



ARTIST SANDRA HODDER stands proudly beside her batik now hanging in the front entrance of Trillium School in Milton. Mrs. Hodder presented the large trillium landscape to school administrator Dr. Burton Borthwick, left. The Oakville artist expressed an interest in helping the school and donated the batik.

## I.C.G. challenges right to corridor

by Eric Elstone  
The Interested Citizens' Group (ICG) is attempting to pull the plug on Ontario Hydro export sales by appealing to the National Energy Board (NEB) concerning the 500 kW line through Halton Hills. The ICG appealed to the federal

## Trustees iron out boundary problems

Milton and Oakville trustees joined forces to ensure uniform treatment of students caught in a Halton Board of Education school boundary change. About 90 students from White Oaks and L.B. Pearson high schools in Oakville were slated to take classes at Milton High School in September. However, because of action by trustees Thursday at Burlington the students have the choice of either going to Milton or remaining for the rest of their school life at Oakville. Trustees concerns date back to June 14 when several recommendations for boundary changes were presented and passed. One of the presented recommendations was turned down, however. All the recommendations would be effective next September. The result, had the board taken no follow up action, would see the board treating one geographic area or group differently than another, according to Milton Ward 2 trustee Bill Lawson. One implication of the June action was a commitment to provide transportation for students to White Oaks, instead of the two years as was proposed, said Lawson. The board took his motion and combined it with an amendment from Milton Wards 1 and 2 Trustee Ivan Armstrong, seconded by Oakville's Jackie Cutmore, to fix the situation. Thursday's move means that next September students who live between Steeles to just north of the Lower Base Line and west of the Peel border who are going to White Oaks and L.B. Pearson, may remain in those schools instead of shifting to Milton High School. The board's action, however, does not guarantee transportation, according to Trustee Armstrong. Action Esquishing Trustee Betty Fisher determined from staff that the effect on students staying at White Oaks would mean two more portables, the same number if they remain where the board originally wanted them at Milton. Burlington Trustee Cam Jackson said he was leery of making decisions based solely on statistics of grade nine and 10 students. "Seventy per cent of the kids don't reach Grade 13 for their diplomas. In three to four years there will be significantly less students in question," Jackson said.

agency for four orders Tuesday in Ottawa. The application asked for a public hearing "to determine the present and future public convenience and necessity" and environmental impact of the international power line. Before the hearing the ICG asked NEB to stop Ontario Hydro's construction of the line. Also requested are orders compelling Ontario Hydro to apply for permission to construct the line and an order revoking or suspending an Ontario Hydro licence. With the ICG at a press conference at Queens Park were representatives from the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, the provincial Liberal party and Energy Probe, a research group. "Ontario Hydro is breaking the rules by construction of this line without clearance from the NEB," Norm Rubins of Energy Probe said. "This has not been done properly. It has not been justified."

"We intend to pursue the civil rights that have been denied in Ontario," said the ICG's John Minns. The NEB may examine the financial feasibility, environmental impact and available alternate routes. Energy Probe lent its expertise and lawyer to the ICG. The ICG is directing the federal agency to examine the cost of electrical power to Ontario ratepayers and the price that's being charged to US utilities. If the NEB grants a hearing the ICG intends to present evidence that Ontario ratepayers are subsidizing the cost of power exported to the US. The ICG charges American utilities with making considerable profits from Ontario taxpayers. Ontario, the ICG claims, pays to build generators and lines, sells power to the US, at a marginal profit while the American utilities increase the price to their customers.

Ontario Hydro, states Minns, sells electrical power to US utilities at 1.9 cents per kilowatt hour. Power in Ontario is generated in various ways: nuclear generation costs 1.13 per kilowatt and fossil fuels average at 2.355 cents. Some of the power is being sold at a loss. The ICG says it doesn't quarrel with Ontario Hydro concerning international exports as long as there is sufficient supply and that Ontario taxpayers are not paying for the export. If the NEB grants what the ICG wants, construction of the 14 mile section through Halton Hills would stop says Minns, until alternative routes are examined. The ICG complains that Ontario Hydro has begun construction of an international power line through Halton Hills for the purpose of exporting electric power without a certificate as required by the national Energy Board act. Also the ICG complained Ontario Hydro intends to operate the line without certificate as required by federal law. The ICG claims Ontario Hydro intends to export power in contravention of its licence number EL-95 and in contravention of the regulations made in the act without regard for full disclosure of information provided for also under the act. Halton-Burlington (L) MPP Julian Reed regretted he could not attend the conference because of illness. However, a statement was read detailing his support for the ICG. As the Liberal energy critic he stressed that the need for the line has not been established.

