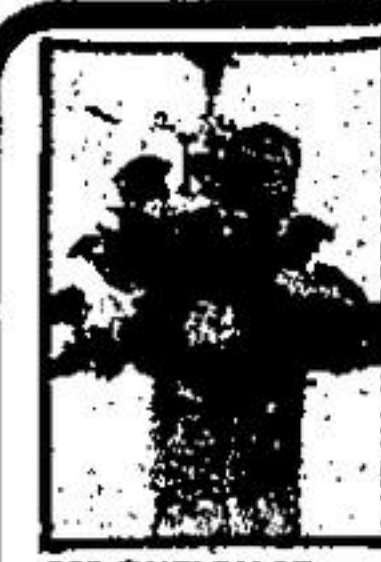


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The Herald

The residents of Norval's Willow Park will be able to remain in the park, just off Highway 7, until Aug. 31, free from any Credit Valley Conservation Authority imposed conditions, the Herald has learned.

Last month the CVCA decided to issue a three-month extension to the deadline - from May 15 to Aug. 31 - when the residents would have to vacate the property. The extension was to apply to those residents who first abided by certain CVCA conditions.

However, the residents have adamantly opposed these conditions describing them as nothing more than a threat.

The province's Minister of Natural Resources, Bud Black, is now telling the CVCA that in light of the hardships the Willow Park residents are experiencing, the extension should be granted on an unconditional basis.

In a letter obtained by the Herald dated April 16 and addressed to the CVCA, Mr. Black writes, "The CVCA conditional extension for the Willow Park residents to stay in the park to Aug. 31 is a cause of concern in light of the hardship being experienced by many of the residents. I would hope that it would be possible to extend the occupancy of the site to those cur-

rently located there until Aug. 31 on an unconditional basis."

Although Mr. Black writes that he hopes the CVCA will abide by his request, North-Halton MPP Noel Duignan said Wednesday Mr. Black is politely requiring the CVCA to eliminate the conditions of the extension.

The CVCA insists the residents leave the property because the park is located in the Credit River floodplain, putting the residents' lives at risk if a major flood occurs.

The CVCA conditions include the residents not claiming any more money than the CVCA has already paid to the residents to help cover their expenses to leave the property, and that the residents cover the legal costs incurred by the authority to draw up a new vacancy deadline contract.

Contacted Wednesday, Heather Croft, the residents' spokesperson, said she is pleased the conditions will be removed. She is also hopeful that between now and Aug. 31 the residents will be able to solve their other differences with the CVCA.

Ms. Croft said the residents are still planning to file an arbitration claim under the province's Expropriation Act because the residents feel they have not been properly compensated.

The CVCA has paid the residents the estimated

depreciated costs of improvements made to each trailer site, plus the residents' expenses to move their mobile homes.

CVCA committee member Marilyn Serjeanston, said Wednesday the conditions will be removed if legally possible. Ms. Serjeanston refused any further comment since the matter is still under discussion by the authority membership.

Pleads guilty

Christopher Pettit, a 19-year-old Brampton man, pleaded guilty to two counts of motor vehicular manslaughter in Brampton court Tuesday involving the death of Trevor Kemp of Ballinacraigh last spring.

Pettit will be sentenced this summer.

Pettit was the driver of a car in which 20-year-old Kemp was a passenger last May 25. The car slammed into a tractor trailer on Steeles Avenue and both Kemp and another passenger in the car were killed.

The guilty plea was announced at a pre-trial hearing where the crown attorney, defence counsel and a justice of the court discussed the issues involved in the case.

Theft from plant

Halton Regional Police say culprits who made off with \$18,000 worth of brass scraps and fittings from a Georgetown plant may have gotten away with much more if an employee hadn't scared them off Tuesday night.

Police say it appears the unknown suspects loaded their vehicles, left a large number of brass objects and tools by an outside door and were almost caught when they came back later that evening. The employee reported the vehicle was a 1979 Chevrolet Van.

Police are continuing their investigation.

