



Al Schwyer (sitting), supervisor of the Canada Employment Centre for Students, helped these Georgetown District High School students along with 135 others, come one step closer to finding a summer job March 4. The Government-funded Centre will be opening in Halton Hills on May 4, but registration for the program has started already. (Photo by Charlie Gibbs)

## Staff makes job search easier task for pupils

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About 120 students are a little closer to finding summer jobs this year, thanks to the Canada Employment Centre for Students.

March 4, Al Schwyer, Brampton supervisor of the Employment Centre, came to Georgetown District High School to register potential summer employees in the program.

"The outlook for summer jobs this year is very good. Last year we had more employment opportunities than we did students, and this year looks like it is following that same trend," Mr. Schwyer said.

The Canada Employment Centre for Students will be opening in Georgetown May 4, later than the usual opening of early April, due to cutbacks in the government funded service.

Last year, about 400 students found summer jobs through the Centre.

"Our main duty is to act as a liaison between employers and students," Mr. Schwyer said. The Centre, which is run by the Ministry of Employment and Immigration, has no part in the actual hiring procedures of students; it acts simply as a referral agency.

"The Centre is really important because we can help both the employers and employees. It saves them both a lot of time. We do the actual job searching for the students, while the employers save time

### Recreation brochure here

By now residents of Halton Hills should have received their community recreation brochure. Listed within this booklet are several opportunities for young and old to get involved.

If you did not receive your copy call the recreation and parks department. Booklets will be available at all Town facilities, the Libraries and Post Offices, as well as frequented locations throughout our community.

Inside the brochure there is a Kinsmen Girls Softball registration form for girls between the ages of 7-18 who would like to play softball this year. To register call 877-9373

### Peace meeting

The Brampton and area peace council will be holding a meeting Wed. March 25 at 8 p.m. in Room 104 of Cardinal Leger School. The school is located at 75 Mary Street in Brampton. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 453-0288.

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## Truck firm eyes 401 land

It's been a hard battle for council to get 1,000 acres of rural-industrial land in Halton Hills. Monday night, councillors agreed to limit their request to 100 acres in the Highway 401 corridor.

It's the first step for the town, seen as a compromise of sorts with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. Back in October 1982, the town designated about 1,000 acres of rural industrial and prestige rural industrial lands in the Halton Hills Official Plan.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Food objected and the designations were deferred by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

Mayor Russ Miller wanted to know that once 100 acres have been rezoned for rural industrial uses, what are the town's chances of getting another 100 acres for industrial use.

"My belief is 100 acres will be used up very quickly and we'll need additional land," Mayor Miller said.

"We're having to take a piecemeal approach and I regret it, but it's the best I can get out of the Ministry at this time," Planning Director Ian Keith said. "It's the only way I can get them to move on it."

Coun. Joe Hewitt said moving this way will create a hazard development in the very valuable Highway 401 corridor, and is very short sighted.

"We're better off in generating interest in the industrial lands south of the Town of Acton," Coun. Hewitt said.

Hugh Thompson, planning consultant for First Line Trucking said his client was ready to put his money where his mouth is.

The trucking company has bought 50 acres along the Highway 401 corridor and wants to use 10 acres of it. Regional staff believe the application should proceed and be counted among the first 100 acres to be designated in Halton Hills for rural industrial use.

Mr. Thompson said his client is willing to hold onto the rest of his corridor property until circumstances change.

"The trucking company needs to be near the 401. It wants to be part of this municipality and wants you to adapt this report," he said. "Right now, this corridor location is perfect for the uses of my client."

Trucking company owner Mr. Durkin said nobody likes trucks but products need to get to market. He

said he bought the land 1 1/2 years ago because of an urgent need to get out of where First Line Trucking is currently located.

Coun. Pam Sheldon noted highway exposure is important to many industries, and that the town has a site plan process which prevents industrial development from becoming a messy area.

"I view Highway 25 as a more appropriate place for truck and heavy industrial uses," Coun. Hewitt said.

## Unfair pick-up policy will be trashed out

The unfair garbage collection practices in Acton and Georgetown's urban areas may soon be a thing of the past for the commercial sector.

Town staff are drafting a garbage collection bylaw for April. It will likely restrict amounts for

### Planner dislikes cluster policy

The Region's policy of opposing estate residential subdivisions near rural clusters or hamlets is wrong, says the town's planning director.

Monday night, Ian Keith said such a policy will fragment development in the rural areas by putting 20-home subdivisions at some "magical, undefined distance" from hamlets or rural clusters. He said it is contrary to good planning.

Mr. Keith was commenting on the Region's Amendment 13 to the Regional Official Plan. It deals with rural estate residential and infilling policies.

pickup and give the same level of service to all the towns commercial area.

When the draft bylaw is ready, it will be shared with the Georgetown and Acton Chambers of Commerce, and the Acton and Georgetown Business Improvement Areas for their comments.

After that, it will be considered by councillors for implementation.

Coun. Pam Sheldon encouraged creative suggestions from these groups and not just complaints come back to council.

Mayor Russ Miller anticipated the bylaw would be a long drawn-out affair.

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