



BLOCK PARENTS PROGRAMME. Plotting on a map of Georgetown the locations of those willing to become block parents are (from left to right) Marge Glancy, Linda Anderson, Deanna Allen and Wilma Hald. Although 150 applications were received, some parts of Georgetown remain uncovered.

150 applications received but...

More Block Parents needed

A further step in providing places where children in distress on the streets of Georgetown can turn to for help was taken last Thursday when the Block Parent Programme formed a central committee.

At a meeting held in the home of Honey Cornfoot the women also marked out on a large map of Georgetown the locations of the 150 applications so far received from people willing to be Block Parents.

A number of women expressed concern that many areas of Georgetown were not represented and hoped this was due only to people forgetting to fill out the application

forms. Those areas which have no representation will be canvassed door to door.

All applications are first screened by the police after which the Block Parent receives a sign which is prominently displayed in a window that lets children, who are lost or in some kind of physical danger, know they can receive aid at that home.

Some women said that the tragedy of Lisa Kowalski, a young Toronto girl whose body was discovered last week after disappearing on a trip to the corner store in January, might have been avoided had there been a Block Parent Programme.

Should an area of Georgetown not have anyone able to be on the central committee, that area will not have a Block Parent Programme. Members of the central committee are responsible for keeping track of the Block Parent signs and being a contact person to whom the school will phone with a list of a day's absentees which the committee member will follow up. You don't have to be on the central committee to be a Block Parent.

Those schools which have a member of the central committee to phone are Harrison, Joseph Gibbons, Park, St. Francis of Assisi, Holy Cross, George Kennedy, Howard

Wrigglesworth and Centennial Schools.

Members of the central committee are Bob and Linda Anderson who will act as chairman; Wilma Hald, secretary; Marge Carter, treasurer; Lee Buchen, Pat Stuart-Hagge, Marge Glancy Deanna Allen, Karen Morris and Noreen Piebig.

For more information call Wilma Hald at 877-1224 or Marge Carter at 877-4345.

The committee members, who hope that the programme will be operating in time for the September school term, will be out trying to get more applications from homes before the next central committee meeting, June 9.

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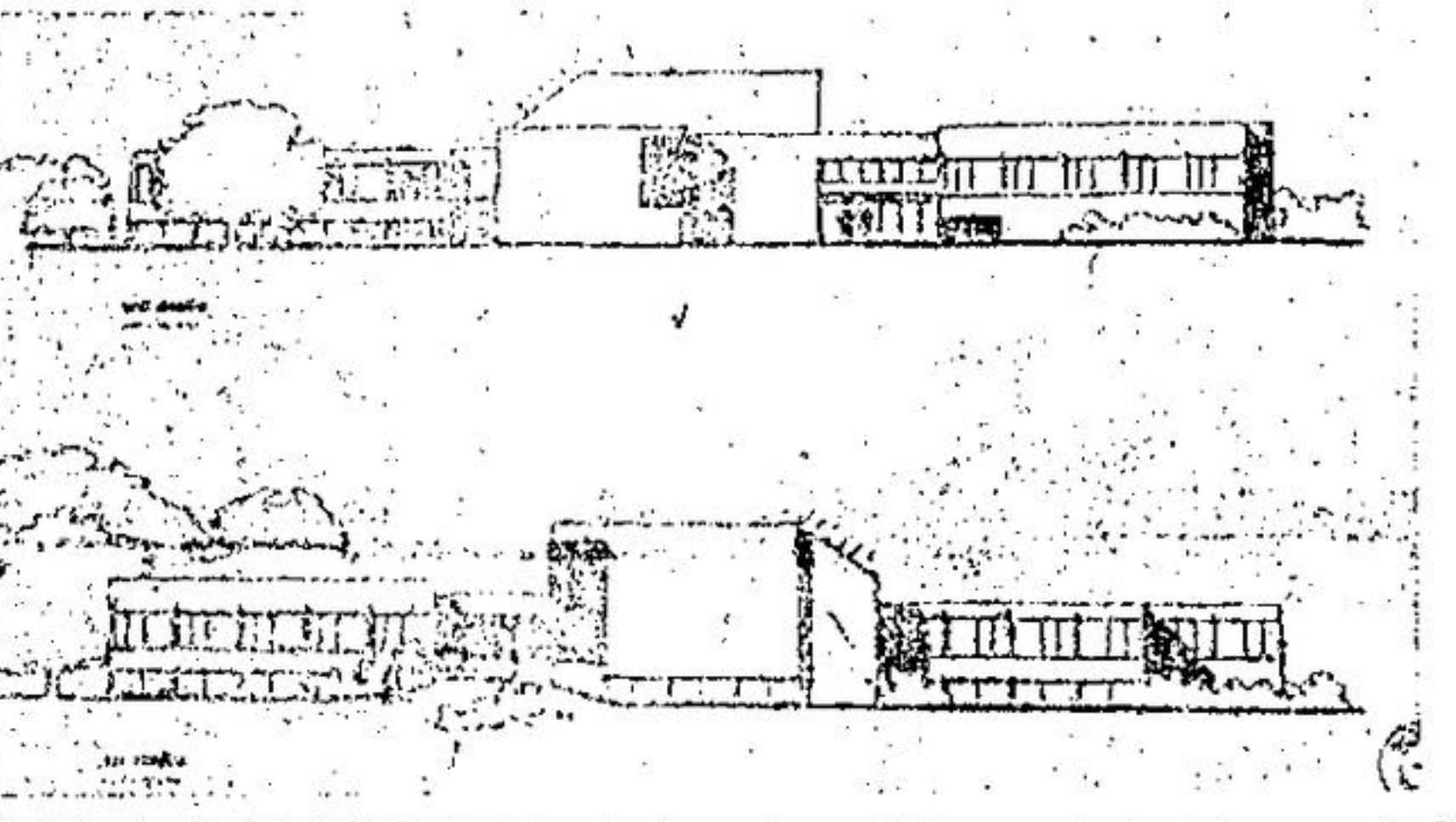
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Artist's concept of the new town hall.



