



Teaming up

LUNCHEON KICK-OFF. The United Way of Halton Hills held their kick-off luncheon in Georgetown last Wednesday at the North Halton Golf and Country Club. Here, Jack Boulet thanks Oakville United Way chairman Ann Mulvale for her talk at the luncheon. Mr. Boulet is in charge of the Halton Hills business campaign. (Herald photo)

Oakville UW braves 'Monsoon' conditions

When it comes to starting a United Way campaign, Halton Hills has a good sense of timing.

Oakville United Way chairman Ann Mulvale related how their residential campaign began "monsoon night" Sept. 29.

Despite the weather, Oakville volunteers "braved" the weather and embraced the challenge," she said.

Mrs. Mulvale, a former councillor at Halton Region, was the guest speaker at the Halton Hills kick-off luncheon last Wednesday.

She told a packed house at the North Halton Golf and Country Club that she entered politics because of the lack of social services in her area.

As a mother of two children she felt something had to be done. Mrs. Mulvale said.

Over a period of time you begin to realize that "someone" needing help could be you, she said.

The United Way is a business, she said. In Oakville, the United Way has a pamphlet given to firms to tell them about services available to employees.

In Oakville, the Royal Bank donates the time of bank manager who work full-time on the United Way. Their payback is getting to meet different people in the community, she said.

One example of a United Way agency helping others is Halton Helping Hands, she said. For an average cost of \$5 per visit, the agency gives the disabled or elderly a chance to live in their home. That's compared to the costs of being institutionalized, which can total as much as \$250 a day, she said.

Mrs. Mulvale predicted that residential campaigns will dissipate within a decade because we are moving to a cashless society. Payroll deductions are the way of the future and people won't miss having a small amount taken off their paycheque each week, she said.

"The price of a cup of coffee a day adds up to a meaningful contribution," she said.

The United Way is only as strong as the people in the community, she said.

In the hills

A face man

Jack Boulet is a face man. He thinks he's got the looks you'll remember.

"Take a good look at my face. This is the face that's going to visit you looking for a donation," he said Oct. 1 at a kick-off Halton Hills United Way luncheon.

Mr. Boulet is in charge of the United Way business campaign. The organization gives corporate donors certificates, he said.

A \$200 donation by a firm is less than \$4 per week taken out of the petty cash box, he said.

Mr. Boulet personally pledged to give up eight lunches worth \$25 and presented a cheque for \$200 to the United Way campaign committee.

The accounting firm of Touche Ross and Co. have a challenge that all businesses should strive to meet, he said. There was a 100 per cent participation rate for United Way contributions at Touche Ross, he said.

GDHS is tops

When it comes to making a contribution to the United Way, Georgetown District High School is tops.

Campaign president Jim Kinneer introduced the Halton Hills United Way chairman, Tom Hewer Oct. 1 at the kick-off luncheon. Mr. Hewer is the business manager at the high school.

In addition, Mr. Kinneer told the audience about two high school students who are "on loan" to the campaign to work on special duties.

Also, high school student council representatives came forth and made a donation to the campaign at the luncheon. Undoubtedly Principal Barb Singleton, who was sitting in the audience, was smiling.

Chairman's ball

Having a United Way in town will make the community a better place to live in, said Regional Chairman Peter Pomeroy.

He was speaking at the kick-off luncheon Oct. 1 at the North Halton Golf and Country Club. The strength of the organization will be its volunteers, he said.

The campaign will conclude Nov. 1 with the first ever Regional Chairman's Ball, he said.

Tickets will be sold at the United Way office or people may contact Peter Pomeroy. Invitations will also be sent out by mail.

Help to make the night a success by volunteering to sell tickets, he said. There are 75 tickets available and it will cost \$100 per couple. The formal affair will include entertainment by a live band.

Step forward

Having a Halton Hills United Way is a great step forward for the town, said Mayor Russ Miller. The formation of a local United Way could eventually lead to a regional United Way, he said. He encouraged the people in town to "get behind it" so the United Way can reach their goal of \$87,500.

The Mayor made his remarks at the kick-off luncheon Oct. 1 at the North Halton Golf and Country Club.

St. John's Brigade plan for student cadet corps

During the first year of operation under its own Divisional Charter, the Halton Hills branch of St. John Ambulance Brigade has volunteered in excess of 1500 man-hours to the community.

At hockey, baseball, and soccer tournaments and games, the St. John Ambulance Brigade volunteers have watched over the citizens of Halton Hills and provided them with emergency medical assistance and reassurance. From blisters to broken bones, the volunteers have taken care of the numerous accidental injuries that we all are prone to during times of physical stress.

The Brigade volunteered its services during the Mayor's Race, Canada Day celebrations, Georgetown and Acton Fall Fairs, Horse Shows, Go-Cart races, and other events during the past year with the costs for the use of supplies and equipment being donated by members of the community.

The ambulance used by the Halton Hills Brigade is a 1974 model that was purchased from another Branch when a donation of a new ambulance made it surplus to their needs. The costs of outfitting the ambulance has been extensive and repairs, insurance, gas and maintenance are necessities. Stretches, bandages, splints, oxygen supplies, and tape are only some of the essentials to provide in case of emergencies.

