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## This Week

### Sign controversy

There's still no resolution to Halton Hills' sign by-law controversy as a proposed new law failed to get council's approval Monday night.

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### McDermid ready

Georgetown's Conservative MP John McDermid took his place in the current sitting of parliament last week. He spoke with the Herald about his thoughts on the current session just before heading off to Ottawa.

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### Enterprising woman

Perhaps trying to avoid a fear that plagued another politician's wife, Gail Maltby, town councillor George's spouse, decided not to be a rose in her husband's lapel and set up her own manufacturing factory to make sure. She now owns and works in a thriving machine shop in Acton.

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### Annual meeting

Georgetown's Red Cross held their annual meeting last week and while appointing their new executive to take care of the future they took a long look at their illustrious past.

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### Football finals

It's Delrex Smoke Shop and Dairy Queen in the Georgetown Flag Football Championship on Sunday. The playoff results and how these two teams got there on Page 32.

Sports Week

### Coming events

Have you seen the Herald's new entertainment page yet? Take a look this week to find out what's happening in Halton Hills.

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### Drainage problems

Langstone Crescent landowners are angry about drainage problems on their street but council gave them no assurances Monday night.

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### Raiders in last

Raiders could be in trouble in the early going of their championships defending season. They don't look like league leaders. They're in last place.

Sports Week

### Running season

It's cross country time. As the colours change and the weather gets cooler, public schools and clubs run runs. Two were held recently.

Sports Week

Already working

# First Viet refugee family arrives



LITTLE THEATRE'S FIRST PRODUCTION

Ron Hunt and John Roe seem anxious to get bride Melissa Bell to the church on time in the Georgetown Little Theatre's production of "There Goes the Bride". Ron Hunt is the bride's prospective father-in-law, while John Roe plays the bride's father's business partner. The play will be on again this Friday and Saturday at Sacre Coeur Hall. For a review on the opening night performance, see Page 18.

(Herald photo)

By PAUL DORSEY  
 Herald staff writer

Months of uncertainty and speculation have ended with the arrival here Saturday of two Southeast Asian refugees, representing the first of as many as 11 Vietnamese families who have found generous sponsors in Acton and Georgetown.

Nghiep Cun Tsan, aged 20, and his 17-year old wife Thu Van Tieu are the first members of a family sponsored in June by the congregation of the Christian Reformed Church. Cun's parents, Senh Thong Tsan and Nhil Chan Vong, who are in their sixties, and a 28-year old female relation, Ai Anh Tang, were all expected to arrive in Georgetown today (Wednesday).

Representatives of the sponsoring group were told Friday by Immigration Canada that Cun and his wife "Sue" (Thu) would be flying from Montreal to Toronto Monday, leaving the group only three days to make final preparations. As it turned out, the young couple arrived at Toronto International Airport the next day at about 9 p.m.

**LARGE GROUP**  
 Rev. and Mrs. John De Jong of the Christian Reformed Church found Cun and Sue among a large group of Viet-

namese refugees waiting in an airport lounge wearing name tags indicating their destination. The couple speak only a few words of English, leaving the De Jongs, with whom they are staying, to rely primarily upon diagrams and gestures to communicate with their new guests.

While food and clothing appear to be readily available for Cun and his family, there is a need for more permanent accommodations and jobs. Cun began work Tuesday at the Canada Packers plant outside town, where Ivan Vander Deen, another member of the church's congregation, has provided him with an opportunity to follow in his father's footsteps.

Among the few bits of information the sponsors have obtained from immigration authorities is the fact that Cun's father was a chicken farmer in Viet Nam, providing a back ground that will stand Cun in

good stead on the turkey farm operated here by Canada Packers.

Cun himself worked as a mechanic in Viet Nam. Apart from these facts, nothing is yet known about the new arrivals, their specific reasons for leaving their native country or their mode of existence since going into exile.

Cun and Sue arrive in Montreal from Malaysia two days prior to their move to Toronto and Georgetown. The rest of the family was then still in Malaysia, where hundreds of thousands of Indo-Chinese refugees have been sheltered during recent months after fleeing the Communist regime of their homeland.

**NO PROBLEMS**  
 Rev. De Jong told the Herald that there have been no problems accommodating Cun and Sue at their home despite the language barrier, which they

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# Residents oppose Hornby drive-in

A petition bearing more than 110 signatures has informed the town in no uncertain terms that the residents of Hornby do not want a drive-in theatre built in their neighborhood, as was proposed three weeks ago.

The town's general committee Monday night referred the petition, as well as a submission by resident John Klymak, to the planning department for inclusion in a report being prepared on the proposal by John Scott, M.S. Peacock and D. Barranger.

The three proponents unveiled plans for the 1,000 car, twin-screen drive-in before the town planning board late last month, proposing a 27-acre property adjacent to the Hornby ballpark as its site.

