



Jeanne Chandler, Pat Barr, Lorna King, Margie DeRago, Julie Tanas, Marg Tanas, Carol Gourley, Rita Barratow and Shirley Dunlop were on hand for the grand opening of the Georgetown Secretarial Services, which had undergone four months of renovations. The Thursday night celebration co-incided with the 15th anniversary of the service.

### Smoke eaters chase trail of grass fires

Firemen were busy putting out numerous grass fires sparked by sunny weather, dry grass and a passing train.

A train headed for Milton had firemen battling grass fires along the railway tracks Saturday afternoon.

The fires started when sparks from train wheels ignited the dry grass along the railway lines.

The first grass fire the department was called to, was May 7 at 3:06 p.m. along the railway tracks near Maple Avenue in Georgetown. A second started west of the fire station.

At 3:13 p.m. a grass fire started at Maple Avenue and Trafalgar Road. Grass fires were also ignited at 3:25 p.m. behind the hospital and at Sideroad 15, west of Trafalgar Road at 1:28 p.m. At 3:36 p.m. a pumper was called for the Acton fire station, and was called at 3:45 p.m. to attend a grass fire at Sideroad 15 and Sixth Line.

By this time the train was in Milton and all trains were stopped while firefighters hosed down the tracks.

May 4 at 12:05 p.m., firefighters were called to 24 Campbell Cr. to attend a medical assist call. The firemen administered oxygen to an Acton man, who was having difficulty breathing, and attended him until the ambulance arrived.

Eleven firemen rushed to Winston Churchill Boulevard south of the Sideroad 10 to douse a grass fire, which was burning on the shoulder of the road, May 6 at 12:30 p.m.

Firefighters attended to a bush fire behind 67 Churchill Rd. North in Acton, May 6 at 9:43 p.m.

May 7 at 1:42 p.m., firemen extracted a victim from a car, which had been involved in an accident at Winston Churchill Boulevard north of the Sideroad 5.

### In the hills

#### Cookie sales

This Friday, May 13, Girl Guides and Brownies from the Acton area will be selling girl guide cookies at the Acton IGA and the A and B Foodland store, also in Acton.

The cookie sales will be from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The money raised from the cookie sales will help units with program work, provide new equipment for camp, and offset costs of outings, crafts, and badges.

The money helps to maintain the guiding headquarters, and assists in adult training, while also helping to keep the area camp, Camp Wyoka functioning.

Any support given to the group would be greatly appreciated.

#### General meeting

Brampton teens chapter of Parents Without Partners will be holding their general meeting on May 12. For time and place call Allison 791-7706, or Amanda 791-8047.

#### Newcomers club

The Georgetown Newcomers Club will meet Wednesday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's United Church, 89 Mountainview Road South.

Topic for discussion will be Summer Safety, and guest speaker will be Gord Kearsey of the Red Cross, who will discuss summer safety and water safety.

The club welcomes anyone to attend the meeting, whether as new members, or simply to find out what the organization is about.

For more information, contact Pat at 873-0277.

#### Dance planned

The Brampton Parents Without Partners dance will be held on Saturday, May 21, at 8 p.m. at the Terry Miller Hall, Williams Parkway at Bramalea Rd. A disc jockey will provide entertainment and there will be a buffet lunch and cash bar. For information, call Leo at 459-3507.

#### Parents meet

Are you a single parent interested in attending family activities, dances, discussions, card nights? Join Parents Without Partners. For information call Collette at 450-7962.

#### Papineau exhibit

An exhibition of documents highlighting the life of Canadian historical figure Louis-Joseph Papineau will be on display from May 16 to June 15 at the Region of Peel Museum. The museum is located in the Region of Peel Heritage Complex, 9 Wellington St. East in Brampton. Call 451-9061 for details.

#### Big Sisters needed

During Big Sisters Month, the local Association is offering membership in Big Sisters Association of North Halton to all interested public. For a yearly support fee of \$10, a quarterly newsletter, a vote at the annual meeting, and a membership card will be yours. Community involvement is needed in this agency which is supplementing the family. Phone Karin, 878-6487, Lois 878-0378.