Because of its limited funds, the Brigade started its service with the purchase of used equipment and the use of borrowed supplies and uniforms. Donations from the public have allowed the purchase of uniforms for some of the members but more money is still needed to equip the volunteers with a uniform that is recognizable to the public in times of distress. Supplies that are used during a 'duty' need to be replaced since the public receives the benefit of the first aid services free of charge.

The Brigade is very interested in starting a cadet corps for young people who want to learn more about first aid and CPR, and want to offer their first aid services to others. If there is enough community interest in teaching our young people how to cope in a medical emergency, and how to help others, a cadet corps in Halton Hills could become a reality within the next year.

First Aid and CPR courses are being arranged in the community for groups and individuals who are concerned about their own lack of training.

ing in basic first aid and their ability to cope with an emergency situation. Mr. Sil Sanna is the training coordinator and can be contacted at 877-2347, or a message can be left with the Executive Secretary, Mrs. Jo Clarke, at 877-9106.

Brigade volunteers are urgently needed in order to expand the amount of services that can be offered to the public, and the number of events that can be covered during the next year. Training in first aid and CPR, and uniforms and equipment, will be provided to the

volunteers who give as much or as little time as they wish. The Brigade Superintendent, Chuck Lavigne, may be contacted at 877-8510 for further information on volunteering.

If you would like to contribute equipment or supplies (from bandages to a new ambulance), your gift will be gratefully accepted and a charitable donation receipt will be supplied. Inquiries regarding donations of funds, time, or equipment can be directed to Carolyn Martin, vice-chairman (877-2579) or to Larry Allen, treasurer (877-3906).

Training time for Scouts

By JEAN LAYMAN

Herald Special
The north Halton district service team, Scouts Canada, met last Monday night at the Optimist Hall.

District Commissioner Sandy Booth opened the meeting with a prayer, followed with a welcoming and roll call.

Many district events include:
-The Cub Sixer, Second training day Oct. 18 at Knox Presbyterian Church Hall.
-Cub, Beaver outing to Base Borden Oct. 25 by bus.
-Part 1 wood badge for Beavers,

Cubs and Scout leaders Nov. 1-2.

-First aid, pioneer and Baden-Powell Woodman camp for Scouts Nov. 7-9.


-Cub craft workshop for first year Cubs Nov. 29 at St. Alban's Anglican Church, Acton.

All groups were reminded to return registration kits to Doug McDonald, provincial field executive, at the Optimist Hall, by Oct. 29.

Committees were also reminded of the group committee training at Scotsdale Farm Oct. 25.

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Alcoholics seek help at recovery house

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Herald has agreed to publish a series of columns about member agencies participating in the Halton Hills United Way campaign. This fall is the first year the town has had a United Way. These stories will allow readers a chance to see where their donations will be going in the way of programs and services.

The Halton Recovery House opened its doors on No. 5 Sideroad in Milton officially on July 19, 1976. This was a culmination of a concept originated by the Milton District Hospital as a detox and recovery house for male alcoholics and nurtured by the Addiction Research Foundation and many interested citizens of the Halton Region. Only the recovery house idea was retained and late in July 1976 the first resident was admitted.

Resource people include our own staff, members of the Board of Directors and from local community agencies.

The House is governed by an 11 member volunteer Board of Directors and managed by a staff of 5-plus volunteers. It is also a member of the Alcohol and Drug Recovery Association of Ontario.

To date 250 men have been admitted to the house and a number of graduates are working in the Halton-Peel-Hamilton area.

Funding is made available from the Ministry of Health, the Halton Region, Ministry of Community and Social Services, the United Ways of Milton, Oakville, and Halton Hills. The Recovery House has been a member of the United Way of Oakville since 1980 when a special grant was made to the House.

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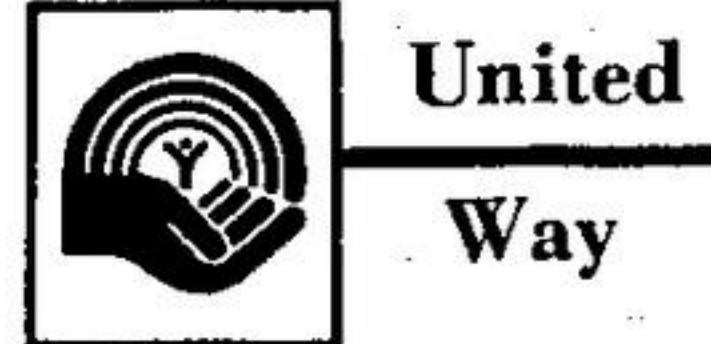
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The two facilities at Hornby and Milton have a capacity of 24 residents - Hornby a group home and Milton a 4-way house.

Criteria for admission includes a voluntary application, history of alcoholism, recognition of a destructive lifestyle and motivation to correct it. Referral sources include self, friends or family, doctors, hospital and detoxes.

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