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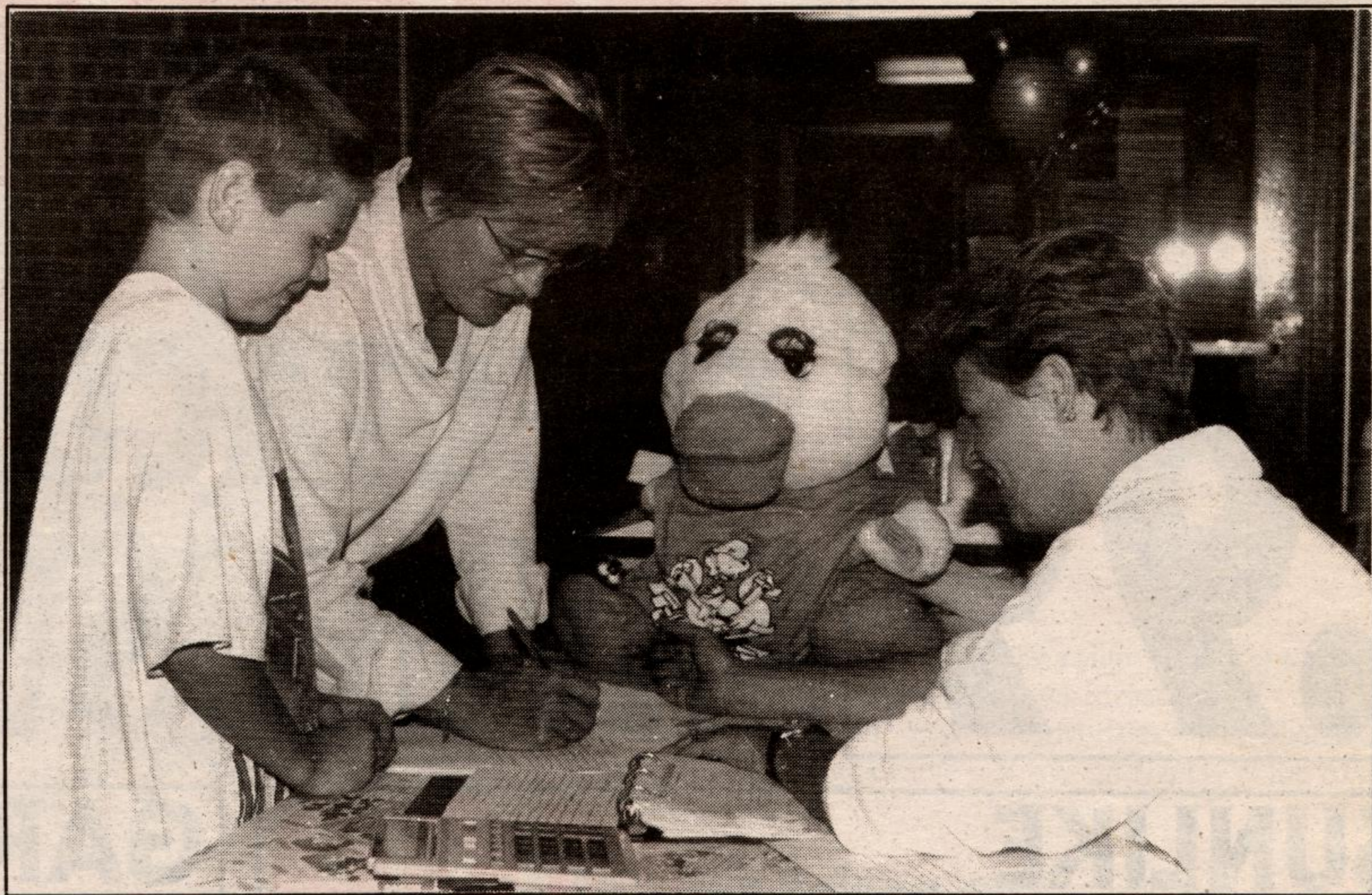
Student over-crowding at St. Joseph's Separate School will be eased today (Wednesday) as students begin using one of four new portables.

The school could not occupy the portable until Town Council approval a Site Plan Committee report and that was done on Monday night.

The Mill Street West school now has five portables in use and three empty ones.

The approval was given, subject to a number of conditions, including installation of safety barriers between the parking lot and the portables and re-installment of playground equipment.

School officials report that St. Joseph's has plans for major renovations next year including a Junior Kindergarten and daycare facility and reconstruction of the existing baseball diamond.



NEW AQUA DUCK!

We caught Michelle Lyons, left, signing up her daughter Jaime last Monday at the Indoor Pool while the latter enjoyed the water. It's Jamie's first year swimming for the Acton Aqua Ducks swim team. Looking on are Jaime's brother David and Aqua Ducks official Sandy Foley. (Doug Harrison photo)

Noise pollution complaints

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK
The Acton Tanner

Three Acton residents, complaining of "noise pollution" from United Aggregates Limited's (UAL) Acton quarry, have urged Halton Hills Council to implement a comprehensive noise by-law.

The three, all of whom live near the Fourth Line quarry, appealed to Council to improve the quality of their lives by forcing UAL to restrict overnight operations.

"The noise problems are caused by rock crushers and trucks coming and going," explained area resident Pat Woode at Monday's Council meeting.

Woode said the noise problems date back many years, but has become much worse over the summer, when UAL began operating until three or four in the morning.

