

## Leathertown Festival promises lots of fun and games Aug. 9

Acton's 7th annual Leathertown Festival comes to downtown Acton Sunday, August 9. Mill Street will be full of activities, games, food, sidewalk sales and craft vendors from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson will officially open the day's events at noon at the main stage at Mill and Elgin Streets. Music and dancing will fill the stage all afternoon, from the Cheri Lindsay dancers, the Flamingo Dance Studio (featuring acro dance, baton dance and line dance) to the jazz sounds of the George Grosman Duo, the 18-member Royal Oaks Stage Band and Acton's own Citizens' Band.

Ongoing entertainment will also take place at the showcase band stage at Mill and Fellows Streets where local groups will perform throughout the festival. The eclectic mix of musicians on stage is being produced by Acton Musicland with assistance from the Leathertown Festival Committee and MYAC.

Along Mill Street, don't

forget to keep an eye out for The Singing Minstrel, children's entertainer Zamion, The Laurie Walker Trio and the Village Ensemble, a talented duo of teen classical musicians.

There are lots of events going on all day during the festival which will appeal to children and adults alike. The Kellogg's Karavan is an exciting kids' centre featuring Tony the Tiger "Pop a Shot" basketball and Corn Pops "Back Street Boys Karaoke." T.G.I. Friday's Blendmobile will provide frozen and ready to drink cocktails.

Acton Bowling Lanes will offer miniature bowling while the Acton Rotary Club has mini-putt as well as barbecued hotdogs and pop. Back by popular demand, Trinity United Church will have pie and other refreshments on the lawn.

The Children's Village, organized by Halton Hills Community Support and Information, has face painting by the Parks and Recreation department, fozz ball, storytime, a Play Doh centre,

colouring corner and a fish pond. Also for the younger set, the Halton Safety Village will have kiddy cars, organized by the Acton Kinsmen Club.

Halton Hills Injury Prevention will demonstrate its Seat Belt Convincer. You'll never think buckling up isn't important after seeing this!

Other games offered include the Acton Fall Fair's dunk tank and poster sale, the United Way of Halton Hills' can smash and Halton Hills Community Support and Information's fish pond. These games are sponsored by the Bank of Montreal, CIBC, Halton Community Credit Union and Scotiabank.

