

Think BIG June 3-5

The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce is pleased to present B.I.G. 1988. Many people ask "what is B.I.G.?" It stands for Business In Georgetown and is a celebration of business.

The first B.I.G. Show was held in June of 1984. Its purpose was to promote business to local residents. Georgetown is made up of many commuters some of whom are unaware of the diversity of the products and services local businesses can offer. B.I.G. 1984 showed these people that all their needs can be met locally.

The Chamber was very pleased with the results of B.I.G. 1984 and decided that it was time to showcase local businesses again. B.I.G. 1988 is now well underway, a hard working Committee under the direction of Dave Kentner and made up of Chamber members and other interested groups are planning the B.I.G. 1988.

The Gordon Alcott Arena will be transformed into a giant hall with over 140 displays on the floor plus displays housed in a marquee located adjacent to the arena. The weekend is intended to inform and entertain all who enter the doors.

In addition to the displays by local businesses there will be the B.I.G. 1988 make your own Ice Cream Sundae Bar, Ontario's B.I.G. 1988 Balloon Release (10,000 helium filled balloons), Kiwanis Lobster Fest, continuous entertainment on the stage located in the Alcott Arena, B.I.G. Chili Dance on the Saturday night in the Memorial Arena, Fashion Shows, B.I.G. Double Decker Bus Tours of Georgetown and much much more.

June 3, 4 and 5, 1988 will be an action packed weekend for the community. Why not be a part of it? This is your chance to inform consumers of your products or services.

There are less than 20 booths available so call the Chamber Office today to reserve your spot. This chance might not happen for another four years. Call 877-7119 today.



Antoniette, an instructor at Georgetown Spa and Fitness Centre, takes a workout on the butterfly machine, one of the pieces of gym apparatus that make up the facilities at the centre.

Perfect place to stop to feel, look better

By MIKE TURNER
Herald Staff

The diversity of Georgetown Spa and Fitness Centre makes it the perfect place for people who want to feel and look better.

Located on Wesleyan Street, the centre originated in the early sixties as the Alpine Club, opened by a car accident victim who installed the facilities for their therapeutic value.

Since then, the centre has had several owners, until three years ago Krys Woodward and partners bought it. Over a year ago, Krys bought the centre outright, and has made a number of expansions and renovations to improve the facilities.

"And it's paying off," Krys says. "We've had a lot of good comments from members who are very pleased with what we're doing."

Currently, the membership at the Spa and Fitness Centre, which was formerly known as Exclusively Yours, numbers about 350. And while there is diversity in the centre's facilities, there is also diversity in its clientele.

Many, of course, are intent on keeping fit. But others are car accident victims, sufferers of multiple sclerosis, and people with arthritis who use the centre for therapeutic benefits.

"When a person comes in, they're asked if they have any problems," Krys says. "A personalized program can be set up, that they can take back to their doctor for approval."

Clients are also referred by chiropractors, when they are suffering from some type of ailment that can be helped by the facilities that are offered. A qualified staff at the centre can devise a program to best suit individual needs.

"We've been complimented by people on the progress of patients," Krys says. "We generally try to work with doctors in the best interest of the members."

The Spa and Fitness Centre has facilities that include a 15-ft. by 31-ft. indoor swimming pool, which is bromine-treated, as opposed to chlorinated.

There are also a whirlpool, sauna, equipment room and weights, universal gym, exercise classes, and ladies' changeroom facilities offered.

Extras that are available at an added cost to the membership fees include use of a sunbed, swimming lessons, a babysitting service, and personalized programs.

Antoniette, a vital member of the centre's staff also provides extras at the club that can include facials, manicures, massages, ear piercing, pedicures, lash tinting, and hair removal.

Salute to local government week

By DONNA KELL
Herald Special

Local Government Week in Halton Hills is April 11 to 15 and it's time to consider how much we know about the local government.

The mayor, you might have guessed, is Russ Miller. But did you know he is also a Regional councillor and sits on every committee? He does, and in addition to this, Mr. Miller is a member of the recently formed Halton Hills Housing Task Force.

