

# Prepare for Acton growth: Elliott

Acton councillor Norm Elliott wants the Town's building department to be ready when development is finally approved in Acton.

While looking at the monthly report of the building department showing that there are 61 building permit applications awaiting review and 25 additional applications that need further information or other agency input, Elliott suggested the Town needs a system to pinpoint when more staff is needed to do building permit inspections.

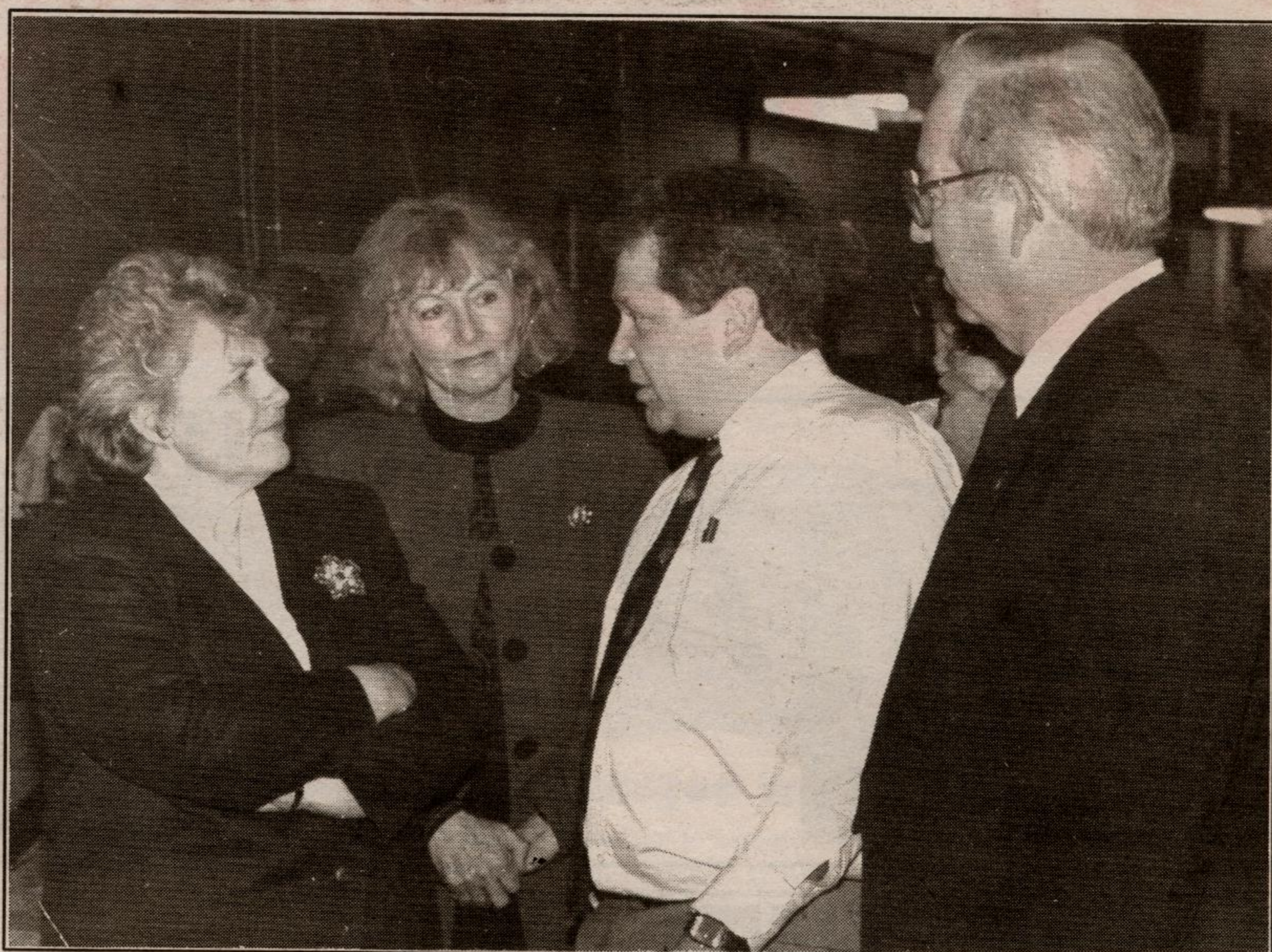
"We need a formula to use when we arrive at a point where we've got a certain workload, so staff can come back to Council for the addition of staff," Elliott said at

last week's General Committee.

"When you look at the development planned in Georgetown and Acton, it is going to be crucial when it comes to being able to do adequate inspections.

