

Glen Williams Secondary Plan

Citizens not given chance to have their say: resident

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following letter to Mr. Claude Bennett, Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs, was filed with The Herald for publication.

Dear Mr. Bennett:

I am filing a Formal Objection to the request by Halton Hills Town Council to have lands bordered by Wildwood Road and the Eighth Line, Esqueving Township, added to Amendment 18 of the Glen Williams Secondary Plan and included in the Official Plan by Minister's Modification.

I own property adjoining these lands.

I am objecting for the following reasons:

1. The first notice that I and other residents of the neighborhood received was an article in the local papers on Wednesday, April 27, 1983. A resolution to make a request for a Minister's Modification was scheduled for the Council meeting on Monday May 2, 1983. The amount of time given for residents to prepare a response was hopelessly insufficient.

2. The Council usually conducts a public meeting on matters of this nature. It decided not to do so in this instance on the grounds that: a. It was not required by law to do so; b. Public Meetings on the Glen Williams Secondary Plan were held in 1978 and 1979; and, c. Further delay would hinder necessary development in the Town.

We object to this decision because: a. The residents believe that they have a moral and historical right to have full information about developments which will affect the future of their neighborhoods, to have their concerns heard and to have their questions answered;

b. While the Council may not be required by law to hold a Public Meeting, we are informed by staff of your Ministry that the local Planning Department is required to do so.

We believe that the meetings held in 1978 and 1979 do not constitute an adequate public forum on this issue since the lands now in question were not included in the proposed plan at that time. Residents who were then living in the neighborhood attended these meetings and were informed that since these lands were not part of the proposed plan that they would therefore not be part of the discussions of the meetings.

Thus no Public Meeting on the lands now in question has ever occurred.

Furthermore, the neighborhood has changed substantially since 1979. Most of the residents whose properties adjoin the designated lands were not living there then. Their homes were not yet built. I believe it is wrong that a substantial number of citizens, including myself, be denied an opportunity to have input into a decision which will affect them merely because

they did not live in this area three and a half years ago.

I deeply regret having to take this action. I and other residents have expressed our willingness to cooperate with our Council and the developer to ensure that the best possible development takes place. We have, however, been denied a Public Meeting where we can learn about and talk about future plans for our neighborhood.

Thank you for the appropriate action you will now take.

Yours sincerely,
Craig Copland
Owner,
Part Lot 21, Concession 9,
Esqueving Township

Enough of studies, residents complain

To the editor of The Herald:

Halton residents are already groaning under the load of taxes, further increased by expenditures on studies and more studies. Seems like a merry-go-round. When finished they tell us, what was plainly evident, before they started, eg. "Halton's population has grown"; "The elderly population has grown"; "There is a lack of assisted transportation for the frail elderly"; "There is a shortage of heavy nursing

and chronic care beds"; "There appears to be gaps, deficiencies and duplications which may not really exist".

Then they report that a series of further public forums are scheduled to be held relating to the second phase of the study.

The public forum held at Georgetown library April 21, was not announced in local papers.

At that forum one of the study "staff" declared that a Georgetown nursing home, promised nearly three years ago by then

Minister of Health Dennis Timbrell, is now well down in the list of priorities. What kind of gobbledegook is this anyway?

I signed,
Morley Mills
Edith McGonigal
Edith Hackett
Maggie Crawford

EDITOR'S NOTE:
In this letter 38 signatures were attached. Because of space constraints and the inability to accurately decipher the signatures of some names, we decided to use only the first four signatures.

Letters to the Editor Reader didn't fidget through 'Crucible'

To the editor of The Herald:

It has been my doubtful privilege to sit through innumerable performances by high school students both musical and straight drama. When I heard that GDHS were to stage The Crucible, I groaned and prayed that I could be out of town. Fortunately my prayer was not answered and I attended the opening performance last Thursday evening.

For once I did not fidget in my seat and continually look at my watch. We were privileged to see a very good performance by, for the most part, a very competent cast.

A number of performers really stood out. Ian MacLaren and Mark Huisling were little short of superb, closely followed by Karen Ivany, Cathy McGowan and Peter Allen.

I think that all people concerned in this production deserve great credit.

They attempted a difficult play, did not lose the message and gave us

such good theatre. Sincerely,
J. Edwards



Looking for volunteers

By MAUREEN McCALLUM

Although Volunteer Week has passed the opportunity to get involved is always present. Your valuable time can be put to good use in many ways.

A handicapped 15-year old girl in Georgetown is looking for a friend to share her interest in music and dance.

Your flare for writing can be put to good use as a publicity person for a local organization. Your time would be needed four or five times per year.

Get your evening walk and meet your neighbors while canvassing for a North Halton group from May 15-21. Help is needed in both Acton and Georgetown.

A teenage girl in Acton is looking for a Big Sister. A couple of hours a week could make a big difference to this young person.

Your typing and organizational skills can be used by an organization for handicapped adults. The time commitment required is from one half to one day per week.

For more information about these and other opportunities contact your Volunteer Centre at 877-3219 Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

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Rally Race

By JEAN LAYMAN
Herald Special

The Lions Club sponsored cubs had a great time at their annual Rally Race at 8th Georgetown last Wed. night.

Parents were present to cheer their boys on for this special event held at St. Francis of Assisi school.

The Kub Kar Track was modified to forty-eight feet long with a slight hill half way down to give the sleek cars more momentum.

Cubmaster Art McReavy announced the races and assistant leaders Harry Ellis was the official starter, Joe Miodozeniec was finish line judge and Carl Rooth was in charge of the pit stop.

The championship went to Bernard Benditt and Tough Luck award to John Colton. All trophies were made by C.M. Art McReavy.



Winners of recent Cub Kar competitions are seen here. They are members of the 8th Georgetown Cub Pack; (front row, left to right) Bernard Benditt, Jimmy Lawrence, Derek Ellard, Eric Abulnar, Gregory McReavy, Dustin Chandler, (back row, left to right) Chris Climar, Andrew Zubacs, Corey Rooth, Chris Blencorve, David Young and Peter Blencorve. (Photo by Jean Layman)

Big thanks to blood donors

To the editor of The Herald:

The Blood Donor Clinic Committee would like to sincerely thank all donors who supported Monday's clinic, sponsored by the Lions Club.

The Lions' help with preparation and distribution of the posters, setting up clinic, loading equipment and general assistance at the clinic is appreciated.

Thanks to Dr. Ashenurst, who was on call, the nursing staff, nurses help and drivers, volunteers and volunteers, the clergy, John Olivier of Halton Cable Systems,

Halton Hills Hydro for special efforts with promotional banners, the radio stations, the Dairy Queen for donation of the use of their electric sign, and their orange juice and cups, to Loblaw's for donuts, Mr. Ferguson of Mac's Milk, Coca Cola, students of Holy Cross School and everyone who gave their assistance to this clinic.

Special thanks to Flo Street, Jean Barton and her telephone committee and to Noreen Mielum, who convened this clinic. Sincerely,
Ivy Simin,
Chairman

WE ARE AGAINST KIDDIE PORN

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