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**Firefighters rescue Santa's parade**

Just when it looked as if it might be too late for an organization to come through to save the Acton Santa Claus parade, the volunteer firefighters came to the rescue.

The 35 members of the Acton firefighters association voted Friday to take over the reins of the annual parade from the Acton Y Men's Club.

After eight years, the Y Men's Club just didn't have a broad base of support and organizers complained of a lack of community involvement.

Chairman of the firefighters' association, Phil McCristall, said their men have been marshalling the parade for the last two years.

He said there is still enough time to organize the parade. "I just hope we'll get the backing of the community," he said.

**All candidates meeting**

The Georgetown Jaycees will be hosting an all candidates meeting for the upcoming federal election. All candidates for the Brampton-Georgetown riding will be in attendance Monday August 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Sacre-Coeur Parish Hall on Guelph Street.

Each candidate will give a prepared speech and be available for questions from the floor.

**... in Halton too**

Want to find out where your local candidates stand on the issues without having to read the paper or flip on the telly?

There are three all-candidates meetings scheduled for this month in Halton riding.

Aug. 23, candidates will be meeting at Milton District High School at 8 p.m. in Milton.

The next night, they'll be in Acton, at Acton High School, starting at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 30, the candidates will be at Oakville's Blakelock High School, again at 7:30 p.m.

**Three donated 50**

The number 50 means something special to three Georgetown residents.

Monday wasn't Dennis Shepherd, Wilma Rankin or Allan Moore's 50th birthday, but it was the day the three donated their 50th pint of blood to the Canadian Red Cross Society.

Lynn Ferguson, Leo Cullen, Tom Dean, Stephen Harsant and Lorraine Doherty reached the 35 pint goal at the same blood donor clinic at Holy Cross Church.

Achieving 20 pints were Harold Gilmer, Monique Morin, James Duke, Paulette Thibault and Deborah Sandifer, and 10 pints were Peggy Rawlings, Kathleen Anderson, Helen Klaassen, Darrell Orton, David Voegeli and Peter Goffey.

**Gum monster machine**

A child got his arm caught in a bubblegum machine outside Zellers department store on Guelph Street in Georgetown last Saturday at approximately 4 p.m.

Firemen broke the lock on the vending machine to free the child.

**No Chicken Day**

If you're a Chicken, you have to wait for another Chicken Day. There was to have been a day reserved for youths enrolled in the Optimist's drug abuse program called The Chicken Club.

Members were going to have hayrides and horseback rides at Wildwood Manor Ranch but circumstances beyond the Optimist's control forced them to cancel.

If you like to confirm the cancellation for the August 18 event, call 877-5115.

**Journey into Yesterday**

If you're a descendent from some of the settlers who first came to Halton Hills, the Ontario Trailer Riders want you.

In their bicentennial "Journey into Yesterday" residents along the route are being asked to sign a special scroll reserved for descendants of original settlers to the area.

The place to meet is Shortill's General Store in Ballinacree Friday, August 24 from 4 - 6 p.m. An alternate date is the next day at Scotsdale Farms.

For more information call John McDonald at 877-9943 after 5 p.m.



"Big Bird was someone only children would wait for. He was in downtown Georgetown Monday filming a movie." (Herald photo)

**Town prepared for NEC land transfer**

By MAGGIE HANNAH Herald Special

Halton Hills may have control of Niagara Escarpment land within its boundaries as soon as a year from now.

Dave Whiting, a member of the Niagara Escarpment Commission and a regional councillor, said the town is in a very good position to assume control of NEC land within its borders.

The fact the town's official plan is waiting ministry approval and material for a zoning bylaw to accompany the plan is being collected gives Halton Hills the potential to be able to take over the NEC lands "maybe as soon as a year from now", Coun. Whiting said.

Coun. Whiting said provincial grants will also be available to pay some of the cost of providing planning documents needed to take control.

This money is not available to the region, only to the local municipality.

Under the terms of a plan outlined last week by resources development minister Norm Sterling, the commission will turn over its control on lands under its jurisdiction to the region as soon as the region wants it, Coun. Whiting said.

"With our luck the region will want to study it for a year or two and we'll be ready to take it over before they decide what to do with it," he said.

Town planner Ian Keith said he expects to present a report on the final plan at council's Sept. 4 meeting. He is preparing the base material for the town's new zoning bylaw now and he can just expand that to include NEC land.

Coun. Pam Sheldon, a long-time member of the Speyside Area Ratepayers' Association who has been fighting for 13 years against the opening of a large quarry in their area, said the denial of changes to the plan to permit that quarry is "a heart-warming victory" for the people.

She does have concerns however, about the recreational uses in the plan. The removal of a clause which said if a municipality's regulations were more restrictive than those in the plan, the municipal regulations were deemed to conform, does worry her.

She suggested council should ask the provincial cabinet to amend the zoning on property adjacent to the quarry site from escarpment rural to escarpment natural.

The problem stems from the fact half the town will have no major recreational uses permitted in the rural area, while the escarpment lands will permit it, she said.

Coun. Sheldon was also concerned about who can appeal a decision about a development permit. As the plan stands, the commission and council will have the right to appeal a development decision. She questioned whether the public also had that right.

Coun. Whiting said no.

