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The Netherlands were among the countries featured at the YMCA's Multicultural Celebration last Wednesday night. Coatumes from eight different countries were modeled and explained and the audience later got to try some of the countries' cuisines.

Supply teachers

fight pay cuts

"Say, that's real fancy headgear!" Eight-year old Alison Lipp tried on part of piper Don Burns costume at the YMCA's Multicultural Celebration last Wednesday. Several costumes from different countries were featured in the event which stressed the color and importance of Canada's cultural heritage.

Police budget

Money proposed for spotchecks

By ANI PEDERIAN Staff Writer

the board cut, that Included in the nearly would be \$95 a day. \$18 million Halton Secondary supply regional police budget teachers with a degree proposal for 1984 is now earn \$99.16, and as money for a five-man of September 1984 could traffic squad, similar to be earning \$95. the spotcheck squad on Concluding Halton the road each Christmas

pay rates for supply teachers are higher Halton regional police than a significant commissioners meeting majority of other Thursday announced boards, the salary the new police budget of \$17,960,250, pared down ending that the current from the 9.9 per cent method of paying original request of the according to collective force. The increase over agreement grids with last year is 6.7 per cent, regular teachers, be in keeping with the 8.6 dropped. per cent increase they

NEW COMMITTEE "The salary committee felt, at the time, that a supply teacher shouldn't be paid as much as a regular teacher," Halton Hills trustee Arlene Bruce said. Mrs. Bruce was on the Con't on Page A7

Elementary supply

teachers with a degree

earn \$102.96 now. With

only a 6.3 per cent operating budget increase, if anticipated workmen's compensation board adjustments are made when the figure comes before

INFLATION Commission chairman James Grieve said inflation is eating up five per cent of the 1984 budget.

regional council Feb. 29.

"I'm pleased with the budget and I hope it goes through," Chief James Harding told reporters after the meeting.

The figure, arrived at hrough several meetings with police staff and the commission, can only be approved or rejected by regional councillors. If rejected, it goes to the Ontario Police Commission for review.

board was unanimous. They acted as one in the budget decision," Mr. Grieve said.

"The decision by the

Mentioning operational changes have been included in the budget proposal, he refused to claborate.

He told fellow commissioners Ric Morrow and Reg Monaghan that he didn't want to allow the public to have too much information before the budget is seen by regional councillors. Commissioners Pete Pomeroy and Joseph Scime were absent from the meeting.

"It's a matter of cour-'tesy," Mr. Grieve said. "This isn't the forum under which they receive the budget."

are to be sold. On auctl-

on day, Mr. Spence and

his staff the prefers his

own professional cashi-

er and clerk) take over.

begin late in the morn-

ing and finish around

A rural auction may

festival funding meeting a few weeks later that the Chamber was advised to bring its earlier, sald last Wednesday that the Chamrequest to administraber may not have been tion committee.

Region rejects

By CHRIS AAGAARD

Staff Writer

the BIG (Business In

Georgetown) Celebrati-

on planned for June

should bring tourists

into the area, the event

will have to be a success

without financial help

Last Wednesday, regional councillors turned down a \$1,000 grant request from the Georgetown Chamber of

Commerce, the organization which is sponsor-

ing the BIG Celebra-

project, organizer Rick

West told reporters

But, he commented,

regional councillors

didn't appreciate that the BIG Celebration -

an exhibition of busi-

nesses "to inform and

entertain" the public --

is expected to generate some tourist traffic in

the area, as well as

salute the 120th anniver-

sary of the former

"We're very optimist-

ic about the project,"

Mr. West said. "It's

going full bore ahead."

SECOND TIME

the bid for the grant had

been rejected by a

Three weeks ago, the

Halton's administration

and finance committee

recommended that

council turn down the

At a local council

meeting a week later. Councillors Mike Arm-

strong and Dave Whit-

ing sald they couldn't

support the Chamber's

They argued it was

difficult to justify giving

"cultural" grants to the

Chamber and organiza-

tions such as the Hamil-

ton Philharmonic

Orchestra and the Royal

Botanical Gardens

when needy social ser-

vice agencies may be

The lack of support

from Councillors Arm-

strong and Whiting

(who also represent the

town on regional coun-

cil) angered Mr. West

and the rest of the

Chamber's delegation,

Lynn Barnard and Bill

"Councillors Armstr-

ong and Whiting did not

take time to investigate

what we are doing," he

Coun. Armstrong,

who was absent from

the administration

said. "You know, you

get one person in the

group who's not too

interested and sort of

drifts off. Then, you

bring in the item of

importance to him or

her and the person

turned down.

Ward.

said.

regional body.

request.

bid either.

It was the second time

village of Georgetown.

later.

