

# Civic Centre shuffle

By Oksana Buhel

See ya Dan! Welcome Ray!

A personnel reshuffle will be occurring at the Town of Halton Hills Civic Centre July 1. Dan Costea, town administrator, will be retiring and Ray King, town treasurer, will be taking over.

Councillor Norm Elliot, chair of the interviewing committee, announced the decision Tuesday evening at the municipal council meeting. Elliot said that once the position was advertised, more than 100 people applied for the job, from all across Canada. "At first we were considering these individuals," Elliot admitted, "but then we realized we had someone just as competent in our own ranks - whose work was beyond reproach, and who had a reputation of co-existing with department heads and staff."

King has been the town treasurer for 17 years. Before that, he was the treasurer for the region of Peel, and before that, treasurer of Chinguacousy Township. The new position will definitely be a change for the 'money man.'

"There will be a great many challenges," King admits, "but I'm pleased with the appointment."

While King will be encountering these challenges, Costea will be kicking up his feet and banishing all thoughts of business from his mind.



Ray King

"I'm taking three months off for nothing other than fishing, golfing and gardening," Costea said. Asked if he has any plans of getting back in to business, Costea assured that he did not - "as of yet."

What he will miss the most, Costea said, is having "a comfortable relationship with competent people."

King thanked council Tuesday night for the confidence they showed in him. Regarding his new position, King stated "it was an enjoyable experience working with Mr. Costea."

Mayor Miller congratulated King on the appointment. "I'm happy to be working with you, Ray," Miller said.

## No robbery - clerk charged

The armed robbery which allegedly took place last Saturday evening at the Esso gas station on Mill St. in Acton turned out to be a sham. The 18-year-old clerk, who reported the robbery, has been charged with public mischief and theft under \$1,000.

Mike Kingston, Halton Regional Police Service Staff Sergeant for 11 Division, admitted there were sev-

eral inconsistencies in the clerk's original story. "We also flooded the area immediately after the report was made, and we couldn't find anything," Kingston said.

While investigating the incident, police discovered that several hundred dollars more than the reported amount had been stolen.

The youth will be appearing in court June 21.

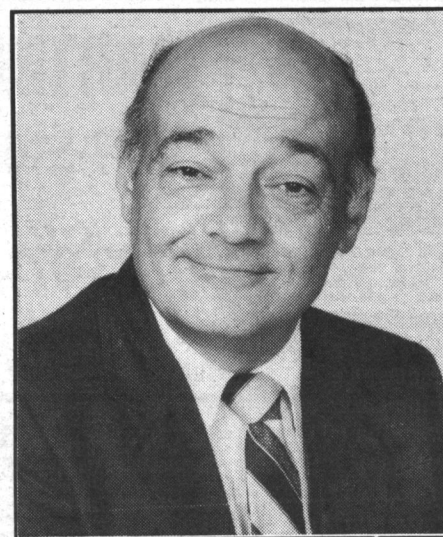
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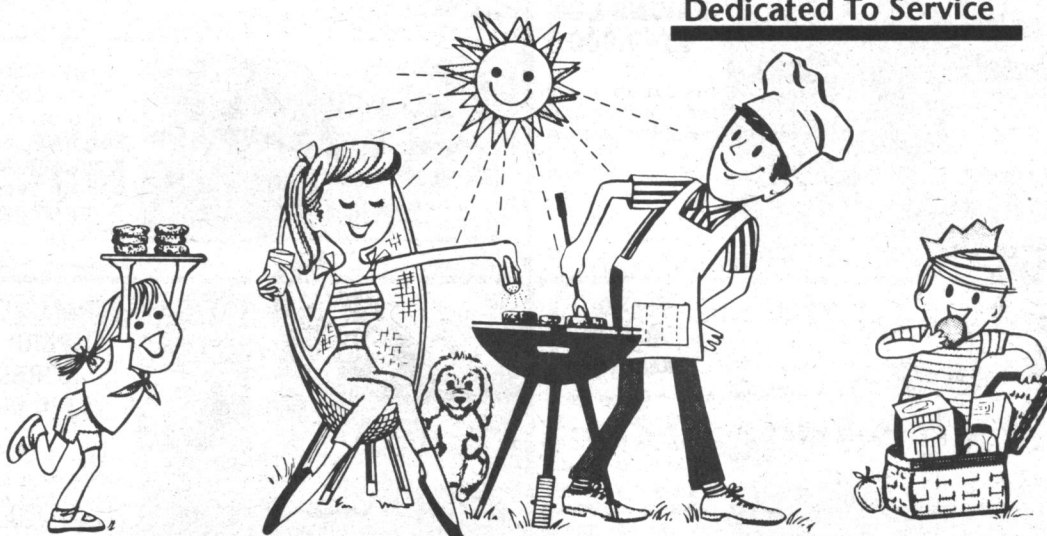
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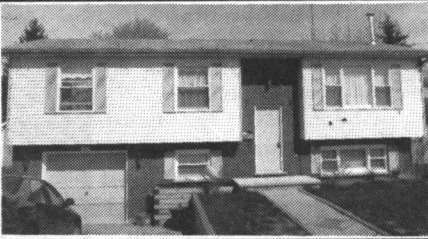
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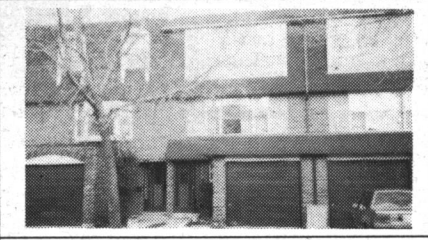
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