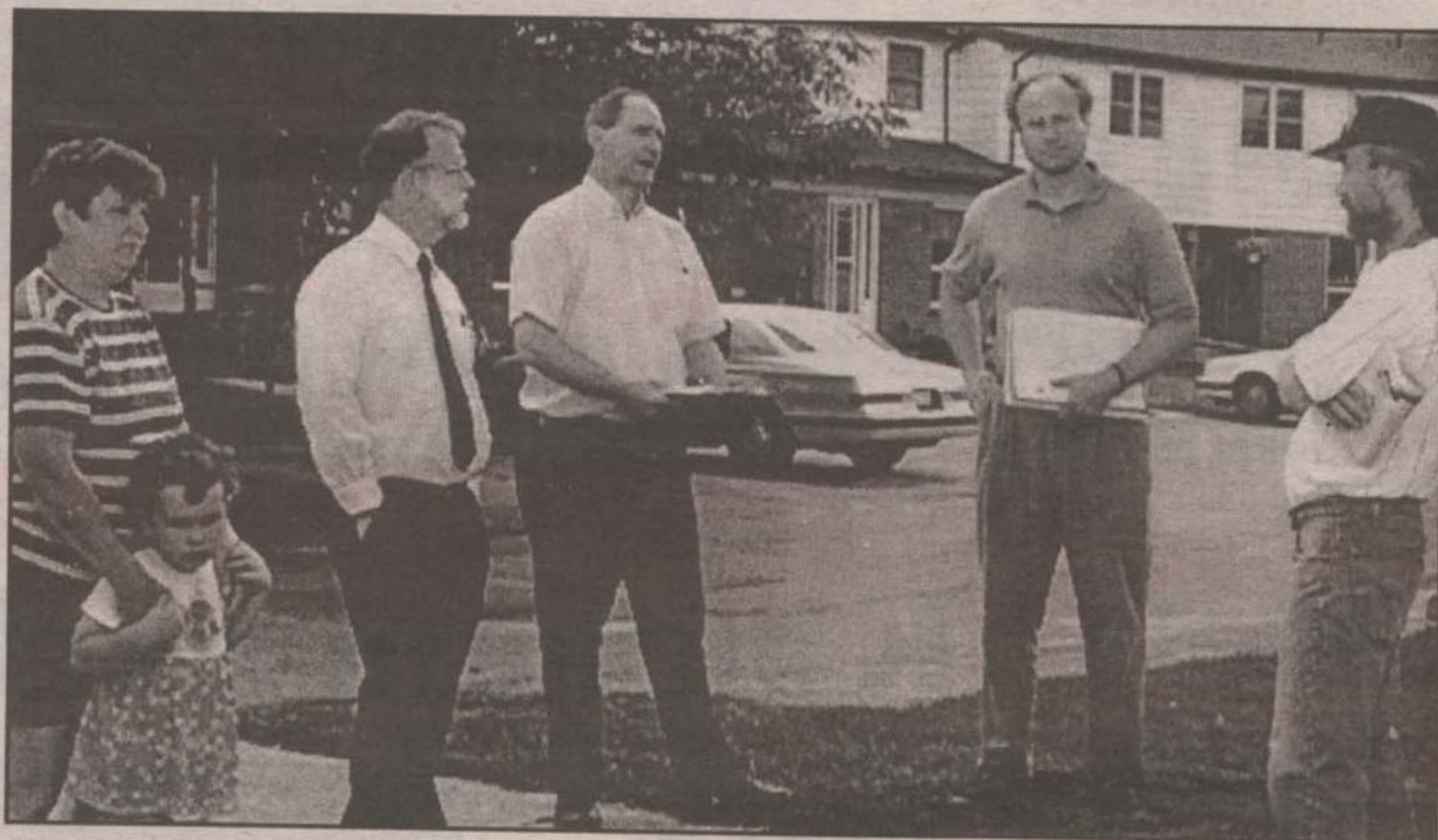
There will be plenty of shopping to do at this year's festival, with lots of downtown stores setting up sidewalk sales, including Paintin' Friends, Lakeview Flooring & Kitchens, Acton IGA, Bargains Bazaar, Halton Hills Furniture, Country Reflections, Acton Home Hardware and more.

Crafts and artisans products will also be displayed and on sale including wrought iron, jewellery, wood, candles, leather, stained glass, dolls, perogies, cow bells, tarot card readings, T-shirts, etc.

Entertainment for the festival will be provided thanks to the following sponsors: Metro Pavement Markings Ltd., Georgetown Toyota Sales, Halton Hills Hydro, Peter Zions Construction, Galvcast, Car Quest, Ultimate Auto Care, Daniel Varanelli, Bruce Hood Travel, Park Lincoln Mercury, Blue Circle Aggregates, Independent/Free Press, Superior Glove Works Ltd., Eagle Ottawa Canada Ltd. and Yourway Muffler Plus.

With so much to do, it's amazing it can all fit into one day - be sure to attend!

Watch for the day's full program of events in next week's *New Tanner*.



**MEETING OF THE MINDS:** Town Staff meet with Kingham area residents to discuss traffic concerns. Left to right, Caroline Bell, Norm Elliott, Ted Drewlo, Bob Butrym, and Steve Grasby. - Angela Tyler photo

## Kingham parking solved

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place, Mr. Butrym's car was parked in the area of concern and had its bumper hit by another car trying to park behind it. Other residents from the area, in attendance at the meeting, voiced opinions that there is not enough parking available in the corporation (the townhouse complexes). Mr. Grasby informed Town staff Ted Drewlo, Bob Butrym and councillor Norm Elliott that he knows there are extra parking spots available in phase I and phase II, however



**LIKE FATHER LIKE SON:** Achilles Pelitis Jr., left, is presented with the Canadian Auto Dealers Association Award recently for the two year automotive program at Northwood University in Michigan, by its president Richard Gauthier. - Submitted photo

most people don't want to pay the additional cost per month when free parking is available on the road.

