Candidate for

Garnet (Pat) McKenzie of

Acton has decided he will not

seek re-election Nov. 13 as

regional councillor for Halton

Hills Ward 1, but will instead

vie for one of the ward's two

Coun. McKenzie, a 12-year

veteran of municipal politics,

told The Herald this week that

regional council's last-minute

decision to adopt a uniform

sewer and water rates policy

last Wednesday prompted him

to reconsider his earlier intent-

ion to relire from the political

The centraliziation of water

and sewer services under reg-

ional government was regard-

ed by many as Halton's final

step toward making its mand-

ate from the provincial gov-

ernment a reality. Council's

decision to abandon its old

charge-back system of collect-

ing water and sewer charges

on the basis of assessment is

also of great benefit to Coun.

HELP PAY

Acton ratepayers were

McKenzie's home ward.

seene in Halton region.

area council seats.

Residents reject plan for Norval by-pass

Norval area residents were given two choices Thursday night for the planned realignment of traffic flow through the village, but engineering consultants for Halton region were told that neither proposal is acceptable.

Regional representative Robert Shaw and Phillips Planning and Engineering Ltd. officials Don Tefft and Robert Miller outlined two alternative proposals for resolving Norval's traffic problems at a special meeting of the Norval Community Association that attracted some 40 interested residents. According to the Association's past president, Hugh McFarlane, however, the majority of those in attendance agreed that the two proposals will serve only to compound those traffic prob-

Narrowed down from about seven possible alternatives examined by the region's consultants, the two proposals in question would involve the upgrading of Winston Churchill Boulevard (Regional Road 19) south of the village, or the construction of an entirely new. the small-town atmosphere road running north and south and crossing the Credit River east of the Highway 7 - Winston Churchill intersection.

CONSULTANTS CLAIM The consultants claimed that

Spadework in preparation

for a People's Food Commiss-

recent traffic studies determined that Winston Churchill Boulevard is used by some 2.800 cars daily south of Highway 7 but north of the highway. the average count is about 600 vehicles daily.

The region has concluded from this information that Regional Road 19 is being used primarily as an access route to Georgetown by motorists heading south or coming north from Mississauga and its envi-

The Norval residents who heard the consultant's report took the conclusions one step further, however, and speculated that a better highway by pass into Georgetown might exist to the west of Norval. Mr. McFarlane conceded that such a route, again requiring the construction of an entirely new road, would be a more expensive alternative.

What has Norval residents concerned most, though, he said is the "tremendous impact" they feel either of the region's proposals would have upon their community. Most are dedicated to preserving and qualities of Norval, Mr. McFarlane observed, and are already fed up with traffic problems stemming from the heavy vehicular use of Highway 7 through the village.

Commission planning

Georgetown hearing

briefs presented by farmers.

NOTED INTENTION Mr. McFarlane noted that the province's and region's intention to build or upgrade a new access route onto Winston Churchill Boulevard from Highway 401 appears necessary to accommodate the extensive residential developments in Erin Mills, Meadowa vale and elsewhere. Such a move is bound to increase the traffic volume along the regionally-controlled road, he added, and will then compound traffic problems along High-

way 7 through Norval. Norval residents were informed Thursday that the region's efforts to realign traffic in the area have been ongoing since last spring and will involve several stages of planning, engineering and eventual implementation.

Mr. McFarlane reported that the reaction of Norval ratepayers to the two proposals will be reviewed by the Association, discussed among local and regional councillors and Association officials and finally described in detail in a letter which the Association will forward to regional coun-

Ward 2 regional Coun. Russ Miller and local Coun. Pat Patterson, a Norval area resideal, were in attendance at Thursday's meeting.

Mike Carr, one of the com

FIRSTSTEP

people together and well in-

formed on food issues, in the

opinion of Grant Patullo, of the

working group's organizers.

