

ABOUT THE HILLS

Sign language course

A sign language course will be offered at the Georgetown Library-Cultural Centre Jan. 8 and continuing every Tuesday evening to March 28. Successful completion of the 12 week course yields a Level I certificate. Students will receive intensive instruction in American Sign Language from a deaf teacher.

A maximum of 15 students will be accepted for the course and the "no-voice" rule during classes ensures that each student will have ample opportunities for practice during each two hour session.

Classes will be held in the library-cultural centre meeting room from 7 to 9 p.m. Registration for the course will be accepted at the Georgetown or Acton Libraries commencing Dec. 5 and must be accompanied by the instruction fee of \$32.

The Georgetown Lions Club is paying for the rental of the meeting room in order to make this course available to the community at a reasonable cost.

Senior lights tour

The Kinsmen Club of Georgetown are urging residents to put up their Christmas Lights in anticipation of the annual Senior's Lights Tour.

The date selected is Dec. 19 and some 125 people are expected to take part. Seniors are picked up at senior citizen's residences and after a two hour tour, the participants are treated to a light snack and carol singing at St. Andrew's United Church.

More information is expected next week on the tour.

Chickens go free

You can see the musical "Wizard of Oz" for free Dec. 8 if you're a member of the Chicken Club.

Sponsored by the Drug Abuse Committee, the \$3 tickets for the children's musical will be refunded at the end of the 3:30 p.m. performance, and only for that performance.

Chicken Club membership cards are available at elementary schools in town for 25 cents.

For more information, call 877-5115. Tickets are available at Young's Pharmacy on Georgetown's Main Street.

Parking costs up

Like everything else, parking meters in downtown Georgetown are going to go up.

That's the way it looks. Next week, town engineer Bob Austin will be presenting a report on overhauling the meters currently in use.

Asked their opinion, the Business Improvement Association agreed the charge be increased to 25 cents per hour.

Two meetings left

Town councillors have only two more meetings this month, thanks to the holiday season. There'll be a general committee meeting Dec. 11 and a council meeting Dec. 17. Both meetings begin at 7 p.m. in the council chambers on Trafalgar Road.

Anti drinking campaign

The Halton Hills Anti-Drinking and Driving Committee is planning a kick-off campaign for January.

Town Coun. Pam Sheldon who chairs the committee, said the committee is now ready to spend some of its \$1,000 budget for the kick-off.

Coun. Sheldon said she'd been intending to update councillors on the progress of the committee but had been ill recently.

By her side, Coun. Harry Levy piped up "Drunk again", and everybody laughed, including Coun. Sheldon.

Egg nog jog

Get out your running shoes. The Credit Valley Conservation Authority and the Georgetown Track Club want you to slip them on and join in their second annual Egg-Nog Jog Dec. 16.

"What's an Egg-Nog Jog?" Coun. Mike Armstrong asked Monday night in town council meeting.

"You just drink so much egg nog, you gotta jog," Coun. Harry Levy answered with a joke.

"Where to?" quipped Coun. Phil Carney.

On a more serious vein, Coun. Marilyn Serjeantson said the Jog is actually a 11 kilometer race.

"I've never done it. I gather anybody who completes it really needs the egg nog because it's a tough course," she said.

The run takes place on Sideroad 27 and Tenth Line, beginning at 10 a.m.

In case of snow, the town is prepared to have the route plowed.

The run begins at the Terra Cotta Conservation Area. For more information, contact Sue Powell at 451-1615.

'Bureaucratic waste?'

It looked like a big agenda Monday night when you looked at the fat white bundle of papers at the town council meeting.

However, the middle of it, 78 pages worth, turned out to be a thorough background on all the region has done towards its business development function.

"I'm disappointed we had to duplicate 14 times these 78 pages," Coun. Harry Levy chastised town staff. "This is a bureaucratic waste, to be received and filed. I'm sure the first part of it (only) could have been put in our council bundle."

Coun. Mike Armstrong said he had three copies of the papers already, received from the region.

"Frankly all they (councillors) need is the terms of reference, not all this background," he said.

