

# Library meeting moves, dancers begin

A Toronto dance troupe caused a disruption at a library board meeting Thursday and chairman Dick Howitt had to adjourn the meeting and move it twice.

The meeting which had been called as a public meeting to enable residents to make submissions and inquiries on the question of a change in library facilities for Georgetown, drew approximately 100 people.

By the time the meeting had been moved from the high school cafeteria, to the teachers' lounge and back to the cafeteria because of poor acoustics in the lounge, half the residents had decided to leave.

The dance troupe from Toronto seemed to be friends of Allen Powell, a former Georgetown resident who used the town as the basis of a thesis on the way towns develop. He moved from Georgetown in 1974.

The dancers ignored a ruling by board chairman Dick Howitt that he would hear submissions only from residents of Halton Hills, and continued to move furniture about the room as he requested them to leave.

Margaret Harding, a member of the Save the Parkland committee, admitted that she had invited the

group in hopes that their presentation of a free form dance rendition of the history of the library would provide a different and lighter touch to the meeting. She felt the chairman had been high-handed in denying the non-residents a chance to perform. "Bruce and I had a song we were going to do, too," Mrs. Harding said. "We thought they (board members) might be able to appreciate a satirical song about themselves."

Pickets carrying signs demanding action also attended the meeting.

John Bellamy, a former board chairman, took present board members to task for wasting much time over a decision to build a new library or remodel the present library on Church Street.

He said that although circulation has dropped staff numbers have risen. He demanded a fire department ruling that the library basement should have no more than 30 people in it "extraordinary", and noted that no church basement should have more than 30 occupants if the rule applied. Two exits from each floor could be provided if the board really wanted them, he said.

He also contributed a claim that the building is hard to heat

and suggested that staff members move the desks away from doors and wear extra socks in order to make the best of what is available. "You talk about moving the library into the twentieth century," he concluded. "At this rate it's going to be too late."

A number of citizens questioned the feasibility of setting up branch libraries in local schools.

A few women in the audience supported the concept of a new

building rather than renovations to the old one because even with changes the Church Street site won't provide the sort of facility they feel is useful for young children.

Board members say a questionnaire will be circulated to Georgetown residents but the exact wording has not yet been established. It was suggested that the form also be sent to Esqueping township residents. No time was given for when

the questionnaire would be ready.

At least one Halton Hills ratepayer left Thursday evening's open library board meeting in disgust.

"I came to this meeting to hear what the board and other residents had to say about a new Georgetown library," said Dolly Molden, "because I thought they'd have all the nonsense out of their system by now. I guess I was wrong."

## Residents petition council for road, curb repairs

Residents on Shelley Street and Keats Avenue presented a petition to Halton Hills works committee Monday requesting repairs to the roads and curbs in the area to solve drainage and dust problems.

About 20 residents appeared at the committee meeting as members, including Coun. Roy Booth, who represents the area but is not a member of works committee, discussed the priority to be assigned the item.

Coun. Booth said it had been his impression that work on

the roads was imminent, "not this year, but next year". He said when he checked the five-year forecast in 1974, the project was included, but it has since been dropped.

"I would appreciate it if your committee would make some sort of recommendation to council on the project," he said.

Town engineer Bob Austin said the town's finance-administration committee would be discussing the draft budget at an upcoming meeting, and the priority of the Shelley Street-Keats Avenue area would be assigned then.

Mayor Tom Hill said he had brought up the problem of drainage and dust conditions in the area two years ago and was told there was not enough money for the project, and it had been assigned a low priority. At that time, he asked the works superintendent and the town engineer if something could be done to correct the drainage problem without undertaking any reconstruction on the road.

"What about it, Bob?" Coun. Peter Pomeroy, acting committee chairman, said. "Could something be done?"

Mr. Austin said without more information on the area, he couldn't say if there was a solution to the situation which wouldn't require work on the roads.

Mayor Hill moved that the item be put in the draft budget for 1979 for the next council to decide. Coun. George Malby said putting the item on as a priority item would be misleading the people since it could easily be dropped when other important projects come along.

"I'm recommending this as a priority item to next year's council," Mayor Hill said. "Until the engineer says there'll be a few more of these before the end of the year."