"If we get hundreds of building applications coming in, then I think we should investigate a formula that would allow staff to come back to us for additional help because we actually lose money if we can't get these building permits issued."

Elliott stressed that he was not suggesting hiring more staff outright, but that he wants a method to make the building department operate more efficiently.



**GEARING UP!** Provincial Liberal leader Lyn McLeod visited Acton Precision Millwrights last Tuesday to get a look at how the Main Street business has thrived through the recession. McLeod has said that "economic growth in the private sector is the key to creating new jobs" and APM doubled its employees last year. From left: Halton Hills Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson, Acton Precision president Ted Lyons and Walt Elliott, Halton North Liberal candidate. (Lori Frechette photo)

## INFORMATION TOWN OF HALTON HILLS NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

### THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

AND

### THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

#### WARD 2/HIGHWAY NO. 25/NO. 25 SIDEROAD

Council for the Town of Halton Hills, in cooperation with Council for the Regional Municipality of Halton, will examine and discuss proposed amendments to the Region of Halton Official Plan, Town of Halton Hills Official Plan and Zoning By-law 74-51 to permit a donut/coffee shop and a gas bar with an associated kiosk/convenience outlet.

The subject property is located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Highway No. 25 and No. 25 Sideroad (Regional Road No. 12), with the property being described as Part of East Half Lot 26, Concession 2, Town of Halton Hills (Esquesing).

Further information can be obtained from the Region's Planning Department at 853-0501 (Acton Line) or the Town of Halton Hills' Planning Department at 873-2600.

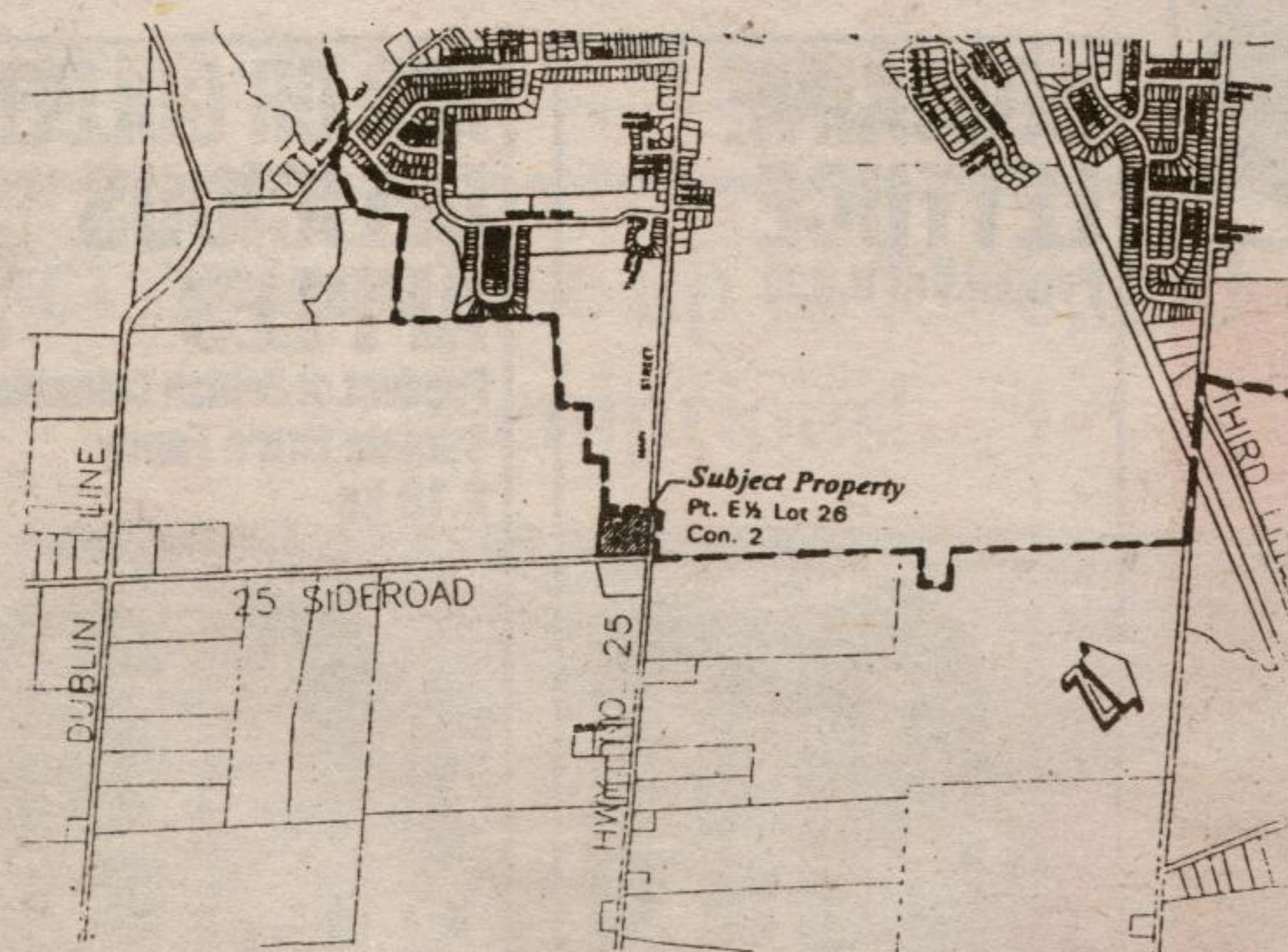
#### ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS ARE WELCOME

