

NEC hearing held for area severances

An Acton area parent appealed to the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC) Monday to grant building permits to her children enabling them to construct homes on the properties she and her husband gave them.

Representing herself at the hearing, Marjorie Kirkwood said, "This land was bought and paid for by the sweat of our brow... these lots were severed for the express purpose of building homes for our children... we get a real joy from knowing we can contribute to the quality of their lives... apartments are not suitable for children."

In 1975 the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) approved the severances of six parcels of land, approximately an acre each, from the Kirkwood's 48 acres near Acton. One of the Kirkwood's daughters, Lois and her husband Paul Henderson, have already built a home on their lot.

An application for a building permit by another daughter, Linda and her husband Herb Osbourne, was turned down. Four other children also hold deeds to properties, issued last week.

Chief hearing officer David Jamieson said he will evaluate the Kirkwood case in a report to the ministry of housing which will make the final decision. He added the Esquimaux Official Plan zones the Kirkwood property rural, which excludes residential development.

Harvey Kirkwood, the father asked why a quarry was permitted to rip up NEC lands when they had so much trouble getting consent to construct a few homes.

Mrs. Kirkwood pointed out that the neighbouring Indusmin quarry, the Credit

Valley Conservation Authority, ministry of natural resources, town of Halton Hills, Halton regional health unit, the town's works and engineering departments have no objections.

"The NEC should act as a watchdog... but not have control over an individual's rights," said Mrs. Kirkwood, adding that she is a seventh generation Canadian whose ancestors "helped build this country."

"And their descendants have so much trouble trying to build homes after 50 years of progress?" she said, "What happened to rights of ownership?"

Illustrating "the high cost of housing," Mrs. Kirkwood read newspaper reports concluding that in 20 years, the cost of purchasing a single family dwelling has increased from 33 per cent of the average annual income to 62 per cent.

In 1956, she said, the average family earned \$3,000 annually, enabling them to purchase a home at the average price of \$15,000 in monthly payments of \$86 including 5 per cent interest over a 25 year period.

In contrast, today's average family brings in \$11,525 annually, necessitating monthly payments of \$618 at 11.5 per cent interest to buy a house at the average price of \$69,000.

In 20 years, the ratio of income to price of a home has jumped from 1:3 to almost 1:7.

"All we want to do is help out our children," said Mrs. Kirkwood.

Her daughter Marilyn Coxé explained, "My parents do not want to spoil us or provide all our needs on a silver platter... just give us an impetus to save and build our own home."

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Two accidents, no injuries reported

Mill Street E. and Willow Street was the scene of two minor accidents last week, police said.

A car driven by John Edward Galt, 56 Main St., brushed bumpers with a car driven by Kim Vander-Eyeken, L16 C2, RR4 Acton, Oct. 12, police said.

Estimated damages were nil to Galt's vehicle and \$50 to Vander-Eyeken's.

On Oct. 16, a truck driven by John Tomlinson, RR1, Rock-

wood was in collision with a car owned by Donald A. Dredge of Cambellville, police said.

Estimated damages were \$100 to Dredge's vehicle, nil to Tomlinson's and to a third vehicle involved in the incident.

Police said a car driven by Stella Brunelle, 11 Acton Blvd. struck a stop sign at James Street and Main Street S., Oct. 14th.

Estimated damages was \$250 to Brunelle's car.

Town banquet set for early '77

The first Halton Hills awards banquet will be held early in 1977 after Dec. 6 (election day) so "no electioneering will be involved," Coun. Roy Booth said at general administration committee (GAC) Tuesday.

The town sponsored dinner in honor of teams or individuals who achieved fame at the provincial level or better in the spheres of culture, sport, recreation, is tentatively scheduled for February.

Committee members considered the idea of having the banquet between election day and Christmas but recreation director Glen Gray pointed out all deserving citizens who accomplished something special in the 1976 calendar year should be commended on the same evening.

Pins featuring the town coat-of-arms and certificates, will be presented to the distinguished guests at the awards dinner.

The recreation department will research the costs of various catered meals and banquet accommodations.

Coun. Roy Booth suggested the banquet be held in the hall at Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena, with a dinner prepared by a local church group.

Coun. Ric Morrow recommended North Halton Golf and

Country Club be commissioned to stage the awards dinner.

Following a decision by GAC based on recommendations by Mr. Gray, concerning the date and type of banquet, council will have the responsibility of approving costs.