"Eight years ago we were promised what we're asking for tonight was going to be done, and I believe there was a financial appropriation at that time," Shelley Street resident Ted Lawrence said. "It's been promised every year since then and we're tired of waiting."

Mayor Hill's recommendation to include the item as a priority in the 1979 draft budget was passed.

## Board endorses pact for non-teaching staff

Halton board of education voted last Thursday to implement a new salary schedule for non-teaching personnel.

The new salary schedule is the result of a job evaluation study of all non-teaching job classifications commissioned by the board in June, 1977. Hay Associates was asked to undertake this evaluation study and make recommendations on salary changes. These recommendations were later modified by the board's salary committee.

Hay Associates, in classifying jobs, based evaluations on the knowledge and skills required to perform the job, the problems-solving ability required to analyze, evaluate, create and arrive at

conclusions in order to solve problems, the freedom of the employee to act, and the magnitude of the job and its impact on the board's goals or organization.

The board employs 259 secretaries and clerical workers, and as of July 1, they earned a collective salary of \$2,275,057. To meet the salary recommended by Hay Associates would mean an additional \$135,387, or an increase of 5.95 per cent.

For the other 66 positions, the Halton board maximum as of July 1, 1977 is \$980,194. To meet the recommendations of Hay Associates would require an additional \$33,476, or an increase of 3.42 per cent.

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**STEWARTTOWN GRADUATE WINNERS**

Awards for proficiency in specific subject areas went to: Front row (from the left) Karen Fogg, French, Nichol, Art. Back row: Jim Thring, Industrial Arts, Valerie Scott, Social Science, Ingrid Schubert, Mathematics, and Robin Clendening, English.

## Council vetoes bid for motorbike trails

The Halton Off-Road Riders Association was unsuccessful in its bid Monday to convince Halton Hills to follow the example of neighboring communities and designate a rural site for its members' motorbike activities.

Town finance and administration committee advised association president Dave Armstrong, however, that the group's need for a practice area will be taken into consideration when the recreation department's long-awaited master plan is unveiled this fall.

Mr. Armstrong explained that recreation director Glen Gray had already told him how the master plan will inventory all available lands in Halton Hills and define current and future recreational uses. He added, though, that the association was hoping the town could find a temporary motorcycling area - "preferably town-owned" - for its non-exclusive use this summer.

The association was formed in spring, 1977. Mr. Armstrong

told the committee, and currently claims some 100 members of all ages. Concern is growing, he said, over the frequency with which young minibike and trail bike riders are "getting themselves and others into trouble."

The association has prepared a brief on the problem to be forwarded to Queen's Park.

Because of continuing complaints from property owners, Mr. Armstrong said, police intend to "crack down" on offenders, but "it won't make the problem go away."

Mr. Armstrong and Norm Cornwell, the association's trails chairman, noted that both Milton and Brampton have designated trail bike areas that have solved the basic problem of on-street riding, something which an earlier decision to impose \$1,000 fines failed to do.

Mr. Armstrong speculated that there are more parents buying children minibikes and inviting them to ride the bikes wherever and whenever they choose.

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## Canada Day Glen, Limehouse, Ballinafad

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dunking machine, horseshoe and baseball tournaments, a tug-of-war competition and live music for dancing "if you feel like it". There will also be a craft table, food concessions and a junk shop.

Closing ceremonies are set for 5:45 p.m. and contest winners will receive their prizes at that time.

Last year more than 2,000 people visited Glen Williams

for such great entertaining activities as the Great Canadian Birthday Party Road Race.

This year, town hall trustee John Minns wants to see the number of visitors increase as bigger and better activities and events are planned for Canada Day Saturday.

Festivities begin at 9 a.m. at the Glen Ball Park as breakfast is served. By 10 a.m. town councillors supported by players on Glen ball teams will

take on a girl's baseball team. At 11:30 a.m. the parade from the Glen Knitting Mill will wind its way to the ball park.

Featured as part of the parade will be members of the RCMP, the Upper Canada Rifles in their buckskin outfits and carrying early 1800s muzzle-loading rifles, and six dancers and four drummers from the North American Indian Wandering Spirit School in Toronto.

In addition there will be pipers, federal, provincial and civic officials, Father Robert Levesque, members of the Glen Hall Board, Rev. Richard Ruggie, Scouts, Brownies and Venturers.