Failure to get . the grant doesn't doom the

tion June 15, 16 and 17.

from the region.

While organizers say

BIG celebration

region's business advisory committee.

given a fair hearing. Several councillors The grant application, opposing the \$1,000 grant said they feared it he suggested, should have been brought to the Mr. West commented

would prompt other Chambers to appeal for funding for their pro-

Praying for peace

HALTON HILLS - March 2 at 2 p.m. Christian women in the Georgetown area will join women from around the world to pray for peace and justice for all.

All Christian churches in the area have been invited to attend the program in Holy Cross Church,

The theme of "Living Water from Christ, Our Hope" features readings from the scriptures where our dependence upon water is emphasized. The program stresses the need of spiritual revival to counterattack the materialism of the times. For further information call 877-7941.

Withdrawal clinic

The Halton Lung Association is offering a Smoking Withdrawal Clinic in Georgetown. It will be held at the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital evenings from 7:30 to 9:30.

Persons wishing to "Kick the Smoking Habit" are invited to attend. The program begins March 28 and continues weekly to May 2. Fee for this course is \$50.

You may register by telephoning 632-8499 Enrolment is limited. Register early.

Red Cross kick-off

March is Red Cross Month. The Georgetown and District Red Cross will launch its annual campaign tonight with a Kick-Off Night at St. George's Anglican Church at 7:30 p.m.

Canvassers are needed. Volunteers should call 877-5233 or 873-1164. Come for an evening of good entertainment.

Activity week

The Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department and the Acton Y are offering a diversified Activity Program during the March Break for all 5-13 year olds in Acton. .

Staff and volunteers will supervise such

activities as: movies, games, crafts, sports, swimming, skating and more. It's going to be a lot of fun - call us now for

more info, 877-5185, ext. 260 or 853-1540.

Liberal office open

The Brampton-Georgetown [ederal Liberal association has opened a riding office in Brampton

at 24 Queen St. E. Says riding president Rick Weiler: "This will be a focus for our activities in the riding. A

staffed office will make it much easier for the public to contact the Liberal party." Pat Emmott is the office co-ordinator and she is looking for volunteers to help out. The office number if 454-2705.

Neighbor spies thief

An investigation by a watchful neighbor scared off thleves from a break-in into Acton's Jug City on Main Street.

Halton regional police said the culprits entered the store through a rear window Friday at 4:09 a.m. Nothing was taken.

Maple syrup time

Are you ready for some fresh maple syrup? Mountsberg Wildlife Centre have their sugar bush tapped and are inviting residents to join in for wagon rides and sampling tours. The sugar bush is open each weekend until April 15.

You can watch sap being boiled down into syrup, visit a candy house and enjoy a hearty pancake and sausage meal.

For further information call 878-4131 weekdays or 854-2276 on weekends.

New police programs

HALTON - Police commission chairman James Grieve said Wednesday six new programs are included in the 1984 budget including a five-man traffic squad. The traffic squad will be dealing with motor vehicle accidents throughout the region and drinking drivers.

Money is included for the new computer room in the Burlington police station where the HEART computer will be housed. Staff will be required to operate the system, but Mr. Grieve didn't say how many.

Additional staff he did mention included a

Safety Officer and a clerk for Milton. "There is something in relation to crime prevention in the budget," Chief Harding hinted

with a smile. The force has been looking for more manpower for pro-active policing and has been turned down at budget time in previous years.

Raider fever

The Georgetown Raiders will open the Ontario Senior 'A' Hockey League playoffs this Friday night against their old Intermediate rivals, the Collingwood Shipbuilders.

Raider general manager Dave Kentner selected Collingwood as a Yirst-round 'opponent at a league meeting Monday night in Cambridge. The Cambridge Hornets, who finished first in the nine-team loop, picked first and selected the Barrie Broncos, Georgetown picked next, as a result of having finished in second place.

Other first-round pairings are Petrolia vs. Chatham, and Flamboro vs. Dundas-Hamilton.

which amounts to, at most, an \$8 per diem decrease in salary. The

"We perform a teaching function when in schools and we feel justified to maintain our pay as the daily rate taken from the salary grid," Mrs. Sutton said. RECOMMENDED In December 1983, the

Section C

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Section E

Ontario Jr. 'B' playoffs.

Real estate news from REMAX

Year. Steries and bargains galore!

By ANI PEDERIAN

Staff Writer

board of education to

take substitute teachers

from the regular teach-

ers' pay grid and

impose a pay drop indi-

cates a loss of pro-

fessional status for

supply teachers, claims

the president of the

Halton Substitute

Mollie Sutton said

Thursday that supply

teachers are expected to

function in the class-

room no differently

from a regular teacher.

