

Looking for volunteers

# Ambulance five men short

The Georgetown Volunteer Ambulance Service is presently operating five men short of its normal complement of 50, and GVAS executives are worried that a shortage now could prove to be a big problem next summer.

"The tough time is definitely going to be next summer," commented Ross Rennie, secretary of the service. "To have men through their six-month probation period in time for the summer months we need them now."

The GVAS is carrying out a full-scale membership drive throughout this month in hopes of filling places left vacant when members either had to step down or were asked to.

Qualifications are still both in getting into and remaining with the local volunteer ambulance service.

After being accepted the successful candidate must take the Borden Course, an extensive first aid training program that requires one night a week of training for six months.

Once he has become a qualified Emergency Medical Care Assistant a GVAS member is then required to serve a 12-hour shift every two weeks or 28 times a year.

The result, notes Mr. Rennie, is an ambulance service that can match full-time ambulance services in efficiency and can better them in costs.

For facts he pointed to the GVAS's average response time of 4.9 minutes in October.

"Full-time services," he pointed out, "are allowed a maximum of five."

To operate a full-time service, costs can amount to \$125,000 a year for an eight-man, one car service yet Halton Hills has a 24-hour, two-car service for approximately \$35,000, which the ministry of health largely pays.

"Those are the sort of reasons the ministry of health is so thrilled about our operations here in Georgetown."

When a group of health officials from New Brunswick recently toured ambulance facilities in this province, Ontario ministry of health officials showed them the

Georgetown service as an example of how volunteer crews can operate.

The ministry's own magazine "Code 4" will be featuring a story on the local service's organization and operation in an upcoming issue.

For good reason, too. Last year the GVAS responded to an estimated 600 calls. This year it's expected they'll reach 625 calls and next year it could be up to 700.

Belonging to the ambulance service may sound like a one-sided effort in which members do nothing but donate their own time and receive nothing but work in return, but service officials point out they have a full slate of features for members and their families to compensate slightly for the

efforts they must provide.

The crew quarters in the GVAS's present James Street building are comfortable facilities, to the point that members often chose to spend their entire 12-hour shifts there.

At Christmas time children of service members enjoy a special visit from Santa and at another point in the year wives are treated to a night out in the

city, complete with dinner and fashion show.

On the more practical side, members are working on a very extensive insurance package to cover them while on duty.

Anyone interested in looking into becoming a member of the local ambulance service can do so by calling the dispatcher's office at 877-2484.

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## Law enforcement student claims

# Nothing unfair about our courts

By Kathy Karplinski Staff Reporter

Debbie Bell wants to put her 110 pounds on the side of law and order. The 20-year-old Security and Law Enforcement student at Sheridan College in Oakville thinks she's got what it takes to be a police officer.

What she has is training law and justice, police operation and administration, forensic sciences, psychology and sociology. In May she graduates from the two-year program and hopefully, joins a police force.

"Because of the education behind us we have a good chance of being hired on a force," said Miss Bell. She applied at the Halton Regional Headquarters but was told they were full.

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thinks she can handle herself and a prisoner if necessary. After all, police officers carry guns she said.



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## Opti-Mrs. form committee

# Meals-on-Wheels rolling

The first steps in organizing "Meals-on-Wheels" for Halton Hills were taken last Wednesday evening at a meeting of the Opti-Mrs. Club of Georgetown. Attending the meeting were representatives of the Red Cross, the Public Health Unit, the Downsview and Milton "Meals-on-Wheels" programs, Rev. Peter Barrow of the Knox Presbyterian Church and Councillor Roy Booth.

It was explained at the meeting that the club will be channelling their efforts through the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital in hopes that the cafeteria will prepare the food for the program.

The Opti-Mrs. Club have obtained 28 names to date of people who are unable to prepare their own meals and

would be in need of this service. It was also stated that there is only a temporary figure and there are more people in town who would benefit from the service.

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day-a-week hot lunch delivery however, for the initial stages of the program they will probably work with two days a week.

If enough volunteers are obtained it is hoped that people would only need to drive once a month.

The idea is to reach out to the needed people and supply them with a nutritious meal. The program is a non-profit organization thus the recipient pays the exact cost of the meal.

"It should be brought to the attention of the hospital that a "Meals-on-Wheels" program may slightly cut down the number of people being ad-

mitted to the hospital because of improper diets," stated Roy Booth.

