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POWER meets

There will be a meeting of POWER (Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources) on Thursday, July 21, at 8:15 p.m. The meeting is at the Limehouse Hall, and the public is welcome to attend.

Meetings resume

The proposed Acton Quarry Dump committee will resume meetings again on Aug. 4 at 7:15 p.m. at the Acton Legion. The topic for the meeting is leachate treatment and Black Creek assimilative capacity.

Fire calls

Halton Hills fire officials were kept busy this week. A July 5 barn fire causing \$2,000 damage brought fire officials to a Concession one farm at 7:39 p.m.

A grass fire July 7 at Lot 10, Concession 11 at 8:35 p.m. brought fire officials out to douse a minor blaze.

Smoke was mistaken for fire at a Marilyn Drive home on the same evening at 9:41 p.m.

Fire officials provided medical assistance to a resident at 224 MacDonald Blvd. July 8 at 9:40 a.m.

A fire under the Crescent Street bridge was extinguished by firefighters shortly after 11 p.m. July 8. The cause of the fire is unknown.

A breaker panel fire at 288 Delrex Blvd. was put out by firefighters July 9, shortly after it broke out.

Coping with cancer

Coping with cancer means being in control.

This was the message for caregivers and patients in an address given recently by Wayne Allen, psychotherapist and counsellor.

In a dynamic, thought-provoking way, Mr. Allen outlined the creative process that can assist patients to become involved, and remain in control of their personal situation when experiencing a life-threatening illness. Mr. Allen cited recent studies confirming the positive role of relaxation and imaging for individuals dealing with illness.

There is a commitment to life which results in acceptance by the person and a processing that brings about inner harmony.

The evening was sponsored by the North Halton Hospice. For further information call 1-519-853-3310.

Hydro test

Ontario Hydro will conduct a voltage reduction test on Tuesday, July 19, 1968.

Voltage on the Ontario Hydro electricity distribution grid will be reduced at three intervals during the day. In the morning, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., voltage will be reduced by three per cent. Between the hours of 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. and again from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. voltage will be reduced by five per cent.

In testing the electrical grid this way Hydro hopes to help prevent electricity shortages in the event of an emergency. If a generation shortage occurs, a five per cent reduction in voltage, distributed over the entire Hydro system, can eliminate the need to interrupt up to 500,000 kilowatts of electrical load. That's equivalent to the electricity needs of more than 180,000 homes.

For most customers the effect of these reductions will be imperceptible. Data collected from this test will help Hydro locate and resolve potential operating or customer problems. Hydro conducts a voltage reduction test once a year.

Macleods in Acton

Macleods, "The Hardware Store", a division of Macleods-Stedman Inc. is proud to launch its expansion into Acton, Ontario. The 1968 spring and summer catalogue has been issued as an indication of the wide assortment available.

Macleods has been serving the needs of Western Canadians since 1917, with more than 200 stores stretching from Ontario to British Columbia.

Macleods is built on a tradition of good old-fashioned service, value and helpful advice that millions of Canadians have come to trust.

Take a browse through the new Macleods catalogue. It reflects the wide assortment of hardware, automotive, paint, plumbing, electrical, tools, housewares and lawn and garden that can be expected from the new Macleods.

Some stores, because of floor space constraints, may not be able to carry all of the merchandise shown in the catalogue on their sales floor. But with special order capability, these stores can get the merchandise very quickly.

Everyone is invited to drop by, share the excitement and meet a new neighbor, Macleods, "The Hardware Store".



A TIRING SUMMER DAY

Fairy Lake in Acton was clearly the place to be last week as temperatures soared. Here, Teresa Lutz (9), David Lutz (8) and Jessica Lutz (7) decided to paddle on an inner tube. But it wasn't long before they took the plunge into the lake to cool off. (Herald photo)

Boughton's robbed of \$80,000 worth of gems at gunpoint

By DONNA KELL
Herald Staff

Two suspects held a Georgetown Main Street jewelry store owner at gunpoint Friday and demanded \$80,000 worth of jewels, Halton police say.

"It was very terrifying, and I was fearful for customers who might come in the door. Who knows what would have happened?" said Boughton's store owner, Gail Dodokin at the 5:20 p.m. robbery.

