

It's Pioneer Days time again!

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In 1926 these Georgetown merchants would have been out to welcome you. This weekend the 1976 Businessmen's Association invite you to attend Pioneer Days

Downtown Georgetown will be the place to be June 24 through 26 for the annual Pioneer Days Festival. Main Street South will be out of bounds from Thursday to Saturday for traffic while displays are set up and activities are happening.

You'll be able to see the World's Biggest Corn Broom and take a ride in an old fashioned buggy drawn by a pony. Candy Floss will be one of the treats available at the food booths. Contests are planned for pie baking, ice cream eating and Best Dressed Pet, and one

lucky ticket holder will return home toting a brand new colour television.

Exhibits will be set up by the police, firemen Bell telephone and ambulance drivers. Rothman's Caravan will be there.

Demonstrations and displays by the Equestrian Historical Society, the Rug Hooking Guild, the Blue Triangle Club, the Handicrafts and Macrame Group, the Palette and Pencil Club and the Credit Valley Conservation Authority will be part of the action.

Clowns from Georgetown Little Theatre will please the kiddies, who can learn how to train their dogs in the four Obedience Plus classes.

Entertainment will be provided by folk singer Bill Clint, the Georgetown Marchettes and Drum Corps, Barbershoppers,

the Georgetown Girls Pipe Band, the Canadiana Square Dancers and the Rock Band "Eclipse."

Yes, there's something for everyone at Pioneer Days '76. See page 13 of the Herald for a complete time schedule of events.

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Youth fires shots

Police charged a Georgetown juvenile with dangerous use of a firearm after a shotgun blast at a house in Georgetown.

One shot was fired at the front of the house, damaging the window and the front of the house at 8:30 p.m. last Monday. Although the house was occupied at the time, no one was hurt, police say. Damage to the house amounted to \$150.

Two Georgetown youths were charged with assault causing bodily harm after a disturbance at Georgetown District High School, June 17.

In a further disturbance at the Georgetown high school, a youth was charged with wilful damage to a car in the school's parking lot, June 17 and another youth was charged at the scene with failing to appear in court earlier.

There were 14 cases of wilful damage reported to police from June 20 involving broken windows to automobiles and house windows.

Police laid charges against seven people for infractions to the Liquor Licensing Act and three charges of impaired driving from June 14th to June 20th.

One case of break and entry which occurred on 22 Sideroad June 19th is being investigated by police.

Theft under \$200 accounted for two occurrences reported to police—one for an unknown number of turkeys and the other for a bicycle.



UP, UP AND AWAY... little Kelly Curtis of Holy Cross has a swing ride, as part of the play "Circus" performed by costumed primary pupils during the junior awards assembly Monday afternoon.

Guarantee in writing we'll be here in 25 years before we build--Morrow

Before Halton Hills spends one more cent on the new town hall it must have a written guarantee from the provincial government that the town will still be here 25 years from now.

Regional Councillor Ric Morrow called for such an assurance from the province at Monday night's debate by town council on whether or not the go-ahead should be granted the new municipal complex on the Seventh Line. Unfortunately for Morrow—a firm opponent of the building—council would not agree that such an assurance was needed or, more realistically, feasible. They voted the request down.

It behooves council, commented Morrow, to ensure that the nearly \$1 million presently earmarked for the new municipal building would not be wasted if, sometime in the future, the present two-tier system of government was changed in favour of a single tier system.

Councillor Ern Hyde, who had led the battle in favour of the new complex, termed Morrow's suggestion "a screw up."

The provincial government, he told council, could not guarantee that it itself would be in existence one year from now, much less 25.

If a single tier system of government is to

be formed in order to cut administration costs then Halton Hills should be that single tier just as Milton should be its own single tier government as well as Burlington and Oakville, he said.

Regional government, Hyde continued, "is too goddamn expensive to work."

A motion by Morrow that the province be asked to contribute \$500,000 towards the new building in recognition of Halton Hills unique problems resulting from regional government did receive council support although the majority based their decision on the remark by Morrow that "We sure as hell won't get it unless we ask for it."

Halton Hills should receive the extra funding, Morrow explained, because, unlike other Halton municipalities, this town has had to incorporate two urban areas into one necessitating the construction of a new central town hall.

