

Business

Newly-elected chamber of commerce board plans active year

Key issues for the new board of the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce will be the town's review of the Official Plan, transportation, economic development and

improved communications. "In this term, we will be involved in the review and implementation of the town's new Official Plan," said Executive Director Anne Rogers. "This is important to

all members who carry out most of their business in the Hills, and those who have plans to physically expand their plants. We have a strategic plan for the chamber that we can align with

the Official Plan review process to facilitate implementation of many of the chamber's objectives."

The chamber will continue to work with the town, region and public interest groups to find a solution to the chronic issue of transportation.

"Chamber of Commerce representatives will continue to support transportation planning proposals that ensure the safe, and economical, movement of products in and out of the urban areas of Halton Hills."

The chamber also plans to make full use of the town's new Economic Development Officer, Allan O'Neill.

"This opportunity is timely for our members, as the office has been established at a time when the chamber and the town are working together more closely to create a viable new economy business environment in the town," said Rogers.

To improve its communications with the public the

chamber will be distributing eight newsletters through the newspaper to homes. As well, its Web site, www.haltonhillschamber.on.ca, will be upgraded to encourage industry and public use.

Heading the 2000-2001 board for another term will be president Tom Sikatori, Innovative Security Solutions Inc.

Elected as vice-presidents were membership, Reg Thurber, Industrial Forklift Training; economic development, Scott Becksted, Scotia-McLeod; communications, Grant Lee, AGL Marketing Ltd.

Treasurer is Ron Starret of Starret & Starret and directors are Ian Carter, Halton-Peel Counselling Services; Norm Paget, Re/Max, Debra Martin, The Wizard Consulting Group; John Manes, Acton IGA; Karen Timms, Decorating Den Interiors; Frank Garcia, Axiom Sales Inc. and Harry Asbreuk, Scotiabank (Acton). Rogers will serve as secretary.



The directors and officers elected to serve on the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce 2000-2001 board are (back, from left) Ian Carter, director; Reg Thurber, vice-president membership; Scott Becksted, vice-president, economic development; Tom Sikatori, president; Norm Paget, director; Debra Martin, director

and Grant Lee, vice-president, communications. Front, from left, Ron Starret, treasurer; Anne Rogers, executive director and secretary; Frank Garcia, director, Karen Timms, director and John Manes, director. Absent, Harry Asbreuk, director.

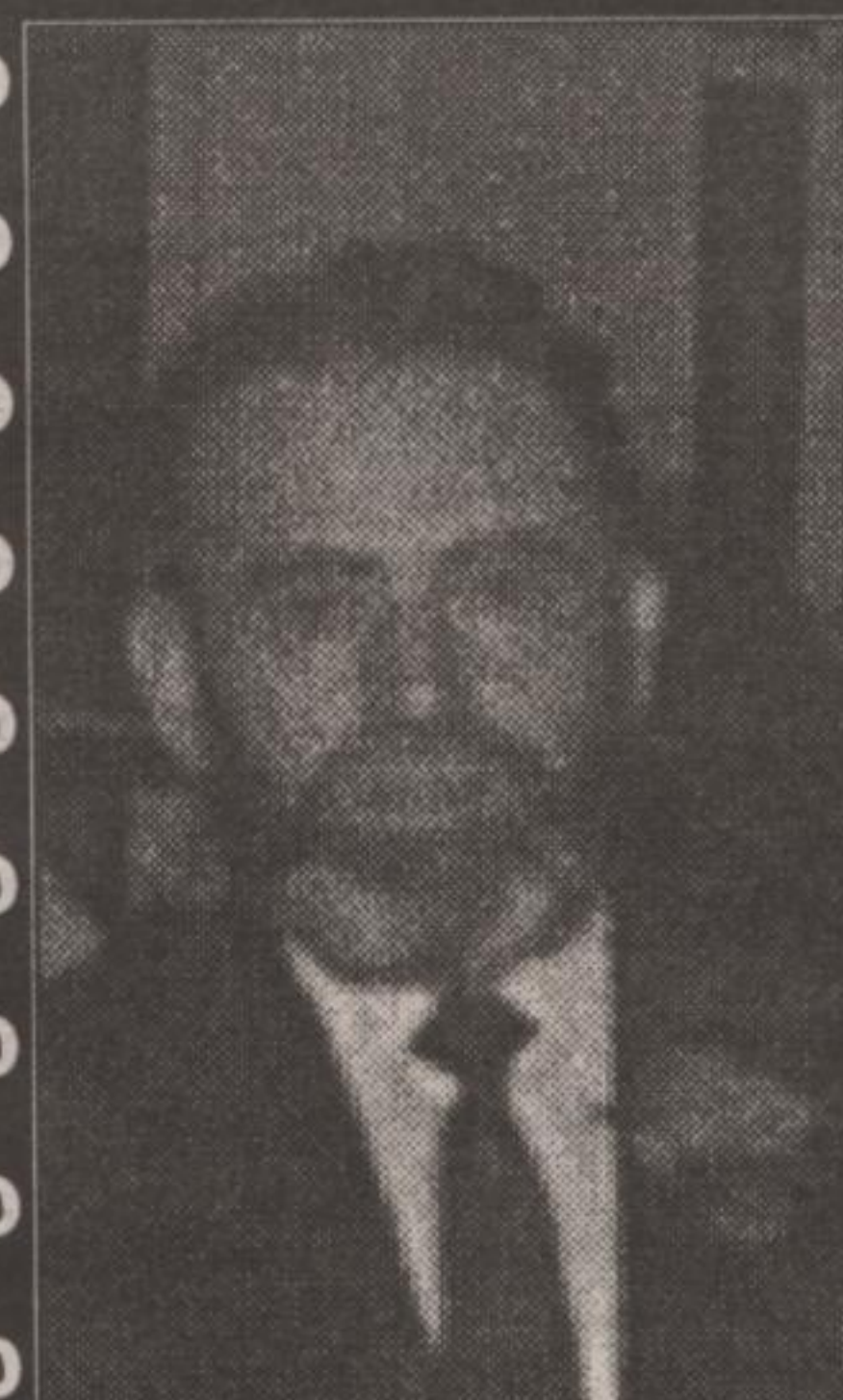
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