A steering committee was formed at the meeting consisting of: Opti-Mrs. Anne Wood and Nancy Stein Ruth Poulos, chairman of the Service for Seniors branch of the local Red Cross Society and Fran Jamieson, supervisor for the North Halton Public Health Unit. Mrs. Jamieson was appointed chairman of the "Meals-on-Wheels" committee.

A brief will be drawn up and presented to Mr. Morris, administrator of the Georgetown Hospital as soon as a meeting can be arranged.



GVAS Captain Bob Simpson

## No town services for new homes

Five new houses being built at the south end of Maple Avenue across from Eden Place may not be able to get the snow and garbage removal that the developer had hoped the new residents would have.

The narrow roadway will not permit the turning of the town vehicles along the new Summit Drive that serves the new homes built by developer Al Pilutti. Mr. Pilutti's original agreement was to have a private road serve his new homes, one of which he plans to own.

The reduction in valuable

service such as snow and garbage would affect the assessment of these custom executive homes at the town's north end.

The 220-foot roadway only measures 20 feet across which would not permit any town vehicles to turn around without encroaching on the private property of the residents.

"I refuse to let the truck back out onto any public road," emphasized engineer Bob Austin. "Especially on the brow of that hill."

The development sits on the top of Hungry Hollow.

## Baha'i's year

This year marks the 158th anniversary of the birth of Baha'u'llah, Prophet-Founder of the Baha'i Faith.

The anniversary of the birth of Baha'u'llah is a very joyous occasion for Baha'is, and is being commemorated in the Halton Hills community on Mon. Nov. 11, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bourassa.

The Baha'i Faith is now a universal religion, established in over 333 countries and territories. The administrative centre of the Faith in Canada is located just outside Toronto.



GET THINGS ROLLING: a \$250 cheque was presented by the Opti-Mrs. Club of Georgetown to Mrs. Fran Jamieson, Chairman of the Opti-Mrs. "Meals-on-Wheels" project. From left to right are: Jeanne Getty, secretary of the Opti-Mrs., Fran Jamieson, supervisor of the North Halton Public Health Unit and Pearl Guthrie, president of the Opti-Mrs.

## Cause found for low water

The low water table in the Princess Area may be one of the unsolved mysteries of the world, but since the Remembrance Park pond dried up, work crews have been searching for any

probably cause. At long last they may have found what may be a contributing factor.

"We have found some infiltration of the stream into the storm sewer near Charles Street," explained Bob Austin, town engineer.

The crew decided to repair the pipe and watch for signs that the water table is rising. Equipment to make the actual depth of the water table known is costly so the town will just have to wait and see.

## No one hurt in crashes

There were few accidents last week investigated by Halton Regional Police with no injuries reported in any of the crashes.

Last Wednesday a single car accident involving the car of George Doucette did \$100 damage to the car's bumper and slight damage to a tree on Raylawn Crescent.

On that same day the cars of Bradley Timbers and Alexander Walker received minor damages when they struck while passing each other on Mountainview Road near the bridge.

There were no injuries when two cars collided on a Georgetown street doing less than \$300 damage to the cars owned by Henry Walama and Jan Lee, both rural residents

of Halton Hills.

Last Friday the intersection of Sinclair and Guelph Streets was the scene of an accident which did \$150 damage to the car of Brenda Dron. The other driver involved in the crash left the scene before investigation could take place.

Guelph Street near Mac's Milk was the scene of another accident that did little damage to the cars involved. Friday's crash did less than \$300 to the

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## Finger print specialist

Halton Regional Police revealed yesterday that an identification man will be serving in the Halton Hills area out of the District One, Mill Street offices.

Constable William McGrath has taken on duties in the

photography, fingerprint and "on scene" investigation department which had been the duty of Henry Vanderluis until his death last year.

The headquarters building is equipped with darkroom and laboratory services for police work.

## Clergy Comments

# What kind of an example?

Rev. Peter Barrow  
Knox Presbyterian Church

There used to be an anti-smoking advert on T.V. which showed a father taking his son fishing. When everything was set up the father sat under a tree in perfect contentment, and reaching into his pocket pulled out his cigarettes, and lit one, making the contentment complete.

