

Store front displays for U-Way campaign?

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If all goes according to plan, it looks as if Acton will be running its own United Way campaign in the not-too-distant future with store front displays as the chief advertising tool.

That was the consensus following last Thursday evening's Halton Hills United Way campaign planning meeting for Acton at the Acton Legion boardroom.

"We would like to run a separate campaign in Acton," said an enthused Jim Lindsay, former Acton campaign chairperson and now Agency Relations and Allo-

cations committee chair. "We've done it in the past and we're quite confident we can do it again.

"It's been publicized enough here and we want to make people feel they can run their own campaign and not worry about Georgetown."

Geoff Moon, chairman of public relations for the local branch of the Canadian Red Cross and convener of Acton blood clinics, motioned that Acton run their campaign through store front displays.

"The solution to the Acton campaign is store front displays," agreed Lorne Doberthien, Acton Social Services and Information Centre president. "It gives some visibility and tells people (where the money) is going.

Lindsay said he would like to proceed with the plan, but cautions that there's a need for volunteers.

Bob Malcolmson, past chairperson, feels Acton people should run the local drive.

"If you don't live in the community, it's difficult to discuss community happenings," he explained.

ASSIC is the second largest recipient of Halton Hills United Way funds, while the Acton Red Cross is a participating partner.

The Halton Hills United Way campaign will be meeting tomorrow (Thursday) night at ASSIC at 8 pm to proceed further with local campaign plans.



ACTON CAMPAIGN? The Halton Hills United Way held a planning meeting at the Acton Legion on Thursday night in hopes of getting a jump on running an Acton campaign. The Acton representatives at the meeting were back row, left to right, Acton residential chair David Pyke; Jim Lindsay, former chairperson of the Acton campaign; and Halton Hills United Way executive director Kathleen Hayward. Front row, left to right are, Jenny Fretz; United Way board member Janet Goy and Geoff Moon, convener of Acton Red Cross blood clinics. (Doug Harrison photo)

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Town looks at exotic pet ban

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It is too soon to say if exotic animals will be banned in Halton Hills, but the discovery of two Siberian tigers, living on a Limehouse farm, has raised more interest in the issue.

Acton Counc. Rick Bonnette first raised concerns over the

Town's lack of control over exotic animals after an Acton woman complained to him about being confronted by a man with a boa stricker wrapped around his neck at the Acton Fall Fair.

Town by-law enforcement officer Bob Ustrzycki said his department is "swamped" with work and health and safety issues are taking higher priority.

"I haven't seen the police report about the two tigers that are in Limehouse and I don't know if reports about bears living there are true," Ustrzycki said.

"It will be up to Council to decide if it wants to ban exotic animals. Under the Municipal Act,

Council can prohibit exotic animals in the municipality and can force any already here to be moved," Ustrzycki explained.

The owner of the two tigers, Tim Height of Tiger Paw Exotics and Petting Zoo, said he never tried to hide the fact he had exotic animals on his farm and does not know who complained to police.

"I don't think they should be banned, because if they are handled well, these tigers are safer than some farmer's mad bull."

Height said his animals are tested for TB, all sales are recorded and every time he moves an animal he requires a permit from the Department of Agriculture.