Mrs. Dodokin said a man and woman claiming to be browsing waited until the store emptied and then approached the counter.

"They waited until the store was clear of people, then they pulled their gun," she said.

The gun, an 11 inch revolver, was

pointed at Mrs. Dodokin as the suspects told the owner and her part time worker, "be quiet, be calm, don't move," police say.

"When somebody pulls a gun on you, you must do exactly what they say," said Mrs. Dodokin.

The pair, both with brown hair and approximately 30 to 35 years of age, according to police descriptions, filled two bags mostly with rings.

"They took diamonds, precious gem rings, engagement rings and colored gem rings," said Mrs. Dodokin.

The pair fled from the store into a Main Street back alley where they drove off in a Volkswagen Jetta, say police.

Mrs. Dodokin said the store has full security. "In this business,

we're always alert. We're very careful about locking cabinets and about our opening and closing procedures," she said.

Mrs. Dodokin wants customers to know that only new jewelry was removed from the store. "All customers' repairs are quite safe," she said.

Police have a detailed description of the two assailants. The male is described as heavy-set, 180 pounds, with a "noticeable" paunch, he was wearing dark sunglasses, a tensor bandage on his right arm and a navy baseball cap.

The female suspect is described as 140 pounds, with dark hair pulled back or cut short. She was wearing a greyish colored T-shirt, dark glasses and a baseball cap bearing a police insignia.

Sheldon, Miller square off at council

Regional Councillor Pam Sheldon blasted Halton Hills Mayor Russ Miller Monday for not informing town council of a potential land agreement for Willow Park trailer residents.

Coun. Sheldon, who will attempt to unseat Mayor Miller in the upcoming municipal elections, said she was "fired of being uninformed" by Mayor Miller and demanded a system of reporting be established within council.

She referred to an article appearing in The Herald last week, in which Mayor Russ Miller discussed a possible land lease near Silver Creek for the Willow Park residents who must vacate their Norval location by September.

"I have not been informed of something major going on in the ward I represent. When I pick up the paper, I like to know what it's talking about," said Coun. Sheldon.

In response to Coun. Sheldon's questioning, Mayor Miller said, "I can expect this kind of crap at this time of season... I don't know what Coun. Sheldon is insinuating."

The mayor explained his involve-

ment in the discussions with the Lenstras, landowners of 47 acres near the intersection of the Sixth Line and Sideroad 20 and potential landlords for the Willow Park trailer residents. "My priority is to find a home for these 30 families (of Willow Park). It's important to relocate them from this area that is very dangerous," he said.

This "dangerous" area is the six acres of land on Highway 7 next to the Credit River owned by Norman Guthrie. The Credit Valley Conservation Authority is expropriating the land because of the flood potential caused by the nearby development of Halton Hills Village.

"It's been said that I'm the mayor of all the people, and I am. We have to find these 30 families somewhere to live," said Mayor Miller.

Mayor Miller said affordable housing concerns are a priority in Halton Hills.

"I think anybody who sits on two committees for affordable housing as Coun. Sheldon does, should be concerned with these families," he said.

A deal with Hank and Bill Lenstra

would provide the Willow Park residents with leased land and would allow residents to stay at Willow Park until a date is set for relocation.

"We want to see some reason to believe they will be leaving. Otherwise we may have to force them out," said Credit Valley Conservation Authority General Manager, Vicki Barron last week.

If the deal with the Lenstras falls through, residents will have to be "up and gone" by September, said Ms. Barron.

The Lenstras responded to an advertisement placed in local papers requesting a site for a new trailer park. Spokesman for the Willow Park residents, Roger Perryman, said the Lenstras' land is in a "prime location."

Coun. Sheldon said she shared the mayor's concerns but wanted more information for the people in her ward. "I have received phonecalls on this (matter) and I don't have the facts," she said.

Residents find ways to beat the heat

Don't put those fans and air conditioners away yet.

The scorching weather which has held most of Southern Ontario in its grip for the last two weeks may return as early as this weekend, the Ontario Weather Centre reports.

Chief meteorologist Barry Greer said the current cooler air is not going to last.

"My impression is it's a temporary reprieve," said Mr. Greer.

