

NEC holds first public meeting in Halton Hills

# Escarpment won't be just a park

Members of the Niagara Escarpment Commission viewed coloured slides, accepted briefs, replied to questions and heard from concerned citizens when they sat at Halton Hills council chambers last week. About 30 people attended the meeting, the first public NEC meeting in Halton Hills.

Phil Kettle of the Izaak Walton Fly Fisherman's Club, based in Oakville showed commission members coloured slides of conditions on the Credit River where club members are working to improve the flow of water.

A brief Mr. Kettle presented to the commission outlined three areas the club is concerned with. They want legislation drawn up and passed that will assure protection of Ontario's watersheds; a program of educating the fishing and non-fishing public on the concepts of habitat preservation and restoration; and stream improvement which Kettle said

could increase the fish population "18 times."

Jim White, an agrologist and landowner in Brampton, asked the commission for the procedure to change the boundaries of the area under development control.

James Swanborough, who was sitting as chairman at this session, replied that White would have to go through his municipal council.

White also wanted to know what consideration the commission was giving to agricultural class land in the escarpment. He was told by various commission members and staff that although a good deal of the land was marginal and that small pockets of land were not viable for today's type of farming, the commission staff were not underestimating the agricultural potential.

White then asked two questions which focussed on two objectives of the Niagara Escarpment Plan which are

"to protect unique ecologic and historic areas" and "to maintain and enhance the open landscape character of the Niagara Escarpment as much as possible, by such means as compatible farming or forestry and by preserving the natural scenery."

Saying that "it is the key to the work of the commission," White asked the NEC for a definition of "protecting the natural environment."

Chairman Swanborough admitted that the question was "difficult" and "subjective" and that all 17 members of the commission answered, there would be 17 different definitions.

He said, "Some people think it means the way things are now, but it's not that to me."

White asked the commission if the Boyne Provincial Park, with 7,000 visitors a day and concrete swimming pools, would be considered com-

patible?

Ivor McMullin, commission chairman and former Mayor of Caledon, replied, saying that recreation land is important to the commission.

"Our plan will have recommended areas with public access," McMullin said. "Our objective is not to create a great big park all across the area."

He said some areas of the escarpment will be accessible to the public but that other areas would not be.

Compatibility of development was also the focus of Dr. L.E. Johnston's appearance before the commission.

Dr. Johnston, a resident of Limehouse, had applied for a permit to build a residence on land he owns near the Bruce Trail. He told the commission his application had been rejected even though "800 feet of dense bush" separated the proposed site from the trail.

Dr. Johnston, who prefaced

his remarks by saying he has no quarrel with the aims and direction of the commission and was appearing "essentially as a friend" of the commission, nevertheless, objected to the application and appeal process.

He said that because applications to permit development on the escarpment are heard in camera, "incomplete and inaccurate information leads to poor decisions" by the commission.

Commenting on the appeal procedure, Dr. Johnston pointed out that because appeals can be made without requiring the presence of a lawyer, "This works against the appellants."

He told the commission that his plans require him to divide his property.

Ivor McMullin explained that urbanization of rural land was of concern to the NEC and that the trend is to divide and build, thus breaking up 100-acre farms.

"Development control is to

keep as much land intact until we have a plan," McMullin said.

Dr. Johnston urged the commission to permit "intelligent use" of the land by allowing "high quality, low-density development of land." He said if the NEC does not want houses, "it should buy the land. As the NEC has pointed out they can't, why don't you permit intelligent use?"

Dr. Johnston said he had the support of Halton-Burlington MPP Julian Reed, Mayor Tom Hill, the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Halton Health Unit and the Planning and Development Committee of Halton in his application.

The commission also accepted a brief read by Mrs. Jean Gosling on behalf of the Guelph Naturalist Club.

The brief asks the commission to withhold approval of questionable subdivisions of the act be subverted before the plan is enforced."

The brief also denied the validity of a report prepared



Samuel Tughan, vice-president and general manager of G.H. Wood and Co. Ltd. (left) receives from provincial minister of tourism and industry, Claude F. Bennett, the "A" for Achievement Award for the company's outstanding contribution to the economy of Ontario.

The award was presented to the firm which has plants in Georgetown and Toronto. The province began issuing the "A" for Achievement Awards in 1968 and the award to G.H. Wood and Co. Ltd. was the 100th such award made to businesses in the province for outstanding achievement.

## Goebelle assumes Sheridan appointment

Graeme Goebelle of Georgetown is one of three new appointments named to the Sheridan College Board of Governors, joining Mr. Goebelle on the board are William Hawkins of Burlington and H. J. (Jack) Brown of Mississauga.

Mr. Goebelle, a chartered accountant, has operated a

public practice in Georgetown since 1968. A graduate of the University of Western Ontario, director of the Georgetown and District YM-YWCA and has Mr. Goebelle was admitted to the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario in 1964.