Trailer leaks gas

Firefighters were called to Neilsons on Guelph Street in Georgetown last Wednesday when a trailer had leaked about 20 gallons of gasoline onto the parking lot.

The diesel fuel was washed down by firefighters and no problems arose in the 2:39 a.m. incident.



HISTORY IN PERSON

Students at George Kennedy Public School were treated to a special guest when a North American Indian Bill Galashk came to the school to talk about Indian lore. He is an Indian artist who brought with him samples of his work. The visit was particularly well timed, because the students were learning about North American Indian history in their classes. Seen here with Mr. Galashk are Amy Adams and Ryan Vincent.

Yule spirit celebrated in Acton

By SUZANNE BROWN

Herald Special
Last Tuesday night the Christmas spirit was very much in evidence at the 15th annual Christmas dinner for senior citizens.

Over 200 senior citizens attended the free turkey dinner at the Royal Canadian Legion in Acton.

The dinner was sponsored by the Legion and the Rotary Club and members provided transportation as well.

Rick Devlin, president of the Rotary Club, and Len Shone, president of the Legion, agreed that "it was one of their best events." "Everyone enjoyed themselves," Mr. Devlin said.

With them at the head table were Mr. and Mrs. Wilf McEachern. (Mr. McEachern is president of the Golden Age Club).

Marie Gordon and Helen Pickett, both long-time residents of Acton, were also among those in attendance. They both enjoyed the meal very much and Mrs. Pickett added that it was nice to see so many of the senior citizens there.

A barbershop quartet from Guelph provided the evening's entertainment and the evening was topped off with each guest receiving a box of cookies from Santa Claus.



Dave Capperauld (past president of the Acton Royal Canadian Legion) is seen here with his mother at the Acton senior citizens dinner. (Photo by Suzanne Brown)

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Students try fund raising flea market

By NITA MİLLESSE
Herald Correspondent

Georgetown District High School's first annual flea market and bazaar will be held on Dec. 8 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., in the high school cafeteria.

Proceeds of this bazaar will go towards the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and towards extra-curricular activities in the school.

Donations of flea market type items are still needed for this function. Anyone wishing to donate saleable items for this fund raiser should contact the school at 877-6966.

Donated items will either be picked up or should be delivered to the school between Dec. 3 to 7.

The flea market and bazaar offers the sale of interesting, and useful items at rock bottom prices. To avoid door to door canvassers, orders for Christmas gift items can be placed at this bazaar. A snack bar will be open for those wishing to have lunch.

A raffle will also be held at this function for such prizes as a JVC portable stereo system, JVC cassette recorder, a Koss cassette walkman, headphones and Maxell recording cassettes.

The tickets will be sold for 509 cents a piece or 3 tickets for a dollar. Tickets will be drawn during the bazaar.

The high school's fund raising committee wishes to invite all to come down and help support the high school at this flea market and bazaar.



BULBS FOR CHRISTMAS

Six-year-old Marika Mihok takes off one of the Christmas tree decorations she likes while at the House Sol Sunday. Many art items were for sale, and many were of the Christmas flavor. (Herald photo)

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Separate schools

Mediator is hired

Herald Special
The Education Relations Commission has appointed Harry Waisglass of Hamilton to act as mediator in the negotiations between the teachers and the trustees of the Halton Roman Catholic Separate School Board.

Mr. Waisglass brings an extensive theoretical and practical background in labour relations to this appointment. He has served as Canadian Director of Research for both the United Steelworkers of America and Amalgamated Clothing Workers. Also, he has taught Industrial Relations at both the University of Toronto and McMaster University.

Mr. Waisglass has been a mediator, conciliator and arbitrator in many labour disputes in the public and private sector.

Previous mediation experience in the education sector includes: Halton (Secondary), Sudbury (Secondary), and Northumberland and Newcastle (Secondary).