## Holiday plans for patients, inmates

By Linda Kirby  
Christmas is a time for families, but not all will have the opportunity to be at home. Patients at Milton District Hospital however, can look forward to a visit from Santa Christmas morning, according to hospital administrator Brian Brady. At least 50 patients are

expected to stay in the hospital during Christmas, he said. Those who are able to travel home for the day will be released. Festivities for the season began last week when the Milton Chansonettes and Chorists paid the hospital a visit. The Milton Senior Citizen's Club will make

the rounds Sunday afternoon to entertain patients with a selection of Christmas carols. A special Christmas Day dinner is planned and relatives of hospital patients are invited to join in, said Mr. Brady. All students at Ernest C. Drury School will spend Christmas with their families, according

to Roy Wollaston, administrator for the school. Academic activities break up Friday for the holiday. Work is being done to repair the gym as a result of a prison riot involving 107 inmates nearly six weeks ago. A special religious service is planned at the institution Christmas Eve and Salvation Army carollers will be on hand to entertain inmates. Christmas Day will include the traditional turkey with all the trimmings. Several Christmas concerts have already been staged at Halton Centennial Manor. Residents have been treated to the musical talents of young carollers from Burlington and Oakville during the past few weeks.

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Manor staff are also planning a day of Christmas song as well as members of the Salvation Army from Oakville. Rev. Gordon Timbers will conduct Christmas Eve church service on Dec. 24 at 6:30 p.m. While many residents will make the trip home to be with their family, the Manor is still expected to have many of its 340 residents.

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## Spot checks ruled out for drivers

Police will not be conducting spot checks in this area over the holidays, but drinking drivers beware. Despite the lack of roadblocks, police will be on the alert for the intoxicated driver during the holiday season. "We will have preventative control units," said Staff Sergeant Paul Chapman of the Milton detachment of Halton Regional Police. "Officers will be instructed to be on the alert for impaired drivers. If they have the slightest suspicion, they will stop the car. Milton lacks the police manpower to

set up an efficient roadblock spot check procedure, similar to that now being used in Metro Toronto, he said. Three officers are required for the procedure. The staff sergeant said Milton's population bears little comparison to that of Toronto and therefore, would not be conducive to an effective spot check. Milton OPP will be following a similar routine to that of Halton Region Police. No roadblocks are planned, said a police spokesman, but officers will be patrolling for the drinking driver.

Approximately 55 inmates have been granted special passes to spend the holiday with their families. Commencing on the weekend the Centre will begin a schedule of tournaments covering shuffleboard, ping-pong, billiards, snooker and hockey on the ice rink outside the Centre. "It will be a little restricted because the main gym is not yet

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## Citizen of 1979 sought

Who will be Milton Citizen of the Year for 1979? Milton Chamber of Commerce wants residents of the town to help decide who best deserves the title. Sponsored annually by the Chamber, the search for the 1979 Citizen of the Year begins today with publication of a ballot in this newspaper. Any citizen is welcome to fill it out and mail it to the Chamber at Box 52, Milton. Deadline for nominations is midnight Friday, Jan. 11, 1980. The person or persons named Citizen for 1979 will be honored at a celebration dinner and dance in the Lions Club Hall on Thompson Rd. Saturday, Feb. 23. Tickets, at \$15 a person, are available through all Milton banks, Can Travel and local newspapers. Chamber secretary Kathy Hawley said people can nominate any person (or group) for the honor. Their contribution to the town does not have to be in a specific year, it may be over a period of several years. For further information, contact the Chamber at the information centre, 878-3179.



A TOW OPERATOR ADJUSTS A CABLE prior to moving the burned remains of a tractor trailer on Highway 25. The fiery truck-car accident Sept. 6 killed Peel Regional Detective Malcolm Grieve, 38, of Milton. An investigation by local police found the officer was speeding at the time of the accident.

## 'Speeding' said cause of policeman's death

Halton Regional Police are recommending the case "be closed" on the death of Peel Regional Police Detective Malcolm Grieve, 38, of Milton. A policeman with 22 years' service he was killed in a fiery crash Sept. 6 at the intersection of Ontario St. and Laurier Ave. in Milton. Investigation by Halton Police after the accident revealed the morality squad officer was "speeding excessively"

at the time of the accident. According to Halton Police Chief James Harding, there is no need for an inquest and he plans to recommend to the Ontario coroner the case be closed. Detective Grieve died instantly when his unmarked cruiser slammed head on into a tractor-trailer after hitting an unlit road island at 3:14 a.m. Sept. 6. Traffic lights have since been installed. The Peel officer was on

his way home at the time of the accident and was within a mile of his Fay Ct. residence. Police investigation at the time of the accident showed Mr. Grieve was northbound on Ontario St. when his car hit the barrier at Laurier Ave. The vehicle bounced off the street island, spun on the gravel and flew into the path of a southbound tractor trailer unit. The truck driver escaped injury. The Milton resident was survived by his wife,

Shirley and two children, Colin, 9, and Alexandra, 10. The detective was well known in Milton for his involvement in sports. He was coach of Milton's Mark IV Auto Collision mosquito soccer team. Detective Grieve began his police career at the age of 16 as a cadet with the Liverpool City Police in England. He moved with his family to Canada six years ago.

