

## Second day of picketing for Children's Aid workers

Another day of work stoppage and pickets is planned for today (Wednesday) by the Halton Children's Aid Society.

"It's our intention to picket both the Speers Road (Burlington) office and the Hamilton Convention Centre where the Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies is holding a convention," CUPE Local 2501 president Ian Thompson, a Halton social worker, said as The Herald went to press.

### Gift from Cancer Society

The Canadian Cancer Society has the perfect gift for the person who has everything.

New this year, the Society has developed a greeting card and certificate which can be given to a friend or relative.

The message says that a financial donation has been made to the Cancer Society in the person's name. The recipient receives a charitable tax receipt, making it the perfect gift, says Georgetown campaign worker Ted Gorth.

For more information call the Georgetown office at 877-1124.

### Learn English

The Oakville Multicultural Council offers English as a Second Language classes free. Volunteer tutors teach on a one-to-one basis and hours are at the convenience of students. For more information, call Kathryn Tromm at 842-2486 or 845-3355.

The employees want to be paid for overtime work past 40 hours at the rate of time and a half. They want a \$1,000 increase for clerical staff who average salaries of \$18,000 annually, and \$1,800 more for social workers who earn \$26,000 on average annually.

They've been offered \$700 and \$1,075 respectively, Mr. Thompson said.

The union went back to work Monday and Tuesday.

### Doctors

## Only handling emergencies

Georgetown doctors met Tuesday morning to discuss how patients will be cared for the day of their planned one day strike May 7.

They are striking to support the Ontario Medical Association's protest of Bill 94 which bans extra billing.

All medical offices will be closed May 7 in town. The emergency department at Georgetown and District Hospital will remain open. Less urgent cases will be referred to a doctor May 8, said Dr. James Ying, spokesman for the Georgetown doctors.

All elective surgery scheduled for May 7 is cancelled. Only emergency surgery will be performed.

The hospital usually has two doc-

tors and one surgeon making up the emergency team at the hospital. On May 7 there will be extra staff to back them up.

There are 22 doctors in Georgetown and over 90 per cent of them support the strike, Dr. Ying said. Every doctor at yesterday's meeting voted in favor of the one day

strike, he said. Some doctors could not attend the meeting.

No doctors in Georgetown extra bill. Doctors are going to the protest rally at Queen's Park to show they do not support Bill 94 which will limit their freedom and harm the health care system, Dr. Ying said.

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### Approved application

Council approved the application to convert the old Barber paper mill into a multi-purpose commercial complex. The approval is subject to setting up site plan control on the property, and to satisfactory arrangements with the town and Credit Valley Conservation Authority

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### Hats off

A father and daughter teamed up to win the prestigious Duke of Edinburgh's awards Saturday at a special ceremony at Queen's Park. Laura and Carl Groskorth of Georgetown's Fagan Drive were among the 69 recipients of these awards. Lieutenant-Governor Lincoln Alexander presented 17-year old Laura with the Silver Award, and her dad with a Leadership Award. Both are heavily involved with the 736 Air Cadet Squadron in Georgetown. (Herald photo by Doug Armour)

### Cheap land

## Appeals to industry

Water and sewer rates have far less significance to industries seeking a new location than regional councillors thought.

In a report to finance and administration committee regional business development officer Brent Kearse said cheaper land prices in Halton offset the slightly higher utility costs when comparing Halton with neighboring regions.

Firms make location choices on different basis depending on what type of firm is seeking a home. A high technology firm will want a skilled work force close to universities, research institutions and similar firms. A steel mill is more interested in being close to a source of raw materials, good

transportation and plenty of land to buffer itself from its neighbors.

Kearse said in general terms a firm begins its location search at the national or provincial level depending on how big a market the firm will serve. At this stage the key factors are proximity to market, availability of labour, proximity and availability of raw materials or components, availability of energy, quality of life considerations and a combination of political climate, taxation and incentives.