"It doesn't look like it's going to stay cool."

Temperatures will likely soar over the 30 degrees Celsius mark once again but it's difficult to say whether or not they will approach the levels of the last two weeks in which records were broken for five straight days, he said.

In Halton Hills residents turned to lakes, pools, ice cream, air conditioners, fans and even suds - of the barley extraction - to keep cool.

If you haven't already picked up a fan or an air conditioner you'll likely have to go out of town to get one. Halton Hills stores have been unable to keep up with the demand.

Georgetown Canadian Tire Manager Jim Munroe said his stock of air conditioners and fans are sold out.

The store received a shipment of 20 fans on Thursday and they sold out within two hours, said Mr. Munroe.

The store may get more fans shortly but it's likely going to be at least the beginning of August before orders can be met, he said.

Zellers in Georgetown reports a similar situation. Store Associate Manager George Cardoso said the 60 fans the store got in last Tuesday were gone within a day and a half.

"I wish I could get more," he said.

Usually it takes at least a week to sell fans that quickly in the summer but the heat wave has intensified demand, he said.

Plastic backyard pools are also a hit at the two stores.

Zellers has sold its stock of 24 plastic pools during the heat wave and Canadian Tire is also almost out of the plastic pools.

Nikki Sanderson, owner of Nikki's Pools and Services in Georgetown said the hot weather has brought more inquiries about backyard swimming pools.

Inquiries have been "pretty steady" throughout the heat wave,

said Mr. Sanderson.

At the Brewers' Retail outlet on Guelph Street, customers were cooled down while they were waiting in lengthy lines by "Mr. Freezies" given out by employees.

Store Manager Glen Gordon said last week was the busiest week of the year for the outlet and that includes Christmas. Such a stampede to the beer store is not uncommon during hot spells but the Christmas week is traditionally the busiest week of the year, said Mr. Gordon.

Sales were up by 15 per cent over normal predictions at this time of the year, he said.

"Thursday was the day that we really got blown out of the water," he said.

The Dairy Queen on Guelph street in Georgetown was also very popular with overheated customers.

Heat waves always bring in more customers but the Dairy Queen also had a 15 per cent increase over what would normally be expected at this time of year, said owner Terry Samcoe.

"We can't keep up."

Halton Hills Fire Department Training Officer Bob Meads said the town has had an unusual amount of grass and bush fires at a time of the year when there should be none.

The fire department has had to deal with two fires that were "pretty labor intensive and time consuming," said Mr. Meads.

Because there is no rain grass is drying and more susceptible to fire, said Mr. Meads. Normally there is no dead grass at this time of the year.

The fire department answered calls to extinguish at least 10 grass and bush fires in the last two weeks, he said.

Some Georgetown residents went without power for two hours at the peak of the heat wave because two transformers burned out.

Halton Hills Hydro Manager Gerry Trudell said the demand for hydro last week was the highest he's seen in his six years as manager.

He attributed the burned out transformers to excess hydro demand caused by fans and air conditioners.

Hydro employees were kept busy for an entire week adjusting transformers to feed higher voltages through the lines, he said.

'Tears and applause' as day care approved

There were tears and applause at Monday night's General Committee meeting as councillors agreed to allow a day care centre to open on Highway 7 in Georgetown.

Town planners' recommendation was to refuse the application submitted by Lucy Quaglia to rezone her 83 Main St. N. home to allow operation of a day care centre.

Citing the necessity of child care, council rejected that recommendation.

"The day care centre is something very necessary in our community," said Mayor Russ Miller.

Coun. Betty Fisher suggested council reward its recommendation to rezone the residential property for commercial use.

"I am very pleased. I was worried after receiving that last report that we wouldn't go the centre," said Mrs. Quaglia. Her husband was also

"very pleased."

The main objection town council had with opening the day care centre was traffic on Highway 7, said Coun. Gerald Rennie.

Coun. Norm Elliott agreed, saying Halton Hills is "too tolerant" of excessive speeds in the area. The proposed day care centre is near Moore Park Plaza west of Trafalgar Road. The highway with four lanes and without a left turn lane concentration resident Mark Poullos.