Then, if they wish to put

pressure on the government

being really effective.

they might stand a chance of

Morley Mills felt that gov-

ernment officials might be

more responsive if they knew a

large number of well-informed

people were watching their

move in dealings with food

The first step is to get the

mission's few paid employees

mendations.



love God and help take care of the world" - one last time with their fellow members of the First Georgetown Beavers, 17 young men "swam up" to become wolf cubs at a special ceremony in St. John's United church Thursday. Pictured are new cubs Kris Kilpin, Mark Sargent, Chris Stoddart, Robbie Jickling, Peter Atherly, Stephen Delroy,

Robert Reid, Francis Wepruk, Danny Forfellow, Todd Allen, Andrew Brown, Todd McClemetts and Norman Girrard. The former Beavers said a last goodbye to their colony leaders Elizabeth Hay, Eleanor Gallagher, Betty Tate, Elvera Clarke, Barry Gambles, Jennifer Kilpin, Jean-Ellen Mininch and Carson Mininch.

Betty Fisher seeks Acton seat on Halton Board of Education

A Georgetown housewife and venting residents of one ward mother of three, who for or community from seeking four years regularly attended meetings of the Halton Board of Education as an observor and continues to monitor the board's activities by reading the minutes of meetings, has announced her candidacy for the board in Halton Hills' Ward 1 and 2:

Betty Fisher of Delrex Boulevard, who as a former member of the Halton Renaissance Committee and a founder of the Halton Educational Action League, criticized board spending and programmes, will altempt to unseat incumbent Ward I and 2 trustee H.H. (Bert) Hinton in the forthcoming municipal election.

Although she is a Georgetown resident, Mrs. Fisher told The Herald she believes the ratepayers of Wards 1 and 2 (Acton and Esquesing) are well acquainted with her past involvement in Halton education and the Halton Hills Public Library Board. The residents of that part of town, however, could benefit from "a new approach" toward education by their elected representative

WELL REPRESENTED Mrs. Fisher feels Wards 3 and 4 (Georgelown) are well represented on the Halton Board of Education by incumbent Barry Shepherd, who will be seeking re-election Nov. 13. There are no restrictions pre-

election to school boards in

other wards. Mrs. Fisher reported that her opinion of the Halton school board and her attitude toward its efforts and accomplishments has changed in the years since her affiliations with the Renaissance and Educational Action groups ended.

"I'm pleased to see the educational pendulum swinging back toward normal policics and programmes," she commented, "We've gotten away from the type of wild policies and expenditures we had in the early 70's back to a core curriculum that has specific standards, I regard the board as an extremely fair

Mrs. Fisher noted that Renaissance has been helpful in Halton inasmuch as its oftencontroversial activities and proposals served to draw publie attention to areas within the school board's jurisdiction that needed redefining. The Educational Action League, which grew out of Renaisance, is presently inactive.

BOARD CHALLENGES Mrs. Fisher explained that her children are now enrolled in schools she considers to be "excellent", a factor which she said enables her to relax over the quality of education in Halton and take a more objective look at the issues and

challenges facing the school

Mrs. Fisher attended regular meetings of the board for four years until her appointment to the Halton Hills Public Libary Board last December cut short her available time. She now acquires the recorded minutes of board meetings and keeps in touch with board officials. She also served on a special board committee which set up health guidelines for grades kindergarten to

eight in Halton schools. Controlling educational spending at the board level is a matter of scrutinizing each program in turn and setting priorities, Mrs. Fisher said. Budgets are "tough to hold in place", she conceded, but "it can be done".

In response to the concerns of parents with whom she has spoken, Mrs. Fisher intends if elected to the board, to pursue a proposal to streamline Halton's bus transportation system so that students are not spending any more time in transit to and from their homes than necessary.

Mrs. Fisher would also like to see more physical education in the schools for junior students, and compulsory but noncredited physical activities for high school students.

TWINNING SCHOOLS The twinning of public schools is a "new phenomenon" in Halton, she noted, and

operate through the full term before its function and effect on the quality of education can

properly be assessed. Mrs. Fisher said she would not support a move by any board members to have trustees' stipends eliminated. While reductions in the amount paid to trustees are a good idea, she said, a year's experience on the Library Board has convinced her that the efforts of such public servants should not be entirely voluntary. Mrs. Fisher added, though, that she would be seeking the board seat whether or not trustees were paid any stipend.