After a region is selected the factors of importance become availability of skilled labour, local tax structures, community attitudes towards business, land costs, availability of transportation

networks, land for expansion, proximity of raw material - parts suppliers, costs and availability of water and sewage treatment.

As the search narrows to a choice between several specific sites the decision is based on site availability and suitability, land price, transportation accessibility, favourable zoning, quality of life and work force.

Burlington Mayor Roby Bird expressed surprise at the lack of importance industries placed on water and sewer rates.

Mr. Kearse said unless the firm is going to use a lot of water, such as a food processing industry, there is little concern about costs for such a service.

—Courtesy Guelph Mercury

## Youth housing project still on paper

By DAVID EMSLIE

Herald Special  
The Housing Needs Group of North Halton met Thursday and many of the issues it would like to resolve have yet to be agreed upon.

One point the group did agree upon is they need good community support.

"We have to have greater community awareness," Sandy Symmes of the Halton Social Planning Council said. "We have to get the support

of the community. Edward Tooke of the North Halton YMCA agreed. "This is a crucial step," he said. "We tried this in Toronto with no community support, and we ran into trouble."

The group is trying to set up housing in Halton for youths, but they are not sure exactly which youths the housing will be for.

"Discussion at the meeting centred on housing for young males, as there is more of a need for this type of

housing, but Kris Bulmer raised the question of why females weren't considered.

Mr. Tooke said it would be easier to start off with just males, and in the future look at co-ed housing.

Although the issue was not resolved, the group agreed to explore it.

Another unresolved issue was whether the housing should be emergency, long term or short term. The group had mixed ideas on this, but generally agreed there is a lack of short term housing. "There is a need for this," Mr. Tooke said.

Town planner Bob Crews explained the process of getting a bylaw changed.

One prospective area for housing is being offered by the Acton YMCA, but their building is in a commercial area.

"The way it is set up now, the Y could have a single dwelling, but it would be for more than one dweller," Mr. Crews said.

Therefore, there would have to be a change to the zoning bylaw in downtown Acton to accommodate the housing project.

Mr. Crews explained changing the zoning would require a public meeting, so public support would be necessary for the project.

"It's a good idea to do your homework," he told the group. "Make sure you know what the public thinks. History has taught us there can be adverse reaction from the public on the subject of group homes."

If rushed, it will take from five to six months to get the zoning changed, Mr. Crews said. "That way you will have a few months to do your public relations work," he said.

### Military vehicles in Acton

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Athens... they were still using it." A 194 GM Oshawa-built armoured truck, he and his wife tracked down in a scrapyard south of Copenhagen.

But topping all finds, Mr. Gregg says, he "got a deal" on a 1943 Montreal-built "Grizzlies" he ferreted out of Portugal with the help of a contact in Wales. After talking the Canadian government into footing the bill for shipping, Mr. Gregg gave National Defense one and kept one for himself.

He won't say how much he's spent in building up the collection, but is quick to point out he's managed to lay claim to 20 of the 23 vehicles types built here during the war.

It's an industrial collection as much as a part of military history, he says.

"What most people don't realize is that we designed and produced 300,000 military vehicles during WWII and that's 35 per cent of the total U.S. output."

Mr. Gregg says that while Canada started out "making a British-U.S. hybrid - pointing out right-hand drive as an example - through military production the U.S. came to be a natural trading partner."

While National Defense spokesmen were at a loss to explain why it was left up to a private collector to come forward with a vital link to military history, Mr. Gregg says that private collectors, not historians, are "the true custodians of the past."

"A private collector is automatically an enthusiast...to the other guys, it's just a job."

### Budget approved

A budget of \$2,200 is expected to be approved today (Wednesday) for the regional task force looking into the hunting ban in Halton's Agreement Forest.

The task force was set up early in the year following objections to the council ban on discharging firearms and hunting in the Agreement Forest.

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