The camera then flashed to the son, who, like his father, sat down on the bank contented. Seeing his father smoke, he found a twig and imitated his father's smoking. It always made me realize afresh just how much our children copy our example, and ask myself - 'What kind of an example am I giving?'

What do we say about work? In this day when the talk is of strike, and withdrawal of labour, which, after all is only another, politer way of saying the same thing; when the attitude that comes through is that we do as little as possible for the maximum gain, and that to pull a fast one on our employer is a clever thing.

In this we teach our children that little dishonesties are praiseworthy, as long as you don't get caught, and if you do then you are merely stupid.

Is this the attitude that we should be teaching them, or should we be teaching them, as our fathers taught us, that, if a job is worth doing at all, then it is worth doing well? Should we be showing them that the quality of our work and the satisfaction we get out of it is more important than watching the clock to make sure that we get off at absolutely the right time. What sort of an example are we showing the children?

What do we say about home and marriage? Look at your relationship with your husband or wife, what is it showing the children? Does it show them that marriage is a very uneasy relationship that is made of bickering, and silences, and sometimes mother's tears? Does it show them two people constantly at each other's throats in many subtle ways, and they all, unwillingly, are sucked into the whirlpool of their parents' discontent? Does it show them that vows aren't all that important and that either dad or mom or both go off and partner up with someone else when they feel like it?

Or do we show them that marriage is a relationship of love and trust between two people, a relationship that does have its moments of tension, but those times are soon gone, swallowed up in the basic atmosphere of comradeship, togetherness and peace. A home should be a place where we relax and grow. What sort of an example are we showing the children?

What do we say about Church? Is church a place where they are compelled to go? Has it become, through its Sunday School, a sort of babysitting service that allows us another couple of hours peace on a Sunday morning? Is church something to which we give grumbling, and do the children hear "The church is always after money"? Do we even go to church?

Or is the church a place where we go to find a peace and a strength that we can get no other place? Somewhere where it is a pleasure to go, a place where we find our friends, a place that becomes a privilege and a pleasure to help?

Just this weekend reading in a study on stress in our modern society, I was interested to read, that the people who had a deep religious belief were, on the whole, more contented and integrated into life. Is this what we wish for our children?

What sort of an example are we showing the children? Imitation is the way in which we learn. How are we, as parents, acting up to the responsibility of the lives that God has given into our care? Just what are we showing the children?

## Cancer Society raises \$4,300 over objective

The Halton Hills unit of the Canadian Cancer Society far surpassed its campaign objectives this year, raising \$2,300 for use in its many community services.

Campaign chairman, Barbara Skinner, Queen Street reported to the society's annual meeting last week that the campaign total was \$4,300 over the set objective of \$18,000. In view of that, year's objective has been raised to \$23,000.

Incoming president of the Georgetown and Acton unit is Mrs. Ann French, who hosted

the annual meeting at her Revery home.

One of the society's most important services has been providing transportation for 46 patients to distant hospitals, in particular Princess Margaret Hospital in Toronto.

During the past year a total of 534 trips were arranged by the local unit's transportation chairman, Cynthia Green. A total of 22,810 miles were travelled by the 41 volunteer drivers.

Services to patients committee chairman, Mrs. Evelyn Holmes, reported an equally busy year for her group. A number of items for the gift cupboard were either made or donated by local residents and merchants. Susan McCartney will be taking over the committee's organization this year.

The Cancer Society's messages were widely distributed through the work of the education committee.

The local unit will be holding a special dinner meeting on November 27, at the North Halton Golf and Country Club. Dr. Richard Miller, senior scientist at the Ontario Cancer Institute, and a well known speaker, will be the special guest.

Fortunately the bill passed. As council was endorsing the work a paving firm was putting the final touches to the repaving of the Seventh Line, 1.9 miles south of Ashgrove.

## Covered just in time

Regional government works its wonders in strange ways. For instance, last Wednesday regional councillors gave three readings to Bill 123 "To authorize pavement resurfacing for Contract 75-128, Halton Hills."

It gave council's permission for the resurfacing of the Seventh Line from Ashgrove, southerly for a distance of two miles.

## CVCA okays garage

An application by Mr. H. Roffel, 4 Princess Street, Glen Williams, to construction an addition to his basement has been approved by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority's executive, as long as Mr. Roffel meets a number of conditions.

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