

# What happens on professional development day? Well, some teachers get all tied up!



Disaster Centre. Waiting to learn if the splints on their legs have been applied correctly are elementary teachers: (from left to right) Verna Rose of Kilbride Public School, Bill Egan of Mordean School in Milton, Mel Lucas, a teacher at Clarksdale in Burlington and Jane Daw of

J.N. Deynes School in Milton. Checking Mrs. Daw's bandages is St. John Ambulance divisional superintendent Ray Payne of Burlington. At the extreme right is Richard Payne, also of St. John Ambulance.

Elementary teachers from Georgetown schools, who spent their professional development day at Centennial school to learn first aid techniques, have termed the exercise "worthwhile."

Chris Jefferson of George Kennedy school was taking part in a practical demonstration of splinting a broken leg along with Sharon Maxwell, also of George Kennedy school and Jane Ward from Joseph Gibbons public school.

"A lot of misconceptions have been cleared up," Mrs. Jefferson said of first aid techniques the teachers learned.

First aid is "worthwhile for anyone to know," said Mrs. Maxwell.

About 50 elementary school teachers attended the first aid training session at Centennial school while others attended any number of a total of 53 programs ranging from activities at local parks and recreation centres, to nutrition workshops, parent volunteers, sports medicine, participation and motivation in the classroom, learning disabilities, team handball and a skating program.

Teachers met at schools in Georgetown, Milton, Oakville, Burlington, and at Sheridan College, Bronte Creek Provincial Park, Kelso conservation area and Ontario Institute for Studies in Education in Toronto.

Members of the public were invited to attend two sessions at Sheridan College Monday - one a panel on sex stereotyping in the classroom and the other a panel on Changing Lifestyles--Changing Responsibilities.



Helping hand. Even with a good leg, if you've got a splint on it, you need a helping hand to get around. Pictured above is St. John Ambulance instructor Ted Calvin of Burlington helping Bob Bairstow, a teacher at Harrison School, to walk again.

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Team teaching? Sharon Maxwell (left) and Chris Jefferson, (centre) team up to put a leg splint on Jane Ward, a

teacher at Joseph Gibbons school, during elementary teachers professional development day, Monday.



Tying the knot. David McNally, a Centennial School teacher puts the finishing touches on a leg splint on Harrison School teacher Bob Bairstow. Looking on is Ted Calvin, a St. John Ambulance instructor from Burlington.

## Road closing in Esquesing

Thanks to the efforts of former Coun Dick Howitt, Stewarttown resident Gunter Wulf will likely be successful in his second attempt to have the town close a laneway in the hamlet and sell the land to himself and neighbor Cecil Smith.

Representing Mr. Wulf, Mr. Howitt told works committee that his client wishes to purchase two lots, one of which fronts onto Young Street and is now occupied by a "dilapidated" house. Following the purchase, Mr. Wulf would replace the structure with a new home.

The 16,640 square foot area of the two lots, however, is about 200 square feet of the necessary area required by health authorities for the construction of a house, Mr. Howitt explained.

As a result, he said, Mr. Wulf would like the town to close off

adjacent Judson Street and, in accordance with municipal law, convey the adjoining half of the road allowance to Mr. Wulf and the other half to Mr. Smith, subject to his approval.

Mr. Howitt assured the committee that his client has no intention of ultimately dividing the 22,000-square foot parcel in order to build two homes. Half of the area would become a septic field for the new Wulf home, he said.

Mr. Howitt said that Mr. Smith, who owns a garage on the adjoining property, initially objected to the Judson Street closure when it was first proposed to the town a year ago. Upon receiving the town's assurance that access to his garage would be maintained, however, Mr. Smith withdrew his objection.

The closure would further assist the town by eliminating one of several driveways leading directly onto the busy Trafalgar Road, Mr. Howitt added, as well as replacing the existing rundown structure on the property with a modern house.

The committee decided to follow up on the action considered by Esquesing Township council prior to regionalization and recommended that the town advertise at Mr. Wulf's expense, the proposal to have Judson Street closed.

