock.

## Cut Is Suggested, Approval Required

Halton Hills Council is expected to approve a 50 per cent slash to its 1974 budget this evening.

The cut, from more than \$5 million to \$2,500,000, was recommended at a special committee meeting of council last week but must be approved by council before it is final.

Lloyd Peterson, town treasurer, is perplexed by this year's proposed budget, especially by unspecified items which he says were neither cut nor approved in the budget.

One such item is a proposed recreation complex to be built at the east end of Georgetown on Highway 7. Mr. Peterson says this item is still on paper, but no instructions on it were forwarded.

Mr. Peterson also expressed concern about other areas mentioned at the committee meeting, but upon which he wasn't told what to do.

"Council said it was going to delete the theatre and pay for the arena with existing funds. They never reached an official decision so I'm not sure what it wants."

Projects left in the proposed budget include a \$250,000 library addition, \$430,000 for a swimming pool and new tennis courts in Acton.

The biggest factor in the trimming of the proposed budget was the deletion of almost \$2 million for the arena in Georgetown. It seems it will be paid for from existing funds, government grants, and through public subscription.

The largest item remaining in the new budget is \$1,500,000 for an addition to the sewage treatment plant in Georgetown which, when completed, will handle twice the amount of effluent per day.

This cost may be paid in lump sums out of lot levies as new developments occur, Councillor Ric Morrow suggested at the budget meeting.

## Give Tender For Museum

A \$615,630 contract has been awarded to Bennett-Pratt Ltd., 5 Maple Leaf Drive, Weston, for construction of an agricultural museum near Milton, for the ministry of agriculture and food. The museum will be the first public institution of its kind in the province.

Bennett-Pratt Ltd. submitted the lowest of seven bids received, the high being \$715,000. Jim Snow, MPP for Halton East, reports.

The contract represents stage 2 of the three-stage museum project and is expected to be completed early next year. Most of the preliminary site work (stage 1) was accomplished last summer by students of the Heavy Equipment School, Milton, a branch of Sheridan College of Applied Arts and Technology.

The single-storey museum building with two connecting wings and partial mezzanine, will provide exhibition areas for agricultural equipment, models, historical artifacts, documents, and the like.

Plans also include a workshop for constructing exhibits and restoring machinery, an implement storage area, office and meeting room. Designed by Oakville architects Hallford and Wilson, the building will contain some 20,000 gross square feet.

The project's third stage will be concerned with developing the remainder of the 92-acre site west of the Town of Milton and South of Highway 401.

## Family Worried By Rabies Scare

A Campbellville family of six had a scare yesterday, when they were informed that their pet dog might have rabies and was picked up by the Oakville Humane Society.

Mrs. Carolyn Andrews of RR 2 Campbellville said that her pet collie, Shadow, had been missing since last Thursday, and she phoned the society, only to be told that a dog of similar description was being picked up because of a possible rabies.

"It was sure a shock," related Mrs. Andrews. "But we've had her checked by two veterinarians and they say that the chances are very remote."

The dog was picked up at RR 3 Campbellville after Susan O'Connor noticed it staggering with some saliva around the mouth. Mrs. Andrews explained that the year old pet has only 25 percent vision.

"She is classified as being blind, and often has to feel her way around," she said.

"However, we still have to keep her under quarantine for 14 days, just in case. We intend to keep her well within our limits for observations."

Mrs. Andrews added that she would take her other dog, a pure bred German shepherd, to the rabies clinic this Thursday in her area.

"The shepherd goes every year for shots, but Shadow missed her first one," she said. "I think the clinics are a marvellous idea, and I would like to see them more often."

The free anti-rabies clinic is scheduled for several locations in Halton during the next week. Halton Hills residents can take their dogs or cats to the clinic at the arena between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. or to the Georgetown Clinic at the municipal garage from 3 to 7 p.m.

The vaccine, supplied by the Department of Health of Animals is used to build a resistance to the disease in the animal.

