

A street named Hurst

An 85-year-old Acton resident who died in Sept. 1992 will have a street named after him. Joe Hurst was the town clerk for the former town of Acton and spent two terms on Halton Hills Council, beginning in 1974. He lived in Acton all his life, during which time he was very actively involved in the community.

Hurst Street will be located in the Royal Legion development in Acton, near Fairy Lake. The decision on naming the street was made at Monday's Town of Halton Hills council meeting.

Ratepayers ripped-off?

Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson insisted people in a proposed subdivision on Concession 7 in Esquesing Twp. should not be eligible for water because they will be outside the urban boundary. Councillor Pam Johnston agreed with Serjeantson, adding residents in the proposed development would be cashing in on the work Sixth Line ratepayers did to get water to

the area.

Bruce MacLean, the town's assistant planning director, promised to review proposed zoning by-law application which would allow a development in the rural area, and report back to council at a later date.

Elliot demands silt control

Councillor Norm Elliot demanded silt control be imposed on the Acto-Mon development in Acton. He stated during the the thunderstorm last Wednesday, water running off from the development turned "chocolate brown."

"I've seen thunderstorms before," Elliot said, "but never one which had the same impact as this one."

Elliot was also concerned the development, which had initially been approved for 20 single family residential lots, was now designated for 32 link homes and four single family units.

Assistant town planner Bruce

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Bethan Elliott of George Kennedy (checking her rivals) strains for the finish line to win the 10-year-old girls 100-metres final at Saturday's 2nd annual Georgetown Branch 120 Royal Canadian Legion track and field meet staged at Georgetown District High School. For more coverage please turn to page 26.

photo by Colin Gibson/HHTW

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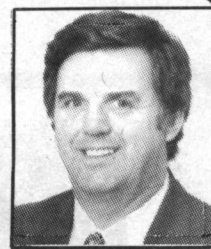
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Pioneer Days a-coming

Pioneer Days takes centre stage - more specifically, the downtown core - in Georgetown Thursday (tomorrow), Friday and Saturday.

Local school choirs will entertain, as will the Pine Valley Squares and Steve McTavish, judged the Most Promising Upcoming Western Singer, will entertain nightly. There's even special buses for seniors.

For all the information about what, when and where events are happening, just check our special supplement in Halton Hills This Week.



Ross May of Toronto, competing in the Grade 1 Jig for solo piping, contributed to the sound of the Scottish pride which could be heard last Saturday at the Fairgrounds in Georgetown as part of the 18th annual Scottish Festival and Highland Games. For full photo coverage, please turn to page 25. photo by Simon Wilson/HHTW

Leadership race worth the effort

Editor's Note: Despite six attempts to contact Mr. Turner, Halton Hills This Week was unsuccessful in getting the personal comments of the erstwhile PC leadership candidate. We offer here some of Mr. Turner's views.

By Garth Turner

Well, we had a heck of a weekend.

In a steaming hot arena in Ottawa, about 10,000 delegates, observers, volunteers and media took part in the part in the process of choosing a new leader for the Progressive Conservatives and a new prime minister.

I was one of five candidates, and when the voting was over, I came fourth. If that sounds like I didn't do very well, nothing could be further from the truth. I had a great time. I got to stand on a national stage and speak my mind.

Saturday night, I spoke to those people - and the people of Canada - about the things which have been constant topics at our townhall meetings. That included eliminating the deficit, helping small business, giving people more rights, cutting the size of government and increasing economic opportunity.

I also explained that I knew from the start that my chances of winning were remote - but that simply didn't matter. My goals

were to say those things to an audience of most Canadians and to prove that a backbench MP could mount a national leadership campaign, based on volunteers and donations, and make it onto the stage.

Pride washed over me as I saw those folks from Georgetown, Bolton, Burlington, Caledon and Acton there taking a hands-on part in the picking of the prime minister. They were joined in my box on the convention floor by new friends from Halifax, Montreal, the Yukon, Newfoundland, British Columbia and other points from across Canada.

Saturday night I was the first candidate to speak. Dorothy and I waited backstage for my cue. There was the make-up area, and a couple of couches and a mountain of technical equipment, TV monitors and cables. A 20-foot ramp connected the seating area from the thick curtain which opened onto the huge stage facing the crowd.

I'd asked Dorothy to join me on stage right after my speech finished, and a volunteer backstage was given the job of making sure she was taken to the curtain at just the right time. So when I finished talking and turned to greet her, I was surprised not to see her there - at least not for a few seconds.

I learned afterwards that people had been busy watching the speech on the monitors, and they didn't realize I was concluding until after it had happened. Meanwhile, Dorothy heard the roar of the crowd and ran in her high heels like a sprinter up the wooden ramp, through the curtain and then around the backdrop and into my arms.

It seems certain to me now that our agenda - that which came from our meetings and your input here in Halton-Peel - will be moved along on the national scene. That, of course, was what this high-risk thing was all about. And it was sure worth it. We thank you deeply.

Holmgren trial date set

Heather Holmgren will be appearing in court June 28 to set a date for her trial. Holmgren was charged April 5 with manslaughter of a six-month-old baby boy, and assault of a 6-1/2-month-old baby girl. The Acton babysitter appeared in provincial court in Milton June 9, where the new date was set.

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