

Crime numbers down, cops tell council



Keith Gregory

By BRAD REAUME

The Champion

Crime in Halton is down. Inspector Keith Gregory made a brief presentation to Milton council last week outlining a drop in crime for the previous 12-month period to August, 1998.

In Milton assaults rose slightly but robbery, break and enter, auto theft, property theft, fraud, property damage and motor vehicle offences all dropped significantly.

Frauds fell by almost 45 per cent, other major types of crime came down by between 14 and 32 per cent. Other Halton centers experienced similar drops in crime.

Inspector Gregory pointed to a significant rise in sexual assaults but said most of the offences relate

to a series of incidents of touching. A young offender has been charged, he said.

The only other crime area that showed an increase was charges for possession of stolen property. Inspector Gregory said this is a result of improved investigations into stolen property and higher crime clearance rates.

Car theft down

"Auto theft is down and we expect to see that go lower still," said Inspector Gregory. "We are starting a regional task force centered strictly on auto theft."

Perhaps most telling is that calls to the police station from Milton are down 5.4 per cent, according to police records. Total criminal offenses are down 5.5 per cent.

For the 12 month period leading up to August, 1998 there were 24 sex offenses and 25 charges laid for possession of stolen property in Milton. The previous year to August 1997, there were nine sexual assaults and 20 incidents of possession of stolen property.

In addition, simple assault was up 13 incidents from 138 in 1997 to 151 in 1998, and domestic assaults increased from four to 18 in 1998.

Fewer robberies

However, robberies dropped in half from eight to four, break and enters are down to 106 from 149, auto thefts are down from 72 to 50, thefts have been reduced to 368 from 432, fraud is down from 49 incidents to 27 and motor vehicle related crime is down from 661 incidents to 615 incidents.



REGION OF HALTON CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT' HALTON URBAN STRUCTURE PLAN WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICING MASTER PLAN REVIEW



REVISED NOTICE OF COMPLETION/ADDENDUM

The Halton Urban Structure Plan set out a process to provide servicing infrastructure for the Region of Halton's response to pressures for new urban growth. The Water and Wastewater Servicing Master Plan was prepared under the Environmental Assessment Act and analyzed alternative approaches and recommended a preferred method of providing water supply and wastewater treatment for the new urban areas proposed in the Halton Urban Structure Plan. Projects listed in the Water and Wastewater Servicing Master Plan were planned in accordance with the **Class Environmental Assessment for Municipal Water and Wastewater Projects**.

At the direction of Regional Council, a review of the Master Plan was undertaken to identify a recommended servicing implementation plan for the first phase of development in Milton and Halton Hills (6,200 new homes and 300 hectares of employment lands). In accordance with the commitments set out in the Master Plan, the Region has completed a Master Plan Review. This Review resulted in revisions to projects listed in the Master Plan. This Notice is to provide further information to the public on the proposed revisions and to receive input and comment from interested persons. The proposed revisions to the Water and Wastewater Servicing Plan are as follows:

- relocation of the proposed wastewater main from Sixteen Mile Creek alignment to Regional Road #25
- deferral of construction of a New Zone 5 reservoir to use the existing Milton reservoir
- introduction of a blended water supply system in Milton (including lake and groundwater)
- deferral of the construction of a new Water Purification Plant in Oakville
- revision to the wastewater servicing concept to include both forcemain and gravity sections along Regional Road #25
- revisions to site specific projects to service the first stage of development in the East-Southeast Phasing Option in Milton Centred area and Halton Hills Highway 401 frontage

These revisions are to provide a cost effective servicing strategy for urban expansion areas entirely within Halton Region in a timely manner with least environmental impact and community disruption.

Further comments are invited for incorporation into the planning and design of these projects, and will be received until October 27, 1998. For further information or to comment on the proposed revisions, please contact:

Ms Janet Amos, Environmental Approvals Coordinator, Region of Halton,
1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, Ontario, L6M 3L1
Telephone: (905) 825-6000 or from Acton 853-0501, from Georgetown 878-8113, from Aldershot 639-4540, from Streetsville 823-6720

Copies of the Master Plan Review are available for purchase at a cost of \$40.00 and an executive summary is available, free of charge from the Region by contacting the Records Section at 905-825-6032. Copies of the Master Plan Review are also available for public review at the following offices (Hours: 8:30 - 4:30 business days):

Regional Planning & Public Works Department
Halton Regional Centre
1151 Bronte Road (Regional Road #25, north of QEW)
Oakville ON L6M 3L1

Town Clerk
Town of Milton
Victoria Park Square
43 Brown Street
Milton ON
L9T 4B6

Town Clerk
Town of Halton Hills
Halton Hills Civic Centre
1 Halton Hills Drive
Halton Hills (Georgetown) ON
L7G 5G2

Town Clerk
Town of Oakville
1225 Trafalgar Road
Oakville ON
L6J 5A6

City Clerk
City of Burlington
Civic Administration Building
426 Brant Street
Burlington ON
L7R 3Z6

