Coming home

COMING BACK — GDHS Centennial yearbook editor Tom Ramautarsingh gives two former students a tour of the Georgetown high school. Col. John R. Barber and Dr. Ross Cameron both attended the school in 1918. (Photo submitted)

Needed funds

Richard A. Calmes, Vice-President-Personnel and Industrial Relations and Marvin W. Stacky, Vice President Civic and Governmental Affairs, receives a cheque on behalf of A.M.C. for $1 million from John McDermid, M.P. Brampton-Georgetown, on behalf of Employment and Immigration Minister, Honourable Benoit Bouchard. The funds, Mr. McDermid said, would be used to reimburse the automotive manufacturer for part of the cost it incurred to provide 79 employees with seven months of high technology training needed to qualify as Robotics Technicians, a skill that is essential to the operation of AMC's new $764 million Bramalea assembly plant. When in full production, the 2.2 million square-foot plant will employee 3,000 workers and produce 150,000 mid-size cars per year. (Photo submitted)

Outstanding service

Armstrong's honored by Children's Aid

The Halton Children's Aid Society held its annual foster parent recognition dinner on May 29th at Indian Wells Golf Club.

Foster parents recently presented a workshop to staff at the Agency to identify ways in which we can better work together in the care of children across Halton.

The C.A.S. recognizes the contributions of everyone involved in foster care.

Linda and David Armstrong of Georgetown were approved as foster family in 1979.

This family received the outstanding service award for 1987.

They have served in a variety of ways, including regular foster care, specialized foster care, and parent operated receiving program.

Additionally, Mrs. Armstrong is a volunteer for the agency in the young mother's program.

Within their own family, they care for four children. Additionally, they usually care for four foster children, making a total of eight children in their home on a daily basis.

Both foster parents are intensively involved in the fostering experience. They partake in much of the agency sponsored training and are, in fact, becoming foster care experts as regards abused children.

They care for extremely disturbed children, some of whom require therapy as frequently as three times per week. Currently they work directly with the therapist in designing plans of care for the involved children.

Linda and Dave provide much support for other foster families and as such are valued by the foster parent community.

Although their fostering has become increasingly difficult (given the increased level of disturbance in the kids), and on several occasions has proved fairly intrusive as regards their family life, after nearly nine years of fostering we find them to be more enthusiastic then ever, more positive, increasingly creative in their foster care plans for children, with their commitment strong and intact.

Council agrees with servicing guidelines

Proposed Region guidelines for servicing urban and rural areas met no resistance from town council Monday.

The guidelines deal with the provision of private sewage disposal facilities and wells in rural areas, and with sanitary sewage disposal and water services in urban areas.

The report establishes nine exceptions to full services in urban areas as well as establishing a minimum lot sizes in hamlets and clusters.

Lots in hamlets and clusters will be established by overall hydrological studies unless more detailed studies indicate otherwise, the guidelines suggest.

The region report also establishes criteria for municipal services on private roads and conditions for non-residential uses on private services in rural areas.

Industrial uses in rural areas now require an agreement with the Region discussing operation of wells and septic tanks on the properties.

Municipal services will be provided on private roads only if water and sewer services on private property remain privately owned.

The final area covered in the report is procedures for hydrological studies for development of private services.

Hydrological studies will be required before final approval is given to plans of subdivisions in hamlets and clusters.

Resuscitator calls to our firefighters

The Halton Hills fire department was kept busy with three resuscitator calls and several small fires last week.

On June 13 at 1:35 p.m. the fire department was called to Cedar Springs Motel to help a diabetic who had collapsed.

Five hours later firefighters were called to 34 Mill St. in Acton on another resuscitator call. The incident involved a person who had trouble breathing.

On June 14 at 1:51 a.m. firefighters assisted an ambulance crew with another resuscitator call at Main Street South in Acton.

Shortly before noon the same day the fire department extinguished a tree fire on the First Line south of Sideroad 15 in the Twin Lakes area.

A hay trailer caught fire at 11:18 a.m. June 15 and the fire department was called to Lot 5, Concession 6 of Erin Township to put out the flames.

Over three hours later firefighters extinguished a rubbish fire behind Georgetown District High School.

Firefighters returned to Lot 5, Concession 6 in Erin Township at 6:04 p.m. June 15 when the hay fire had rekindled. Total damage in the fire was $1,500.

Draft approval

Four Proposed subdivisions received draft approval extensions for one year by Halton Hills town council Monday.

Tactical Investment Ltd. (Acton), Lyncean Investment Ltd. (Esquesing), Halton Hills Development Corporation (Stewarttown) and North Halton Real Estate (Acton) received extensions for subdivision draft approval until July 31, 1988.

MPP's expenses up 33%

Expenses for Halton-Burlington MPP Don Knight went up 33 per cent in the past fiscal year, according to a report from the Office of the Legislature Monday.

Between March 1986 and March 1987, Mr. Knight spent $10,274.85 on accommodation and travel, $18,912.25 on legislative office expenses, and $104,419.94 on constituency office expenses.

The biggest hike in expenses claimed by the MP was for maintaining his constituency office. Last year, Mr. Knight claimed $68,109.52 in constituency office expenses. The average claim was $104,822.37 according to the report, based on spending by the 125 MPPs at Queen's Park.

In the 1985-86 fiscal year, Mr. Knight claimed $9,478.80 for accommodation and travel, and $11,902.87 for maintaining his Queen's Park office.