Following a June 6 public meeting, Mr. Poullos submitted accident photos along with an explanation letter to town council, asking them to reject Mrs. Quaglia's proposal.

"Although this seems to be an ideal location for reasons of convenience, it could not be more wrong for reasons of safety," said Mr. Poullos who lives at neighboring 75 Main St. N.

Kidney transplant patient defies the odds

By DONNA KELL
Herald Staff

It may be difficult to believe, but after multiple cardiac arrests, a stroke, two kidney operations, and the delivery of a premature baby, a Georgetown woman is doing just fine.

"I've always wondered 'why me?'" says 28-year-old Wanda Bryan.

Following a 1972 kidney transplant to replace her "hypoplastic" kidneys, Ms. Bryan was in bad shape. Her own kidneys reached the extent of their growth when she was seven-years-old, and they had to be replaced.

Before a second surgery in 1963, Ms. Bryan was "going downhill. I wasn't eating, couldn't walk, and I slept all the time. I would climb stairs and have to stop and take a breath," she said. Ms. Bryan received a kidney from a car accident victim. The only family member with a compatible kidney was her father, who was already short a kidney from birth, she said.

Ms. Bryan's second transplant took place in June of 1963, and was more successful than the first. Between the two transplant operations, she experienced small cardiac arrests on a fairly regular basis.

Nearly eight months ago, Ms. Bryan did what seemed unlikely, impossible and hazardous for a transplant patient: she became pregnant. "Pregnancy is dangerous to your health. I was very lucky. They never thought I would carry her for as long as I did," she said.

Ms. Bryan carried her little girl, Jodi-Lynn Evelyn, for seven months.

The danger involved in such a pregnancy involves a crushing of the transplanted kidney by the growing fetus. Ms. Bryan said she carried her child longer than most transplant patients.

But Ms. Bryan did not breeze through her pregnancy. She experienced intense seizures when her baby began to lose consciousness while in the womb. The baby, normally a "kicker", stopped moving completely, said Ms. Bryan.

Fortunately, doctors were closely monitoring Ms. Bryan's condition during the pregnancy. Doctors were alerted of the baby's condition and the mother-to-be was prepared for Caesarean child birth.

During the difficult delivery, Ms. Bryan had several seizures, one which she consciously remembers.

"When I had that first seizure, I was awake, conscious of it. I never want to have to go through that again," she said.

She was in fear that the baby wouldn't survive the attacks, and afraid that she would damage the child.

The baby was born premature, but healthy at a meagre weight of three pounds. Now, a month later, Jodi-Lynn is up to four pounds, nine ounces and is being bottle fed, said Ms. Bryan. Hospital staff will officially record her birthdate when the baby is an adequate size, she added.

Like any normal mother, Ms. Bryan is anxious to have her daughter home, and has all the usual jitters of a first-time mother. "You say to yourself: 'Are you going to make a good mom, will you make all the right decisions?' But you feel very excited," she said.

Unlike most people, Ms. Bryan is dependant on several drugs she must take daily. She takes Prednisone, a drug to suppress rejection of her kidney by the body, Imuran, a white blood cell booster to fight infection, children's aspirin, to lessen the risk of heart attack, as well as a mild blood pressure pill and multiple vitamins.

While far from living a totally "normal" life, Ms. Bryan is doing well, her daughter is growing rapidly and her family is very supportive.

"Mom was there when I woke up after surgery. She's always there, she's been very supportive," said Ms. Bryan.

Wanda, once a student of Georgetown high school, looks back on her teen years with some regret, missing "the time in school, the adolescent years."

"I can go out dancing, walking, whatever I want. Now, I'm going to make up for lost time," she said.

Now Wanda Bryan sits in her Georgetown apartment, filled with boxes of baby booties, knit jumpers and stuffed toys, waiting for her baby to come home from the hospital.

She has triumphed over life-threatening adversity not once, but twice.



Kidney transplant patient Wanda Bryan holds a stuffed toy and baby booties waiting for her newborn daughter Jodi-Lynn Evelyn to come home from hospital. Doctors never expected Wanda to have a baby, but

last month she delivered a little girl at a premature but healthy three pounds. Jodi-Lynn Evelyn will come home when she gains enough weight and when doctors determine her official birthdate. (Herald Photo)