## Blood Pressures Up, Tempers Hotter Over Norval Regional Water Report

By Mrs. Dorothy McLean

There are about 100 irate families in the tiny village of Norval - that is approximately the number of homes in the village. Blood pressures are up and many are seeing red when they hear about the report that was made to the Halton regional council regarding the request for water for the village.

Halton Public Works Committee was advised at a recent Halton regional meeting not to extend water services to Norval but rather to consider buying up homes and land in the floodplain areas that cover most of Norval, Stewarttown, Glen Williams and Hidden Valley.

Regional Chairman Allan Masson said the services wouldn't open new development but would alleviate an existing problem. Does this statement mean that he is only interested in services to big new subdivisions and not in improving services to a village that has been paying taxes for well over 100 years?

The committee was warned

that the provision of water would lead to the request for sewers as well and noted that those services would increase the price of the property and make it even more difficult to acquire the floodplain land at a later date, if that decision were made.

The staff report explained there is difficulty in providing municipal services because the lands are in the floodplain. "There now exists the elements of a major natural disaster if the area were to be hit by a major storm such as Hurricane Hazel."

The report also warned that if the properties in the floodplain became more valuable through the provision of services, the region would be faced with pressure to contain the creeks in concrete channelization leading to conflict with environmentalists.

Halton Hills councillors Len Cox and Ernie Sykes both objected to the staff recommendations, describing them as "nonsense" and pointed out that home in Norval have never been flooded.

out about such a ridiculous report. It is time that we all spoke out."

Mrs. D. Whitekoek (Mr. and Mrs. Whitekoek started the petition that was presented to council for water for Norval due to the pollution in the wells and the shortage of water in many wells): "This is stupid! Makes no sense to me. So far fetched it's beyond reason. If they can afford to buy us all out they can afford water for the village. Who made this report? I think I'll be at the next meeting."

Mr. Carter: "A pretty ambiguous statement. If they have that kind of money they might as well put in the water. They would have to buy us all out and with the cost of homes today they are sure talking big. The way the regional government is spending money, you would think it grew on trees. When does the council meet?"

**FOOLISHNESS**

Mayor Tom Hill: "A lot of foolishness! The engineer who made the report knows my feelings and the feelings of Halton Hills councillors regarding this report and he has been told not to make any more like it. He was asked for a report on water services and that is what we want, not a foolish report like that. It was passed at the meeting for a report on what has to be done and the costs of providing water for Norval. I hope he is not too long in presenting this report."

In reply to a question about Norval and what is meant by floodplain lands, Mayor Hill replied: "All of Norval up to the hills."

I am a third generation Norval family and I have never

## Talks Under Way For Conciliation

Conciliation talks began at 10 a.m. yesterday between representatives of the town of Halton Hills, outside workers, members of Local 73, and a provincial mediator, Mr. Greenaway, in Toronto.

However, Kent Robinson, local president for the 50 outside workers noted that there should not be any problems at the talks. "I'm sure that everything should work out all right," he said. "We should be able to settle everything."

Mayor Tom Hill expressed similar comments, and seemed enthusiastic about the talks. He believed that everything could be settled without a strike by

the workers, including garbage collectors, grave diggers, and maintenance men for roads and parks.

On April 11, the workers voted unanimously in favor of striking if they thought it was necessary. They are seeking a 45 cents-per-hour increase to raise wages for a laborer to \$4.06 per hour. The town is offering 38 cents to boost the wages to \$3.99 per hour.

Mr. Robins added that there are still 10 or 11 articles not agreed upon by both sides, including the wages, student salaries, a dental plan and uniform allowances.

## Police Week Starts

The people of Georgetown will have a chance to get to know their local police next week. Police Week starts on May 12 and continues until May 18.

The idea is, according to Staff Sergeant Ray Andress, to give the people of Georgetown, "A chance to find out what the police are all about. We want the public to come forward and find out for themselves what it like to be a policeman."

Staff Sergeant Andress will be talking to congregations at the Knox Presbyterian Church and St. John's United Church on Sunday, May 12. On Monday, sergeant Al McQueen and another police officer will give demonstrations concerning the breathalyzer and its accuracy to the members of the Rotary Club. The following day they will give a similar demonstration to the members of the Optimist Club.