ACSC canvass for \$15,000

In a bid to persuade regional council of the Acton Community Services Centre's value to North Halton Residents, the centre's board of directors will canvass area industries and service clubs to raise one third of its \$15,000 1977 budget.

The board decided recently that council may be persuaded to continue its financing of the centre if enough support

can be enlisted in the Acton area. Council granted the centre \$4,000 in March for its first year of operation, but gave no indication that the funding would continue.

Peter Marks of Acton, chairman of the region's human services council, authored the centre's \$14,875 budget for 1977, which was approved by the board. The board will attempt to collect one third of that amount before the end of this year so the budget can be tabled at council prior to its annual review of operating budgets in March.

The centre's co-ordinator, Judy Melin, was appointed temporary chairman of the fund-raising committee. Regional Councillor Pat McKenzie of Acton, a board member, showed optimism that council would be encouraged to continue funding.

The centre, located in the Mill Street Y building, opened in March to handle various aspects of local public services. In six months of operation, the centre received 177 individual calls for assistance from Acton area residents.

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Approve tender

The Halton regional police commission has approved a call for tenders for 17 cruisers equipped with H.R. 70-15 radial tires which are made especially for police cars.

Police chief Ken Skerrett recommended the tires after receiving a report on the kinds of tires other police forces use. He said a price of \$62.88 per tire had been quoted to him.

As there is a possibility that tires may be in short supply in the future, Skerrett recommended that enquiries be made to ensure a supply.



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Chess mess

By The Doubled Pawns

The annual Thanksgiving Open was held at University College in Toronto on October 9th to 11th. The tournament was divided into two sections: Reserve, for those rated under 1600, and Premier, for those rated over 1600. There were three Georgetown competitors at the tournament. Steve MacLeod came away with a hard earned 1 1/2 points out of 6, in the Premier section, while Brian MacLeod turned in his best score ever with 4 1/2 points. Blair Thompson also gave his best performance yet with 4 points. Both Brian and Blair received prizes, becoming the 4th and 5th Georgetown players to do so. The others were G. Emerson, B. Gillanders, and S. MacLeod.

PREMIER SECTION ROUND

1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Steve MacLeod	1	2	2	0	0	0 1/2
Brian MacLeod	1	0	1	1	1	4 1/2
Blair Thompson	1	0	1	1	1	4

Here are the ratings as of the September-October (CF) bulletin:

1. Steve MacLeod 1577 (1521)
2. Brian MacLeod 1431 (1306)
3. Dave Nichols 1379 (1375)
4. Tony Smith 1349 (1423)
5. John Moore 1299 (1199)
6. Blair Thompson 1268 (1191)
7. Glen Emerson 1131 (1145)
8. Andre Bossenue 1118 (1181)
9. Brad Waters 980 (1181)

Premier Section: round two.

White: R. Martin (1799) Black: S. MacLeod (1521). Modern Benoni, 1. d4 Nf6 2. e4 e6 3. Nc3 c5 4. The Modern Benoni. The alternatives, 3... Bb4 - the Nimzoindian, and 3... d5 - the Queen's Gambit declined, are less sharp. 4. d5 e6 5. c5 d6 6. e4 g6 7. Nf3 Bg4 8. B3 Bx3 (It is useful to take off this knight, as it can support an eventual e5.) 9. Qx3 a6 10. a4 Bg7 1. Be2 Qa5 12. 0-0 Nbd7 12... b5 fails to 13. Bg5 13. Bd2 0-0 14. Qd3 Qe7 15. f4 Rf8 16. a5 c4! (Without this move, which vacates e5 for the knight, Black could not get an even game.) 17. Qxe4 Qxe4 18. Bxe4 Nxe4 is bad for white 17... Ne5 18. Bf3 Nf3 19. Bg3 Nxe5 20. Nf1 Qe5ch 21. Be3 Qb4 (20... Qe7 leaves only repetition after 21. Bd2 22. Nc3 Nf7 23. Rf1 Nf3 24. Bg2 Nf5 24... Nde5? gives Black headaches after 25. Ra4! Qb6 26. Bxe4.) 25. Kh2 Qb6 26. Na4 Qc7 27. Nxe5 Nxe5 28. Qxe4 Bxe4 29. Bxe5 Qxe5 30. Qxe5 Bxe5 (Now it is obviously drawn, but both players moved on because of the gross time control, which saw both with less than 10 minutes to reach move 50.) 31. Bb3 Bc7 32. Rb6 Bf8 33. b4 Re4 34. Rg3 Re3 35. b5 Bxe4 36. b6 b6 37. Kf7 Re4 38. Bxe6 Re2ch 39. Bxe6 Bxe6 40. Ke3 Bc4 41. Ra8 Kf7 42. Rf8 f5 43. Re6 Drawn (With seven moves left in the time scramble, the players finally agree to split the point.)