When the regular

teacher is absent for

more than a day, the

substitute teacher is

responsible for main-

taining the daybook and

"If the board pays us

less, are they not

presenting the idea

(that children are)

receiving a lesser grade

of education than when

the regular teacher is

there?" the tall, dark-

haired woman asked

trustees at the board

meeting.

class program.

Teachers Association.

A move by the Halton

board's salary policy committee recommended a seven per cent drop in daily pay for



make \$70 in September

Section A

Visiting Father Otger

dies; Region pushes for

United Way: GLT's

Lion in Winter (see pic-

Our new Family Sec-

tion features reports on

the Lions Citizen of the

Year and Chamber of

Commerce Business of

ture) opened Friday.

Section B

the Year dinners.

Five Rebel wrestlers are on the way to

A special section to tell you all about Losp

OFSAA, See Sports Page Ct for the details, Also,

the Gemini have been ousted from the Central

vice." the board proposes to

MOLLIE SUTTON

substitute teachers

ers are professionals and I would expect them to continue to exercise that same level of ser-

issue will be coming to the board table March 8. "It would mean a

\$70,000 saving over a 10-month period," salary committee chairman Pat Hillhouse said. "I don't believe it's at the expense of professionalism. Substitute teach-

At present, elementary teachers without a degree earn \$73.71 a day supply teaching, which

that highlights the event By CHRIS AAGAARD

ly like this: "Who'll give me \$5..." But very quickly, the auctioneer's song moves full steam ahead, sweeping up active bidders, as well as curi-

Staff Writer

He may start off simp-

ous onlookers. A successful auctioneer has charisma -there is something fascinating about watching a person who can turn his tongue around words in such rapid-fire succession, and still stay in touch with his audience in the electricity which

surrounds a sale. "It intrigued me," Alfred Spence said as he tried to pin down why be became an auctioneer

21 years ago. "I used to travel around, listening to auctioneers. I would take from their different deliveries and 'philosophize' what I could use myself."

While auctioneers work under some common parameters, style is something they develop on their own,

Mr. Spence commented. He apprenticed under auctioneer Frank Patch and worked his first sale at one of the annual Georgetown Rotary Club auctions of the early 1960s.

received in 1983.

Gathered in the

spanking new Burlingt-

on police station on Elg-

in Street, commission-

ers estimated there

would be a \$70,000 sav-

ing on the proposed

budget total, meaning

Mr. Spence branched out on his own, operating the Glen Auctions until 1967. Now, he does about 25 to 30 sales a year as family commitments and running the Spence's Alregis Acres farm allows.

Auctioneering is a people-oriented trade,

view the auctioneer as an entertainer, ignoring the fact that he is a businessman first. "Currently, an aucti-

Auctioneer part of electricity

oneer must display a greater degree of compassion and expertise than has been evident in the past," Mr. Spence said. "The public is better educated and demands professionalism in the conduct of auctioneers."

When he's called for a sale it may take a few weeks to prepare, especially if estates or real

120 years of business in Georgetown

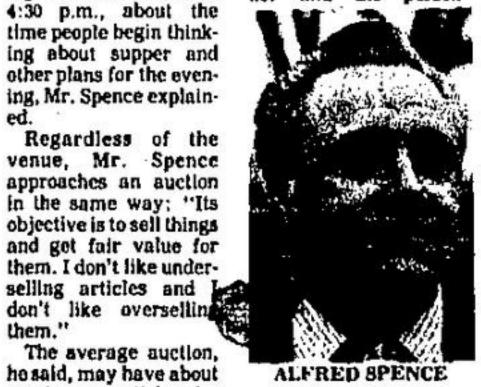
he said.

property are involved,

he said, may have about 275 to 300 articles for sale and may draw as many as 200 to 300 people. They may have seen the auction's advertisements, are involved in the sale in some way, are neighbors, friends or even

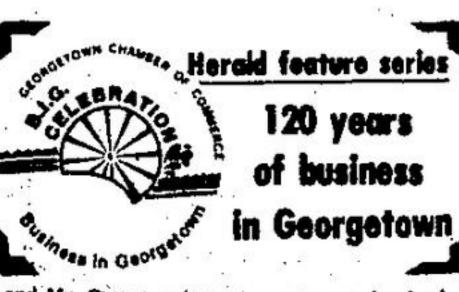
them."

curious passers-by. "It's a fascinating business - a great study of people," Mr. Spence



returns to the world of reality."

People at auctions turn on and turn off as articles come and go, Mr. Spence sald, The auctioneer, he added, takes the group through "highs and lows of participation", alternating articles of high interest with those which aren't expected to sell quickly.



and Mr. Spence enjoys watching people as much as they enjoy watching him sell article after article. But the public tends to

At some point he sits down with the executor or principle parties to discuss which articles