Mr. Goebelle has been a member of the board of the Cancer Society of Georgetown.



Graeme Goebelle

He currently serves as the chief financial officer for the Halton-Burlington Progressive Conservative Association and is an active member of the Small Practices Committee of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario.

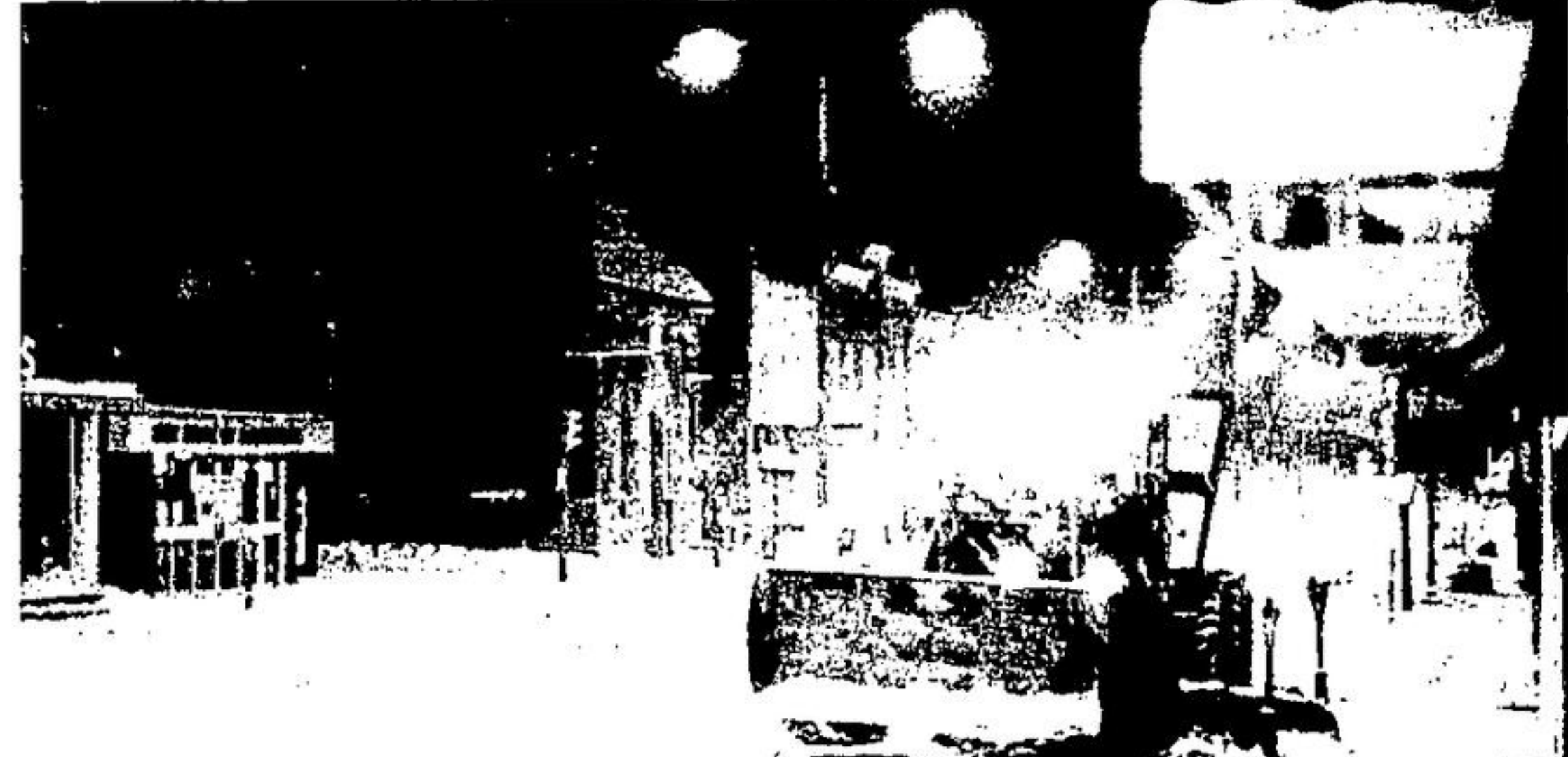
Mr. Goebelle and his wife Judy have one child, Hugh.

Mr. Goebelle received his four-year appointment from the Region of Halton and both Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Brown were appointed by the governing Council of Regents for a four-year term, ending Dec. 31, 1978.

Three three appointees replace charter board members H.H. "Bert" Hinton, William Kelly, who for many years served as chairman of finance, and Archie Turner, first chairman of the board in 1967, whose terms are up.

William Cooke, a Brampton lawyer took over as chairman of the board, replacing former Acton reeve and charter member of the board, Bert Hinton.

The board's new vice-chairman by acclamation is Caye Killaby, a Mississauga councillor and a council member for the Region of Peel.