Woode urged Council to inves-

tigate the Ministry of Environment's comprehensive noise by-law, which covers things such as muffling devices for construction equipment and hours of operation.

"The people of this community deserve protection from noise pollution and you, our elected officials, have an obligation to initiate by-laws that will meet those needs," Woode said.

Acton High student Janice Brooks, who lives with her family approximately 500 metres from the quarry, told Council she regularly is wakened by gravel trucks.

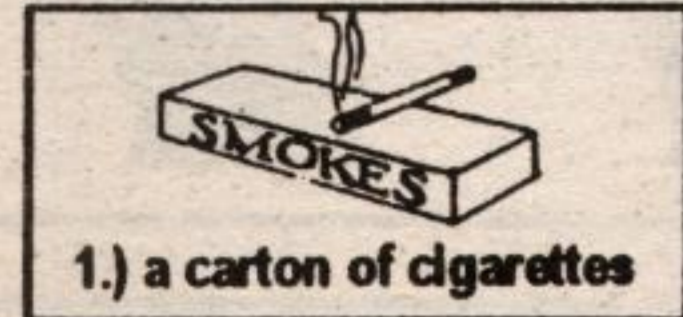
"The warning beepers of trucks that are backing up sound like a smoke detector going off. More than once I have woken to think our smoke detectors have gone off, only to realize that it is just the trucks in the quarry."

Brooks urged Council to enact

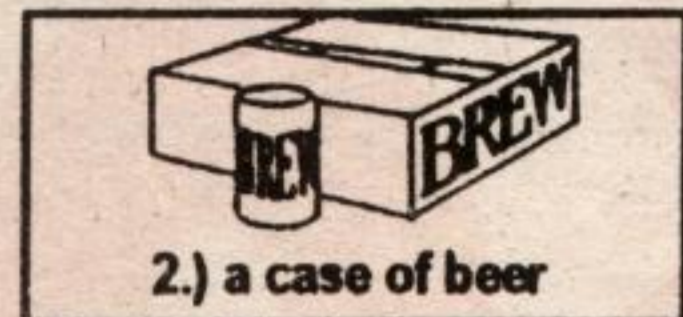
a comprehensive noise by-law "so that once and for all I may get a good night's sleep."

Acton Councillor Norm Elliott sympathized with the three delegates and said "I hope we can offer some support. We did pursue some barking dog noise complaints in Acton."

Town staff were asked to get a copy of the Province's noise by-law, to be studied by Council.



1.) a carton of cigarettes



2.) a case of beer

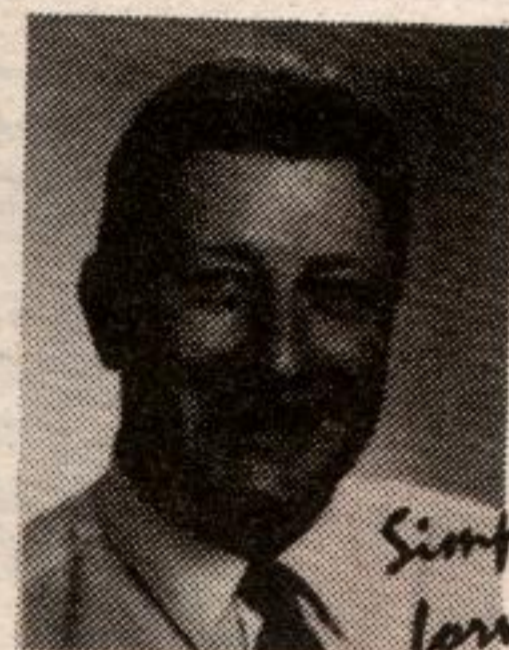


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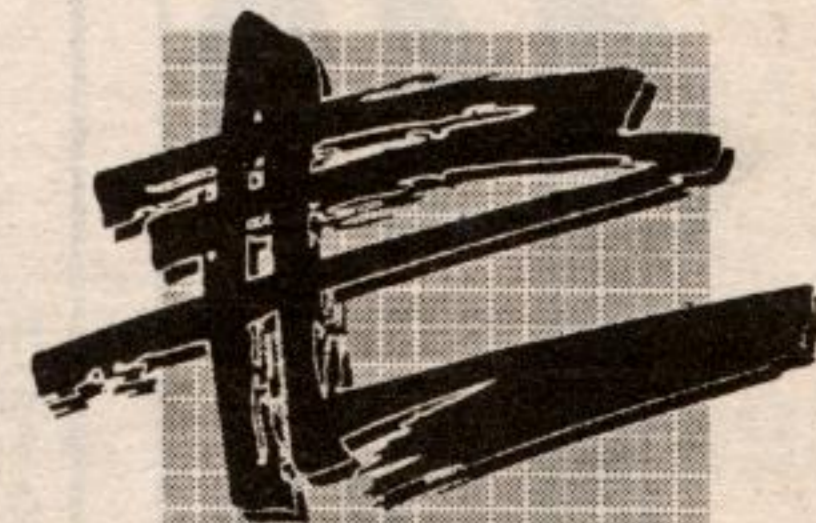
Wastewise grant

Halton North MPP Noel Duignan Friday presented a \$5,528 cheque to the Wastewise Community Resource Centre.

The funding, announced on behalf of the Environment and Energy ministry, will be used to "increase awareness of and participation in the centre and to identify, promote and report on conservation practices among Wastewise users."

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