Town to help out with Scout, Guide Food Drive

By Dianne Cornish

While the Guides and Scouts of Halton Hills will be doing most of the legwork in next Saturday's second annual Food Bank Drive, they'll have more than simply moral support from the Town.

In a motion that gained unanimous approval Monday night, town council offered the Civic Centre as

a drop-off station for donated food and donated the services of a parks and recreation department van and driver to help with the door-to-door food collection.

Details of the Nov. 7 drive were presented at Monday's meeting of town council by co-ordinators of the drive, Ron Birrell and Elaine

"Last year, Guides and Scouts collected over 23,000 pounds of food; this year, they hope to collect close to 30,000," Birrell said.

"It's so very appropriate" for young people to be involved in the food collection project, he said because "more than 50 per cent of foodbank users are under the age of door-to-door drive, which will be conducted between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., will be used to restock the Love in Christ Food Bank at Mountainview Baptist Church, Georgetown and Acton Foodshare in the Acton Scout Hall. Among the most needed articles are non-perishable goods such as canned pork

All food collected during the and beans, canned stew, tinned fish or meats, soups, cheese spreads, spaghetti and other pastas, baby food, jars of peanut butter and powdered or canned milk.

"We know times are tighter and harder for all, but I know that we (as a community) can do it," Birrell said while talking about the drive's

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Paul Williams (left) and Emma Tilson, both four years old, said they're all set for tonight's festivities and were caught giving a happy Halloween decoration a quick hug for luck. Look out for the ghosts and goblins tonight. **Photo by Scott Kline**

Increased police presence p

like the Acton riot two years ago, lems that arise," Kingston said. Halton Regional Police plan an Two years ago a large group of increased presence tonight.

Kingston, the number of uniformed officers will be increased and they will be support by plain clothes, surveillance, escort and auxiliary offices.

"We will have enough people on

In an effort to avoid an incident hand to deal quickly with any prob-

Halloween revelers wreaked havoc According to Staff Sgt. Mike on Acton's core, vandalizing the area around Main and Mill St. for several hours.

"We will have a policy of zero tolerance," Detective Sgt. Mike Eacrett added.

Both officers said police will tar-

get liquor violations, willful damage and pranks like throwing eggs and soaping windows.

As well as the increase in regular officers the Regional Traffic Unit will have increased spot check locations, looking for drunk drivers and those not wearing seat belts, Kingston added.

Mountainview Road plans to be aired at public meeting

By Dianne Cornish

Halton Region's plans for the reconstruction and widening of Mountainview Road through Hungry Hollow will be presented at a public meeting in Georgetown sometime in late November. The meeting will likely be held in conjunction with the inaugural meeting of the Public Liaison Committee (PLC), a local level organization formed to look at specific problems related to the provision of additional wastewater servicing capacity in Georgetown.

Halton Hills councillor Marilyn Serjeantson, who also serves as chairperson of the region's planning and public works committee, pressed regional engineering staff at a committee meeting Wednesday to comment on plans for the forthcoming public session which has been promised for "the fall of 1992.

The newly-formed PLC, which includes representation from environmental groups, community organizations, service clubs and business people, is expected to meet by the end of November, the region's director of engineering services Ric Robertshaw told planning and public works committee members. The Mountainview Road project will be the first subject dealt with by the PLC and its meeting will be open to the public, he added.

"I'm the one who looks like the bad person and like I haven't done my job," Serjeantson said referring to what she perceived to be a late date for the meeting. The local councillor has said many times that

she wants to see the Mountainview Road reconstruction project completed as soon as possible to address safety concerns for pedestrians and bicyclists who travel through Hungry Hollow.

Halton's public works commissioner Art Leitch said the Region still intends to have the public information meeting within the "fall 1992" time frame suggested in his report to regional council in early July. The PLC isn't fully set up, he said, later echoing Robertshaw's comments that the new committee's first meeting will look at the Mountainview Road project and will also serve as a public information session.

The Mountainview Road reconstruction, which includes widening the road to four lanes from Eden Place/Summit Lane to Regional Road 10, is subject to intensive Class Environmental Assessment studies. The Region's timetable for the project includes engineering work in 1993 and reconstruction of the road in 1994 and 1995.

Witch stolen

It's not unusual for witches to appear at Halloween, but Halton Regional Police report the disappearance of one.

Sometime Wednesday night the cloth and nylon, handsewn decoration was removed from the porch at a Willow St., Acton residence.

The 5' tall witch was worth about \$300.



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