On average, expenses rose by 39 per cent for the past fiscal year for the 125 MPPs, costing taxpayers nearly $18.7 million.

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New rules for midways

By DOUGLAS ARMOUR
Toronto Bureau

New Provincial regulations requiring the licensing of amusement ride owners and the registration of amusement rides came into effect Monday.

The new regulations, applying to mid-way rides, go-carts and waterslides, make the province responsible for the inspection and licensing of amusement rides.

The regulations were prompted by several recent amusement ride accidents, including a 1985 Georgetown accident in which a man and his son fell 20 feet from a ferris wheel.

The inability of the municipalities to carry out inspections and regulate the operation of rides in their jurisdiction also prompted the introduction of the regulations.

Since 1962, there have been 10 amusement ride deaths and at least six serious go-cart accidents in Ontario, resulting in three deaths.

The legislation to regulate amusement rides was first introduced by the government in December 1985.

'Fair' condition

Greg Little is now listed in fair condition at Toronto's Sunnybrook Hospital.

Little was critically injured in a two-car collision at the intersection of the Sixth Line and Highway 7 early May 30.

Freedom parade

The Lorne Scots will be parading through Georgetown Oct. 4 in a "freedom" parade. Monday night they received councillors approval to march on Park, Main, James and Charles Streets. Peel, Dufferin and Halton Regiment are putting on the parade. The parade will start at the Georgetown Armoury and make a stop at the Muncipal Treasury building and Remembrance Park.

Sex charge

A 27-year-old Georgetown man who impersonated a police officer and demanded free sex from a prostitute has been arrested by Metro Toronto Police.

Metro police report the man agreed on a price for sex with the prostitute in a conversation at the corner of Jarvis and Wellesley Streets in Toronto June 13. The two drove to Asqueth and Church Streets where the man identified himself as a police officer and demanded free sex or the victim would go to jail.

The victim refused and the man then drove to Crescent Road and Mount Pleasant where he attempted to sexually assault the woman.

The prostitute escaped and reported the incident to the police.

The resident of RR1 in Georgetown was arrested June 15. He faces five charges including attempted sexual assault, forcible confinement, communicating for the purpose of attaining sexual service of a prostitute, impersonating a police officer and failing to comply with recognizance.

He was held for a June 15 bail hearing.

Mini-warehouse

A public meeting is to be held into the application for a mini-warehouse and a commercial country market on the west side of Winston Churchill Boulevard, south of Steeles Avenue.

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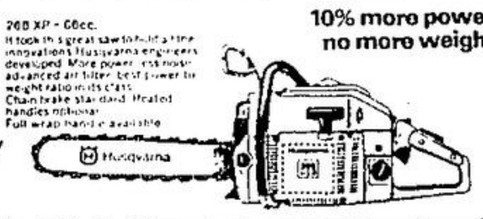

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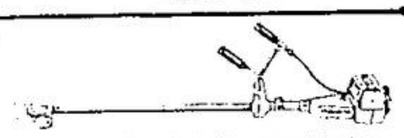

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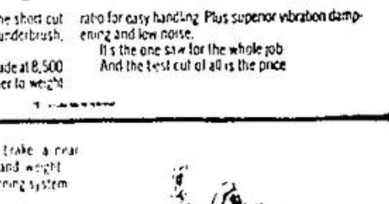

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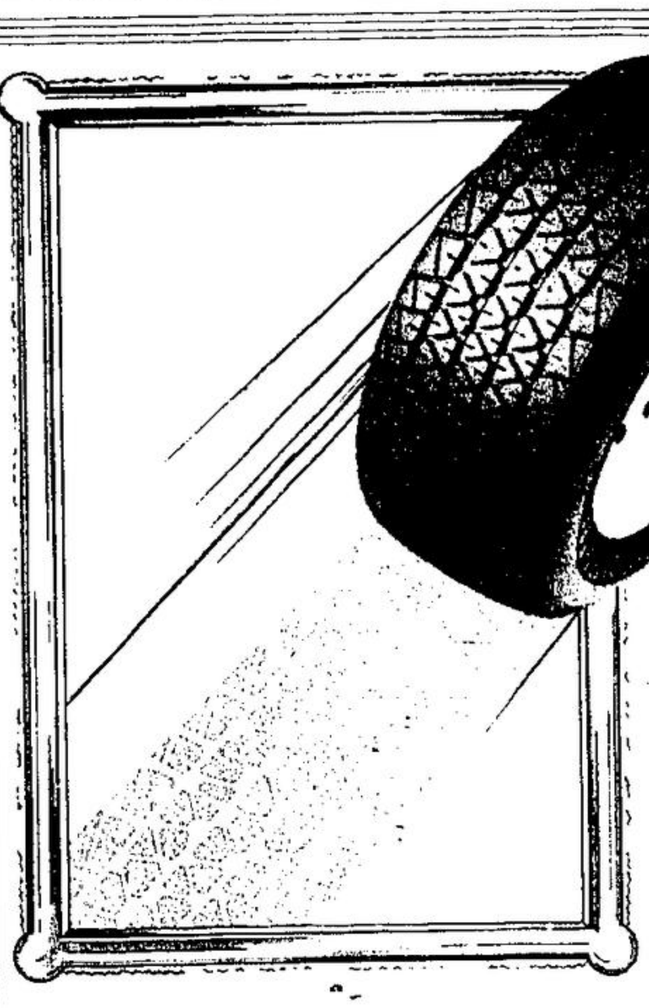

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