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Consensus sought on Acton parking

Downtown merchants in Acton will turn the Hotchen's Bakery property into a parking lot, Halton Hills council was told Monday.

Ed Wood, an Acton Merchant and spokesman for the Acton Business Association (ABA) and the board of management of the Business Improvement Area (BIA), said a resolution to that effect had been passed by both groups.

In reply to a question by Coun. Peter Marks, a merchant in downtown Georgetown, Mr. Wood said the two groups share some common goals but the ABA is to promote the downtown and community spirit while the BIA is to beautify the downtown.

Coun. Peter Marks attempted to poll the board members on the issue at Wednesday joint meeting between the board and the Acton Business Association but since some of them had only just been elected to the board moments earlier, a special emergency meeting was deemed necessary.

The board's decision must be made this week, Coun. Marks explained, so that he and his Ward 1 colleagues can respond to council's concerns over possible board involvement when the purchase is discussed Monday.

At that time, council will debate a draft bylaw approving the purchase of the two-storey vacant building currently being held for the town by three merchants who decided to buy the property as it was about to be auctioned off publicly last year.

Board chairman Henry Stachyra explained at the meeting Wednesday that there is still doubt as to whether the board can legally use any portion of its \$20,000 annual budget for the development of parking space.

New board member Don Lindsay expressed his willingness to give council the green light for the purchase, pointing out that downtown beautification projects are limited until off-street parking is provided.

Other members, however, disagreed.

Ed Wood demanded to meet with council before a decision is made, Dave Swelam agreed that more time is needed and Terrance Gwyer contended that possible parking space elsewhere downtown have been overlooked.

Paul Neilsen, Acton's representative on the Halton Hills parking authority, commented that attempts to provide off-street parking downtown have been scuttled several times since the need was first officially recognized at the Chamber of Commerce 1939 inaugural meeting.

The involved merchants and property owners are being "selfish", he said, because they don't want to pay for property that eventually will be owned by the town.

Coun. Marks revealed the possibility that the town may "cover" most of the cost of providing off-street parking if the board helps out with demolition and construction costs at the Hotchen site. Coun. Les Dudy warned that the merchants own indecisiveness on the issue is causing damaging delays.

Mike Kinat, who now owns the Hotchen property along with Mr. Neilsen and Mr. Lindsay, claimed to have witnessed the harmful effects of several other communities closing their eyes to the need for parking areas. The Hotchen purchase, he said, is a matter of life or death for Acton's downtown business core.

Cabinet Answer opens

The home handyman need no longer be afraid of tackling kitchen renovations, with the Cabinet Answer to help him out.

The Cabinet Answer, which already has a store in Brampton, is opening a store in the Guelphview Square, and will be supplying the material and expertise to help customers renovate their kitchens.

"The customers are really confused when it comes to buying cabinets because they don't know what they should have," Jim McLeod, owner of the stores, said. "Many of our competitors tell customers they have to buy a whole kitchen, but the average customer can install the cabinets himself."

The staff of the Cabinet Answer will visit a customer in his home and show him samples of the cabinets which are available. The staff will also prepare a layout of the kitchen and recommend which cabinets should be included for the most efficient and convenient kitchen.

"The layout is provided at no charge," Mr. McLeod said. "Our primary purpose is to help the customer design and construct their own kitchen."

The cabinets stocked by the store are modular units. They range in style from vinyl to traditional wood finishes. Traditional wood is by far the most popular finish, and oak is the most popular of the wood finishes.

"We can help a customer with the design of a kitchen from simply replacing the cabinets to redesigning the entire kitchen," Mr. McLeod said. "We have on staff a certified kitchen designer who will help with renovations, right up to major structural changes like moving a wall."

Mr. McLeod said the advantage with the modular cabinets is the simplicity of the installation.

"We take the mystery out of installing the cabinets," he said.

Once the stock is all on hand in the store, Mr. McLeod plans to have a do-it-yourself corner to show customers how simple the installation of the cabinets is.

"A person can save, depending on the size of the kitchen, up to hundreds of dollars by doing it themselves," Mr. McLeod said.

Acton's recovery under way: Wood

Acton's business community is "on a recovery course" that will enable its supporters to "realize some dreams that were out of reach" of their predecessors, according to Ed Wood, newly-elected president of the Acton Business Association.

"You can't afford to have in your heads negative ideas and petty complaints," Mr. Wood warned those in attendance at Wednesday's joint meeting of the business association and the community's BIA board of management.

"We've had a few lows during the last couple of years, but we work together as a well co-ordinated team, the highs will be back."

Mr. Wood, proprietor of Acton Family Cleaners, and previously an association director urged members to get involved "to help plan, organize and promote the whole business community."

Wayne Huse was elected as the association's new vice-president, while Art Cooper and John Buntstead retained their respective positions as secretary and treasurer. Chosen for the board of directors were outgoing president Alma Swetman, Grace Robertson, Barb Robinson and Bill Lamb-erink.

The association, formed last May, will hold its next meeting March 1, at the Station Hotel.