Ward One representative Pat McKenzie commented that "Whatever happens to regional government we'll need a new administration building here in Halton Hills. We need it now and we'll need it more next year, but next year it will be more expensive."

The arguments about council's plans for development of municipal buildings including the new town hall, the library, the repairs to the old arena and the addition to the works garage, continually kept cropping up throughout Monday's meeting.

Councillor Hyde reported to council that a full report on the required repairs to the Georgetown Memorial Arena will likely be ready by late this month or the first of next month at which time it will be known if the \$200,000 budgeted for repairs will cover the work.

Hyde also took exception to reports last week that the tendering method used by the development committee planning the addition to the works garage on the Seventh Line was incorrect.

He specifically mentioned a letter from Bob Reynolds of Bob Reynolds and Son Masonry Ltd. which criticized the committee's decision in accepting a tender that was some \$700 higher than the one his firm had submitted.

The Reynolds bid failed to include a 50 percent Performance Bond, said Hyde, even though advertisements asked for such a bond and, in fact, the Reynolds submission indicated that one was included, although it wasn't.

"The terms seemed to be perfectly clear to everyone," except Mr. Reynolds," commented Hyde.

To a comment by Councillor Russ Miller that town purchasing agent, Hugh Patterson, felt that he could have saved the town an additional \$3,000 to \$4,000 by being more closely involved with the tendering process, Hyde replied that he felt that that was unlikely and objected "to him (Patterson) making that statement."

Beginning the evening's frequent discussions on the municipal construction plans, treasurer Ray King told council that the \$844,500 required for the new administration building could be raised.

Already a debenture issue of \$600,000 has been approved by the Ontario Municipal Board and to that could be added monies raised by selling municipally-owned properties plus lot levies. The latter two methods alone would raise a conservative figure of \$300,000 said King.

Squashing reports that some of the property suggested by King as being suitable for sale included parkettes in Georgetown, Councillor Dick Howitt told council that "never has one mention ever been made to sell any parkettes."

Although he has not seen a list of the properties Howitt told council that the likely parcels of town-owned land to be put up for sale would include properties in Equestrian and the town treasury building on Main Street, Georgetown.

Local group supports pilots and controllers

Concerned with the continuing controversy over bilingual air traffic controllers which grounded almost all Canadian flights this week, a small group of Halton Hills citizens are beginning to lobby openly and strongly in favour of the controllers and pilots.

Air traffic in Canada was crippled Sunday when all Canadian pilots walked off the job in protest of a federal government

policy ordering the stationing of bilingual air controllers in major Canadian airports.

When a federal court ordered the pilots back to work the air controllers Monday refused to show up for work.

Dave Kentner is heading the local citizens group that is now trying to create more interest across Canada in the arguments for and against mandatory bilingual air traffic controllers at all airports.

His own interest, noted Kentner, is on the safety rather than the bilingual issue.

The situation is like a large game of Russian Roulette for air travellers and people who live under the flight paths of Canada's airports, he said. "Everyday we live under the threat of having a huge 747 or some other plane landing in our backyards in pieces."

The dangers that pilots and air controllers across Canada have warned will occur if bilingual controllers are used will increase the risks tremendously, he predicted.

"It's a decision that must not be made by the bureaucrats, nor by the press, nor by private citizens. The pilots and the air controllers are the ones who know best. If they say it shouldn't be done, it shouldn't be."

He said that the local group is busy contacting federal MPs, organizing an open meeting, and putting together a press campaign in support of the pilots and controllers.

Early deadline

Due to the Dominion Day holiday The Herald will publish one day earlier (Monday) than normal. Copy for ads and stories should be submitted Friday.

GDHS success is going to cost in long run

Because Georgetown District High School is just too successful, its interscholastic athletic program may have to be severely cut back.

Halton Hills trustee Ernie Bodnar brought up the matter of cutbacks in transportation spending for inter-scholastic events at Thursday's board meeting in Burlington. GDHS, he said, will be more severely hurt by the 10 percent reduction than any other school.

He pointed to a letter from Mavis O'Neil and Fred Kotani, heads of Georgetown's phys. ed. departments, that explained that while GDHS's budget is 33 percent higher than any other schools in Oakville and Burlington its costs are approximately 65 percent higher.