\$844,000 municipal building addition gets early go ahead

Plans for a new \$844,500 town hall for Halton Hills, were revealed at a special council meeting last Wednesday night. The building would be constructed on the site of the former township of Esqueping municipal offices on the Seventh Line.

Although there were a number of councillors absent from last week's meeting council decided to give preliminary approval to the expansion plans and has hired the Oakville architectural firm of Hallford and Wilson to begin drawing up specifications for tenders.

If council decides to proceed with the project the probable completion date for the new town hall would be spring of 1978, 19 months from now.

Hallford and Wilson were the original architects for the Esqueping municipal offices. Their design for the building won a national design competition, and according to Don Hallford who presented the latest set of plans for the new building, the new municipal complex will "look as good as, if not better than the original design."

Council has not given the full green light for the project as they are now awaiting a complete report on the financial implications of the project from town treasurer Ray King. Councillor Dick Howitt explained that the

town may have a number of ways at its disposal to assist in paying for the new building including raising lot levies on new homes, selling land that it owns in Georgetown, Acton and in Esqueping or applying for further debentures.

The Ontario Municipal Board has already granted the town approval for major debenture issues on the project but King could not state what monies the OMB might allow for the complete project.

Councillors Mike Armstrong and Ern Hyde both emphasized the need to proceed immediately with the project's early planning to the extent that they suggested hiring the architects for a four-week period during which the financial report by King could be completed. If the report showed the project is not feasible the architects would then be told to halt all work.

Hallford estimated that the four-week period could cost in the neighbourhood of \$4,000.

"It's the only route we can follow," commented Armstrong. "We don't know how much money we have; we don't know where it's going to come from; but we have to find out."

Pointing to the current situation in which employees are scattered throughout the town

in various locations Councillor Hyde added "It's practical now to have everybody under one roof...We should press on as quickly as possible."

Heads of most town departments were present for the meeting and all but one agreed combining all services into one building would be an asset.

The lone exception was recreation director Glen Gray who stated that he felt that his department's present location in the Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena was best from both the staff's viewpoint and the citizens'.