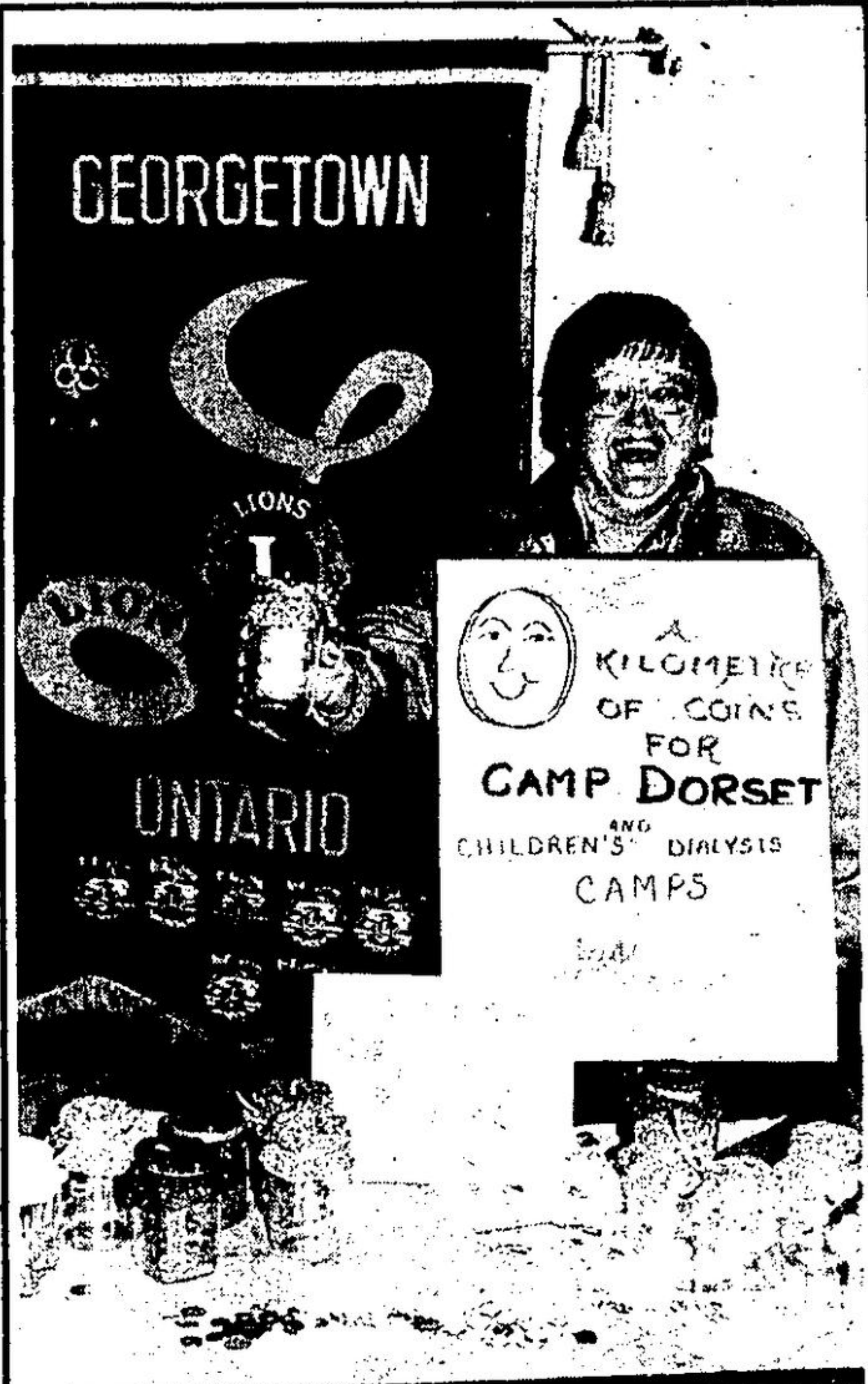
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Quote of the Week

"Pick Your Rut Carefully: You Will Be In It For The Next 80 Miles."

Sign erected by a rough stretch of road between Swan Hills and Fort Assiniboine, Alberta in 1956.

**'Kilometre of coin' drive**

The Georgetown Lions Club will try to raise the length of a kilometre in coins from May 1 to May 11 as part of the group's "Kilometre of Coins" drive for Kidney Dialysis Vacation Camps. Club member Betty Hawes was one of several who gathered at the Georgetown Lions Club Hall last Wednesday to prepare for the fundraising event. The club will place collection jars at local businesses. There will be a "Kilometre of Coins Blitz" held May 11 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Miracle Food Mart Plaza in Georgetown. As well, donations can be mailed c/o Lioness Joyce Tilson, 31 Langstone Crescent, Georgetown, Ont. L7G 4N2. (Herald photo)

Police force lauded

Halton Regional Council Wednesday recognized the Regional Police Force for being honored last month by the Federal Government for the department's achievements in race relations.