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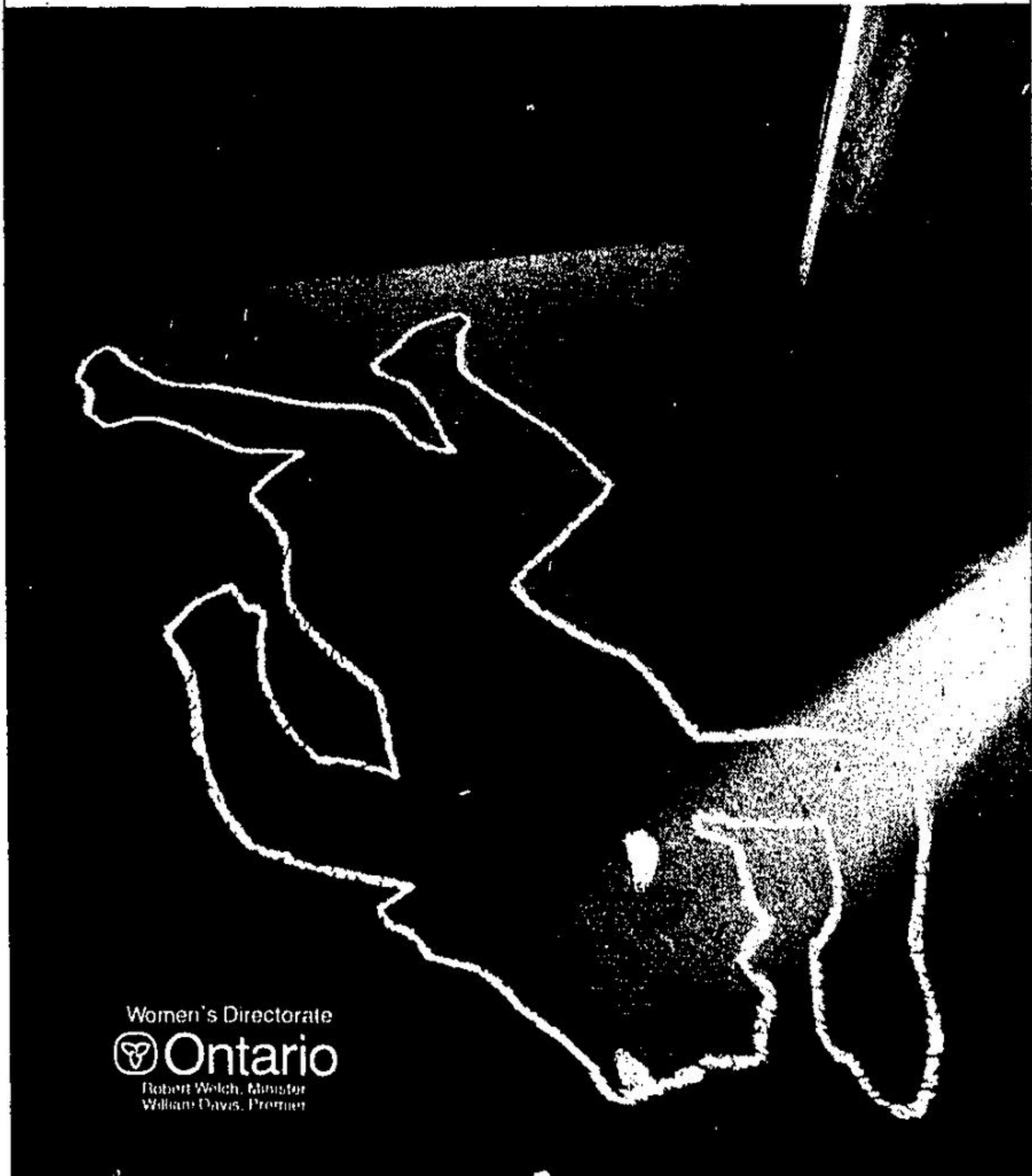
KEEPING HER IN LINE

It's something you may have overheard but will seldom hear discussed. Yet it's a brutal reality. For every year, one woman in ten is abused by her husband. Put down verbally. And beaten up physically—to the point of unconsciousness, hospitalization or death. In fact, wife assault is involved in

one fifth of all Canada's homicides. Clearly, physical abuse of any kind is against the law. Violence against wives is especially repugnant. The children in these homes may grow up conditioned to accept abuse, or renew the cycle by abusing others.

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