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# Dr. A. Macintosh honored for service in medicine

For the first time, a Georgetown doctor has received the Glenn Sawyer Service Award from the Ontario Medical Association (OMA).

Dr. Alistair Macintosh, a specialist in internal medicine, was presented with the award last Wednesday evening, at the Terra Cotta Inn.

The award is for OMA members who have rendered significant service to the medical profession and to their community. This year, 21 doctors across Ontario received the award.

Dr. Glenn Sawyer, after whom the award is named, was the longest serving general secretary in the OMA history. The award was initiated in 1973, upon his retirement.

Dr. Macintosh was nominated December end by the Georgetown Medical Society, a one year old body.

Society President James Ying said Dr. Macintosh was selected because he has been in town 32 years and helped to establish Georgetown District Memorial Hospital in 1961. He has been on the hospital staff since its opening.

Dr. Macintosh was appointed coronor for North Halton in the same year, and is still coronor for the area.

Born and educated in Scotland, he graduated from Aberdeen University in 1943, then served as a surgeon lieutenant in the Royal Navy from 1944 to 1947 in the Indian Ocean and Far East.

From 1950 to 1954 he was a junior lecturer in internal medicine in St. Andrews University Scotland.

Dr. Macintosh and his wife Christine emigrated to Canada in 1954, where he took over the medical practice of Dr. Hamish Raffan in Georgetown.

The doctor has been associated with the Georgetown Highland



**LONG SERVICE:** Dr. Alistair Macintosh received the Glenn Sawyer award May 20 at the Terra Cotta Inn for his 35 years of service to the field of medicine. Here he is flanked by

his wife Christine and Dr. James Ying, President of the Georgetown Medical Society. In the back row is Dr. A. Kennedy, secretary-treasurer of the Society. (Herald photo)

Games since they began in 1975. Doctors from Halton Hills, Brampton and Milton turned out for what Dr. Ying termed a "gala" event. Dr. Stanley Read of Toronto General Hospital spoke on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). He is doing research for an

AIDS vaccine and sits on the National Council on AIDS Committee.

"Everybody was happy about Dr. Macintosh getting the award, he really deserved it," Dr. Ying said. "I think it's great for the community to have a doctor in the community receiving the award."

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## Auto wreckers licences renewed

Seven local auto wreckers had their licenses renewed for another year by town council Monday.

Acton Wrecking Inc., B.C.A. Services, Jim Bray and Associates Inc., Watson Auto Parts, Brown's Auto Wreckers, York Auto Wrecking and Halton Auto Wreckers all had their licenses renewed until May 31, 1988.

Town by-law enforcement and licensing officer Bob Ustrzycki said salvage yard operators have "continually worked toward compliance with the existing regulations and when they have been advised of any apparent contravention, they had quickly moved to have the yard comply to the requirements of the by-law."

Still, he added "at any given time, it is possible that one or more yards could be in contravention of the regulations of the by-law due to persons dropping off salvage during the night, however generally compliance to the by-law improves each year."

"It's unfortunate that we have a by-law that doesn't do anything to change the aesthetic appearance. I won't vote for it just in protest," said

Councillor Pam Sheldon.

"Is there no way to send a strongly worded letter asking them to please keep their yards in shape 365 days a year not just the day you've been there?" Coun. Sheldon asked Mr. Ustrzycki.

The by-law enforcement officer

said cars and appliances are being

dropped off on the lawns of these salvage yards when they're closed.

"The owners of half the yards don't live there. It would be unfair to ask owners to be on a 24-hour call basis when someone drops something off after hours," he said.

## Speed limit restrictions scrutinized

Radar guns will be pointing at eastbound traffic into Acton, coming along Highway 7, soon.

Town council approved a traffic study by its staff to determine the speed of drivers along this entranceway into town.

Coun. Norman Elliott is concerned about speeding and wants facts and figures to back up his request for a reduction in the speed limit to 50 kilometres per hour.

A request to the Ministry of Transportation and Communications for a reduction was turned down earlier this year. The Ministry is responsible for highway speed limits.

A letter last week from a Ministry traffic analyst says the reason it was turned down was Ministry records show there have been no reportable accidents in the past three years on this section of highway. As well, this route has historically had an accident rate well below the provincial average.

"I'm not so sure we have to have an accident to ask for a speed reduction," Coun. Elliott said.

Coun. Rick Bonnette said the town has been lucky not to have had any accidents on this strip.

Coun. Betty Fisher didn't think a speeding problem necessarily required a reduction in the speed limit. Instead, it shows a need to get police out there enforcing the current speed limit.

"The MTC would be well within its bounds to say that should take place first," Coun. Fisher said.

Coun. Marilyn Serjeantson suggested the town invite Ministry staff to hear the town's concerns on the issue.

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