**OPPOSE DRIVE-IN**  
 Speaking on behalf of the residents who signed the petition, Mr. Klymak said he is opposed to a drive-in being built in any residential section of Halton Hills. He cited the "horrendous safety risk" that could be posed by traffic from

the theatre, the deterioration of area roads and resulting tax hikes for residents, the possibility of polluting the creek which crosses the site and feeds the Oakville drainage system, and the theatre's detrimental effects on the ballpark.

"We feel the drive-in would be the ruination of the ballpark," Hornby Baseball League president Bill Shriver agreed, claiming the nearly unanimous support of involved baseball directors and many long-time residents in the area.

Mr. Shriver challenged the proponents' contention that there would be no problems caused by the floodlights from the ballpark and, conversely, by the headlights of cars and other lights at the drive-in.

Mr. Klymak said hundreds of local youngsters would be walking along Steeles Avenue to and from the ballpark at about the same time traffic would be entering the drive-in. The approximately 600 indivi-

duals involved in baseball activities at the park, he added, face similar safety risks.

**RUSTIC QUALITY**  
 Mr. Klymak told the committee that Hornby's "rustic, ethnic qualities" have attracted many "fine, upstanding people" to the area to live among or visit the community-oriented qualities which he said would be destroyed by the construction of a drive-in.

Coun. Russ Miller informed the committee that he has received three letters and many phone calls testifying to the objections shared by residents of the area.

Mr. Shriver maintained a drive-in theatre could jeopardize many popular community activities such as the annual Hornby garden party, now in its 35th year, and the baseball tournaments that attract thousands of spectators and have seen the hometown team capture ten Ontario championships.

# Chamber of Commerce to start transit service

By MICHAEL HOLLETT  
 Herald editor  
 Georgetown residents will be able to ride an in-town bus service to do their Christmas shopping during the months of November and December thanks to the local Chamber of Commerce.

The bus system will service the town's major shopping areas as well as the residential districts and will operate Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

On Thursdays and Fridays, buses will run hourly from 9 am to 3 pm while Saturdays the buses will start at 10 am and run through to 4 pm.

**SENIORS FREE**  
 The buses will be free to pre-schoolers and senior citizens while everyone else will pay 25 cents.

Chamber of Commerce transportation committee chairman Rick West told the

Herald the idea has been under consideration for many months. In fact, the chamber tried a three-day bus service for one week last year during the Christmas season that met with limited success.

Mr. West said there are two reasons for starting the bus system.

"We want to help Georgetown shoppers and keep Georgetown Christmas shopping dollars in town. At the same time, we look at this as an experiment and, if the bus system proves popular enough we would consider making it a permanent thing."

At one point the chamber had been considering a bus service primarily for senior citizens during the Christmas season, the current plan arose from this idea. The buses will stop near all three senior citizens homes in Georgetown.

**BUS SYSTEM**  
 Mr. West emphasized the bus system is being operated entirely by the chamber along with Travelways bus lines. The 25 cent fare will not cover all of the costs of the service and any deficit will be financed by the chamber.

Marty Inglis, manager of the local Travelways who designed the bus route says if a traveller rode the bus from one end of the town to another, it would take a little over an hour. No spot in town is likely to be more than 30 to 45 minutes from a major shopping area.

# ICG members meet with Hydro

By LORI TAYLOR  
 Herald staff writer  
 The Interested Citizens' Group (ICG) is optimistic following a meeting last week with Ontario Hydro Chairman Hugh McAuley to discuss the proposed hydro corridor through Halton Hills.

"We're still very optimistic," ICG spokesman John Minns said. "We're optimistic that if the line is forced through, that Hydro will deal fairly with the landowners. That is tempered

with the knowledge, however, that Hydro hasn't lived up to any of its promises or commitments throughout the fight against the corridor."

Mr. Minns said the optimism stems from the meeting with the new chairman and from "what appears to be the new attitude of Ontario Hydro."

Hydro. Mr. Minns said the meeting was kept small at the request of Mr. McAuley, "to make more progress."

**MADE MISTAKE**  
 Mr. Hill told the ICG, and offered to put it in writing, that in future, with the major projects which require transmission line planning, "from this point forward, we will get the system plan settled first with environmental assessment. We made a mistake in that it

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NEW FACE ON COUNCIL

Monday night's general committee meeting was preceded by the official swearing in of Terasis (Terry) Grubbe, elected to Halton Hills council in last week's Ward 1 by-election. While proud members of her family looked on, Mrs. Grubbe took the oaths of office and allegiance with clerk-administrator Ken Richardson and was warmly welcomed on council's behalf by Mayor Pete Pomeroy and Coun. Mike Armstrong. She fills the vacancy left on council by the death last June of former Acton mayor Les Doby. Looking on in the background is Ward 2 Coun. George Maltby.

(Herald photo)