

Traffic lights get a caution signal



MIDWINTER BREAK brought these joyful expressions from students at Limehouse Public School when classes let out at 3 p.m. Friday afternoon. The kids have a whole week with nothing to do but get into mother's hair until frazzled teachers get them back next Monday morning.

It was stop, go, proceed with caution, and full speed ahead when the works committee Monday night tried to get some action on three sets of traffic signals in Georgetown. When the smoke cleared away they had decided to get Cliphsham Morton Ltd. to submit designs for signals at Maple Ave. and Mountainview Rd., Guelph and Chapel Streets, and at the entrance to the Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena, pending town council's approval.

The discussion of the need for traffic lights at the entrance to the 16-and-a-half-acre recreational complex at the Gordon Alcott arena produced from various council members emotions seldom seen during their usually placid meetings. Mayor Tom Hill was adamant that traffic signals be installed at the entrance to the arena to permit pedestrian crossings and allow left turns which are presently prohibited—onto Guelph St. for motorists.

He told the works committee that the minister of transportation and communications, James Snow, had given him a firm verbal commitment that the signals there would be approved. The province would pay 90 percent of the cost of installation.

To install traffic signals at the intersection of Sinclair Ave. and Guelph St. before the installation of signals at the arena entrance would not be useful, Mayor Hill said. In conjunction with installing traffic lights at the arena entrance, the entrance to the Market Plaza would be moved to coincide with the arena entrance, Mayor Hill said, adding that the plaza merchants had sent him their approval of such a plan and willingness to bear the expense of relocation.

Mike Armstrong, chairman of the works committee, agreed with the mayor that the front of the arena was "a desperate situation."

"Let's get them up," he said, referring to the traffic signals.

Town engineer Robert Austin told members of the works committee that the CN Railway will take about 60 days to decide whether or not the town can acquire a 30-foot spur line which the committee felt could be used to re-route exiting traffic from the arena complex to Sinclair Ave. where proposed lights were to be installed.

Throughout discussion on traffic lights at the arena

entrance, at Maple Ave. and Mountainview Rd. and at Guelph and Chapel Streets, Engineer Austin kept wondering where the money to pay for such installations was coming from.

He told the works committee that the town could legally put traffic signals at the latter two locations but that special, additional approval was needed from the region and the province.

Mountainview Rd. is under regional jurisdiction and Guelph St. at Chapel is a

connecting link with Hwy. 7 which is under provincial jurisdiction.

He said that the region would not approve installation of traffic lights at Chapel St. and Guelph St. until the fire hall at that corner is moved.

When the members of the works committee heard this, it was suggested by some of them that the lights go up anyway but not have the power turned on.

Councillor Ern Hyde said "We're going to barge ahead as soon as possible and recommend to council to seek legal approval."

It will now be recommended to council that the region be

informed of what the town wanted and that Cliphsham Morton Ltd. prepare designs for installation of the signals.

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Who is the prettiest baby in Georgetown? Of course, it is your own, but in an attempt to raise some money for the pediatric ward at Georgetown District Memorial Hospital, the Georgetown Jaycees are sponsoring a baby photo contest.

There is room for 50 baby photos in the contest and at press time about ten spaces were left. If you want to enter a photo of your baby, call Anne Burns at 877-8379 for details.

This is how the contest works. A numbered photo of your baby is mounted on a large display with all the other photos. Underneath the display, or very close by, is a ballot box with 50 slots corresponding to the numbered photos. To vote for one baby all you do is drop a penny in one of the slots. Five cents dropped in the slot means five votes, ten cents mean ten votes and so on.

On May 1, the mothers of the ten babies who have received the most votes will be notified. A prize will be awarded for the baby with the most votes at Knox Presbyterian Church, Saturday, May 8.

The photos of the babies can be viewed at the following locations:
 March 22 to March 26 at the Royal Bank on Main St.
 March 29 to April 2 at the Bank of Nova Scotia on Guelph St.
 April 5 to 9 at the Hospital gift shop.
 April 12 to 16 at the Tarnot Dominion Bank on Main St.
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Ashgrove WI
 by Mrs. John Bellhobby
 On Tuesday afternoon, March 16 the Family and Consumer Affairs meeting of the Ashgrove Women's Institute was held in Hillcrest United Church with 40 ladies attending. President, Mrs. John McNabb, had everyone repeat the Ode and Mary Stewart Collect.
 Secretary Mrs. James McPhail, read last month's minutes and called the roll which was answered with "Name an item you bought which was unnecessary." This caused a lot of humor as the ladies told how they had bought an article and then tucked it away. But the climax came when a visitor said she didn't buy anything unless she needed it.
 An invitation was received from Silverwood WI who are celebrating their 25th anniversary on March 27 with a euchre. A donation of \$25 was voted to the Society of Performing and Creative Arts.
 The district annual is on May 18 in Campbellville so our own meeting will be May 25. Mrs. Vern Pickett gave the flower committee report. Mrs. John Bird showed lovely colored slides she had taken at the 50th anniversary last month.
 The program was under the direction of Mrs. Bruce McCure who called on Mrs. R. Alexander for the motto "There is more to good shopping than being first at the bargain counter." The guest speaker, Miss Lorraine Holding, Home Economist for Halton and Peel since 1974, spoke on consumers and shopping. She told the women to watch for specials on good brands of foods and to curb their impulses to buy unnecessary items.
 Mrs. V. Pickett thanked Miss Holding for her timely advice and presented her with a small gift. Everyone stood up and enjoyed a sing-song of Irish songs after which Mrs. Hector Bird caused gales of laughter with a couple of Irish readings.
 A nominating committee of ladies from the Fifth Line was appointed to arrange the officers for next year. Mrs. M. Guy Wilson gave the courtesies and the meeting closed after which a social hour followed.

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Doctors clinic

A Clinical Day on Emergency Medicine will be conducted by Doctor Dennis A. Psutka of the Emergency Services Unit at McMaster University Health Centre, at Georgetown District Memorial Hospital on March 31. These educational programs are conducted to enable physicians to keep abreast of the latest developments in different specialty areas. These presentations are not intended for the general public, and patients are requested to call their doctors for emergencies only, on the (Clinical) Days in their respective towns.

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