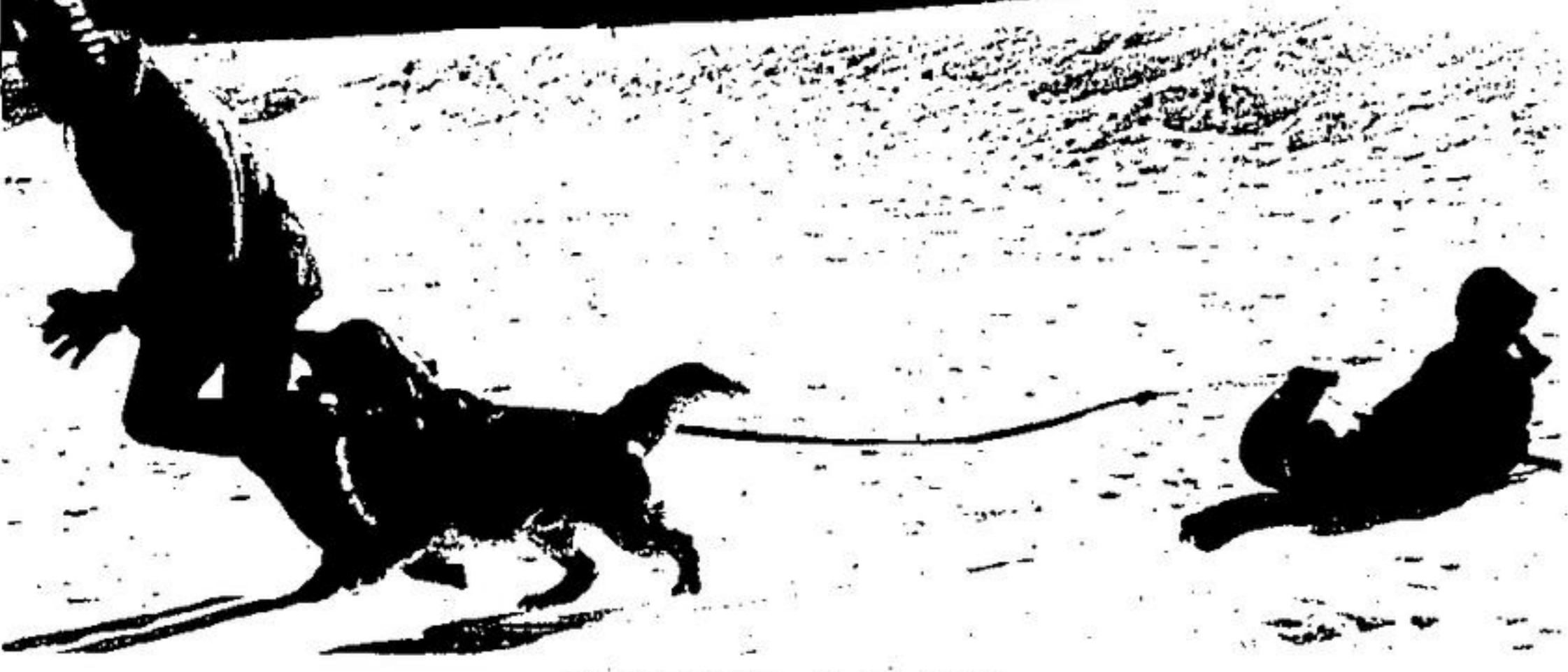
GOLDEN WEDDING
 Mr. and Mrs. William Gibbs celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary with an open house at Sargent Court Saturday afternoon. Bill and Elsie were married in Toronto at Berkeley Street United Church on Feb. 21, 1928, but have spent their married life in the Georgetown area. They received congratulatory messages from Mayor Hill, Premier Davis and Prime Minister Trudeau. The couple have three sons and five grandchildren.

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BLAZING A TRAIL
 Blaze, a 16-month-old Golden Retriever, tries to keep up with master Don Mashinter during the family day at North Halton Golf and Country Club Sunday. Blaze was learning how to lead a toboggan with three-year-old Jake Mashinter at the helm. Aside from the odd unexpected bump, Jake survived the afternoon with enthusiasm.

Limehouse news

By Mrs. A.W. BENTON
 Herald correspondent

The Limehouse Presbyterian Church Women's Association held a potluck supper at the home of Mrs. Crichton on Feb. 13 at 7 p.m.

Fourteen ladies were present. Following a delicious meal, president Mrs. Linham opened the business meeting with a reading on spring thoughts.

Elections of officers was held for 1978 - President - Ruth Linham, First Vice Pres. - Betty Dubric, Secretary - Marlon Lindsay; Treasurer - Betty Ann Karn; Flower, Fruit Fund - Eva Patterson.

The ladies will be placing flowers in the church sanctuary. A special arrangement is to be purchased for Easter Sunday. Committees were formed to purchase a new refrigerator and gas stove for the church basement. Margaret Appleyard and Lili Given entertained the ladies with a comedy routine which all enjoyed.

Linda Cairns extended a special thank you to our hostess and the meeting closed with the Misspah Benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Norton enjoyed a two week bus tour to Florida recently. We hope that Mrs. Osburn will be happy in Halton Centennial Manor where she is now making her home.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shier on the arrival of their second child, a daughter on February 1.

people who have already contributed.