"We would feel more effective where we are right now," commented Gray adding he couldn't support the move from the new arena. He suggested that Acton's recreation program co-ordinator could be located in facilities in the Acton arena to provide better communications with that Ward.

However Councillor Dick Howitt replied that "It's just a question of educating the people to come here rather than the arena."

Town planner Mario Venditti, town engineer Bob Austin, treasurer Ray King,

and clerk-administrator Doug Pritchard stated that, following previous meetings with the architect, they were all pleased with the plans for their departments.

The plans presented by Hallford showed a two-storey structure similar in height to the present building. A large parking area would be located in front of the building while employee's parking spaces would be in the back.

A longer and wider council chamber would be located on the top floor near the main entrance. The mayor's office plus the facilities for the clerk-administrator's office would be located on the top floor.

The treasurer's office, engineering department and planning would all be located in the below-ground level.

The only criticism expressed at last week's meeting came from Councillor George Molloy who questioned the timing of the project "That works out to about six cents a day from each citizen of the town for an entire year. It doesn't sound like much, but it is."

Pressure now on Britannia-Tremaine

Engineers rule out Hornby dump

...And then there were two. A more detailed study of the four preferred sites for Halton's new regional garbage dump has eliminated two of those sites from further consideration, including 'G', the major 400-acre site near Hornby.

The two sites left are 'F', better known as the Britannia-Tremaine site, and site 'A', the location of a present landfill operation in Burlington.

Both sites have been determined by M.M. Dillon Ltd. to meet hydrogeological requirements, provide proper road conditions and accessibility, plus offer enough acreage to meet Halton's garbage disposal needs for at least 20 years.

M.M. Dillon were hired by the region to provide a waste disposal program that will meet Halton's future needs. Phase one of that program was the location of a suitable landfill site while phase two, still to be fully carried out is a study of alternative waste recovery methods.

Dillon's initial study of possible landfill locations listed 11, from which the four preferred sites were chosen. For the past two months Dillon staff have been carrying out more detailed reports on those four sites from which their latest conclusions have been drawn.

The consultants will formally present their findings at the region's works committee meeting tonight at the Halton Hills town offices on the Seventh Line.

In their report on the Britannia-Tremaine site the consultants noted that "the site appears hydrogeologically suited for landfill operations." Suggestions that there was a

possible underground river in the area were not denied by the consultants but they did note that the river "is removed from this site to the south and would not be affected by landfilling operations."

They concluded that a landfill operation on site 'F' would have "minimal impact" on wells in the area.

Few excavation problems on the site were anticipated by the consultants but they did note that neither of the two access roads to the site, Britannia Road nor Derry Road, could handle the truck traffic heading to the site without major upgrading.

"Site design in this area will be critical and detailed consideration will have to be given to visual and community effects."

They recommended access to the site via Britannia Road from Highway 25.

The consultants pinpointed the best location for the site as an area east of Tremaine Road to the railroad tracks, between Derry and Britannia Roads.

A gas pipeline, located south of Derry Road crosses the site and for that reason the consultants stated that development of the dump should be south of the line towards Britannia Road.

An alternative site in the same general area would be immediately west of Tremaine Road, again between Derry and Britannia Roads.

"In summary," the consultants' report notes, "all hydrogeologic, physical and land use constraints favour this area for a major landfill operation. The area available is adequate to serve the needs of the region for 20 years."

Summarizing their conclusions on the

Burlington landfill site the consultants stated, "Access to the site is good and no major off-site road building would be required. The precedent of having a landfill at this location and isolation from conflicting land use are favourable to ultimate approval of a landfill site."

"The area can be developed for landfilling but will require extensive on-site works to divert surface drainage, collect leachate and regrade existing closed out areas. Leachate collected will require discharge to a sewer or trucking to a sewage plant."

Of the four sites considered by Dillon's engineers site 'F' received the poorest rating. After detailing the water and soil patterns in the area south of Hwy. 401 near Hornby, the

consultants reported "further hydrogeologic investigations will likely prove the site is not technically suitable for landfilling. Further consideration of this location should be abandoned."