RESERVE SECTION

White: B. MacLeod (1306) Black: L. Dare (1283) French Defense 1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. e5 e5. a3 Bc3 6. bc3 Qc7 7. N3 Ne6 (Grandmaster Ivkov of Yugoslavia, in the Encyclopedia of chess openings, gives 7... Bd7 8. a4 Ne6 9. Bc3 e4 10. e4 Qa5 as the best line, with a slight edge to white) 8. Bd3 e4? (A serious error in strategy. Black deprives himself of Q-side counterplay. 8... Ng3? was preferable, with an even game.) 9. Be2 Ng7 10. 0-0 Bf1 (Weakening his K-side. But due to his faulty 8th move, Black has no other active moves.) 11. e6 g6 12. Nf4 Ng5 13. Bb5 Ne7 14. Bb6 Rg8 15. Qf3 Kd7 16. Qx6 Nxd4 17. Qx4 Nf5 18. Qf6 Nxd6 19. Qx6 Ke6 (Now white has a won game. Black's defence could have been improved upon, but against accurate play by white he has no chance.) 20. Re6 Qc7 21. Qf4 Bf7 22. Re5 Rf8 23. Qc3 Rf6 24. Bf3 Qg7 25. Kf1 Rf6 26. Bf5 Qg6 27. Re1 Bc4 28. Bf3 Bc7 29. Bg3 Qf7 30. Bxg3 Qg7 31. Qe5ch Ke7 32. Rf1 Bc6 33. Qe7ch Kf8 34. Qf4ch Kf7 35. Qg6 Kxg6 36. Re1 Kf7 37. Kf1 Kf6 38. Bg1 Bf7 39. Re5 a5 40. Kf1 Bc4 41. Bxe6 Bxe6 42. Bxe5 Bxe2 43. Bxd5 b4 44. f4 B3ch 45. Ke7 Ke6 46. Bxe6 Bxe6 47. fe4 Kf4 48. e5 Rf5 49. g4ch Ke6 50. h4 b6 51. Ke2 Rf7 52. d5 Re6 53. f6ch Kd7 54. g5 b4 55. cb resigns.

Problem: Last week's solution: 1. Rf2 2. Rf2 d2 3. Bf3 Nf2 4. Nf3 B5 5. Nd2 Ne4 and Black won, Satorano - G. Peterson, 1972.

This week's problem: White: K at f2, Q at b2, R's at e3, g1, B at d2, N at f4, P at a2, b2, d4, e3, g4, h3. Black: K at g8, Q at g5, R's at d8, e8, B at g7, N at f5, P's at a7, b6, d5, f7, g6, h4. The Black pieces were conducted by ex-world champion Boris Spassky. Black to move and win in 3. Solution next week.

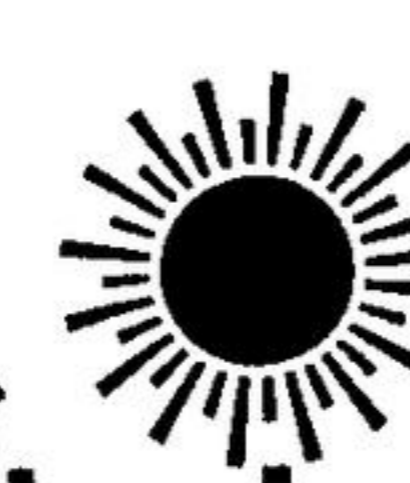
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The bivalent vaccine, good for A Swine and A Victoria strains of influenza, will be released by the Ontario ministry of health to the region for inoculations the three weeks beginning Oct. 25, Nov. 1 and Dec. 13.

Halton's health unit will make doses of the vaccine available to practicing physicians who are to administer the shots to people over 70 years with heart disease, chest and lung problems, chronic kidney problems, diabetes or other chronic glandular disorders and to people over 65 years.

Persons with known hypersensitivity to egg protein, who require immunization, should only be given influenza vaccine under close medical supervision, Dr. Chamberlain says.

Those who receive the shots will notice that immunization frequently causes transient redness and tenderness at the injection site and sometimes causes "malaise" and "myalgia" for one or two days.

Phyllis Washburn, the assistant director of nursing at the region's Health Unit explained that "malaise and myalgia" are like flu where you ache all over."

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