

### Got the munchies?

A Burger King outlet is expected to join Georgetown's other fast food restaurants vying for the appetites of residents and passers-by on Highway 7. A minor parking variance was recently approved by the town's committee of adjustment and the construction of a 2,400-square foot outlet in the Halton Hills Shopping Centre should begin in April. The building will be located adjacent to the Baskin and Robbins ice cream store and will be separated from the plaza by a driveway, as well as the restaurant's "drive through" laneway. The applications has completed a marketing survey of the area, the minutes of the committee meeting note.

### Fire damages drop

Fires during the months of November and December caused \$146,000 in damage. In November, there were 16 fires in Georgetown and eight in Acton. Fourteen fires caused damage in Georgetown during December while there were five fires reported to the Acton brigade during the same period. Last year, fires caused a total of \$469,888 in damages, \$53,619 less than in the previous years.

### Council's in a cloud

Coun. Marilyn Serjeantson shows no signs of letting up on her campaign to cut down on smoke congestion in the council chamber during meetings. Monday night she suggested the chamber be divided in two, one section for smoking councillors and the other for non-smoking representatives. She also suggested that the air purifier used in the town's finance building on Main Street, Georgetown, should be brought in during the meetings. Previously, Coun. Serjeantson has good-naturedly tried to ban smoking from the council chambers but failed to convince a majority of councillors.

### Urban review delayed

It will still be a couple of weeks before councillors and eagerly-waiting Georgetown residents find out the full results of the Georgetown Urban Area review, now approaching its second anniversary. Mayor Pete Pomeroy told councillors that the Halton Hills Urban Review Steering committee is still looking for a letter from the provincial environment ministry commenting on a consultant's findings regarding the Georgetown sewage treatment plant's ability to handle effluent from increased growth in the future.

### John seeks committment

Recognizing that members of the town's two Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) have contributed almost a quarter of a million dollars through BIA taxes toward refurbishing the Acton and Georgetown historical business cores, council has agreed, in a resolution passed Monday night, to the principle of including downtown core improvements in the town's long-range budget forecast. In proposing the recommendation, Coun. John McDonald indicated that was seeking council's support for the intent to revitalize the downtown cores as underlined in last year's consultant's report on the BIAs, stressing that he was not asking council to endorse specific costs yet.

### Farms getting nailed

The town's building department issued a total of 15 permits in January, amounting to \$185,122 worth of construction in Halton Hills. The largest share of the total was found in agricultural construction starts, three permits for which amounted to \$164,200 in new construction. There were no new residential starts last month, nor any for institutional, industrial or commercial purposes. There were several permits for alterations and additions to existing buildings.

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## AHS beats its chest over 'Heart Week'

By DIANE CREWE-READ  
AHS Correspondent  
"HEART WEEK"

Valentine's Day has always been a very special time of the year for both the students and teachers who attend Acton High School, and this year was no different.

Last week at Acton High was the annual "HEART WEEK" featuring many fun and exciting activities.

Activities included trying to guess the number of candy hearts in a big glass jar. The person who guessed the closest won the jar of candies, perhaps to give to their special sweetheart.

You could buy tickets to a draw in which you could have won one of two big boxes of heart-shaped chocolates.

Students and teachers were also able to buy a carnation for that special someone in their life.

The students really seem to enjoy various events that are set up around the school on special occasions. Acton High School has always had good school spirit, not just on Valentine's Day, but all the time.

At the end of a fantastic "HEART WEEK", the students were rewarded with a Valentine's dance Friday.

The students of Acton really enjoy their special occasions throughout the year.

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