



**LACING UP:** Members of a proposed Kinsmen/Kinette service club for Acton are taking it to the streets this Sunday (June 23), going door to door to get more people interested in joining the two branches of the same organization. Back row from left: Kathrin Andersen, Nils Stockinger, Elisabeth Laustroer and Jan Trendell. Front row: Shawn Sampson, John Garber, Glen Trendell and John Archibald. (Eve Martin photo)

## Plaza construction may start soon

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK  
The Acton Tanner

The developers of the Leathertown Plaza and two housing subdivisions hope to begin construction soon in what would be the first major development in town in nearly two decades.

Alfi Manarin, president of Rinarin Ltd., said they are "prepared to move forward"

this fall or next spring with their subdivision on the north side of Hwy. 7, east of Churchill Road. Blue Springs Realty agent John Bartlett, representing Freure Management Ltd. said that they've had some "quite serious" interest from potential plaza tenants and are "almost looking" at issuing letters of intent to lease to space in the

proposed 27,000 square foot plaza at the Queen Street-Young Street curve on the old Ajax site.

Earth movers continue preparing the Dawkins-Heller subdivision site on Wallace Street north of McDonald Boulevard and developer Fred Dawkins said they are laying out street patterns and talking to a number of developers.

In a recent interview, Dawkins said they hope, but can't guarantee, that they will have a couple of model homes up and be marketing this fall.

"That's our target but we won't know until the end of June if that is feasible or not."

At Rinarin Ltd. Manarin said that they are now doing a marketing analysis in terms of product.

"Once that is complete we'll have a definitive start time and we hope it will be this fall," Manarin explained last Thursday.

Rinarin has draft approval for 190 single family homes on 40', 50' and 60' lots and Manarin said house prices would be in the in the mid-\$150,000 and up range.

"We're hoping that the upturn we've seen this spring will continue through the balance of the year so we can get underway in Acton," Manarin said.

Halton Region's Manager of Special Projects, Benson Leung said that the Region is almost ready to call the Acton developers to the table to ask them for commitments to help pay for multi-million dollar updates to the Third Line sewage treatment plant.

Before Acton can grow to 10,000 people, improvements will have to be made to the plant and Leung said although no work needs to be done until Acton hits 8,500 people, they need firm financial commitments before development proceeds.

## Sample Fest returns!

Last year's first-ever Sizzling Summer Sample Fest was so good, organizers have decided to bring it back!

Comfortable walking shoes, a good appetite and an interest in historical Acton are the only requirements needed to take part in the BIA's second annual event.