## Traffic flow study for Guelph Street

Concerned that Georgetown's main thoroughfare could eventually resemble Queen Street, Brampton, with an unlimited number of commercial and industrial access routes branching from it, town works committee authorized a complete study of traffic flow along Guelph Street.

The decision to have town engineer Bob Austin conduct a study of traffic patterns along the King's Highway was prompted by a request from Fred Tucker of Delrex Boulevard that the committee consider installing signal lights at the Guelph-Delrex intersection.

To ask the ministry of transportation and communications for a traffic count at the three-way intersection, as suggested by Mr. Tucker, would be useless, Mr. Austin said. The ministry will only subsidize town initiated

Building permits issued for 1976 reached a value total of \$14,008,453, the Halton Hills building department reports. The final value total includes a monthly increase of \$1,563 in permits for December, the bulk of which was attributed to one single family dwelling approved at a value of \$22,000

studies if the signal lights are ultimately approved, he said. Mr. Austin recalled that signal lights were shown to be unnecessary at both the Delrex and Sinclair Avenue intersections by studies undertaken in 1974 and 1975. In January, 1975, he added, the ministry informed the town that no lights whatsoever were warranted by the volume and flow of traffic at the recommended sites.

Mr. Austin revealed that the regional road system is currently being assessed and speculated that Guelph Street, as an important connecting link, could come under regional jurisdiction within the next two years.

"I beg to differ," Mayor Tom Hill countered, predicting

that a proposal to turn over the responsibility for all former county roads to the municipalities was to be approved by regional council.

Mr. Austin answered that the same proposal would nevertheless be voted by the ministry. Regardless of the outcome, he continued, the town must complete its official plan before accurate predictions can be made for Guelph Street's future. An overall view of population forecasts and the eventual densities and placements of residential zones will enable the town to plan traffic directions accordingly, he said.

Committee chairman Mike Armstrong expressed surprise at Coun. George Malby's

proposal to launch a \$15,000 study of the Guelph Street traffic situation.

"We could put a traffic light up for that much," Coun. Armstrong said, referring to a two-year-old ministry estimate of \$11,000 for the installation of signal lights.

Mr. Austin quickly pointed out, however, that the town is currently paying \$37,000 for a basic four way light on Steeles Avenue, while Halton Hills is paying \$82,000 for its light, plus a 300-foot length of laneway, outside the Gordon Alcott Arena.

The committee took Mr. Austin up on his offer to provide a preliminary report on the volume of traffic, peak periods and projected needs for additional lanes, in about two weeks.

## Sherk heads RC school negotiators fourth year

Hartley Sherk of Georgetown has been re-elected chairman of the salary negotiating committee of Halton Roman Catholic separate school board.

Mr. Sherk, last year's board chairman and this year's vice-chairman, has headed the salary negotiating committee for four years.

At a board meeting Jan. 25, he named a four-man committee to face the 16-member negotiating team of the Ontario English Catholic

Teachers Association, Halton Unit. They re trustees Angus King, Angelo Tonelli, Peter Walters and Gordon Mackan as an alternate.

The teacher's association will be notified that the board's committee has been struck and salary negotiations are expected to begin "towards the middle of February", Mr. Sherk said.

The teachers have made no indication of what their demands will be, he added. "I wish I knew. It would give me

a head start." He described the former negotiations with teachers as "excellent."

Under questioning from Trustees, Mr. Sherk defended the small number of trustees on the negotiating committee. Large committees are too unwieldy, he said.

He declined an offer from trustee Harry McDermott, chairman of the teacher-trustee committee, to sit as an alternate on the negotiating committee.

## Town retains control

Control of tennis courts in Halton Hills shall remain in the finance-administration committee and not the Halton Hills Tennis Association, the committee decided Monday.

Councillors Roy Booth and Russ Miller objected to a phrase in the H.H.T.A. minutes which said "H.H.T.A. be granted control of the courts at Emerson Park and Joseph Gibson Park and that they regulate playing schedules and fees."

Coun. Miller said he has received complaints from the public who say that club members order them around on publicly-owned property. "It's getting like a private club," he said.

