



MAYOR TOM HILL signs the pledge card to aid the Scouting movement in their "Trees For Canada Campaign". Each scout will plant 100 trees, sponsored by concerned citizens.

Hard budget fight

Halton Hills has no control over 75 percent of the money it spends with the result that controlling the remaining 25 percent becomes a constant losing fight.

Hary Levy, chairman of the town's personnel and finance committee, warned the committee members Monday night that their review of local

budgets will, no doubt, be a target of criticism.

"The fact that we control so little of our actual budget, with 75 percent going to the region and the board of education, is going to put us in a very bad light. Yet we have no control over that 75 percent."

An indication of the tough stand that the committee will

be taking came when they took an early look at the budget presented by the Halton Hills Public Library Board.

The board has asked for a net increase over 1974's budget of 47 percent which was much too high according to Councillor Levy. He noted that many of the costs bringing about the increase were results of new programs

started by the board without the advice of the finance committee.

"It's fine to increase library hours in Acton and to increase the staff but they should tell us how much all this is going to cost before doing it so we can tell them whether or not we can afford these new programs."

The public library board has suggested increasing the hours of the Acton library from 24 hours per week to 52, matching the hours of the Georgetown library. To do so they needed to hire additional full-time staff.

"A 47 percent net increase is just too much to expect us to pay for," commented Councillor Levy.

When the budgets from other local municipal boards have been presented the Finance committee will carry out a more complete examination of the library board's requests.

List what's needed for new arena

The Georgetown Opti-Mrs. Club, wishing to contribute to the Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena, have offered to donate money made at a bazaar toward the purchase of a stove and refrigerator for the new arena.

However, Doug Collison, recreation director of Halton Hills, noted that, "it could be some time before the kitchen is operational."

The recreation committee has prepared a list of all presently needed items, with prices, for any organizations interested in making a donation to the new arena. This report will be

available to the Opti-Mrs. Club for possible re-consideration of their choice of items they wished to purchase.

It was recommended at the general administration committee meeting, Monday night, that this matter remain with the recreation department.

It was also recommended that the facility superintendent be authorized to purchase any necessary items through the purchasing agents. This recommendation was prompted by a councillor's comment that it would be a very embarrassing situation if there were no goal nets by the time hockey season began.

Silverwood WI executive prepares for another year

The April meeting of the Silverwood Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. R. Corbetts on Thursday evening, April 10. Sixteen members answered the roll call with "something humorous."

The 24th annual meeting opened with the Mary Stewart Collect. Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted unchanged. Mrs. L. Giffen conducted the election of officers for 1975 and '76.

The Silverwood WI's executive for the new year is: past president, Mrs. L. Giffen, president, Mrs. G. Ironside, first vice-president, Mrs. B. Lindsay; second vice-president, Mrs. H. Lindauer; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. I. Carmichael.

Public relations, Mrs. H. Scott, district director, Mrs. L. Giffen, alternate, Mrs. Marchington; branch directors, Mrs. T. Appleyard and Mrs. D. Williamson; pianist, Mrs. D. Lindsay; curator, Mrs. H. Marchington; auditors, Mrs. D. Williamson and Mrs. E. Miller.

Standing Committees: Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. F. Campbell, Education and Cultural Activities, Mrs. L. Giffen; Citizenship and World Affairs, Mrs. W. Norton; Family and Consumer Affairs, Mrs. R. Corbett, Resolutions, Mrs. H. Marchington.

Social Committee: Mrs. G. Burt, Mrs. D. Lindsay, Mrs. H. Lindauer, Mrs. E. Beency; Courtesy, Mrs. C. Wilson, Mrs. G. Gothe, Fruit and Flowers, Mrs. H. Lindauer.

The list of names was accepted and committee reports handed to the secretary-treasurer. Mrs. L. Giffen attended the district directors' meeting on April 1 and gave a full report on it. This report guides the branches' activities

through the year. Final arrangements were made for the party at the manor in April. The meeting closed with lunch.

Belated good wishes to Elva and David Williamson who celebrated their 25th anniversary recently.

Bill Wilson is home from hospital, we hope to stay.

By Alicia Scott



MR. AND MRS. STANLEY FAULKNER 109 Mountainview Road, North, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Nancy Bernice to James Ronald Bland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald W. Bland, RR 4 Brampton. The wedding is to take place May 17 at the Home United Church, Alton.

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"Silence is Golden"

There were more than a few heads turning last Thursday when a Halton Hills works department garbage truck, tape player blaring loudly away, parked for a few minutes in the centre of Georgetown's business section.

By the time the truck's operator had gone on about his business a small group of

spectators had assembled to see who was providing the unwanted mobile music.

The song that was so loudly rocking the downtown core? "Silence is Golden."

However, let's hope that the song which was just beginning as truck 403 pulled out and quiet finally returned will be soon applicable. That song? "Just Wait and See."

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