

No second hydro corridor planned for town - Snow

By MAGGIE HANNAH
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The next Ontario Hydro transmission corridor to get

power out of Bruce generating station isn't slated to cross Halton Hills, or at least if it is, the government hasn't told

Transportation and Communications Minister James Snow about it.



JAMES SNOW

Liberal energy critic Julian Reed (Halton-Burlington) has warned residents to expect a twinning of the newly completed Bruce to Milton line in the near future as time constraints force hydro to abandon other potential routes where resident opposition and environmental hearings could slow down construction of a new corridor. When time becomes critical, hydro will just use the expedient route and double the line they already have, he says.

The corridor was the source of a seven year battle between Ontario Hydro and the Interested Citizens Group before it was finally completed in July, 1980.

About the Hills Ex-mayor's daughter killed

The 20-year old daughter of former Burlington mayor Mary Munro was killed in a Milton car crash New Year's Day. Sarah Munro, a third-year commerce student, died in a Hamilton hospital following the accident on Highway 25 near Henderson Road. Police say the car she was driving went out of control and fishtailed into an oncoming pick-up truck. Driver of the truck was uninjured.

Local dumps no danger

Former landfill sites in Halton Hills are not producing an appreciable amount of methane gas, a provincial study has found. But the ministry of environment has advised Oakville and Burlington to continue monitoring gas levels at dumps in their area. Produced by decaying garbage, explosive methane can remain trapped in pockets below the surface of a landfill site for decades before rising to the ground and dangerously dispersing.

Fire confined to bedroom

A fire in a house on River Drive caused \$7,000 damage before burning itself out Sunday night.

Deputy Fire Chief Bob Hyde said the family, whose name was withheld by his department, is most fortunate because damage was confined for the most part to one bedroom, although the entire house suffered smoke damage.

The family left their 84 River Drive house early in the morning, but their four-year-old daughter accidentally left an activated electric toy on her bed. The toy is believed to have caused the fire.

The deputy chief said that because the bedroom door was almost completely shut, and because of the modern construction of the house, the damage was a lot lighter than what it could have been. The family had just moved in Jan. 1.

At almost the same time as the fire on River Drive, firefighters were called to a chimney fire at 15 Wilson Court. There was no damage. About 40 minutes later, there was a car fire at the Halton Hills Plaza. Damage in the fire was estimated at \$100.

Name chosen for special bus

A name has been chosen for the town's new bus service for the disabled, being organized by a volunteer committee headed by Coun. Marilyn Serjeantson.

Coun. Serjeantson said Monday the winning name has been selected from the entries received, but the announcement won't be made for another week or more.

The committee hopes to tie up a number of loose ends at its meeting next week. There has been no final decision made as to whether the service will be contracted-out, or whether the committee will have to administer the service itself, Coun. Serjeantson said.

"We've advertised to hear from people who would be interested in running the service, but we haven't got a lot of response," she said. "It's not really too practical for the committee to run it, because we're volunteers, and it's like a job."

The proposed budget for the service is \$40,000, of which half must be raised by the public. The other half will be provided by the province.

There was a suggestion that the service would be receiving a grant, but this may not be the case because there are stringent requirements attached to the grant which the service might not be able to meet, Coun. Serjeantson said.

Letters have been sent out to the community, requesting public financial support for the program, she said.

The budget for the program includes the cost of owning or renting a van, the gasoline, insurance and the cost of a driver. Arrangements would also have to be made, if the town ran the service itself, to hook into an existing dispatch system.

MARIE SHADBOLT LEADS ACTON TORIES

The Acton Progressive Conservative Association elected the following executive members for 1981 at its annual meeting Monday: President, Marie Shadbolt; vice-presidents, Ross Balleentine, Paul Butler; secretary-treasurer, Donna Aiken; federal representative, Vince Whelan; directors, Terry Grubbe, Bruce Cargill, Esther Taylor, Dave Sweetman and Crawford Caswell.

Georgetown PC Association president Fran Baines, who last month announced her intention to seek the party's nomination in the Halton-Burlington riding for the next election, attended the meeting, but declined to publicly express her views on any issues as yet lest would-be opponents prepare strategy to counteract her campaign ahead of time.

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