



**ENJOYING RETIREMENT:** The North Halton Retired Teachers' social group enjoyed a luncheon at the social room of the Acton arena last week and a concert from the Acton high school jazz band. The committee includes, back, left to right: Mary Shier, founder of the group, Liz Bailey, Sharon Mashenter, Joy Pentilla, Mary Smith, Cindy Blades (coordinator of the Acton committee), Glenda Benton, Anne MacIntyre, Arlene Brace, Joyce Munkacsi. Front Row: Val Hamilton and Marg Kalil- founders of the group, Carol Lawson, June Doberthien, Peggy Graham, Lenora Vickery, Kay Lawson and Maureen Flynn. -Ted Tyler photo.

## ACTON SENIORS' RECREATION CENTRE

BY ENA GIBSON

The Newsletters for the summer months are now ready for pick-up at the Centre. We welcome interested non-members to pick one up as well. Members, make sure you enter our 50/50 draw as it has not been won for three weeks and is growing quite large.

The May 19 Euchre Night was the last until Sept 22. Prizes were won by the following:

High Man - Claude Couture; 2<sup>nd</sup> Man - Bill Brewer; Low Man - Elmer Dunn; Lone Hands - Henry Wedge; High Woman - Betty Brewer; 2<sup>nd</sup> Woman - Bonnie Dunn; Low Woman - Martha Couture; Women's Lone hand was divided by three women - Stella Brunelle, Joan Bateman and Elma Braida.

The winners on the May 26 Rama trip were: 50/50 winner - Eyvone Van Der Heyden; Birthday Winner - Kate Nilsson; Bingo Winner - Brigitte Galton; Window Winners - Doreen Sharples, Cathie McKellar, Lubna Khan, Shgufta Maroor.

Our next Rama trip will be on Wed. June 30, so call Ruth at 853-5124 to reserve a seat.

Christina Robertson had a mooner at our Bid Euchre on May 27.

Don't forget our Birthday Tea for June and July celebrations on Tuesday, June 8 at 2 p.m.

Our Men in Motion are having a dinner and speaker on Wednesday, June 9 at 6 p.m. All MIM men are invited to enjoy this evening.

The 5-inch meat pies are now available for ordering. Orders and money must be in by June 18 with pick-up on June 25. The order form for the beef and chicken pies is at the Centre.

We're celebrating the summer months with a Hawaiian Luau BBQ on Wednesday, June 23 with punch at 5 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m. Come and enjoy pork, chicken, yams, baked bananas, etc. with Special Entertainment. Just dress up and join the fun, \$15 for members and \$18 for non-members. The draw for our huge Spring Basket of goodies will also be drawn that night so buy your tickets and don't be disappointed.

On Tuesday, June 29 at 1:30 p.m. there will be a talk on fraud, etc. called "Schemes, Scams and Flim Flams." This should be a very worthwhile talk as we hear of many seniors losing money to con-artists.

The new benches and planters outside of our Centre look very inviting and we hope many of our members and guests will enjoy a rest stop here this summer.

Don't suffer the summer heat when you can enjoy a boat trip this summer. Call the Centre for more information about the Georgian Bay Cruise on Wednesday, July 21 or the Cruise and Theatre trip on Orillia on Wednesday, Aug. 18. Also, plans are being made to see "The Producers" in Toronto on Wednesday, Aug. 25, so check these great trips out!

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## New street signs reflect citizens

The names of past and current politicians, heritage industries and solid citizens are popping up on street names signs in new Acton subdivisions - names chosen by local developers and the Town.

The current policy allows the developer to name half of the new streets in a subdivision - as long as they meet Town criteria - and the other half of the names are drawn from the Town's data base of suitable names, made up of public submissions.

Among the Town's technical requirements for a street name are that it be no more than 15 characters, is not a duplicate name and must be easy to pronounce.

Names in the municipal database are to reflect the heritage and identity of Halton Hills including geographical features, names of people who have made a noteworthy contribution to the town, native plants and animals and events affecting Halton Hills.

When an individual's name

is to be used, that person, or his estate, must give their permission.

Deputy clerk Debbie Edmonds said the current street naming policy is "somewhat outdated" and she expects to bring a new version to Council for debate and approval in the near future.

Edmonds said people should continue to submit names to build the database because "we don't have many left to choose from."

**Pinned by Mayor Rick**

Halton Hills got some nation-wide free advertising on the weekend, courtesy of Toronto Mayor David Miller at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities conference in Edmonton.

Eagle-eye Councillor Joan Robson saw a national newspaper picture of Miller, sporting a Halton Hills pin on his lapel and asked how that happened.

Mayor Rick Bonnette said

he'd given Miller the pin 20 minutes before Paul Martin's speech brought the media to Miller for comment.

"It was the only pin he had on so it looked kind of cute to see the mayor of Toronto with a Halton Hills pin being interviewed across Canada by the TV network," Bonnette said on Monday.

**Permit safety**

Houses in Halton Hills once used for illegal marijuana grow-operations should require an occupancy permit from the Town before they can be lived in again, according to Ward 1/2 Regional Councillor Clark Somerville, whose Notice of Motion asking staff to report on the issue was endorsed at Council on Monday.

"There are no safeguards, and often the hydro has been bypassed or the walls are covered with mold," Somerville said after attending a police conference recently where the Green Tide report on the marijuana grow-op issue was discussed.



**Barbecue Winner:** Gary DeBruyn, left, is congratulated by Acton Home Hardware proprietor Bill Manes for winning the barbecue in the annual catalogue draw.

## Recognize towns for discouraging pesticides

Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline and the mayors of Halton received plaques recognizing their support of Partners for Naturally Green on May 12.

Partners for Naturally Green is a group dedicated to creating awareness and educating the public about the potential risks of pesticide use, and the alternatives that are available for maintaining healthy lawns and gardens.

"We wanted to present our partners with a plaque to recognize their hard work and tremendous support on a number of fronts, including the upcoming Pesticide Exchange Week." Said Peter Willmott, chair of Partners for Naturally Green.

This year Pesticide Exchange Week is running from Monday May 31 to Saturday, June 5. Halton residents can drop off old or unused pesticides to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot at the Halton Waste Management Site, at 5400 Regional Road 25 in south Milton, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Every tenth car participating will receive an additional prize. Participants will also be entered in a draw to win the grand prize of a wagon full of lawn and garden items.

Residents can also use this as an opportunity to drop off other household hazardous waste, such as paint, oil, propane tanks and additional household chemicals.

"Last year, the Partners for Naturally Green collected a large amount of pesticides that had been stored in people's sheds and garages," said Dr. Bob Nosal, Medical Officer of Health for Halton Region. "In total, 1115 litres of pesticides were collected during the week."

Halton residents can do many things to grow a healthy lawn without the use of pesticides. Some simple steps include hand pulling weeds, and overseeding the lawn, keeping the lawn mower set high to cut lawns to a height of three inches. Watering the lawn one inch deep every seven to 10 days will also help to keep grass healthy and choke out weeds.



**SENIORS CHECKLIST:** Halton Regional Councillor Rick Craven with Seniors Margaret Mitchell and Barbara Watt at the launch of the Housing Checklist for Seniors in Burlington May 20. Goal of the checklist is to extend the length of time Seniors stay in their home and avoid unnecessary and stressful moves.-Submitted photo