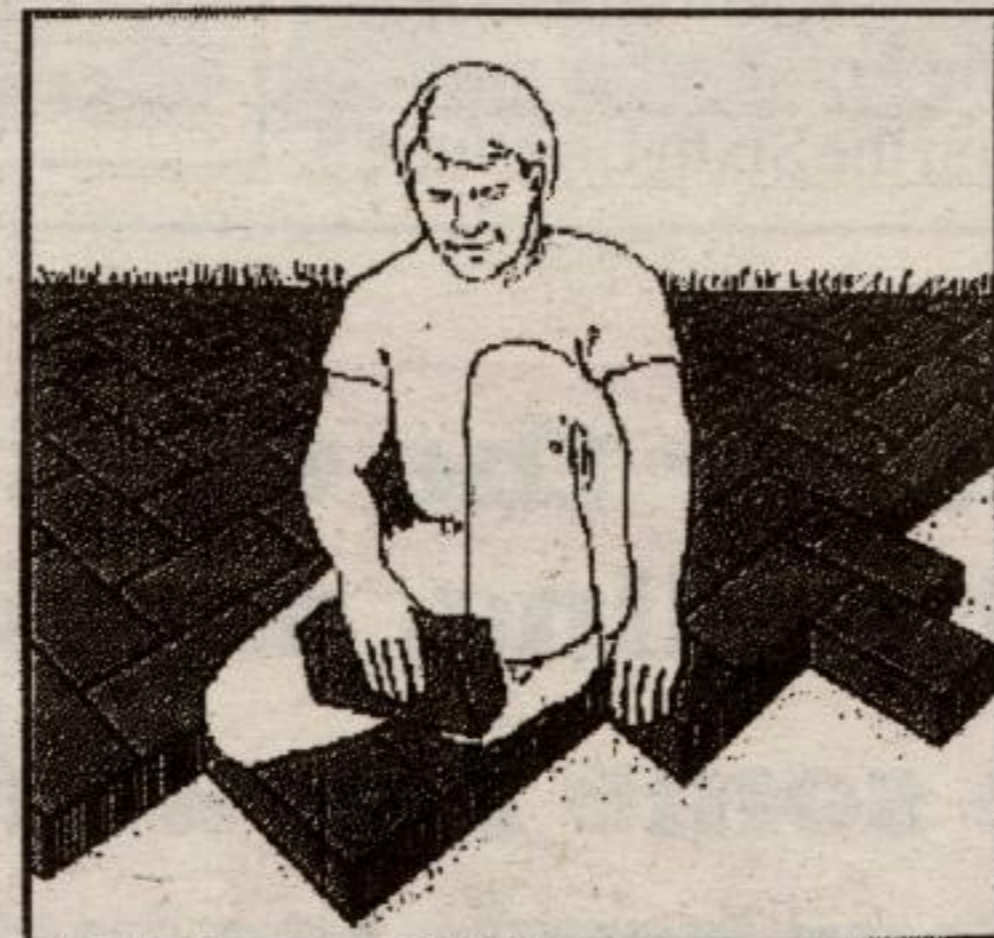
Four group leaders will conduct walking tours through downtown, and along the way, each tour will stop at the Red Dog Cafe, Towne Friar, Big Scoop Cafe and Freezer Frenzy for refreshments and samplings. Tickets are on sale now at participating businesses. The tour meets at the Hide House parking lot at 2 pm on Monday, July 1.

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## NEWS SHORTS

### Anti-aggression drive on

The Halton Regional Police Service began a campaign against aggressive driving last Monday, to continue through to July 1.

This year's theme is: "Aggressive driving - it stops you dead!" Last year in Halton Region, 16 people died in motor vehicle collisions. Aggressive driving contributed to many of these preventable tragedies.

Aggressive driving takes on many forms but the most common are speeding, following too closely, disobeying signs and signals and impaired driving.

Halton police join other police agencies in Ontario in using the tools of education and enforcement to get the message through to drivers to "control their aggressive behaviour."

### Wrong place, wrong time

An Eighth Line man was charged with breaching his probation and breaching his recognizance last Saturday.

Part of his probation order said he could not drink alcohol. On his recognizance, he was to not drink, to stay away from a residence on Mill Street and to be home by 10 pm every night.

Police arrested the man when he was found at the Mill Street residence shortly after midnight in an intoxicated state.

### Threatening charge laid

A 44-year-old Acton man was charged with threatening an employee at a Main Street tavern June 7. He had appeared intoxicated and the employee had refused to serve him a drink.

The Churchill Road resident, charged with issuing a threat, appears in court July 8.

### Vehicles struck

The driver of a 1987 Chev pickup truck was charged with impaired driving after his vehicle allegedly struck several cars on Storey Drive last Saturday.

A 35-year-old Etobicoke man has been charged with impaired driving, refusing to take a breathalyzer test and breaching his probation.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"[Heaton's] contributed absolutely nothing to the committee except dissension and controversy and it looks like it's going to get worse because no one knows what his plans are."

— Norm Elliott, arena committee chair, Front Page

### DID YOU KNOW?

Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli, Giovanni Battista Montini and Albino Luciani—do you know these famous Italians? They are, respectively, Pope John XXIII, Pope Paul VI and Pope John Paul I—the three Popes who preceded the current Pontiff, Karol Wojtyla—Pope John Paul II.

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