**We're in the movies**

**Follow That Bird lures town kids**

By AN PEDERIAN Herald Staff

Someone, plastered in at least 60 pounds of bright yellow feathers, made over 300 children lining the streets of downtown Georgetown very happy Monday morning.

That someone was Sesame Street's Big Bird. The world famous children's television series star delighted local children in person on Main Street near James Street.

Big Bird (Carol Spinney), despite the heat of the day, pulled his laughter producing stunts with the same quirkiness and bounding personality as seen on TV.

He was in Georgetown to make the first film adaptation of the TV series which has been popular with children for the past 15 years.

The movie, "Sesame Street Presents: Follow That Bird" is expected to be at movie theatres next summer. Three more weeks of shooting are left and production is expected to be completed by Sept. 21. A distributor has not yet been determined for the film.

"Hi Big Bird!", "Big Bird, say hi to Stephen", "Look at me", were some of the calls the comical character received whenever he bounced into view.

His fans, mostly under three feet tall, sat on the curb patiently, waiting for the filming of a parade-scene down Main Street. The parade was led by the Bramford Girls Drum Corps in their pink uniforms and white feathered caps.

Only at one point did the assistant director have to holler "Just a minute", after a group of youngsters started running after the retreating back of Big Bird. The children hadn't realized Big Bird would be coming back for another take.

It was a hazy, hot day, and the parade scene didn't take place until after 12 p.m. The children had been waiting, most of them, for over

two hours, and they were starting to get cranky and hungry. After the first take, most were whisked off home, leaving Main Street bare.

The shooting continued on Tuesday and unit publicist Mary Pat Gleeson said she was pleased with the turnouts for the shootings.

Ms. Gleeson said other locations for the shooting were country roads like Peel Road 14 in Chinguacousy or farms.

"It's amazing. When we were filming in the countryside, there were these little kids who just jumped up and down and screamed when they saw Big Bird," she said. "To see them is so amazing, how excited they get."

One little boy stood on the spot for 20 minutes, "he was just in awe", Ms. Gleeson said. Although his parents were calling him, he didn't seem to hear them.

Joshua Trooney, 5, was in the parade crowd Monday, and he said he likes Big Bird because he dances funny.

Asked why she liked Big Bird, Carrine Perrin, 7, of Acton, said she liked him because she liked his color, yellow.

"He looks bright. I have a yellow bedroom," she said.

John Padman, 8, of Georgetown said he watches Sesame Street on TV.

"I like Big Bird because he's funny. He makes me laugh," John said.

Neil Overland, 7, of Georgetown, wasn't sure.

"I don't like him," he said. "No, I like him, I like him," he quickly said. "I like him half and half."

Neil said he likes it when Big Bird scrunches up his face and falls asleep on TV.

"He snores," Neil said imitating Big Bird. "My sister likes him a lot. She's over there."

All the indoor scenes were shot at Kleinburg in the Toronto International Studio, Ms. Gleeson said.



Ten-year-old Elaine Warbeck prepares to dive into the water after being thrown into the air by counsellor Mike Daquano. Daquano is a counsellor with the Y camp now in progress at Kelso Conservation Authority. The children involved take part in crafts, swimming lessons, orienteering, first aid, tent care, knots and many other activities. (Herald photo)

**Christmas in August**

The Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department's summer activities theme for their final week of programs is "Holidays".

There will be the regular special events such as films and swimming, but with added fun when the participants travel through the year, making a stop at each holiday.

It is guaranteed fun for everyone who joins. Room is still available in our Day Camp, Summer Activities, Dramatic Arts, or the Tot Lot program for the week of August 20 to 24. For more information, call 877-5185 ext. 263.

**Halton Hills Day**

If you have nothing planned for Thursday, August 16, 1984, be sure to join us at the Exhibition where many local performers and artists will be attending at the Bandshell.

The show begins at 12 noon until 4 p.m. Hope you'll join us for the "Really Big Show"!

**Campaign managers gear up for final days**

By DAVE ROWNEY Herald Staff

A politician on the hustings goes through a gruelling campaign where 16 hour days are common; where door knocking and handshakes become part of a daily routine.

For the three main party machines in Brampton-Georgetown, the candidate must be left free to meet as many people as possible in his quest to encourage voters to join his party.

**Election '84 Campaign report**

As the campaign enters the crucial remaining three weeks, how well a party is organized can play a major role in the success of a candidate.

Campaign managers are one of the keys to an election; they must rally the troops, organize them, and plan strategies to beat their opponents.

The Tories are led by lawyer Phil Upshall who has some 1200 volunteers working with him to help elect incumbent John McDermid.

His army of workers are broken into various groups such as telephones, canvassers, media liaison, office workers, election day staff and the sign helpers. With these jobs there are also a variety of general duties for volunteers such as folding pamphlets and licking envelopes, Mr. Upshall said.

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"Basically, we must put together a campaign that will function to identify P.C. voters and to get the voters out on election day," he said.

There have been monthly meetings on

running mates, but he won't shy away from drawing attention to certain aspects of their campaign, he said.

Strategy on campaign signs consists of not putting up all of the PC signs during the first week. Manpower prevents this from happening anyway, but it's also important for people to see growth in their support by adding more each week, he said.

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During Mr. McDermid's all-candidates meeting the Brampton Georgetown MP will talk about why he

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