Many solutions were debated in the meeting including crosswalks, speed bumps, limiting traffic to one direction and traffic lights. Manager of Public Works, Ted Drewlo and Bob Butrym informed those in attendance that traffic lights in Ontario could only be placed at the intersection of two roads. The nearest intersection would be Greenore and Kingham but there would not be enough traffic volume to warrant a traffic light there.

A cost efficient and practical agreement was reached in the end. Currently, parking signs positioned on Kingham Road are difficult to interpret. Signs could be misunderstood to read that parking is allowed from the where the two curbs meet at the entrance to a parking lot. Steve Grasby agreed, "The signs are not properly positioned." When residents park close to the entrances they create blind spots. "If you can eliminate some of the blind spots, it will make it a lot better." Grasby said.

To remove the blind spots, the Town will adjust the signs to have parking start further away from the parking lot entrances. In addition they will add signs at the beginning of Kingham Road at Highway 25 to warn traffic of children playing in the area. Another suggestion was to paint triangle type configurations in the no-parking area as a reminder. "It would be a good thing to do in conjunction with the signs," said Councillor Norm Elliott. Drewlo said they will go ahead with the re-signing and it should be done before school starts again in September. "We'll do what we can to help." Drewlo told Grasby and other residents.

Elliott, however, still insists he would like to get a 1998 estimate of moving the curb in as the spill over from the parking lots is not going to change, and in fact, will probably get larger. "It may be the only way to solve this problem." Elliott said in reference to moving the curb. There are several metres of boulevard on either side of the road that could be used for widening the road or for parking bays.

Snow removal is the other

main area of concern for Kingham residents. Lack of sidewalk snow clearing and parking congestion causing poor road snow removal worry residents. The Town clears many sidewalks of snow in Acton and since the program began in 1976 have added some each year from their many requests. The heavily traveled Kingham area sidewalks are rarely cleared of snow by the Town. The Town staff agreed Kingham is not currently on the list of sidewalks that have snow removal services. However, the Town does encourage resident to clear snow from sidewalks in front of or behind their residences. There is currently no by-law to enforce residents to clear their sidewalks of snow. Acton resident, Caroline Bell was at the meeting and said she clears the snow from Kingham and Greenore area to Highway 25 (phase I) with a snow blower the town house corporation has provided for this service. Bell is not paid to clear the snow. According to Bell, phase II and phase III also have snow blowers, but Grasby and other residents said the blowers provided were not intended to be used for the Town sidewalks.

Drewlo, Elliott, Butrym and Grasby agreed that two solutions to help with the snow removal concerns would be a recommendation to the special committee for sidewalk clearing in the Kingham area. The Town could not confirm this would happen as the committee examines each of the several requests they receive each year individually. Another recommendation was to schedule large amounts of snow removal on the road with notices going to residents to remove cars parked on the road while the snow clearing is occurring. This would be a similar service to the snow removal in Acton's downtown core.

Although Grasby is still adamant about getting the sidewalks in Kingham on the list for snow removal, "Don't you think with 180 town houses the Town should clear the sidewalk?" Grasby asked. He does agree that the solutions for parking concerns and the recommendations for snow removal are "going to help quite a bit, if it's enforced."

Effective August 1, 1998

the phone number for

**Dr. D.W. Vanderbent**

will change to

**(519) 853-0063**

His address will remain the same at:

93 Mill St. E., Acton L7J 1H5

*Dr. Vanderbent will continue to accept new patients*

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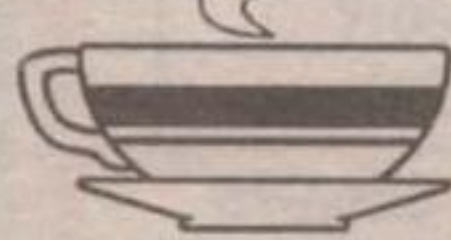
## Lorraine's Place

9 Mill St. W., Acton

Noon, Saturday August 1

### Old Fashioned Snack Bar

Breakfast, Lunch,  
Tea, Coffee, Pop, etc.



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Dr. McWilliam's phone number will change to

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**As of August 1**

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His address remains the same.