## NEC workshop this Thursday

The second of two information workshops in Milton will be held tomorrow (Thursday) at Milton Public Library. The workshop is being presented by the Niagara Escarpment Commission and is aimed at acquainting the people with the proposed plan for the escarpment. Experts in planning and public information people will be on hand to distribute copies of the plan and answer any questions. The workshop begins at noon and will run until 8 p.m. The first workshop was held yesterday (Tuesday) at the library.

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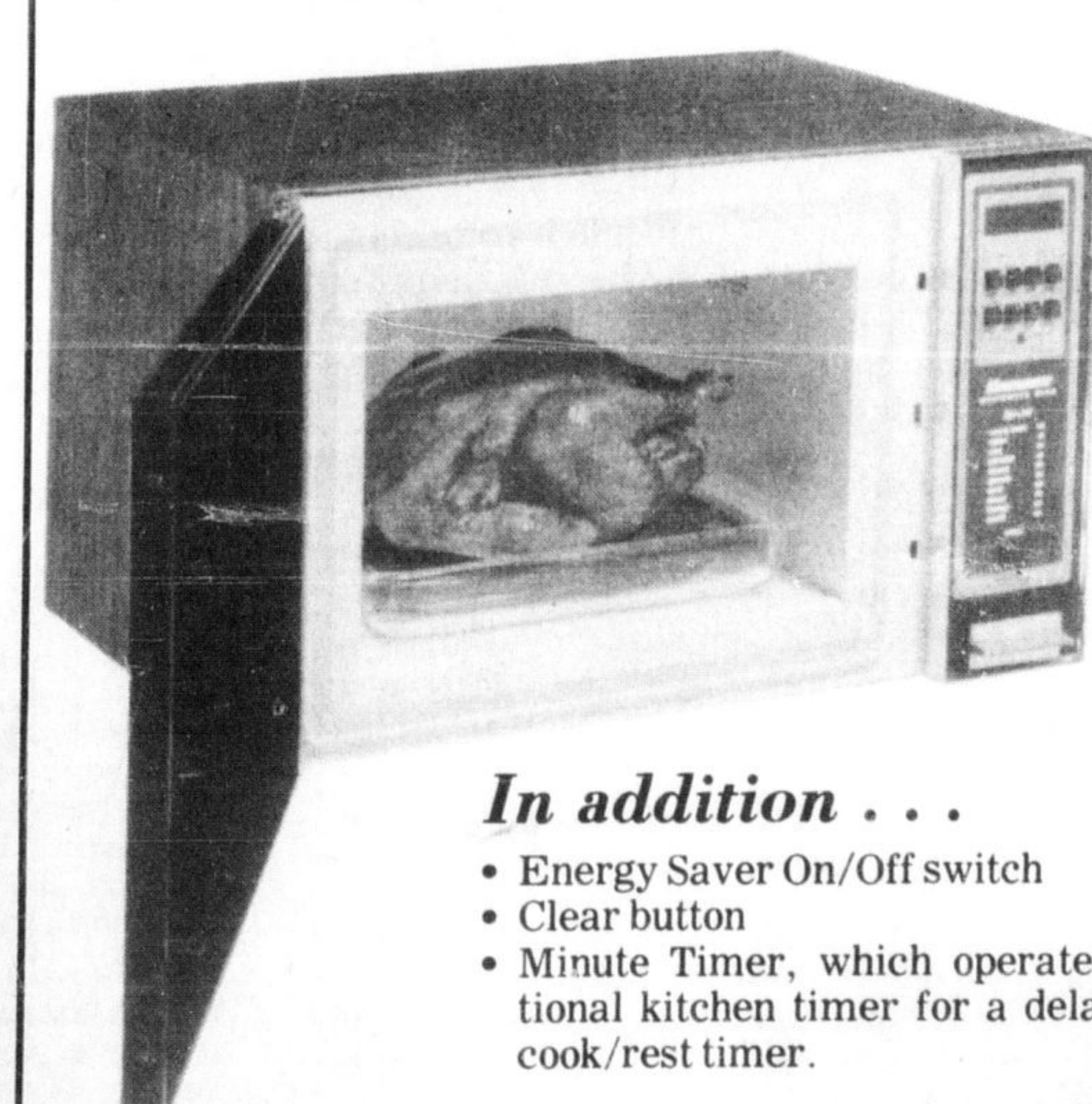
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