



This is a view of the new toboggan run groomed by the town. The new slope has lighting for night use.

(Herald photo)

New toboggan slope replaces Cedarvale hill

Can't find a toboggan run? The Town of Halton Hills has one that has lighting for night use. Having fenced in the hill at the entrance to Cedarvale Park, the town works department have graded an alternative hill for tobogganers just down the street on the Eighth Line. Unused baseball diamond lights were installed and everything's set for night

tobogganing. Though not as steep as the Cedarvale hill, it's longer and there's no problem with dodging cars. Frank Morette, director of public works for the town, said complaints from parents influenced their decision to fence the Cedarvale Hill. There were several near-misses from cars avoiding toboggans, he said. The hill "will be quite

a good run when the time comes," he said. The new toboggan hill is marked with a wooden sign and there is some parking just off the street. The public works department plans to put some good snow untouched by salt trucks on the hill when it is needed, he said. It's a matter of getting the kids to use it, he said. The town has long range plans to expand

their parking on the south-east end of Cedarvale Park with an entrance south of the current park entrance on Eighth Line. A steel pre-fab bridge costing about \$10,500 will be installed on a cement foundation for people to walk across the river to the playing fields. The second parking lot would alleviate the congestion from the original lot, Mr. Morette said.

Winter workers chip away at Cedarvale fitness trail

Herald Staff If you happen to spot some strange men working behind the Cedarvale Park cottage, don't be afraid.

Four young men are swinging pick axes and using shovels in an effort to complete a fitness trail before the spring. The Town of Halton

Hills are supervising the operation of a 1/2 kilometer fitness trail that can be extended to a one kilometer pathway.

such as the wood chips and stone pebbles. The province is paying for the majority of the labor. The five foot wide path should be a nice passive, scenic surrounding for joggers or those who enjoy walking, says the director of public works Frank Morette.

Town gets raise for car mileage

Mileage rates were raised slightly for town staff and councillors who use their cars on town business. The existing rates were increased by 2.5 per cent from 22 cents a kilometer to 22.6 cents a kilometer for the first 8,000 kilometers, and to 20.5 cents from 20 cents a kilometer thereafter. The monthly flat rate of \$124 for department heads was increased to \$127.

In his report, town treasurer Ray King said a review of the Canadian Automobile Association's overall car operating costs for 1983 and 1984 indicated little change in 1985, partly because of lowering interest rates and stable insurance rates.

However, Mr. King said he expects higher fuel costs and car insurance premiums in 1985.

Basic baking

By WINIFRED SMITH Herald Correspondent **BALLINAFAD** - The new course for the 4-H homemaking club starts early in February. It is to be "basic baking". Pies, tea biscuits, cakes, etc. will be made during the course. Boys as well as girls are welcome to join, ages between 12 and 21. For more information get in touch with Hellen Schwarz, 877-7000.

Focus for Baha'is

World religion day

Herald Special "If there's only one God, why are there so many different religions?" - a question that puzzles many people. Yet there is an answer, and the purpose of World Religion Day, Jan. 20, is to point out the answer, according to the Baha'i community of Halton Hills which observes the event each year. This year's celebrations will be on Jan. 20 at 2 p.m. in the Georgetown Cultural Centre. Representatives from various faiths will be presenting short talks on their beliefs. The answer which World Religion Day

attempts to identify rests upon the acknowledgement of the truth of all religions. Hinduism, Judaism, Buddhism, Christianity, Islam and the Baha'i Faith are all instruments, Baha'is explain, by which God has directed the spiritual growth and development of man, throughout history. Through them He has revealed His purpose for our lives, according to our capacity to understand it at that particular time. Since that capacity has steadily increased as man has evolved, all religions are not only interrelated and divinely

inspired, but also progressive. While each re-affirmed the basic spiritual truths of the one which came before, such successive religion re-defined the expression of these truths in terms of social relationships in ever more complex ways. World Religion Day emphatically affirms that in this new stage in our development, it is the influence of religion that is once again at work.

In Halton Hills

Transportation costs force extra charge

By ANI PEDEGAN Herald Staff The cost of compacting and driving the town's garbage to the region's dump site in Burlington is going to cost taxpayers an extra \$9,700 in 1985.

Leferink Disposals Limited, which provides this service on Georgetown's Armstrong Avenue, has upped its rates with the new year from \$17.63 per tonne of garbage to \$19 per tonne until July 1, then \$19.50 per tonne to the end of the year. Monday night, Clerk-administrator Ken Richardson said the increase appears due to inflation as well as improvements to the transfer station required by the Ministry of the Environment.

The town has had an agreement with Leferink since 1982, when the cost for the same service was \$16 with a drop to \$15 in 1983. The town was

obligated to guarantee payment for 782 tons per month of waste. Mr. Richardson said the increased rates reflect the fact the municipality isn't getting any grant money from the region.

Regional councillors have repeatedly tried to get a regional grant of \$123,500 to help keep costs down at the Georgetown transfer station.

The town and private haulers have been paying this transfer fee on top of a tipping fee required by the region, of \$18 per tonne of garbage going into the Burlington landfill site.

The tipping fee is the cost charged by the region to accept the garbage. Other municipalities in the region, closer to the dump, don't have this transfer station fee as they deposit their garbage directly into the dumpsite.

Coun. Mike Armstrong said the transfer fee had increased 30 per cent over three years "which is a hell of a lot of money."

"I'm going to come back with a proposition to you in a while, because there's got to be another way of easing the cost of garbage in the north," Coun. Armstrong said.

Mr. Richardson said the rate increase is required to make the transfer station a viable operation, "if we don't, it could be the public at large won't have a transfer station."

Coun. Harry Levy wasn't happy with that comment.

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