Every three years a mayor is elected along with four other

Engineer is Bob Austin, Planning Director is Ian Keith, Ray King is treasurer and Delmar French is deputy clerk. With the recent loss of Joe Simon from the post of administrative clerk, Ray King and Delmar French have split the administrator's duties until a permanent administrator can be found.

"The administrative clerk is the top staff person," said Mr. Thompson. Ray King will go back to his position as treasurer when a new administrator clerk is appointed.

The staff of town council is scattered all over Halton Hills, working out of various offices throughout Georgetown. "We're working out of six different buildings," said Mr. Thompson.

balance garage. Soon all departments - with the possible exception of the fire department - will be under one roof.

The town council takes care of town engineering, roads, plowing, maintenance, salting, storm sewers and garbage disposal. The Region of Halton disposes garbage at a regional dump and aids in the treatment of sewage.

Leterink Disposals Ltd., here in town, is active in the waste removal process. "They supply garbage trucks and compact the garbage,"

responsibilities," said Mr. Thompson.

One reason for this might be financial. When resources are pooled, the Region of Halton and the Town of Halton Hills split their duties down the middle, with one helping the other when necessary.

The force that joins together municipal and regional government is the mayor. "The mayor acts as a political coordinator because he is on all committees," said assistant



Stephen Thomson
Assistant Town Clerk



Tom Shepard
Recreation Director



Ian Keith
Planning Director



Ray King
Finance Director

Regional councillors, eight local councillors plus two local public school board trustees. On the election ballot also are Hydro Commission vacancies to fill, when the members have opponents. "Last election, the hydro commissioners were all acclaimed," said Steve Thompson, assistant clerk of town government. There was no vote because there was no opposition.

Halton Hills has seven government departments, 13 councillors (including Russ Miller), and is divided into four regions.

In 1974, Halton was formed, giving Georgetown, Acton, Glen Williams and Esqueping township to the Town of Halton Hills. Esqueping includes rural areas, such as Glen Williams and Norval.

For each of the four regions within Halton Hills there is a representative councillor. Ward One, Acton, has Rick Bonnette on the regional level and Norm Elliott and Gerald Rennie on the local level.

Ward Two, the rural areas, is led by councillor Pam Sheldon and local councillors Joe Hewitt and Peter Norton.

Ward Three has regional councillor John McDonald in north Georgetown and Betty Fisher and Pam Johnston as local councillors.

South Georgetown, Ward Four, has Marilyn Serjeantson for regional councillor and Al Cook and Lil Bowman as local councillors.

Local councillors meet every Monday night at the town offices. Regional councillors (five of them, including Russ Miller) meet with the town councillors. They function at two government levels, thus wear two hats, said Steve Thompson.

The seven municipal government departments are the Treasury, Recreation, Fire, Engineering, Planning, Clerks and Building and Zoning departments.

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tered all over Halton Hills, working out of various offices throughout Georgetown. "We're working out of six different buildings," said Mr. Thompson.

The new town hall will hold all the departments needing office space. "They're pouring the foundation for the Town Hall," said Steve Thompson. The new town hall is located on Maple Avenue, across from the golf course.

Right now, the engineering department is operating out of two garage bays, the planning department is at Guelph and Mountlavin, the treasury department is on Main Street downtown (Georgetown) and the recreation department is set up at a former am-

said Mr. Thompson. the municipal government collect taxes for the school board and for the Region of Halton. "We also get money from the province," said Steve Thompson.

Property taxes are collected and often the government of Ontario will match the town's financial contribution toward rebuilding roads.