The fourth considered area, site 'B' north of Hwy. 5 in Burlington, "appears to have good potential for landfilling from a hydrogeological viewpoint" the report indicates, but it "will not be sufficient to supply 20 years capacity to the region."

A 20-year lifespan was one of the initial prerequisites for a new Halton dump.

The report, however, did not rule out 'B' entirely as it also pointed out that "No extraordinary major work will be required to develop this site."

Wm. Winegard selected to Council on University Affairs

The appointment of Dr. Williams C. Winegard, of Georgetown as a member of The Ontario Council on University Affairs was announced last week by Premier William Davis.

The appointment, effective immediately, is to fill the vacancy left on the Council by the death of Dr. John Deutsch and is for a two-year period.

A native of Hamilton, Dr. Winegard received his B.A.Sc., M.A.Sc. and Ph.D.

from the University of Toronto. Beginning his career as an education and engineering consultant, special lecturer in metallurgical engineering at the University of Toronto, Dr. Winegard became assistant professor in 1954, associate professor in 1957 and full professor in 1964.

As acting dean, Dr. Winegard acted in the capacity of technical consultant to many Canadian and American



QUEEN VICTORIA, whose birthday we celebrated Monday might have used a ladies boot jack as shown by Jennifer Pepper of Acton, a guide at the Halton County Museum. The heart-decorated implement from the Victoria Rooms of the museum is among many items our forefathers used which are

on display now at the museum. On the main floor of the museum is the first electric generator used in Halton, 15 years before Ontario Hydro was formed by Sir Adam Beck. June 20 there'll be a summer festival at the museum which is located in the Kelso Observation Area in Milton.

Pan fire damages home

Damages from a house fire may range from \$3,000 to \$7,000 estimated Fire Chief Ken Bulkema after the firefighters put out a blaze caused by a burning pan of grease at 91 Jocelyn Cres. Monday evening in Georgetown.

Peter Viletman and his wife were watching movies in their living room with guests from California at about 6 p.m. when he

heard a loud noise coming from the kitchen, he told the Herald.

Upon entering the kitchen he observed that the stove top was on fire, he said. After ordering everyone out of the house, he attempted to put the fire out first with a blanket to smother the flames and then with a fire extinguisher, he said.

No one was injured in the blaze.

How does a civil servant wink?

According to a certain Halton Hills elected official, we are past the days of Paki jokes, Jewish jokes and Powie jokes. We're now into

Civil Servant jokes. An example: How does a civil servant wink? He opens one of his eyes.

Wolf Park becomes Terra Cotta Gardens

After a ten-week wait for a permit from the Niagara Escarpment Commission, the new owners of Wolf Park are busy remaking it into Terra Cotta Gardens.

It's a family affair. Ken and Marlene Heltcher, her brother Jim Edwards and his wife Marilyn, are all working together to upgrade the 39-acre campground they acquired April 30.

By the fall, the park will look very different than it did when the season opened two weeks ago.

A new well has been dug and the new

washroom building, featuring showers, is nearing completion.

Part of the land is being excavated to provide level ground to accommodate a laundramat and a new snack bar. Victoria Day weekend, the existing snack bar was repaired and repainted.

Landscaping will further enhance the picturesque hills and valleys of the park. Along the laneway leading into the campgrounds, large planters will be installed and 786 rosebushes and even more trees were planted throughout the park.

Plans are on the drawing board for a man-made waterfall where the run-off from one of the two ponds trickles down a slope.

The deepest pond, about 40 feet, will be stocked with fish and paddleboats are on order.

To curb erosion, a proper dam is proposed and a footbridge will join the two water bodies. The ponds are not recommended for swimming, but there's a full-size pool for swimmers and a wading pool where toddlers can cool off.

A shuffleboard court, horseshoes, swings

and slides will be included in the recreation area, plus a wide open space serving as a children's playground.

Since Terra Cotta Gardens is a family camp, Ken Heltcher is considering hiring local girls to babysit the children a couple of hours daily to give the adults a holiday too.

Even without the completion of improvement projects, half of the 150 campsites were occupied Victoria Day weekend, by both seasonal and weekend campers.

By 1978, the park will be rezoned to accommodate 200 tents and trailers.