

Child Abducted

Investigators from Halton Regional Police Force, District #1 CIB are seeking assistance in their search for 4-year-old Luke Nethaneal Boudreau of Milton, who was abducted on April 22nd, 1990 by his father, Brian Vernon Boudreau, 35 years of age.

Luke is described as male, white, 110 cm, 27 kg, blonde hair, brown eyes and good teeth. He was wearing either a red or green sweat suit.

His father, Brian Boudreau, is described as male, white, 173 cm, 74 kg, brown hair and brown eyes. He may be driving a 1979 Ford Thunderbird, 2 door, maroon, licence OMEGA 7, Ontario issue.

Warrants for the arrest of Boudreau have been obtained on charges of abduction, extortion, and breach of probation. It is possible that Boudreau has left the province. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact Detective Sergeant M. Eacrett at 878-5511, ext. 415.



LUKE BOUDREAU



BRIAN BOUDREAU

Welcome back Glenda!

The Herald is pleased to welcome back Glenda Hughes, of NRS Brand Realty, as our regular Real Estate columnist. Glenda's column appears on page 9 of the Herald Outlook.

Library book sale

Halton Hills Public Libraries will be selling used books at amazingly low prices. Go to The Acton Library on Saturday, June 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (17 River St., 853-0301). Go to The Georgetown Library on Saturday, June 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (9 Church St., 873-2681).

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Cash for consultant condemned by councillor

By BEN DUMMETT

The Herald
 Halton Hills' general committee recommended Monday night to spend \$14,000 for a report detailing how much more staff the town will need to administer anticipated population growth, despite objections from councillor Al Cook.

"The consultant's report will just tell us (the town) we need more staff, which means spending more money," said the councillor. "We don't need to spend \$14,000 to get help to plan the town."

But Mayor Russ Miller argued "it's not possible with the town's existing staff to do such a com-

prehensive long range plan."

"Strategic and long range planning is seen by your (the town's) administration as a most important step to be taken in 1990 as it relates to the future direction of the town administratively... and to (it's long-term) goals and objectives," the town's Administrator-Clerk Dan

Costea argued in a report submitted to general committee Monday night.

Town councillors make up the general committee. The recommendation still has to go before council next Monday to get final approval.

If council gives the go-ahead for town staff to hire the consultants, \$10,000 will be spent this year while the remaining monies will be spent next year.

Mr. Costea explained the consultant will act as a coach in guiding the town and council to examine such issues as housing, water and sewage. For example, said Mr. Costea, the consultant will help the town decide whether there will be enough water from the stream system used now to accommodate growth or will the town have to consider the idea of trying to get water piped in from Lake Ontario.

Results from the analysis like this one, will tell the town if it needs to hire any more staff, and if so, in what areas, said Mr. Costea.

Mayor Miller acknowledged during Monday night's debate, the public is wary when the town spends money to hire a consultant. "I've received about 10 calls this year from people saying why are you (the town) wasting money on

consultants?"