IT'S 2 O'CLOCK FRIDAY MORNING and Main Street is deserted except for this lone snowplough hurrying to get the streets and sidewalks cleared before the morning.

Halton Hills works crews have been doing a great job through the past two weeks keeping the roads and downtown sidewalks cleared.

## Town groups echo theatre request

The Georgetown branch of the Local Council of Women voted unanimously during their monthly meeting held Friday to support Georgetown Little Theatre in the group's attempts to establish a theatre-auditorium for Georgetown.

The Local Council of Women's support is accompanied by support from other Georgetown organizations as the YM-YWCA, the Music Society, University Women's Club and the Esqueving Historical Society.

The Georgetown Little Theatre's building committee will meet with the library

board in hopes of jointly acquiring facilities for both projects.

With the growing support voiced by many residents in and around town the Georgetown Little Theatre is optimistic that the town is recognizing the great need for a theatre-auditorium.

The GLT is presently contacting public organizations which could also benefit from such an auditorium. Those wishing to add the name of their group or organization should contact John Roe, building committee chairman.

## Resource Recovery holds open house

To give Halton Hills residents a second chance to participate in the selection of new landfill sites for garbage disposal in Halton, another open house is being conducted today, (Wednesday) at Stewarttown Senior Public School.

The Resource Recovery Committee will have a display and members of the study team will be present to answer any questions. The open house begins at 3 and continues until 9 p.m. You may still have time to hop in and give your comments on the various landfill sites which the committee have selected.

If you are unable to attend the open house the committee asks that the postcard in the pamphlet which was mailed recently to all households, be completed and mailed to help them determine the public's general opinions.

## Seat belts help

"Seat belt safety" was the theme of the talk presented to the Georgetown Optimist Club at a meeting held January 13, with Comrade Jacobs, a member of the Ministry of Transportation and Communication speaking to the club.

After a brief introduction, Mr. Jacobs showed a film called, "The Human Collision" revealing some definite advantages to using seat belts.

After the film, there was a question and answer period which proved to be very interesting and informative.

Approximately 18 members of the Optimist Club attended the meeting which was held at the North Halton Golf and Country Club.

## Come to Church

<p><b>Immanuel Lutheran Church</b> Windsor Road at Carole St. Rev. Harold R. Patzer 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship Service Church of the Lutheran Hour</p>	<p><b>GEORGETOWN ALLIANCE CHURCH</b> 14 Main St. S. Pastor Peter Ralph 10 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Morning Worship 7 p.m. Evening Worship Everyone Welcome "Come make our church your church"</p>
<p><b>HALTON HILLS PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLY</b> Trafalgar Rd. And No. 7 Highway Rev. E. J. Friesen 10 A.M. Family School 11 A.M. Morning Worship 7 P.M. Evening Service Tuesday 7:30 P.M. Youth Night Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Bible Study Thursday 6:30 P.M. Missionettes A Cordial Welcome to all</p>	<p><b>MOUNTAINVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Conservative &amp; Evangelical Holding forth "THE WORD OF LIFE" Minister—Rev. Tom Brelford Organist: Mrs. W. Townsend Sunday, Jan. 25 9:45 a.m. Church School 11 a.m. Morning Worship EVERYONE WELCOME!</p>
<p><b>ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH</b> ANGLICAN Rector: The Rev'd R. Gallagher, B.A., S.T.B. The Conversion of St. Paul SUNDAY, JANUARY 25 8:00 a.m. - The Eucharist 9:15 a.m. - Family Eucharist 11:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer Church School 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Nursery service 9:15 and 11 a.m.</p>	<p><b>ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH</b> OF GEORGETOWN AND OLEN WILLIAMS Minister: Rev. Harold T. Martin, B.A., M. DIV Mr. Dale Wood, ARCT Organists: Mrs. Shirley Ingills SERVICES OF WORSHIP Sunday, January 25th 9:30 a.m. Glen Williams 11 a.m. Georgetown 12:30 congregational meeting Sunday School for all ages. Nursery Care</p>

## Board of ed. replaces Boich

The Halton Board of Education has hired its new director of program, Bruce Mather, the former superintendent of learning program for the Leeds and Grenville County Board of Education.

A native of Toronto Mr. Mather first began teaching in 1953 in a one-room, ungraded school in northern Ontario, prior to attending Toronto Teachers' College in 1954.

He spent 13 years teaching in Peel moving from elementary schools to five years in secondary schools including terms as English department head and vice-principal of Streetsville Secondary School.

In 1975 he began full time doctoral studies in educational administration at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education. He holds a B.A., B.Ed., and M.Ed.

He is married with three children.

Mr. Mather is filling the position left vacant when John Boich was moved to the position of superintendent of instruction, replacing the retiring Orle Gilmore. His appointment will become effective August 1 of this year.

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