Superintendent of program for the Halton board, John Bolch, agreed that Georgetown would probably suffer more from the board's cuts than any other school in Halton but that the reason for that was "they are more successful" requiring extra expenditures for buses to take students to playoffs.

Georgetown's budget has been cut from \$3,400 last year to \$3,060 this year, he explained. High schools in Oakville have transportation budgets of \$2,000 and Burlington, \$1,990.

"I have a great deal of sympathy for Georgetown's situation," commented Bolch, "but from an administrative point of view I just can't find the dollar."

Which did not rest well with Bodnar, who is planning to meet with GDHS principal, Michael Furlong, to obtain more information about the situation.

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Public nurses locked out

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(Georgetown) bargaining team, Loveday Tuck, is "disappointed because citizens are being denied the services they deserve."

"But I suppose they (Halton board) felt they had to retaliate some way," she added, "although it seems senseless to me."

Tuck estimated that she was one of "about 600" public health nurses who rallied at Queen's Park last Wednesday

to picket and submit petitions "a foot high."

Minister of Labour Betty Stevenson, and Minister of Health, Frank Miller hosted a question and answer period afterwards in the house.

Thursday MPPs discussed the issue with Halton Board reps, who met with the nurses' negotiating committee Tuesday at the Holiday Inn in Burlington. Reporters were banned from the meeting.

Elks contribute \$400 to Block Parents

Thanks to Georgetown's Elks Lodge, the Block Parent Program is \$400 richer.

Monday the new Elks Lodge on Mountainview Road was the site of a cheque presentation made by Elks Larry Allen, Bill Stokes and Bud Jardine to Block Parent program chairman Bob Anderson and co-chairman Linda Anderson.

Anderson explained that the bulk of the donation will be used in advertising to increase the existing membership of 250 in Georgetown's Block Parent Program. The generosity of the Elks will enable them to send handbills to 5,000 homes.

Fund-raising dances and bingo yielded \$7,000 for the Elks to donate to worthy organizations and charities last year.

Deaf detection for children under age 18 is one of their main courses. "We support anyone who needs help," said Bud Jardine.



SMILING APPRECIATIVELY, Block Parent Program chairman Bob Anderson (left) and co-chairman Linda Anderson accept a \$400 cheque from Elk Bill Stokes (centre). Recently acclaimed Royal Exalt Bud Jardine (far right) and Building Chairman Larry Allen look on. The generosity of Georgetown's Elks Lodge will enable the Block Parents to mail handbills explaining the program to 5000 homes.

Three students hurt in school bus crash

In an accident involving a school bus last Friday, four were injured but none seriously enough to require hospitalization. The scene of the mishap was Trafalgar Road, six-tenths of a mile south of Five Sideroad near Pineview School.

According to police reports, Francis Mara Walters, driver of the school bus, was injured along with three of her 55 passengers—Dawn Jarvis, 9, RR2, Norval; Dianna Fishburn, 10, Hornby and Debbie Loomis, 11, RR2, Norval.

The accident occurred at 4:15 p.m. when the school bus was stopped on the west shoulder of the road. A truck, driven by Brian Gudgeon of Burlington, approached tried to stop but collided with the bus.

Police estimate damage to the truck, owned by Hamilton Building Products of Hamilton, at \$1,600 and to the school bus, owned by C.H. Norton Bus Lines of Burlington, at \$200.

Also escaping serious injury in another accident June 16th at 12:40 p.m. was cyclist Mark Feiby, 15, 6 Weber Cr. whose bicycle was in collision with a car driven by Lynda Drake, 8 Confederation St., Glen Williams.

Damages in the accident, which occurred in front of 83 Prince Charles Dr. in Georgetown were \$50 to the Drake vehicle and \$25 to Feiby's bicycle police estimate.

Damages totalled \$1,505 police estimate, when two tractor trailers were in collision on a private road in Dufferin Quarry, June 16th at 10 a.m. in the hopper loading area.

The accident occurred after a tractor trailer, driven by Clarke Roy Jessup of Port Hope, travelled five feet and was in collision with a tractor trailer operated by Samuel Scaletta of Trenton. Damage was \$1,500 to the Scaletta vehicle, owned by Donline Haulage of Mississauga and \$5 to the Jessup vehicle.

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