



SKIING AT CEDARVALE

A course was laid out for skiing enthusiasts Saturday afternoon as part of Cedarvale's Park fun day put on by the Halton Hills recreation department. Blair Smith, 10, of Georgetown checked out last minute directions before starting out around the course.

Core improvement obstacles outlined to businessmen

A municipal planner for a community 15 times the size of Acton assured local merchants who are planning the revitalization of their downtown core that his own hometown has encountered and overcome almost identical obstacles in its efforts to reawaken public interest in a central business core.

Karl Gonnissen, chief design and construction engineer for the city of Burlington, outlined that city's tactics in confronting such commonplace problems as insufficient parking, competition from outlying plazas and in-fighting among the merchants at the first joint meeting of the Acton Business Association and the board of

management for Acton's Business Improvement Area (BIA) project.

Although Burlington has yet to adopt a BIA plan, Mr. Gonnissen said, much has been accomplished in the downtown core since concerned merchants first approached city council to build more parking lots in the late 1960's. Burlington's involvement in the national BIA scheme is expected to receive council's endorsement this spring, he said, as a move aimed primarily at promoting the downtown shopping area.

The central business core, he explained, has been largely neglected by shoppers since 1969 when the Burlington Mall

opened on the city's outskirts. Although additional parking spaces have been provided since then, the core is still dominated by banks and insurance and trust companies, and, as a result, requires commercial development and promotion, Mr. Gonnissen said.

Downtown Burlington has failed to keep pace with the city's burgeoning population, he commented, despite its potential as a "blend of old and new" where trees and attractive older buildings could again become a source of pride for the community.

The city's zoning bylaw, however, has allowed for the broadest range of uses for downtown properties and has

seen the construction of metered parking lots that are paid for by the merchants parking fund, which is financed through social tax levies.

Objections from some wary merchants have since caused similar legislation to be turned down by the Ontario Municipal

Board, Mr. Gonnissen said, forcing the city to put more effort behind specific projects on behalf of favorable merchants. A parking commission, meanwhile, has proposed a \$3 million parking garage for the core, an expense item which council is hard-put to justify.

Mr. Gonnissen said, Burlington's approach to downtown promotion follows common techniques that are also being considered in Acton, including a designated logo for what is now being called "City Centre."

"We're never going to be

able to compete with the mall," Mr. Gonnissen admitted, "but we have defined a fairly reasonable role for the downtown core to play. The merchants are never going to be unanimous in their views but a consensus is needed. Council and its planners and engineers don't know what the downtown requires, so the merchants must tell them."

Sheridan College seminar

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It will be held at the Sheridan's Oakville Campus on Trafalgar Rd. March 6-8. The workshop is designed for all project and program management persons such as engineers, estimators, designers,

contractors, specialists, new product planners and systems analysts.

Sydney Love, who will lead the seminar-workshop, is president of Designecties and is a consultant on project management, design methods and decision making.

He has a 10-year background in this field of work in a variety of industrial, commercial and government settings. His articles have been published in numerous national and international business publications.