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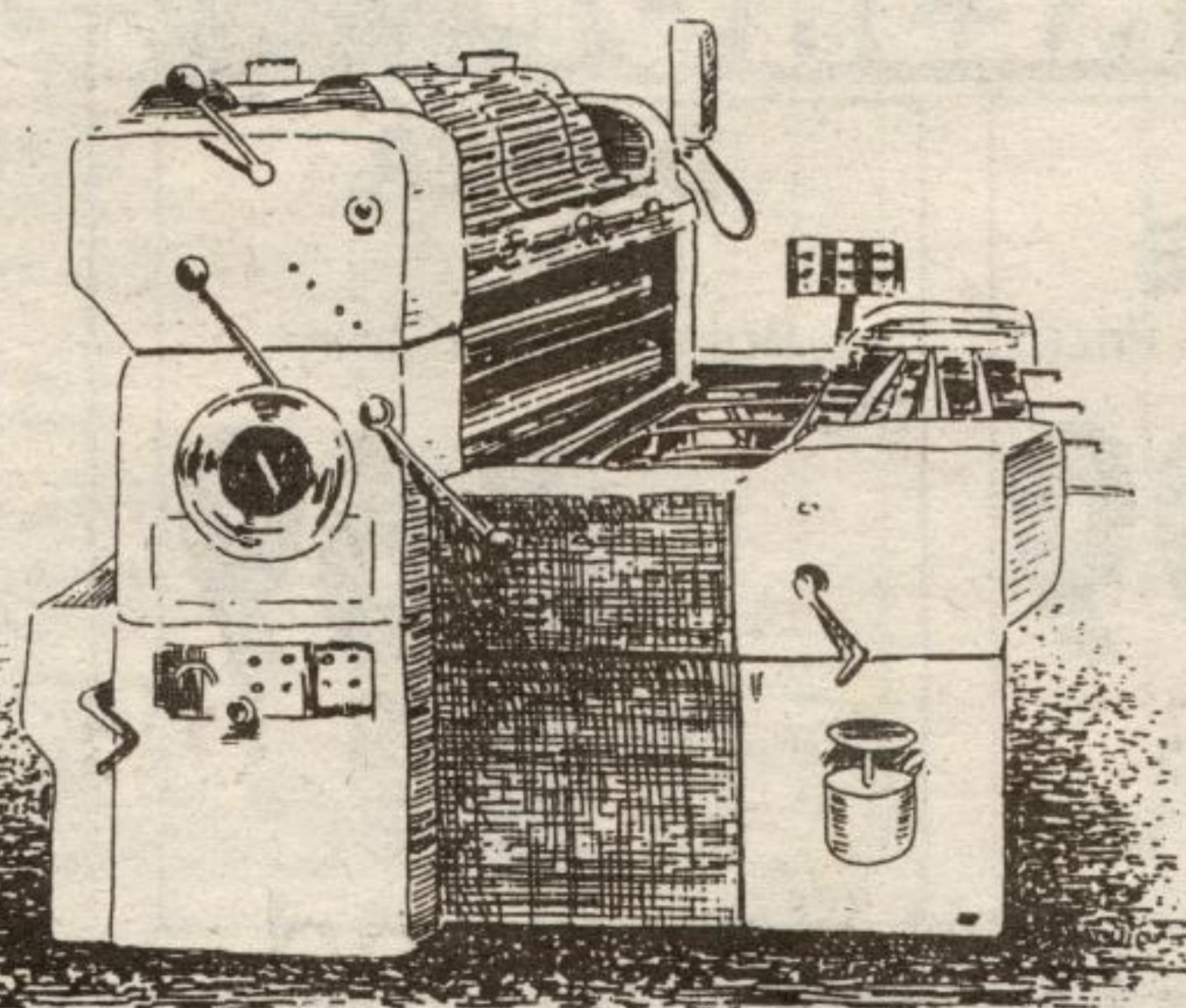
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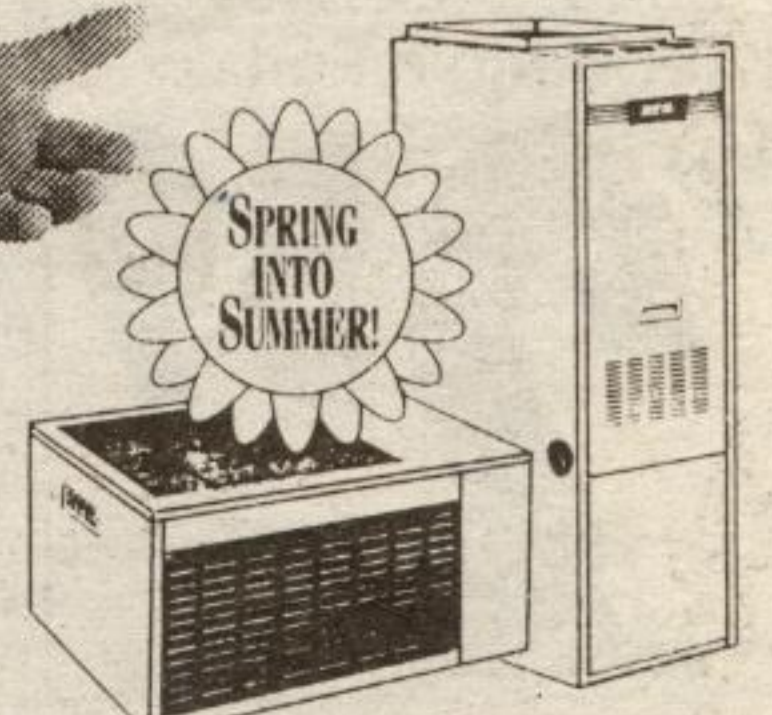
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