

IN THE HILLS

No free rooms

The need for some concrete guidelines as to who gets town facilities at no charge popped up again Monday night.

The Multiple Sclerosis Society request for a room at the Halton Hills Library and Cultural Centre at no charge was turned down by council.

"To my knowledge, there are no rooms for no cost. There's always been a charge," Town Treasurer Ray Kings said.

\$7,500 goal

Approximately \$3,000 has been raised by the Speyside Area Ratepayers Association for their court case against the Halton Board of Education.

Association secretary-treasurer Ron Buckton said the group hopes to raise \$7,500 to pay for their battle with the Board. The group objects to the closure of Speyside Public School and the Board's method of making that decision.

"If you want to send a contribution you can send it care of me," Mr. Buckton said.

Send cheques to RR3 Highway 26, Milton, L9T 2X7, payable to the Speyside Area Ratepayers Association Incorporated.

Trailer dumps

The driver of a tractor trailer hauling gravel Monday morning escaped serious injury when his vehicle rolled on to its side at Fourth Line and Sideroad 17.

Taken to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital by ambulance, a man, 43, of Scarborough, was treated for minor injuries and released.

Halton Regional Police estimated damages to the truck at \$8,000. The cab was demolished and the right side scraped.

The truck driver was charged with careless driving by police.

Oil slick

Oil on Mountainview Road South caused two motorcycle accidents Thursday. A man, 21, of Draper St. in Norval and a Flamingo Court driver, 22, of Georgetown received minimal injuries in two separate accidents. Both drivers were south bound on Mountainview Road south.



There's a new exhibit of 14 artists at the Halton Hills Library-Cultural Centre gallery. You'll be impressed at the variety of styles represented, including oils, watercolors, sculptures and much more. Three of the artists in the exhibit are (left to right) Joanne Pasquarelli, Terry Parry and Erika Barrett.

Signs of summer

The signs of summer are everywhere, and especially present at the Halton Hills Library and Cultural Centre.

"Signs of Summer" is the name of an exhibition that will be up in the Centre gallery till Saturday. It features a dozen artists from Oakville, Mississauga and Toronto.

Although none of the artists are from Halton Hills, one oil painting

by William Morrison features Georgetown's Main Street in the 1800s.

The collective show was organized by Marlene Creighton and Janet Halfour of Trafalgar Publications in Burlington. The two decided to put on the show when overwhelmed by artists available to do sketches for a Halton dining guide they were working on.

Praise for woman director

The old axiom of a woman having to be 10 times better than a man to succeed was uttered while praising the region's director of social services.

Burlington Coun. Walter Grieve said Debbie Oakley's presence and participation made a difference for Halton.

"We remember what it was like before Debbie and acknowledge your time here has given a positive force," Coun. Grieve said at the conclusion of last week's council meeting. "You certainly have succeeded and we wish you every success in the future."

Ms. Oakley has accepted a posi-

tion with the Ministry of Community and Social Services, to begin June 27.

She said her position with the region has kept her on her toes and has been a significant job in her career.

"Thank you for your support not only for the programs, but also for me," the attractive blonde said. "I think in the area of child care we've come a long way."

However, she acknowledge that although Halton now has enough money to buy day care, there aren't enough day care providers in the region to meet the need. Ms. Oakley called that an ironic twist of fate.

Beardmore not big water user

By ANI PEDERIAN
Herald Staff

The closure of Acton's Beardmore tannery doesn't mean there'll be lots of extra water now in town.

"They don't use too much of our water, about 800,000 gallons of water per year," Halton's Operations Manager Don Morrier said. "The

Be frugal with water

majority of their process used water from Fairy Lake." Fairy Lake belongs to Beardmore and Beardmore didn't have to pay the Region to use this lake water.

However, Beardmore's announcement that it's packing up shop does present other interesting twists in Acton's search for additional water. Halton Region had been negotiating with the firm and the Ministry of the Environment for permission to draw water from a well adjacent to the Lake, Prospect Park well. A study was to be undertaken by the three.

"If Beardmore's not going to be there, there's no point in them being involved in something that could cost them time and money," Mr. Morrier speculated. "We haven't heard from them directly yet about the study."

For Halton Region, Beardmore's shut down and interest in selling its facilities needs to be looked at closely.

"It has opened up a whole new ballgame, so to speak. We have to review very carefully how it affects us and where we go from here," Mr. Morrier said.

He said he's not aware if the Region is negotiating for the lake property.

"Without trying to be accused of being overly pessimistic or crying wolf, I told them our maximum demand times have been close to our maximum well pumping capacity," Operations Manager Don Morrier said. "We're just saying it's possible we might have a problem. Whether it's probable is something else."

Although Acton has had summer water restrictions for the past four years, they've never been enforced.

"We felt we should make people aware of it beforehand rather than not say anything. We want to be upfront," Mr. Morrier said.

How does the Region measure when the water supply is at a safe and plentiful level? It's what the town's water capacity is with the largest pump out of service.

"You should have the capacity to do without it," Mr. Morrier explained. There could be major fires, a major pump breakdown or a dry summer, and the Region wants to be prepared.

Waterloo grad

Douglas Inc. of Kanata, Ontario.

Fisher, son of Roger and Ruth Fisher of Georgetown, graduated from the University of Waterloo with a Honours Bachelor of Applied Science Degree in Electrical Engineering.

He has accepted a position as an Integrated Circuit Design Specialist with Calmos Systems



BSc degree

Anna-Marie Stone, daughter of Angus and Mary Stone, graduated on the Dean's Honour List from McMaster University with an Honours Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology.

In September she will be continuing her studies at McMaster University in the



Masters of Business Administration program.

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