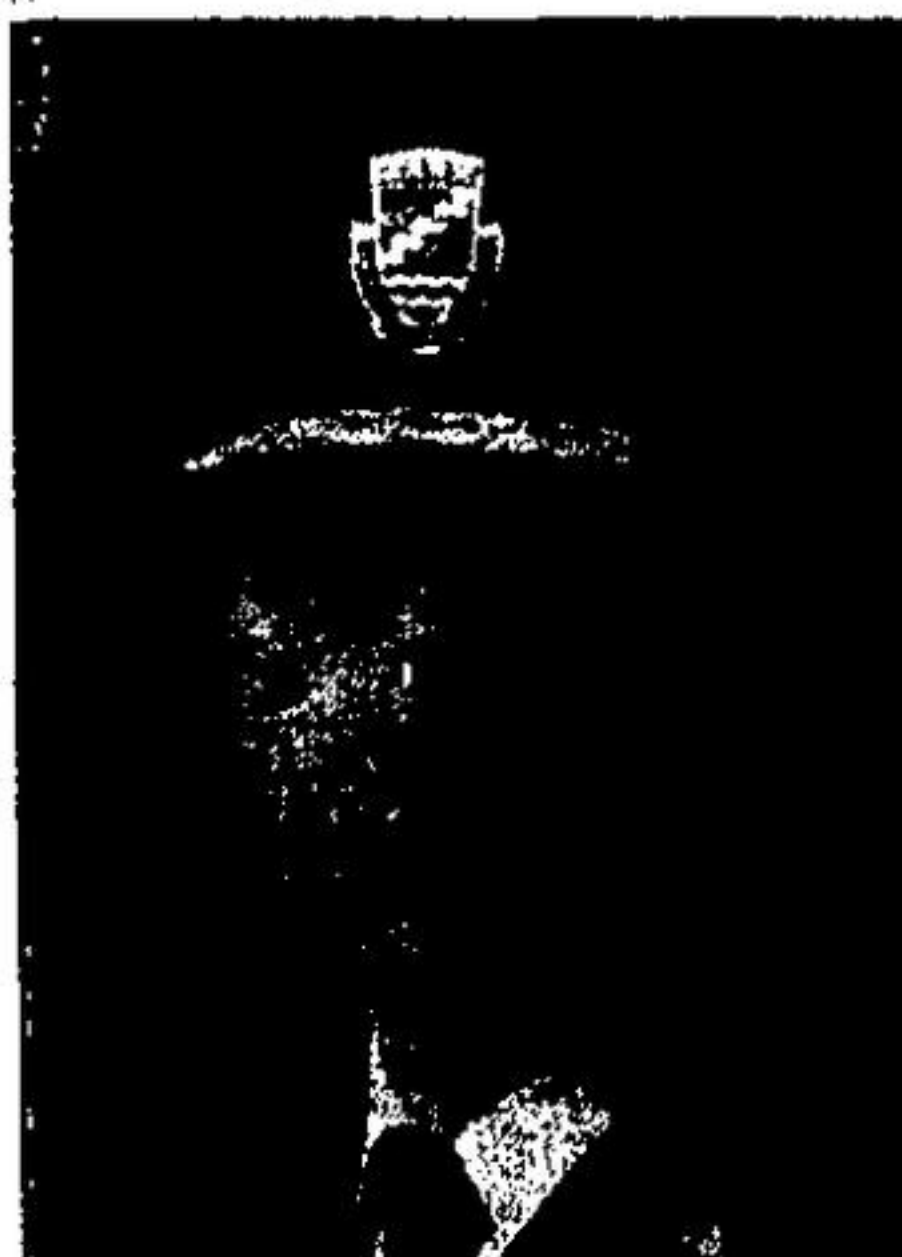
The Federal Government's Ministry of Multiculturalism and Citizenship awarded the Halton Police Force with an Excellence in Race Relations Award.

Wednesday, Regional Chairman Peter Pomeroy quoted the Minister of Multiculturalism and Citizenship Gerry Weiner as saying, "the award is the highest honor bestowed by the Government of Canada in this area. I am pleased to have this opportunity to express, on behalf of all Canadians, the pride (the federal government) have in the Halton Regional Police Service and the gratitude for its dedicated efforts in building awareness, developing programs and generating innovative approaches to eliminate racism."

Halton Police Chief James Harding Wednesday thanked the Chairman for bringing the award to the attention of council.

The Chief then went on to request that he be able to make a comprehensive presentation to councillors at a future date or what Regional government can do to further improve race relations in the Halton community.

Chairman Pomeroy assured Chief Harding that the request would be met.

**CHIEF HARDING****Service to Guides**

Georgetown resident and Girl Guide Leader Glenda Nixdorf (right) was presented with her 30-year pin of service with the Girl Guides of Canada by the Guides Halton Division Commissioner Marie Brown last Wednesday during the division's Annual Awards Dinner held at the Knox Presbyterian Church in Georgetown. Over the past 30 years, Ms. Nixdorf has worked in locations throughout Canada as a Girl Guide Leader. (Herald photo)