**TIME:** 7:00 pm

**DATE:** Mon., March 6, 1995

**LOCATION:** Council Chamber  
Halton Hills Civic Centre  
1 Halton Hills Drive, Georgetown

**FILE NOS.:** D09/MOROZ (Town File)  
R.O.P.A. No. 20 (Regional File)



## Canvassers needed for cancer blitz

BY DOUG HARRISON  
The Acton Tanner

The Acton Branch of the Canadian Cancer Society is still looking for five or six canvassers to knock on doors in the Kingham Road area for the 1994 campaign that begins in April.

"Door-to-door canvassing is a big part of our success and we want to make sure we knock on every door this year," Acton campaign chair Liz Bailey said on Monday, adding 180 canvassers will cover Acton during the campaign. "It's not very time consuming and it's for a good cause."

Last year, over \$56,000 was raised by the local branch. With support from the Paul Murr Memorial Golf Tournament (\$26,000 raised last year), the upcoming daffodil sale (\$3,900) on the weekend of March 30 and the return of a fashion show at Jack Tanner's on March 28, Bailey is hoping to at least meet last year's mark and anticipates surpassing it.

"Per capita over the last few years, Acton is one of the highest

contributors in Ontario," Bailey beamed. "People in Acton are always very generous.

"The Cancer Society is one of the charities that Actonites seem to support without thinking twice about it. Certainly we've lost a number of people to cancer — including the late Paul Murr and Maggie Hall. A lot of us are touched by cancer, and want to see a cure very soon."

Bailey, who said schools and business will be approached for

donations in two weeks, also mentioned the kickoff to Cancer Month is the annual chili dinner at Trinity United Church on April 4 at 5 pm. Canvassers and other volunteers will be treated to a chili dinner following the flag raising in front of the Cenotaph.

**NOTES:** The daffodil sale runs March 31 through April 1. Daffodils will be available in bunches of eight for \$3 ... A number of tickets to the fashion show, which starts at 7:30 pm, are available for \$10.

## Taras being penalized by Halton council?

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK  
The Acton Tanner

Will Halton Council ignore its staff and allow an Acton woman to sever part of her rural property? Acton Councillor Rick Bonnette thinks so.

At Regional Council today (Wednesday) councillors will decide whether to continue to appeal a Land Division Committee (LDC) decision to allow Linda Taras to create a 3.6 hectare residential lot from her 4.5 hectare property and home on the east side of Townline Road in Esquesing.

While the LDC is in favour of the proposal, Town and Regional staff are not and recommend that the LDC approval be appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board.

At the committee meeting last week Taras cited emotional, financial and health problems in appealing for approval to sever the lot so her married daughter

could build a home next to her. Bonnette said he was surprised with the debate on the issue.

"Despite the staff reports that the severance shouldn't be allowed there were seven or eight out of nine committee members in favour of it who voted to not go ahead with an appeal," Bonnette said in an interview on Thursday.

"The key thing is that the land is not good to anybody. It is rock and swamp, it can't be farmed and severing one lot from it would hurt the rural character of the area."

Bonnette said the fact that a 20-lot estate subdivision had been approved just north of the Taras land stirred up the debate.

"I think, and so do some others, that Taras is being penalized because of the other controversial subdivision that has been approved. If it hadn't been OK'd then I don't think there would have been so much debate over this."

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**



Lordy, lordy, look who's ... well, not just yet, Elaine.

Best wishes, from your friends and family!

## It's no yolk!

A 1994 Pontiac, parked along Mill Street, was the subject of vandalism recently.

Vandals threw eggs at the car at approximately 10 pm on Feb. 16, causing some paint damage and leaving a big mess. Police are investigating.