#### Seeking support

The United Way will hold a breakfast meeting at the North Halton Golf and Country Club Wednesday March 18, at 7:30 a.m., in an effort to gain support from local businesses on their "loaned reps" program.

The organization is appealing to company presidents and senior management personnel to assist the program, which sees companies "loan" employees to the United Way for campaigning.

#### Mischief charge

An Acton man was charged with mischief Saturday afternoon when he threw glasses in a Georgetown Main Street Hotel and smashed an outside window. Damage to the Hotel was \$100. The 27-year-old will appear in court May 9, on a charge of mischief and being intoxicated in a public place.

## Pinkney seeks PC riding nomination

Halton Hills farmer Rod Pinkney is now the third candidate vying for the Progressive Conservative nomination in the federal riding of Halton-Peel.

Mr. Pinkney joins Caledon dentist Warren Hilliard and Norval architect Carlo Testa in the bid for the PC nomination in the new riding.

Mr. Pinkney has run his beef cattle farm at RR3 Georgetown since 1969.

Mr. Pinkney is a graduate of the Ontario Agricultural College in Guelph and he has a degree from the school of Business Administration at the University of Western Ontario.

Mr. Pinkney served with the Royal Canadian Navy on board a frigate. He has also worked with Swift Canadian Company before joining an investment firm. He began his own contracting business in the late 1960s.

Mr. Pinkney's ties with the PCs are deep. He was the president of the Port Credit PC Businessmen's Association as well as president of the South Peel Progressive Conservative Association. He has served as a member of the Ontario executive for the PCs for two years.

Mr. Pinkney said he has acted as an "official agent" for both provincial and federal PC candidates in Peel County during election campaigns.

Mr. Pinkney and his wife, Helen, have two children, Eric and Elizabeth.



Rod Pinkney

But Mr. Pinkney's service has not been limited to politics. He served as the director of the South Peel Red Cross and director and treasurer of the Peel County United Way Appeal and he was active in the Credit Valley Lions Club for 15 years.

"I've always enjoyed politics," said Mr. Pinkney.

"I've got the time on my hands now."

The new riding of Halton-Peel is "the type of riding that I like. It's mainly rural," said Mr. Pinkney.

He likes the Conservatives' approach toward the "business of the country."

He criticized Ontario Premier David Peterson's recent budget. Federal and provincial Liberals are alike, said Mr. Pinkney.

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney

has endured some hardship because some of the people around him got themselves into trouble, said Mr. Pinkney.

Pinkney referring to the cabinet ministers who have resigned during his four years in power.

But Mr. Mulroney has steered clear of those problems himself, he said.

Mr. Pinkney doesn't think leadership will be a major factor in the campaign.

He supports the Conservatives' Initiative on free trade.

About 80 per cent of Canada's business is with the United States, said Mr. Pinkney.

"If free trade wasn't a good thing we should have been backing off it a long time ago."

Removing the remaining trade tariffs with the US can only help, said Mr. Pinkney.

"What's so wrong with that?"

Mr. Pinkney thinks the environment and housing will also become major issues in the upcoming election campaign.

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## Mayor's race slated for Sunday, June 12

The 10th Annual Mayor's Road Race will take place on Sunday, June 12.

The road race will once again wind through the residential streets of Georgetown and Halton Regional Police will be on hand to make sure everything runs smoothly.

The five kilometre long course starts at the Zellers parking lot. Runners will head up Sinclair Avenue to Duncan Drive. Turning left on Duncan Drive for only a short distance competitors will then turn left on Raylawn Crescent, then it's on to Weber Drive for another short jog.

Runners will then turn right on

Delrex Boulevard for a majority of the course before heading back to the finish line at Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena via Sargent Road and Mountainview Road and through the Georgetown Market Place parking lot.

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