Scout News
 By MRS. HANNAH

Limehouse Cubs had 13 boys race their homemade Kubb Kar at the District Kubb Kar Rally held in Acton recently. Out of 134 boys racing, it will be allowed to go to Regional competition to be held in Milton, March 11.

Kenny Field from Lime-

house is one of the boys will be going. We now have our own race track thanks to 2 fathers - George Lane and Robert Foster. Maybe we will end up with a whole fleet of super cars for next year's competition.

The following Cubs have been presented with badges: Lee Foster - reader, Roberto Ruggiero - house orderly, Alan Scott - carpenter and Tim Ruggie - red star.

Limehouse Scouts attended the District Winter Camporee held at Camp Barber. It was cold that weekend and I understand there were a great many boots thawing out in the lodge Sunday morning. In spite of the cold, the boys enjoyed themselves - it was the first time most of them had camped in the winter. Their klondike sled worked well although it came home with a broken ski. Congratulations to the Limehouse boys for winning the trophy for the log pull with their sled.

The Group Committee held their last meeting at the home of Ed and Lorrie Ryan. In

addition to the reports given, it was decided to go ahead with another Multisale in April. Newspaper pickup February 25 and further improvements to the Scout Hut completed the meeting.

Thirteen Cubs and four Scouts along with their leaders attended the annual Scout-Guide church parade on Sunday at Holy Cross Church in Georgetown. We are very proud of Cub Alan Scott who wrote a short essay on "What Cubbing Means To Me." He had the honour of reading it during the church service.

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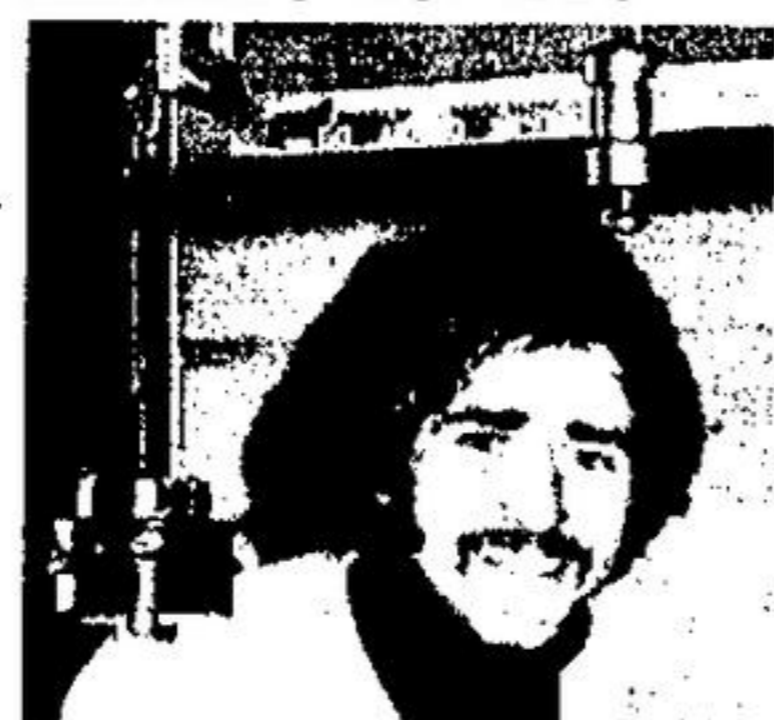
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The Bunny Rabbits told the Beaver who told the Fox who then told the Raccoon who passed it on to the Bighorn Sheep who couldn't wait to tell the Cougar all about it, and the word spread to the Deer and the Wolves and now even Mr. Moose is in the know.

Now, everybody knows there's lots of hot water for everybody. Needless to say, Jasper is enjoying a new found popularity. And it is everyone's considered opinion that he is one smart Bear.

Because, you see, his new Gulfstream Natural Gas water heater heats up water a whole lot faster than his old electric one. Not only does it do all that, but it can also save a heavy hot water user like Jasper clear up to \$100.00 a year on his energy bill.

Imagine that! Now the Cubs have all the hot water they need to wash behind their ears and Jasper's friends don't have to worry about being last in line. It goes without saying that Jasper is very happy, indeed. As are all his furry friends. Anyway, why don't you get a hold of your local plumbing contractor or your neighbourhood Union Gas Appliance Centre and get yourself a new Gulfstream Natural Gas water heater. Whether you rent or buy... Gulfstream is a sure fire way to get yourself into a lot of hot water.

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Guides & Brownies
 By Mrs. DENNY

Brownies and Guide News

On Thursday Feb. 9 the Brownies had a Pajama party. Each of the girls earned their Puppets Badge by making their own puppets and presenting a play with them.

A tobogganing party was held at Kendall Batchelor's home on Feb. 15.

We would like to remind everyone that on April 22nd the Limehouse Brownies and Guides are having their annual Bottle Drive. It would be greatly appreciated if you would save all your bottles, jars etc. If you need someone to pick up your glass we would be happy to do so. Please call the following numbers for further information: 877-7170 or 853-1156. We would also like to thank the