On Wednesday, the OPP and Halton Regional Police Force will lecture the students of the

## Snow Special Guest At High School Bearpit

Jim Snow MPP for Halton East, spoke to students of Georgetown High School on Friday. Mr. Snow answered questions on a variety of topics, including the energy crisis and Toronto transit system.

When asked about the gasoline shortage, Mr. Snow explained that both Quebec and the Maritimes relied on offshore oil supplies since there were no pipelines from the west. In the past it had been cheaper to buy imported oil, and sell western oil to the U.S. Because of the Middle East problem, of course, the situation changed and the price of imported oil shot from \$3-4 barrel to \$12-15 a barrel.

"After the producing provinces jacked their prices up," Mr. Snow continued, "the government put an export tax on oil, and effectively froze the price." When asked if the price of oil would go up any further, Mr. Snow said that he didn't expect ever to pay more than 60 cents a gallon.

Some students asked pertinent questions about the proposed mono rail transit system. Mr. Snow's justification for the money

## Baby Squirrel At Home In Human Surroundings

On Thursday evening, The Herald office received a call from Barbara Djuk, of 37 Pennington Rd. Mrs. Djuk's husband had found a baby squirrel while driving home from work that evening.

The squirrel was on the road, too frightened and weak to move. Mr. Djuk picked the squirrel up and took it home, and called various animal societies and associations hoping that someone might look after it. Unfortunately, the only suggestion Mr. Djuk received was to put the squirrel to sleep.

Not wanting to do this, Mrs. Djuk called The Herald office to ask advice, and the following day was told that Centennial Public School in Georgetown would gladly look after the baby squirrel.

Joyce Fenton adopted it, giving the squirrel the name Mep, which is Jewish for weak and helpless. Mep now has a new home and is being looked after by Joy who had already brought up several young squirrels. After two days of fright and hunger, Mep seemed very grateful for the milk fed to him by Joyce.



Joyce Fenton Feeds Milk To Mep



FAST WALKER

MARK RUSH, 17, of 4 Princess Anne Street, was the first person to complete the 25.3 mile Walk for World Relief course. Mark, who attends Georgetown High School, completed the course in just five hours. For more about the walk, see page 6. (Herald Photo)

## NEWS IN BRIEF

A 12 YEAR OLD Acton boy suffered minor cuts and bruises after he was struck by a car while riding his bicycle last Saturday, May 4 at 5.30 p.m. at the corner of School Lane and Main Street. Gregory Smith of 145 Main St. was hit by a car driven by Dianne Nolan of Limehouse. Police report that no charges were laid.

ACTON OPP REPORT that a drug raid Saturday May 4 at 9 p.m. resulted in one charge of possession of marijuana. Brian Elwin Clint, 19, of 60 Main St. S., will appear in court on May 15.

A CAR AND TRACTOR accident on Thursday, May 2 at 11 a.m. in Acton at the corner of Main and Mill Streets resulted in \$300 damages to a car driven by Margaret Beasley of RR 1 Acton. The tractor was driven by Stanley Kamminga of RR 4 Rockwood and was not damaged.

GEORGETOWN HAD another quiet week for fires. There was a grass fire at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon, May 1. The fire occurred on the Fifth Line, one and a half miles south of the 15 Sideroad. On Sunday morning there was a basement fire at 16 Elgin Street, Georgetown. According to the fire department the fire was started through careless smoking. Later on Sunday, at 10.45, there was a grass fire on Highway 7, just west of Georgetown, and at 2.30 the same day, there was another grass fire south of Irwin Crescent in Hungry Hollow. Andrew Henwood, of 71 Irwin Cres., reported the fire which he suspected was started after boys failed to put out a campfire.

A SPECIAL MEETING to discuss social education in Eramosa Township is scheduled for Thursday at 8 p.m. at the Rockwood Centennial Public School. The meeting, arranged by members of the home and school association will have a panel consisting of a school psychologist, a member of the Wellington County health unit, a member of planned parenthood, and the head of the physical education department in the school.