

MUNICIPAL DIGEST

No concern with fire stats

Halton Hills Fire Chief Bill Cunningham is not concerned with the number of injury accidents suffered by firefighters on the job so far this year.

At Council last Monday, Acton Councillor Norm Elliott questioned the Chief about the nine fire fighter injuries so far this year. Two were injured in the same period last year.

Cunningham said most of the injuries were minor and only two resulted in Worker's Compensation claims for lost time.

The report also shows service calls and damage figures are up over last year. There have been 468 calls for service so far this year resulting in 11 fires and damages of \$1.4 million.

Snow clearing concerns

Acton Councillor Gerald Rennie does not want the Town to turn into an active policing agent for illegally parked cars in the summer months.

As of Friday, Jan. 1 it will be illegal to park vehicles overnight on Town streets. It's a move to make snow clearing faster and cheaper and Town staff want to spend \$15,000 to buy a car, with a police radio, for the enforcement to use to look for illegally parked cars.

During debate on the car Rennie said he did not want staff to look for cars to ticket or tow in the summer. "I hope we will only act on

complaints during the summer months so it doesn't take as much staff time. I want assurances that the active pursuit of illegally parked cars will only be undertaken during the snow months."

Staff have been told not to buy the car but to investigate sharing another Town-owned vehicle.

School board budget input

The Halton Board of Education wants Acton residents to have their say about the Board's spending plans for 1993.

As part of the budget process the Board is welcoming questions, delegations and written input.

Public input sessions are scheduled for Jan. 11 and 18.

The Board is also asking the schools, local groups and media to spread the word about the meetings.

Almost three-quarters of all taxes paid by Halton residents are earmarked for educational purposes.



'TIS THE SEASON! The Acton Citizens Band presented their Annual Christmas Concert on Sunday afternoon at the Acton Band Hall on Wallace Street. There were refreshments available for all who came to enjoy and sing along with this wonderful celebration of the season. (Mike Albano photo)

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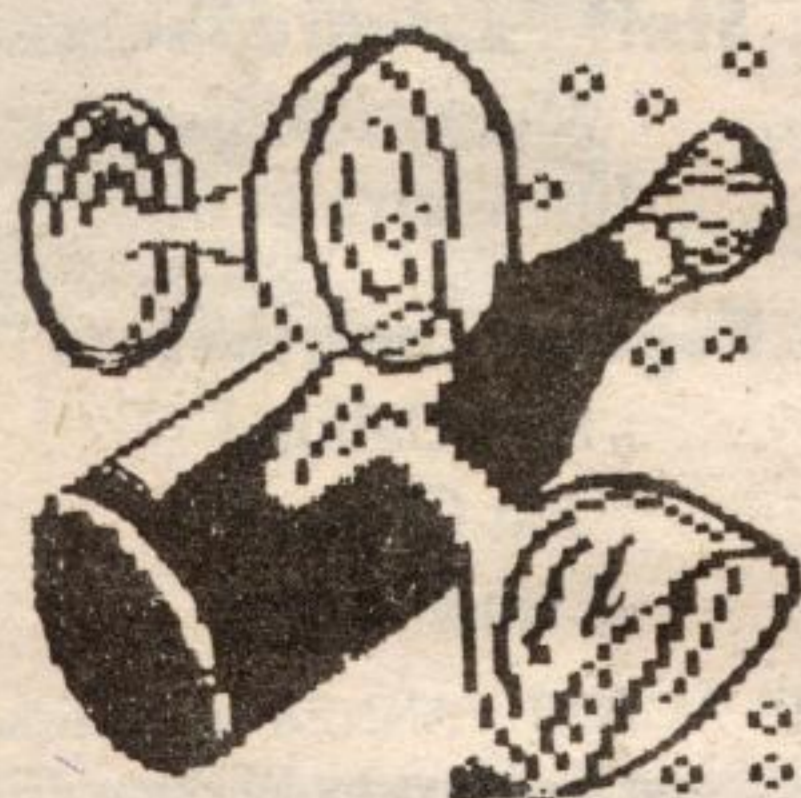
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