Coun. Booth pointed out that the Act establishing the tennis association specified that there must always be public time "or not clubs."

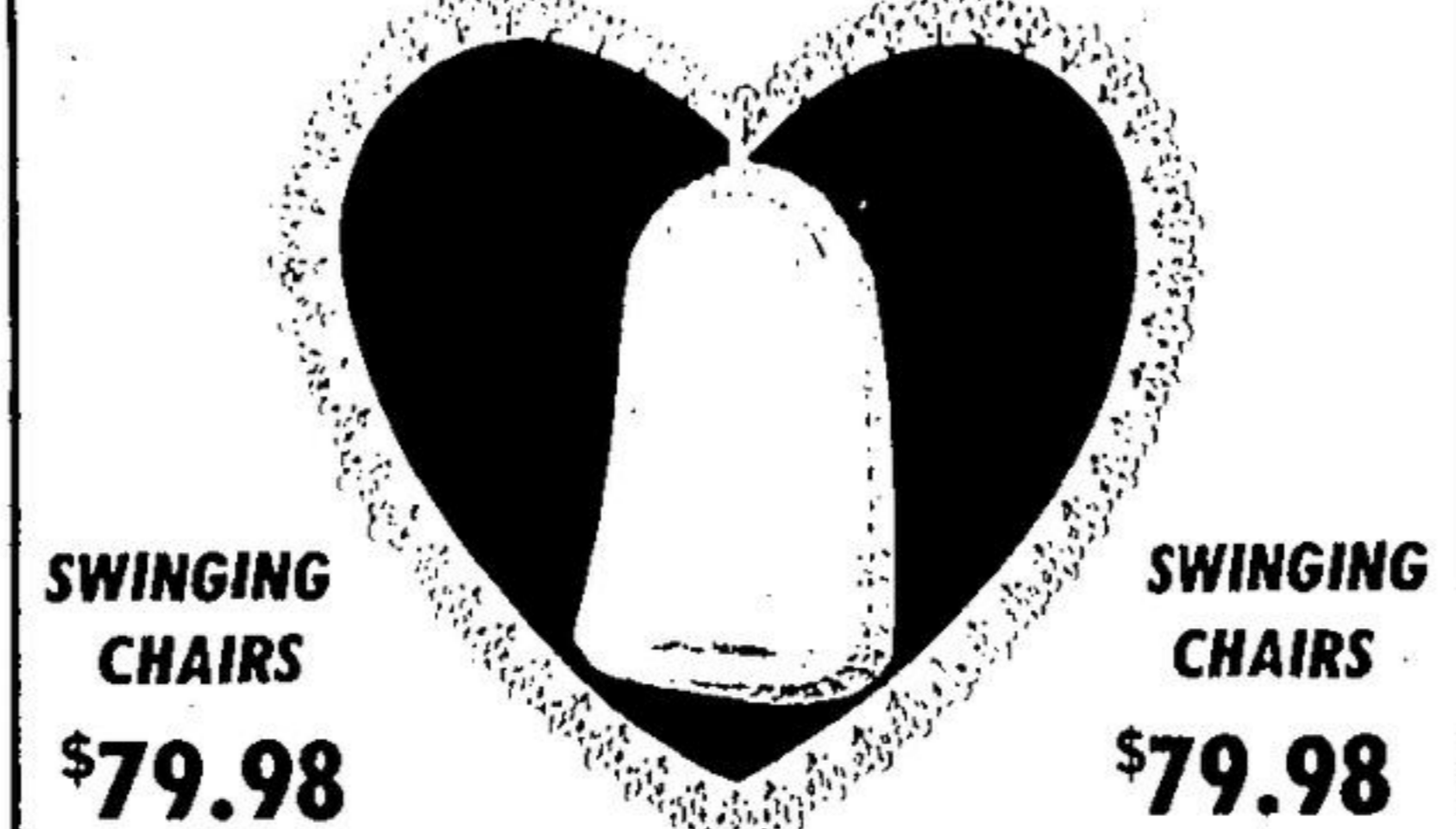


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