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### Copper wire stolen

Halton Regional Police report \$200 worth of copper welding wire was stolen from United Aggregates Quarry in Acton Wednesday night. Police say unknown persons cut through the gate lock while on the grounds, stole 200 feet of the wire by cutting it from a welding aparatus.

### **Jacket lifted**

The Olde Hyde House in Acton reported that two males stole a \$399 black, suede jacket from the store Wednesday afternoon. Police say the males took the security tags off the jacket and fled on foot after they left the store. They are described as being bet-

ween 35 and 40 years of age with one being a stocky man about six feet tall and the other weighing around 160-165 pounds and approximtely five foot, six nches tall. Police are continuing their investigation.

### Golf clubs theft

Police report \$450 worth of golf clubs and a golf cart were stolen from a Georgetown woman's car while it was parked in Limehouse Park Tuesday. Police say the victim's boyfriend parked the unlocked car while he played baseball and when he returned, found the items missing. Stolen is two sets of Spalding Signature golf clubs, one Spalding golf bag and a golf cart. Police are continuing their investigation.



## "Business after five"

Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce hosted an informal gathering at the Halton Hills Civic Centre last Tuesday, from 5-8 p.m., to allow members of the business community and the general public, to learn a bit more about how local government works. Town of Halton Hills Mayor, Russ Miller, was on hand to greet guests, as were a large number of Town Councillors and Town staff employees. The informal session, "Business after five" was organized by a committee, chaired by Chamber member,

Janice Kouyoumjian. Pictured above, discussing community concerns, are, left to right, Town of Halton Hills Mayor Russ Miller, Barry Dunlop of Dunlop Insurance, David Page, President of the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce and Janice Kouyoumilan. Another similar session has been scheduled for the end of June and it will be held at Tuitman's Garden Centre, located on Hwy. 25, just south of Acton. (Herald photo)

# Region still eyeing incineration alternative

While the province's recent banning of municipal solid waste incineration is supported by local environmentalists, Halton's Planning and Public Works committee is of a different opinion.

Unconvinced incineration, as a waste management initiative is a dead issue, committee recommended Wednesday a symposium involving Halton and Peel be held to determine if the waste management process should be disallowed. Incineration means burning garbage in high volume incinerators and using the generated heat as energy.

Local environmental group, Incineration Counteracts the Environment, (ICE) was formed last June to pressure the provincial government to impose a ban on municipal waste incineration. The group believes incinerators emit dangerous toxins into the

Committee's recommendation will go before Regional Council for final approval this Wednes-

As part of Halton's approval to establish a landfill in Milton, scheduled to open early 1992, the Region was ordered to incorporate an incineration component as part of its waste management strategy.

Committee members asked Regional Public Works Commissioner Art Leitch if the order no longer applied in wake of the province's decision.

Mr. Leitch told committee members he is still waiting to hear from the province on the matter.

Following the meeting, Mr. Leitch said if Halton is prevented from using incineration, Halton's landfill capacity life span would decrease from 20 to 14 years.

Halton Hills Regional councillor Joe Hewitt questioned Mr. Leitch on whether the ban applies to bio-medical waste incinerators.

The province is currently reviewing its position on this type of incinerator, and at this time has yet to make a decision one way or another, responded the Public Works Commissioner.

Coun. Hewitt predicted if biomedical waste incinerators are banned, hospital waste will end up in municipal landfills.

Expanding on this point, Burlington Regional councillor Barry Quinn suggested without incineration, cat and dog carcasses will end up in landfills instead of being burned as is the case now.

Burlington Regional Councillor Rob Forbes said the ban is just another example of Ontario's New Democratic Party government "operating by its own individual conscience instead of by the public's conscience."

Oakville Regional Councillor Janet Mitchell called the symposium on incineration a good idea because if will clarify the pros and cons of the process.

# Environment minister pledges to follow proper procedure

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to do that, and I have never found the courts to be the best place in this province to make sound environmental decisions," Grier said.

"In the second place, a minister of the Crown in any government who took that kind of arbitrary action might do it in your favour one time, might do it against you the next time. As Minister of the Environment of the Province of Ontario I have to obey the law."

The RSI proposal will be the first private sector landfill proposal subjected to Ontario's Environmental Assessment Act.

The fact that the quarry is on the Niagara Escarpment, last year designated a United Nations Biosphere for its unique environmental and topographical features, has thrown a wide spotlight on the situation.

Barbara Halsall, president of POWER, told the crowd that if RSI's application is eventually approved, and because the escarpment is riddled with quarries, "a hike on our internationally famous Bruce Trail could

become a hike from one garbage dump to the next."

Local residents of the Town of Halton Hills are concerned because the dump, which would be located south of Highway 25, could contaminate the water supply for 100,000 people in Georgetown, Acton and surrounding areas.

The existing gravel quarry owned by United Aggregates Ltd., already passes through the limestone aquifer. The Ministry of the Environment has raised concerns about the possibility of polluted seepage from a dump, saying that RSI's recently handed-in proposal does not adequately address the problem.

As well, residents and the town say they cannot afford the exorbitantly expensive environmental assessment process which so far has cost taxpayers \$550,000 and which it is feared could end up costing millions of dollars more.

The garbage which would be dumped in the quarry would not come from Halton Region but from across Ontario. Halton

Region recently got its own future landfill site approved at environmental assessment hearings after years and more than \$100-million spent exporting its garbage to the U.S. and looking for sites.

Grier, drowned out at times by chanting, told the crowd they will have more than ample time to comment on RSI's plans once they are released for public comment. They can appear at the hearing which residents and the municipality could have legal representation.

The demonstrators carried a 400-foot-long, 12,474-name petition against proceeding with the quarry dump, which was later submitted in the Legislation by Halton North MPP Noel Duignan.

Among the stunts the protestors pulled to get media attention was POWER director, Doug Young, smashing a Rolex watch on the ground vowing it would not be repaired until RSI's plan was dumped, and the introduction of local actress, Lois Fraser, posing as "Truth" Grier and delivering the speech demonstrators wanted banning RSI's application.

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