

# Consultation by press says board chairman

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The Halton Board of Education finally have some answers to their questions on extended funding, but chairman Betty Fisher isn't happy

at all how they found out about it. Referring to an article in the Globe and Mail Sept. 6, Mrs. Fisher said her board "can't get any recognition".

"It's consultation by the press," she said. "I can't understand the dialogue that's going on." Mrs. Fisher said consultation between the Ministry of Education

was bad before the Liberals took over, but now it's worse. Education Minister Sean Conway announced to the media in London, Ont. that separate school trustees will serve on

public boards until Dec. 31, 1986. Until this week, it was thought two elections in two months might have to be held to fill the vacancies when separate school trustees leave the board at the end of December.

Since Aug. 15 when the Halton board wrote the minister of education, the board of education has been requesting a reply about the question of trustee representation, Mrs. Fisher said.

Director of Education Wally Beevor also made phone calls to Queen's Park from Sept. 3-5, but never got any of his calls returned, Mrs. Fisher said.

Halton now faces the problem of having vacancies on their board after a year when the separate school trustees leave.

The board does have the ability to appoint replacements, but people may feel because the government implemented separate school funding, an election for the vacancies is required, Mrs. Fisher said.

An election will be costly for taxpayers, Chairman Fisher said. Meanwhile, former Halton Board of Education trustee Cam Jackson spoke out about the costs of funding the new legislation, estimated at \$350 million in the first three years.

Mr. Conway announced Ontario's Roman Catholics will continue to pay property taxes to public boards at least until 1987.

"It's good news for public school boards. The majority of Catholic high school students will be in separate schools, but the public school boards will continue to have the property tax base," he said.



WAR GAMES

Hazel Gorin faces a tough decision. Will she go out with the officer on the right played by Art Cooper, or with the enlisted man on the left played by Alan Goullb. The three are members of We'll Meet Again, a play put on by the Royal Canadian Legion's 129 Branch in honor of the Legion's 60th anniversary. The play, set in an English pub, will be presented October 3, 4 and 5 at John Elliott Theatre.

## Fair attendance down

# Car derby a hit with spectators

By SANDY CAMPBELL  
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Saturday's heat and Sunday's rain hurt the attendance at Georgetown's 139th Fall Fair last weekend. Attendance was estimated to be down 2,000 from the 10,000 who attended last year, said secretary treasurer of the Fall Fair board, Joyce Gosling.

Despite the overall drop, many events showed an increase in the number of participants and spectators. The demolition derby on Saturday night proved to be the highlight of the weekend.

About 5,000 people watched 20 cars crash into each other for a prize of \$500. The new event will probably be back next year, said president of the Fall Fair board, Mona Milne.

Old MacDonald's Farm featuring the Fair mascot Wilbur the purple pig, and other exotic animals, was well attended by children who were admitted into the fair for free, Mrs. Milne said.

Sheep, cattle and goat

shows were full of entrants from across the region as were many events at the fair. The western horse show and the light horse show were also successful, based on participation figures.

A disappointing event was Sunday's heavy horse show which was cancelled because of poor participation.

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## ABOUT THE HEROES

# Tactical team disarms youth

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The Halton Tactical and Rescue Unit was called to Georgetown Thursday and 19-year-old David Michael Cillis of Georgetown was charged with having a weapon dangerous to public peace and the dangerous use of a firearm.

The incidents leading up to the arrest started with a domestic dispute at Mr. Cillis' Delrex Boulevard home. Police said a man left the home carrying a 303 Lea Enfield rifle which he fired into the air outside the house.

The man ran through Cedarvale Park where he pointed the weapon at someone, police said. Dressed in army fatigues he ran through the woods and finally stopped at a home on the 15th Sideroad.

It was there that the man remained until surrendering to the Tactical and Rescue Unit, who surrounded the home. The owner of the house helped convince him to surrender, police said. He surrendered to police by phone.

When apprehended he had a rifle with telescopic sights, a bayonet and an army-type helmet, police said.

## Need to communicate

The survey results tallied by the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce this summer show a need for more communication.

"The results, all the way through clearly support the conclusions," Survey chairman Lynn Barnard told The Herald. "That's something that came through loud and clear, that, while we're trying, we need to try harder."

The survey showed more effective communication with the business community and the community at large is needed.

The survey has only just been presented to the Chamber board of directors and recommendations are still to be concocted.

"I'm so proud of it (survey)," Ms. Barnard said enthusiastically. "It's a very impressive bunch of data to work with."

The last Chamber survey was in 1981, conducted by volunteers on the Chamber board of directors.

Since then, the Chamber membership has more than doubled to over 250.

# Christian school frustration over extended funding

By SANDY CAMPBELL  
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Frustration is growing for supporters of Georgetown District Christian School now that Catholic schools will be receiving extended funding.

For years they've sent delegations to Queen's Park trying to change the province's education policy in order to receive partial funding.

Ontario is the only province in Canada not offering partial funding to separate schools, except in the case of Catholic schools.

GDCS has a flat family rate of \$3,600 a year. Whether you have one child or five in the school that is your payment. "There is a relief fund and no one is turned away," Pastor Slofstra of the Christian Reform Church said. His children go to the school.

Located on Trafalgar Road north of Maple Avenue, the school is inter-denominational and has 175 students. GDCS supporters do not want full funding, just partial funding. In particular they would like the property taxes they pay which fund public schools directed to their school, Pastor Slofstra said.

GDCS principal George Petrusma supports funding to Catholic schools, but he objects to the way it has been phased in. "Why was it only Grades 1 through 10?" he asked.

Mr. Petrusma believes lack of partial funding to separate schools other than Catholic ones is in conflict with the charter of the United Nations and possibly the Charter of Rights.

"Parents have the right to choose the education of their children," he said. The high cost of unfunded separate schools limits that choice for many, he said.

Bill Walraven is the president of the Christian School Society in town. "Our school (GDCS) would be overflowing if some sort of funding was

available," he said. Public schools fear the decline in enrollment separate school funding would bring, he said.

"We have a multi-cultural society, and you can't expect everyone to blend in," he said.

GDCS is not interested in full funding and the restrictions it brings, Pastor Slofstra said. Catholic schools receiving full funding have to change their hiring practices and take on non-Christian teachers.

GDCS would not go that far. "The purpose of the school would be missed. Christ is lord of everything. You teach everything from a biblical and Christian perspective," Pastor Slofstra said.

"We don't want the government to run the school," he added. The standards of GDCS are higher than those of public schools, he said.

Supporters of GDCS have not designed a plan of action to challenge government policy for the extension of funding to Grade 11 in Catholic schools. Full funding, Grades 1 through 13, will be complete by 1983 if the government plans proceed on schedule.

"People are working on the funding problem all the time by keeping in touch with MPPs," Bill Walraven said. "We presented thousands of signatures, 10 to 15 years ago asking for equality. The answer was always no," principal Petrusma said.

Battles fought at Queen's Park on behalf of GDCS are fought by organizations representing Christian and other separate schools. GDCS has representatives on these organizations.

There is the Ontario Alliance of Alternative and Independent Schools (OAAIS), the Ontario Alliance of Christian Schools (OACS) and Christian Schools International (CSI).

These groups made up of smaller groups like the supporters of GDCS have not announced any immediate action, said principal Petrusma.

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