Festivities during the day-long event will also feature decorated bicycles, a bicycle safety rodeo, a Kiwanis dunking booth at the ball park, horses, floats, antique cars and steam engines.

Ceremonies for the lighting of the birthday cake will follow the parade. Back this year will be such contests and entertainment as the fish pond, penny toss, junior dart throwing contest, ladies' nail-driving contest, drinking contest, a pet show, free pony rides, a watermelon seed spitting contest (for accuracy and also for distance), country and western and big band music and a dance in the evening.

Wes McCarthy will call a square dance with members of the Pine Valley Squares helping to show the way.

Something new this year will be refreshments licensed under the LLBO for a special occasion permit.

Several area groups will again provide food including a roast beef dinner at St. Alban's Church Hall.

Georgetown entertainer Phil Sykes will also appear for a concert, and the Upper Canada Rifles will conduct a Seneca Run - shooting their rifles, throwing their tomahawks and trying to beat the clock.

## Canada it's you and me

### Canada Week

July 1st

## Canada

By Sylvia Vincent

Oh! Canada, where is our dignity?  
The world looks on with much dismay  
While foolishly we bicker in two tongues  
As some demand to go their way.

Are we so blind we cannot recognize  
That damage brought about by fear  
Can devastate more than a rampant storm?  
We can't afford such pain to bear.

Of those who fear they'll lose identity  
We have to try to understand  
Thus demonstrate, for all our peace of minds,  
We need each other in this Land.

A Nation will grow weak damned by discord  
So note it's up to you and me  
To justify some pride in Canada;  
Our strength will be in unity!

# CANADA DAY

Canada, it's you and me

## GLEN WILLIAMS TOWN HALL

July 1st 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

★ A FREE DAY TO ENJOY CANADA'S 111th. BIRTHDAY!!!! ★

9 A.M. BREAKFAST Bell Park  
eggs, bacon, pancakes, sausage donated by PRESTON'S STORE

10 A.M. BASEBALL GAME  
Politicians vs. C.F.T.O. Y'ers.  
Halton Hills Council All Girls  
Guest  
MP, Mayor, M.P.P. Celebrities

KIWANIS CLUB DUNKING MACHINE  
dunk a celebrity.  
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12 NOON CANADA DAY PARADE  
Georgetown Girls Pipe Band  
Federal & Provincial Members of Parliament  
Glen Brownies & Guides  
Decorated Bicycles, Dressed Pets  
1914 Steam Threshing Machine  
Ponies - Wildwood Manor  
Upper Canada Rifles  
Plus Floats from other Groups

1 P.M. OPENING CEREMONY  
Join in a piece of Canada's Birthday Cake  
WANDERING SPIRIT SURVIVAL SCHOOL - Traditional Indian Dancing  
UPPER CANADA RIFLES - Muzzle & black powder rifle demo.  
HALTON HILLS JILLS - Gymnastics demonstration.  
TOUR THE OLD GLEN MILL - 100th Anniversary - free hayride, balloons, pop.

2 P.M. BICYCLE RODEO  
Slow Race, obstacle course  
Best Decorated Bike

OLDTIMERS RE-UNION  
in Town Hall, refreshments

FREE PONY RIDES  
Great Canadian Birthday Party  
Wheelbarrow Race

PET SHOW  
DOGS - Best dressed, Biggest, Smallest, Longest-Shortest nose & tail, Best trained mutt.  
CATS - Biggest, best dressed, blackest, Longest whiskers & tail.

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11:15 midnight.

FREE CONTESTS THROUGHOUT  
Watermelon Eating and Seed Spilling Distance, Accuracy, Knee Ball Race, Junior Dart Throw, Junior Penny Toss, Team Raw Egg Toss, Junior Fish Pond, Men's Drinking Contest, Ladies' Nail Driving Contest

5 P.M. ROAST BEEF DINNER Served 5 to 7 p.m. St. Alban's Hall  
COUNTRY AND WESTERN CONCERT "FREE HAND"  
7 P.M. SQUARE DANCING  
Wes McCarthy and the "PINE VALLEY DANCERS"

DESSERT French Canadian Association.  
6 P.M. CONCERT - "PHIL SYKES"  
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