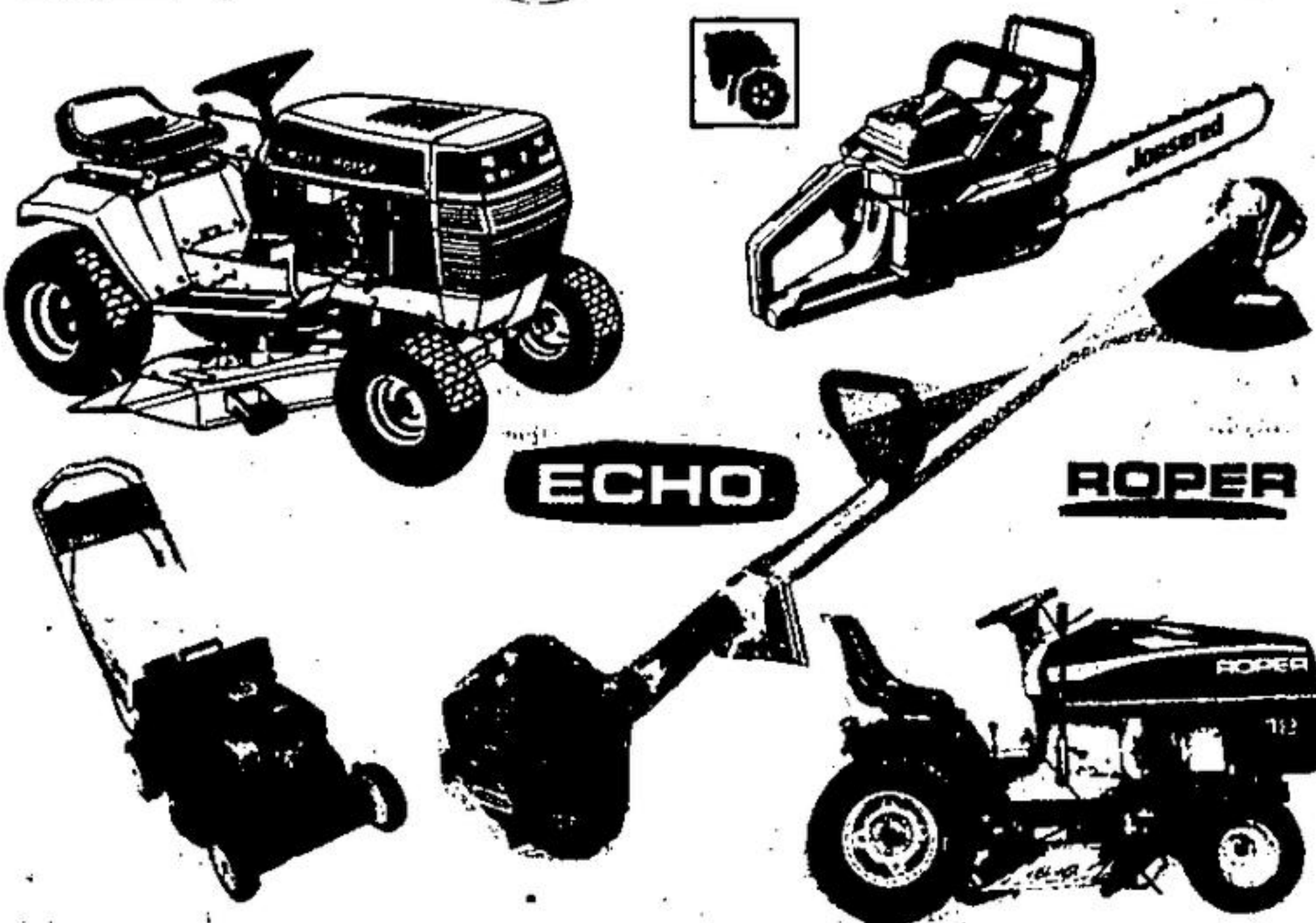
The licensing of businesses and of dogs is the task of the local government. Municipal law enforcement officers distribute parking tickets and enforce bylaws. The Region also has its tasks.

"The Region of Halton looks after water lines and sanitary functions.

"A lot of the time the Region and the municipality overlap in their clerk, Steve Thompson. The mayor is a member of all committees on council.

A committee formed in early 1988 is a good example. The Halton Hills Housing Task Force was formed to review the housing situation in Halton Hills and to zone areas for possible construction. The committee of Mayor Russ Miller, Ward 4 Councillor Al Cook, Ward 3 Councillor Betty Fisher, and Regional Councillors Pam Sheldon and Rick Bonnette, has met several times so far to discuss the issue of affordable housing in the Georgetown-Halton Hills area.

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