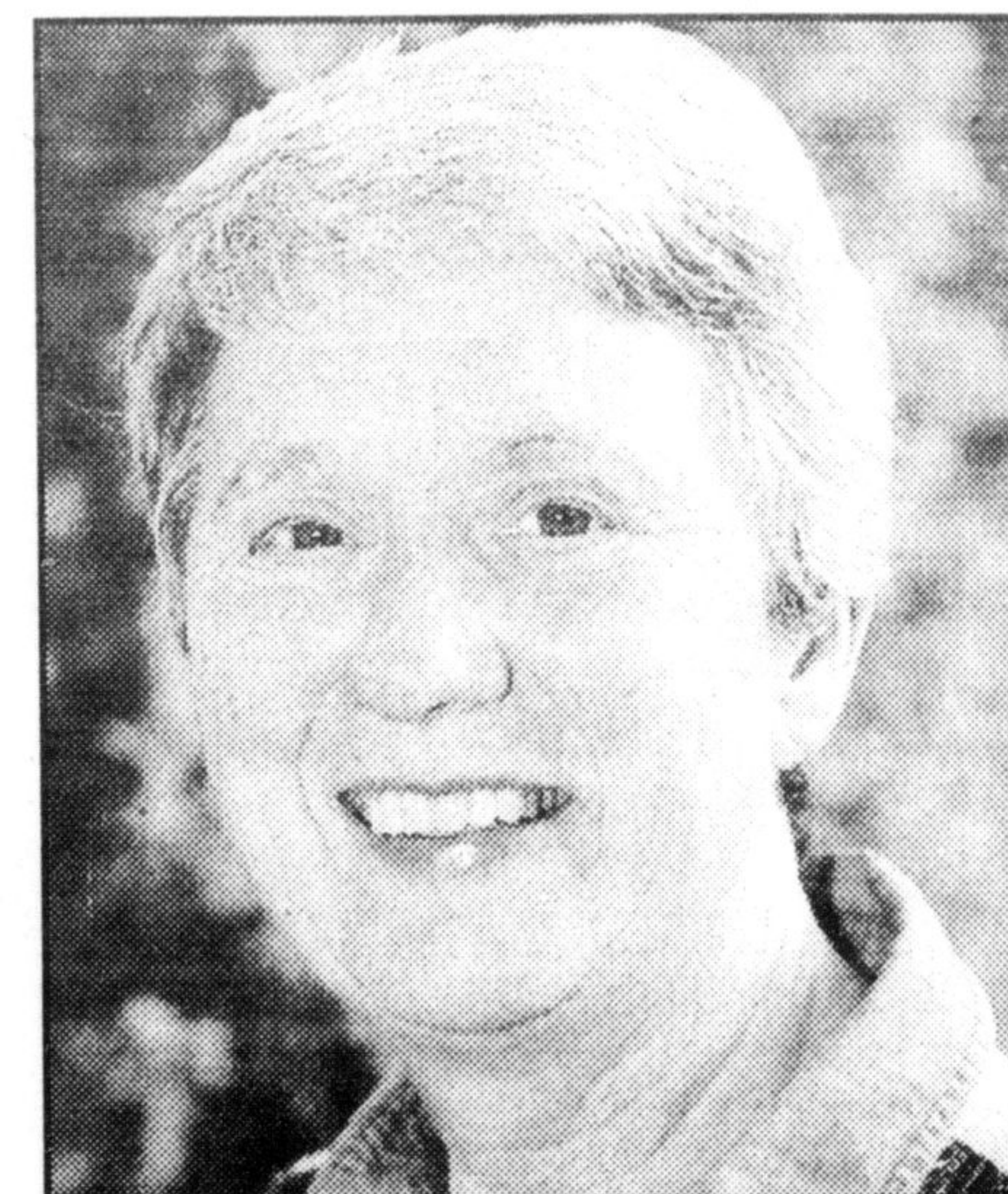
Interested persons should provide written comment to the Region of Halton on the proposed revisions to the Master Plan within 30 calendar days from the date of this Notice. If concerns regarding a project cannot be resolved in discussion with the Region of Halton a person may request that the Minister of Environment "bump-up" the project to an individual environmental assessment. "Bump-up" requests must be received by the Minister at the address below by October 27, 1998. A copy of the "bump-up" request shall be sent to the Regional Clerk. If there is no "bump-up" request received by October 27, 1998, the Region of Halton will proceed to construct the projects as outlined in the Master Plan Review (Addendum to the Water and Wastewater Servicing Master Plan).

Minister of Environment
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 15th Floor, TORONTO, Ont. M4V 1P5

Subject to comments received as a result of this Notice, the Region of Halton plans to proceed with the revised projects listed in the Master Plan Review.

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Ann Galioto

Galioto honoured by peers

By KAREN SMITH

The Champion

A Halton Board of Education school teacher considered a leader in computer education has received an award for her work.

Now retired, Ann Galioto of Milton was recently presented an honorary membership by the Federation of Women Teachers' Associations of Ontario.

"I was elated. It's really quite an honour," she told The Champion last week. "I was impressed that our own association felt so highly about me."

Ms Galioto taught for 20 years at Milton elementary schools including E.W. Foster, Sam Sherratt, Martin Street, W.I. Dick and Brookville.

"Ann taught all grades with a special fondness for the junior years," said Marilyn Roycroft of the federation.

"She was a leader in computer education and was awarded one of the first computer labs."

Ms Galioto also played an active role in the Halton women's teachers' association executive, starting in 1980.

During her two-year term as president, members began to take a place on most board committees, and professional development activities increased, Ms Roycroft said.

Retirement is opening new doors for Ms Galioto. She said while she misses the interaction with students, she now has more time to be involved in the family business, her church and community committees.

Married to husband Tony, she said her greatest joy in retirement is spending time with her two grandsons. She's also looking forward to a trip to Europe this fall.