



Three-year-old Philippe Roy got down and dirty in the giant sandbox at Andrews Scenic Acres, located west of Ashgrove on 10 Side Road, last Saturday, during its Strawberry Festival Pioneer Days.
photo by Simon Wilson/HHTW

Up in smoke

Halton Hills firefighters have been kept busy since June 27 controlling fires which seem to be feeding on our buildings.

The 140-year-old Hollywood Tavern on Guelph St. in Norval burned down, causing an estimated \$250,000 damage. The Fire Marshall's Office, which took over the investigation, has not yet been able to determine the cause of the fire.

Three days later, at 6:45 p.m., firefighters were called to the historic Barber Mill on Maple Ave. in Georgetown, when a passerby spotted smoke coming out of the building.

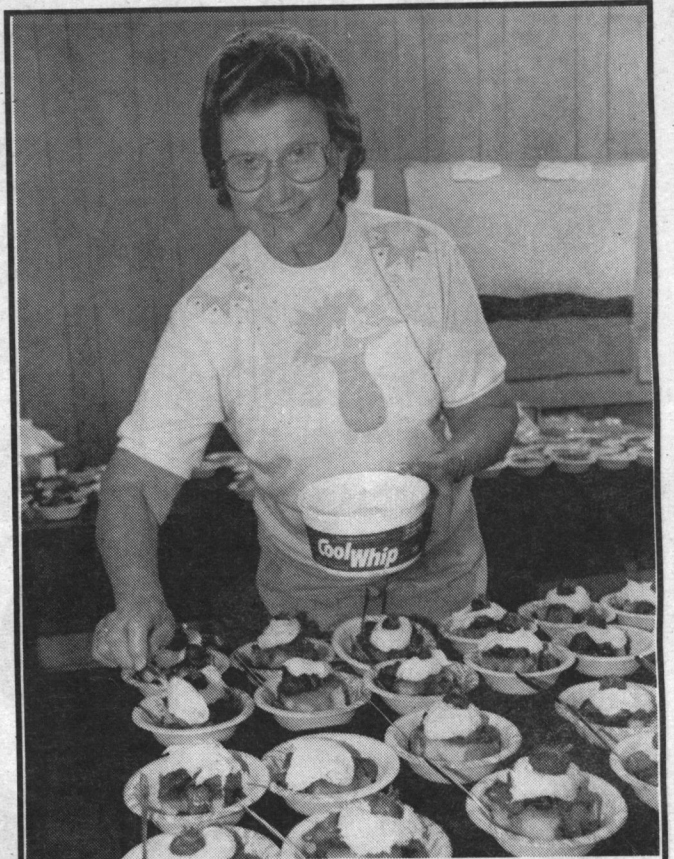
Firefighters quickly extinguished this fire. But another fire at the same location, which began several hours later, kept firefighters on the scene until 4 a.m. Thursday morning. They returned to the scene four hours later to finish battling the blaze which made floors unsafe to walk on, and

specific areas unreachable. The Mill smoldered for almost the entire day. There is no estimate of the damage and the cause of the blaze has not yet been determined.

Two days later, at 4:40 a.m., firefighters were "fully involved" in a garage fire on the corner of Market St. and Mill St. They battled the blaze, the cause of which has not yet been determined, for almost four hours. Damage was estimated at \$5,000. A car, parked in front of the garage, was completely destroyed, resulting in a further \$1,000 damage estimate.

Before firefighters were able to contain the fire, it spread to the Halton Hills School of Dancing, on Mill St., and caused an additional \$10,000 damage.

"It's been a while since we've seen things like this," admitted Norm Lockhurst of the Halton Hills Fire Department. "Sometimes they (fires) just go in spurts."



Christina McMillan was busy preparing the strawberry shortcake desserts last Wednesday at the Acton Knox Presbyterian Church's 10th annual Strawberry Social. Money raised will go towards church activities.
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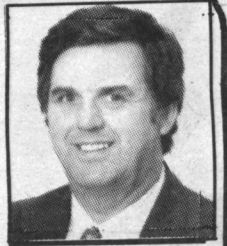
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Mathematics has minor role at OMB hearing

By Oksana Buhel

Stanley Stein, solicitor for Martin Goose Properties, told individuals present at Monday's Ontario Municipal Board hearing at

the Town of Halton Hills Civic Centre, his client was only asking for two to three per cent of the lots which were being allocated to Acton developers by the

Halton Region.

"This is not a major number," he insisted.

Jody Blowers, regional planner, agreed that if considered from a mathematical

point of view, the number was not considerable, "but numbers are not the only factors considered in development."

A portion of the Martin Goose Properties land was discovered to be a wetland, making it impossible to develop. Goose is requesting Acton's urban boundary be extended to include lands which will be lost because of the wetland.

"At this point, I believe it's premature to extend the boundary when there are areas within the boundary which can be developed," Blowers said. "We should infill the existing areas." She added when land is allocated, it is assumed the entire portion will not be suitable for developing.



Retiring Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital board members Fred Helson (left), Beth Avis and Barry Kedwell were commended and honored at hospital's annual general committee meeting for their dedicated work. They will be replaced by local engineer Howard Goodfellow, Halton Board of Education trustee Dick Howitt and local lawyer Susan Bowen.
photo by Simon Wilson/HHTW

Father and son bullied

The father of a 12-year-old bullied Centennial Public School student, who came to the school to witness the bullying for himself, found himself trapped in his car and unable to leave the parking lot when a group of children surrounded the vehicle.

The boy informed his parents he and some friends were being bullied by older boys in the playground. The boy believed he was being picked on because he had reported windows had been broken by a friend of the bullies in the past. Police are still investigating the incident which took place early last week.

Hit and run

Police are looking for two 19-year-old youths - one white with blonde hair, and one black with dark hair, who smashed a newspaper delivery cart Thursday at noon as they raced around the corner of

Churchill St. and George St. in Georgetown. The 11-year-old delivery boy was not injured.

Husband should stay away

Police were called to a Georgetown residence Thursday evening when a verbal confrontation began between a husband and wife. According to a police report, the woman was unstable, intoxicated and mentally unbalanced. The man was urged by police to spend the night elsewhere, until his wife settled down. No charges were laid.

Candy bar caper

Sometime between last Wednesday and Sunday, suspects stole \$200 worth of chips, pop and candy bars, and caused a further \$200 damage to a snack booth on the Fifth Line in Limehouse. The suspects pried off the wooden cover to enter the booth, which is owned by the Limehouse Minor Sports Association.

For full coverage of the local sports scene, see pages 17, 18, 19 and 20

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