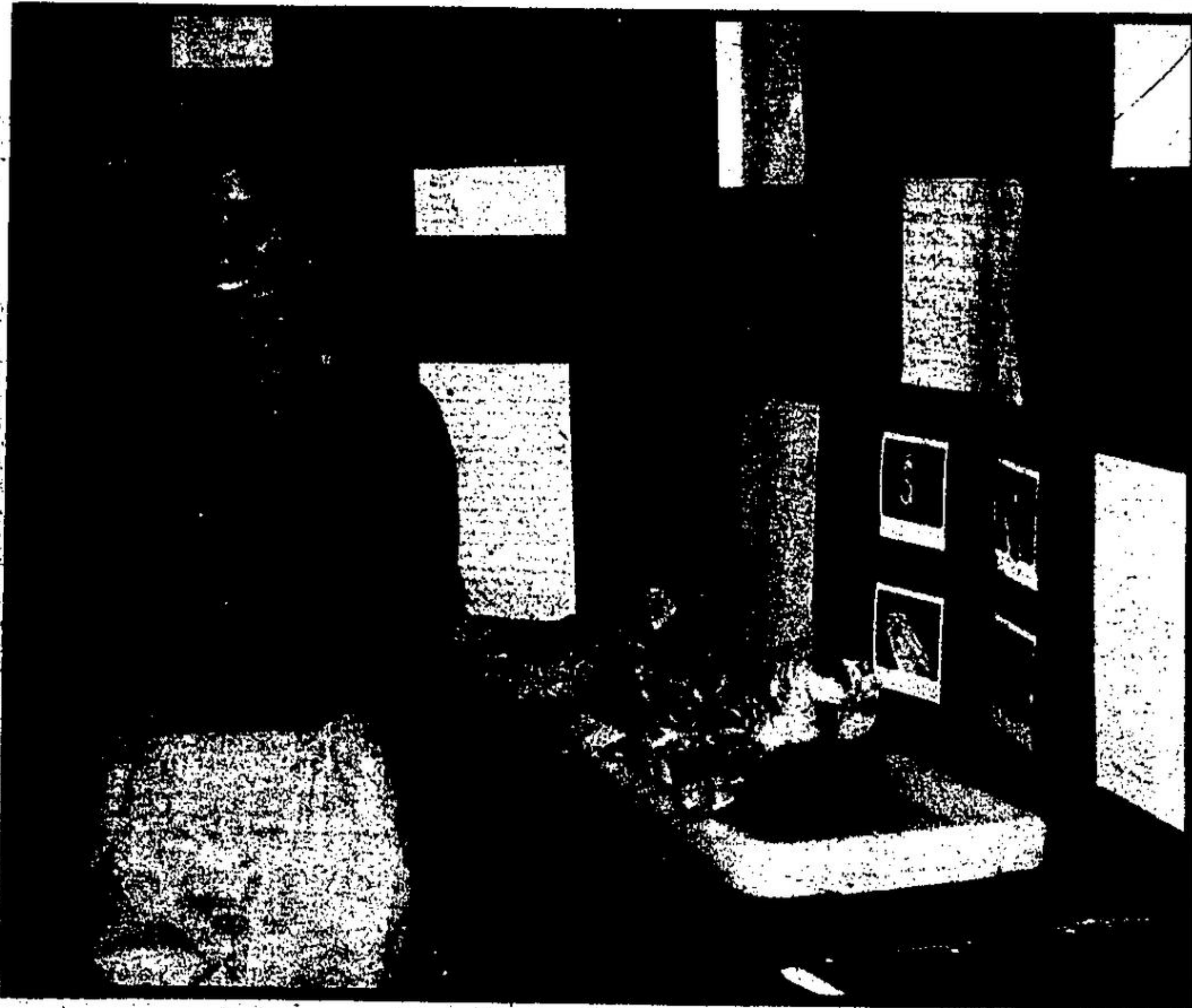
But the mayor argued the town will be forced to spend more money than necessary in the future if it doesn't plan properly now.

The town should better explain to the public why it needs consultants, Mayor Miller advised.

Coun. Cook argued consultants inevitably tell the town what they already know. The town spent \$23,000 to have a consultant tell council the downtown areas of Georgetown and Acton needed more parking spaces, a fact the town already knew, said the councillor.

Coun. Cook was referring to a recently completed \$23,000 consultant's report on the parking situation in Georgetown and Acton, recommending the two areas need a total of 168 parking spaces at a cost of between \$2.6 and \$3.4 million.

But Coun. Joe Hewitt said the parking study was valuable because it showed how the town could implement a tax levy to raise money for the new parking spaces. Cash-in-lieu means commercial developers would give the town cash instead of building parking lots on the site so a more adequate and central parking lot could be built.



Acton High School Science Fair

Rebecca Moore, Grade 11, poses beside her biology display at Acton High School's Science Fair Wednesday night. The 80 projects displayed represented 10 per cent of the participating student's final semester mark. Each project was marked by two teachers that

did not teach the students and by a student one grade level higher than the eager future scientists. Rebecca's project was on comparing the digestive systems of various animals including turtles, pigeons, cats and sharks. (Herald photo)

Chamber's 'deficit barbecue'

The Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce deficit reduction barbecue May 24, at Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena, is meant to show the federal government that the town's business community "really cares about this country," said the event's chairperson, Lori Kentner.

Money raised from the barbecue will be given to guest speaker, finance minister Michael Wilson, at the end of the evening, to help the government reduce the federal government's deficit, said Ms. Kentner.

The cheque presentation is a "symbolic gesture" on the part of the Chamber to show support for

the government's plan to reduce the deficit. But the gesture is also an appeal to the government not to reduce the deficit by raising business and income tax, said Ms. Kentner.

Ms. Kentner emphasized the barbecue is for the public and not a Progressive Conservative-sponsored fund-raising event. All of the money raised will go to the federal government's deficit reduction fund, she said.

Ticket prices are \$15 per person and Ms. Kentner said the price was kept "affordable" so all could attend the event.

Anyone wanting tickets should call 877-7119, 873-0404 or 457-8541. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

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