Mrs. Fisher is the mother of three school-age children Michelle, 12, Drew 10 and Laura, eight. Her husband Jim Fisher, is a technical teacher at a Peel region high

REPRODUCTION DOLLS.

threatened by an enormous tax hike during 1979 to pay for community's sewer and water system, but the adoption of has to be given a chance to uniform rates means that all Halton municipalities will help Acton pay for those improve-

> Coun. McKenzie announced in late August his intention to retire from municipal politics altogether following the current term of council. His hopes that Ward 1 area Coun. Peter Marks might assume his seat on regional council in his stead had to be abandoned, though, when Coun. Marks expressed a desire to spend more time with his family and so indicated his intention to withdraw from council.

if enough public support for such a move was demonstrat-

Coun. McKenzle then reaffirmed his willingness to try for the Ward I regional seat again

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Ward 1 seat ed. The only other contender for the seat to appear thus far is former Acton deputy-reeve Roy Goodwin of Mill Street,

JOB ENDED

Coun, McKenzie now believ es that his job on regional council ended with last week's decision to adopt the uniform rates policy. One of Halton's "thorniest problems" is now out of the way, he said.

Coun, McKenzie commented that his experience at Halton region would be of great bene; fit to him as an area councillor. He added that, as a retired educator, he can devote his full day to the job.

Coun. McKenzie, 65, is a former reeve of Acton who bas represented the community on Halton county, Halton Hills and Halton region councils



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noted that "what happens will industry workers consumers ion Hearing in the area during depend on who attends the and plain interested citizens the winter began last week hearings". After the report is will sort out the tangle of with a meeting in the Georgeprepared it will be returned to conflicting charges as to the town Y office to organize a the communities in which the local working party for the cause of many problems in the hearings will be held so that commission. these people can discuss ways The commission is a grass of implimenting its recom-

The information presented roots organization as opposed to the commission is to be to a government creation and plans to hold hearings across compiled in a report. Whether this report will be effective in the country during coming months which will examine all producing government chanaspects of the food industry ges which the commission may suggest as appropriate is anofrom the producer to the man-

ther matter. ufacturer, the retailer and the Acton house on fire twice in one weekend

Special to The Herald Arson is suspected as the Ontario Fire Marshalls office and Halton Regional Police investigate a Monday morning fire in an empty house next to

the Dominion Hotel in Acton. Investigation reveals that gasoline was poured on the floor of the house. Monday's

and "badly burned" the house. was the second time during the weekend that Halton Hills fire department answered a call to the empty house. The Acton firefighters answered a call to the house Saturday evening to extinguish a fire which started in an upstairs closet. Damages

fire, which blew out windows Georgetown girl killed hope that local working groups can raise \$1,000 to pay travel-

Special to The Herald Adele Shipway, 19, of R.R.5, two car accident just west of Acton on Highway 7. Shipway, a passenger in a car driven by Colin Donaldson, 20, of John Street in Georgetown, was ejected from the car and was pronounced dead on arrival at

Guelph General Hospital. Milton OPP said today the Donaldson car was westbound in the passing lane and struck an eastbound car driven by Shirley Duncan, 30, who refrom Saturday's fire was mini-

ejecting Shipway from the car. Donaldson received minimal injuries. Jean Martin, a pas-

car is estimated at \$800. Milton OPP said charges

RAISED FUNDS Mr. Carr explained that the regional and national levels of the commission have raised funds to pay for the commission's ten paid employees and hope that local working groups ling expenses for the commissioners who come to hold the hearings. They are all volun-

corporations.

The group will hold its next meeting in the Georgetown Y offices in St. Andrew's United Church on Mountainview Road and on Oct. 16 at 7:30 p.m. It is hoped that those attending the meeting will bring their concerns and special interests 80 that a group can be formed to

prepare for the hearings. Anyone wishing further information on the People's Food Commission or the Oct. 16 meeting is urged to contact Rev. Walter Ridley at 877-4184.

in Highway 7 crash Kingham Road, Acton. OPP Georgetown, died Friday in a said Donaldson lost control of the car which rolled over.

senger in the Duncan car, was Damage to the Donaldson car is estimated at \$2,000, while damages to the Duncan

have been laid.

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