

# Supportive housing opens apartment

The grand opening of the Halton Region Supportive Housing Program at the Bruce Apartments, Ontario Street in Milton, took place on Tuesday, June 30. The ribbon cutting ceremony was presided over by Ted Chudleigh, Halton North MPP, Joyce Savoline, Regional Chairman, Milton

Mayor Gordon Krantz and Mary Garbes, manager of the Halton Housing Authority.

Supportive Housing is a program which provides essential services to enable seniors to lead an independent lifestyle in their own apartments as long as possible in comfort, safety and with dignity. The desired outcome is

to prevent or delay facility placement.

The Halton Region Supportive Housing Program is a Community Outreach program of Allendale. The program, which began in Milton in October 1995 in two seniors' buildings managed by the Halton Housing Authority - the Bruce Apartments (40 Ontario St.) and Harmony Court (111 Ontario St.) - was provided the opportunity to enhance the services available through the Ministry of Health's re-investment in community services funding. On-site personal support services were implemented at both buildings in December 1997. These services are provided through a contract with Red Cross Homemakers.

The Ministry of Health has defined the role of Supportive Housing and the clients eligible to receive services. Priority individuals are those who daily require services including personal support, reassurance checks and essential homemaking, in order to remain in the community. Examples are: assistance with bathing, dressing, meal preparation, medication reminders and household tasks.

Those interested in the program must first apply to the Halton Housing Authority. The opportunity to identify support needs is done through the application process. Applications can be accessed by calling 849-8383, ext. 233.



**FUTURE HOME:** The Halton Credit Union hopes to begin construction on a new Acton branch on the Becker's plaza site, which it recently purchased, this fall with occupancy by the spring. Checking out the site and an artist's rendering of the proposed building are (left) Halton Credit Union board member Larry Graves of Acton, Acton branch manager Harold Postma and Credit Union CEO Peter Bawled. - Frances Niblock photo

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*Dr. Vanderbent will continue to accept new patients*

# Region cuts Pegasus service

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physically disabled and ambulatory persons. The service, which was a joint effort funded by the Region of Halton, managed by Oakville Transit, operated by Tyler Transport Ltd., and vehicles maintained by the Town of

Halton Hills, originally went north and southbound four times per day connecting Acton, Georgetown, Milton, Oakville and Burlington.

In January 1998, the service changed to meet the needs of passengers with new routing to Acton, Georgetown,

Milton and Oakville (including Sheridan College). The original Pegasus bus was retired and replaced to include wheelchair and ambulatory seating.

The Transit Team has recommended to Halton Regional Council that the \$18,159 unconditional grant and the 1998 capital allocation of \$13,900 be forwarded to Council. The Halton Area Services Review Steering Committee does not support the additional funding to the Pegasus of \$16,201 for 1998.

"I'm disappointed it's being terminated before we see what effect the new semester at Sheridan College on passenger count, as well as some of the adult students going to E.C. Drury during the day when the school buses are not going there," said Ted Tyler of Tyler Transport. "We are looking at the possibility of operating a similar type service, but it is very difficult to generate enough revenue without some form of a subsidy, like most public transportation in Ontario such as GO Transit."

The Pegasus service provided work for five part-time drivers, office and vehicle maintenance staff. The last day for service is July 31.

**As of August 1**  
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