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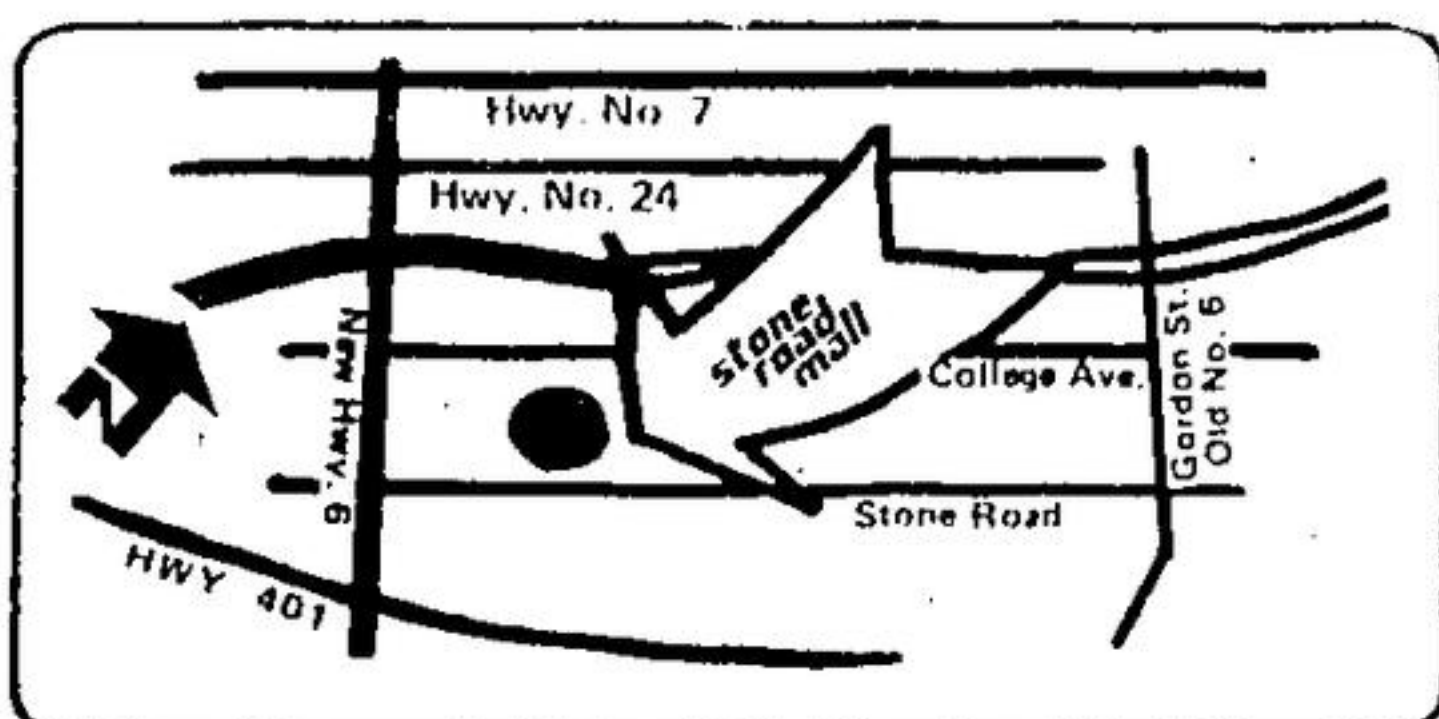
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- Sound of applause
- Fleet
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- Ella - Morse
- Otto's realm (abbr.)
- Tucker's partner
- Expose to public scorn
- Madame Gyn
- A Carter
- First shepherd
- Hint for Holmes
- If - a Hammer (2 wds.)
- Lean-to
- Paulo or Miguel
- Ode - Nightingale
- Composite picture
- Hockey star
- Suffix for joy
- Actor Ewell
- A - All Seasons (2 wds.)
- Jerry or Betty
- Satisfy
- "Bus Stop" playwright

DOWN

- Lamb-ram, dolt
- Hawaiian veranda
- "The Tempest" role
- Favorite
- Wine
- Sweetheart
- Ancient days
- Arabian Nights character (2 wds.)
- Brought up to date
- Insurgent
- Dwelling
- Exotic
- Three'll be time (2 wds.)
- Hymn
- Scholarly
- Actor Carmichael and others
- Tread heavily
- Furried
- Elk
- Expiate
- Overfall
- German seaport
- Tire out
- La-

TODAY'S ANSWERS

ACROSS: 1. Applause, 2. Fleet, 3. Tortoise's foe, 4. Yell, 5. Component, 6. Salad ingredient, 7. Ella - Morse, 8. Otto's realm (abbr.), 9. Tucker's partner, 10. Expose to public scorn, 11. Madame Gyn, 12. A Carter, 13. First shepherd, 14. Hint for Holmes, 15. If - a Hammer (2 wds.), 16. Lean-to, 17. Paulo or Miguel, 18. Ode - Nightingale, 19. Composite picture, 20. Hockey star, 21. Suffix for joy, 22. Actor Ewell, 23. A - All Seasons (2 wds.), 24. Jerry or Betty, 25. Satisfy, 26. "Bus Stop" playwright.

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YOUR WEEK AHEAD By DAMIS

- ARIES** Mar. 21-Apr. 19 One who is ill is greatly comforted by your tender ministrations.
- TAURUS** Apr. 20-May 20 You will be quite involved in community group affairs. Leave time for relaxed comforts to restore energy.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 Career goals are spotlighted. Job tempo is heightened. Your talents are sought after.
- MOONCHILD** June 21-July 22 People, probably relatives, from afar are apt to cause you to make a change in plans.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 It's best to heed the sound advice of mate or partner regarding resources. Be a little easier on yourself.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Teamwork is the keyword, and there is a great deal of contact with the public, both business and social.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Be especially careful where health is concerned. Demands on your time can be a real drain.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 A great deal of romantic appeal is yours and you are the center of attention.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Make improvements in home life—insure comfort and security for you and yours.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Mental pursuits are favored. Be understanding and tolerant with those who may not be quite as astute as yourself.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Chances are pretty good that you'll add to your funds, or formulate a plan enabling you to do so.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-Mar. 20 The new moon in your sign gives you self confidence, and the drive it takes to push new ventures.

Personality Profile: For your Sun Sign Analysis, send the day, month, year and place of birth plus \$1.00 for postage and handling to Dr. Dennis Sluff, P.O. Box 526, Pinellas Park, Florida 33565.