### AT THE ROYAL



Erika Kuboka of Georgetown sleep before the beginning of the Contact Hayes Classic, which has drawn 255 4-H members to the

Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. Erika is one of six Halton County representatives, (Toronto Bureau

## Water, sewer rates up by \$12 in '88

By BRIAN MacLEOD Herald Staff

. Halton Region is considering a 1988 budget which contains a tax increase of 3.5 per cent, not including the solid waste component of the budget.

The Region's Commissioner of Finance, Joe Rinaldo, said the Region's water and sewer rates will increase a combined 1.5 per cent in 1988. That means the average taxpayer will pay an increase of \$3.68 for their water and sewer services.

The rate-supported budget will increase by six per cent in 1988. The rate-supported budget pays for regional services which do not generate revenue. The ratesupported budget plus the sewer and water increase brings the total so far to 3,5 per cent,

The six per cent increase in the rate-supported budget means Halton taxpayers will pay over \$12 more to a total of over \$255, for services in

None of these figures includes Halton's expensive solid waste disposal costs.

The Region's solid waste costs are expected to jump to \$12.8 million in 1988. That is an increase of \$5.7 million from last year's costs.

Tipping fees (the costs per tonne to dispose of solid waste) are expected to increase from \$36.50 to \$59 in 1988, said the Region's Director of Budget and Finance, Dave Birkett.

The solid waste disposal component is only about one third the size of the water and sewer budget. The final tax hike is expected to be more than 3.5 per cent because of the increase in solid waste costs, said Mr. Birkett. Proposals for the solid waste management budget are be-

#### Ride required

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ing discussed this week.

He could not speculate how much impact the increased solid waste costs would have on the 1988 budget because that side of the budget is still being prepared. The Region is also waiting on word from the province for a grant to offset some of Halton's solid waste disposal costs. Regional Chairman Pete Pomeroy recently asked the province for \$28

The 1.5 per cent increase in water and sewer rates is a full per centage point below projections made in October. Increased assessment and a large increase in consumption has helped keep the tax increase down, said Mr. Birkett.

The budget proposals must first go to the Region's Planning and Public works Committee before consideration by the Administration and Finance Committee.

The water and sewer rate increase... is expected to be given council approval on the last regular meeting of the year on Dec. 9, said Mr. Birkett. The new increases would take effect

Jan. 1.

By BOB SPENCE Thomson News

#### Entertainment pot pourri

When Derek McGrath steps off a plane in California, he delves into the world of lingerie.

When he steps off a plane in Toronto, he becomes a rather strange pro-

McGrath, a native of Timmins, Ont., is not living a double life - just a busy one. The 37-year-old actor is flying back and forth across the continent each week because of a heetic schedule.

He is in Los Angeles four days a week, shooting scenes for the TV series Dallas. McGrath plays Oswald Valentine, business partner of Sue Ellen Ewing (Linda Gray).

McGrath spends the rest of the

week in Toronto, where scenes for My Secret Identity are being filmed. He plays a nutty professor in this show about a young student who has accidentally learned how to propel himself through the air.

The co-producers of My Secret Identity (CTV, MCA and Sunrise Films) are hoping it will become one of those rare creatures - a successful TV series.

Guess Who they were? CBC-TV, as a way of apologizing to the Guess Who, is planning a halfhour musical documentary on the group. It will provide Canadians with another look at the first Canuck rock band to produce continent-wide hit songs.

The group, which broke up a number of years ago, was inducted into the Juno Hall of Fame earlier this month. When the four performers walked up to the stage during the nationally televised Juno Awards, they were not given a chance to make an acceptance speech; the CBC cut away to a commercial.

Ivan Fecan. director of TV programming for the CBC, said the half-hour special gives members of the Guess Who an opportunity to comment on their latest honor, and "will allow their fans...to hear and see how really great these musicians

A great idea.

Why do human beings behave the way they do?

The BBC and PBS TV networks are pooling their resources to produce a documentary series on the history of sex and human nature. The eight-part series is being film-

ed at locations around the world. You will just have to continue acting the way you do, without knowing why, until the documentary arrives on your TV screen.

The Royal York Hotel in Toronto is importing some Mexican culture. The Ballet Gran Folklorico de

Mexico presents Mexican folklore through song and dance routines.

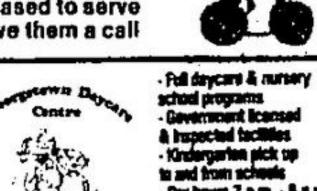
The ballet will be in the imperial Room at the Royal York from Nov. 16 through Nov. 21.





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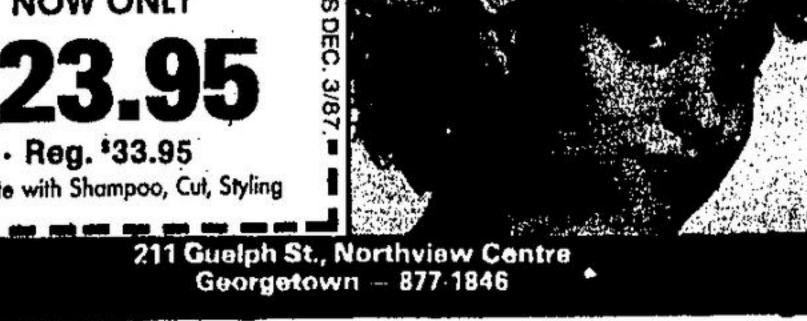
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The course consists of three subcourses called: Time Management and Decision-Making, Career Development, and Coping with Stress. Each of the sub-courses is approximately five week in length, and free of cost.

Mathematics. There is also a con-

Other adult learner courses introduced by the Halton Board of Education are English and

timuous re-entry class for those wishing to upgrade their skills in these two areas. For more information, contact Susan Grant, Supervising Teacher, Adult Learners Program at 877-0466.

#### Correction

In a story about graduates receiving their Bachelor of Arts degree from Wilfrld Laurier University, there was a spelling mistake. Thei McClure should have read as Ethel McClure. The story appeared on page 1 of the Herald's Nov. 18 edition.

#### McDougall talk

Federal cabinet minister Barbara McDougall will be speaking in Georgetown Jan. 18.

The event will be held at the John Elliott Theatre and is being sponsored by the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce.

Ms. McDougall is the Minister of State for Privatization and Minister for the Status of Women,

About 250 tickets will be sold at a cost of \$5, said Chamber spokesman Alex Mckee. The ticket price was reduced to allow everyone a better opportunity for people to meet and talk with the cabinet minister, he said.

Tickets will be limited to two tickets per person and will go on sale probably the first week in December, he said.

#### Tools stolen

More tools have been stolen from the construction area at the Georgetown high school. One of the workers had left his tool box in a room while he went to lunch. He returned to find the box missing. The goods are valued at \$300, police said. The theft occurred between noon and 2 p.m. Nov. 12.



Horse craft shop in Glen Williams, displays a Christmas basket. This basket and other crafts from the store will be on sale at the Huttonville Craft show this weekend. (Herald photo)

#### Off the road

Two cars were forced off the road following an accident which occurred at 6:30 a.m. Monday on Trafalgar Road near 15 Sideroad. A 38-year-old Grand Valley man was driving a 1976 Chevrolet, driven by a 42-year-old Campbeliville man was approaching in the northbound lane.

The first driver tried to avoid a collision by pulling on to the side and the collision occurred. Both cars went into the ditch. Damage to both cars is about \$3000. The first driver was charged with careless driving.

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