

Agreement task force features four town members

Milton-area residents have been selected to fill all four citizen spots on Halton Region's deer hunting task force.

Appointed by councillors Wednesday were: Joe Barnard, representing hunters;

Gladys McLellan, of Fourth Line, representing those living beside an agreement forest; W. Brockley Patterson, a citizen-at-large not living near an agreement forest; and John Kitching, representing the agricultural industry.

Two regional councillors also sit on the committee. They are Pam Sheldon, as chairman, and John Graham, as vice-chairman.

The committee will also have several non-voting members, including a yet unnamed inspector from Halton Regional Police, and Nancy Tilt, representing the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.

Regional clerk Dave Varley said the committee will review all submissions and material gathered to date on the hunting ban in the region's agreement forests.

The task force was formed after a public meeting at Halton Centennial Manor in January.

Metro man charged in armed robbery



Halton Regional Police used this artist's conception of a man wanted in a string of robberies in Halton, Mississauga, and other areas. Last week an arrest was made of an Etobicoke man on a number of robbery counts including a holdup at the Canada Trust office in Milton. The drawing was shown on a Crimestoppers television show recently.

"Subway Elvis," a man who entertained Toronto transit commuters in the 1970s with his renditions of Elvis Presley hits, has been arrested in conjunction with the armed robbery at Canada Trust in Milton in 1983.

The 31-year-old former musician, whose real name is Michael McTaggart, an Etobicoke resident, has also been charged with three other counts of armed robbery in connection with heists at Burlington branches of Canada Trust Co. over the past four years. More than \$200,000 was taken in the four incidents.

Mr. McTaggart was picked up last Monday at the Kipling subway station, and charged on Tuesday. He is being held at the Hamilton-Wentworth Detention Centre pending a bail hearing, set for today (Wednesday).

The Milton robbery occurred at the Canada Trust on Main St. on Saturday July 30, 1983. More than \$20,000 was stolen when a lone man entered the bank and motioned to his shoulder bag indicating that he was carrying a gun.

A few tickets left for Players

The last performance of Milton Players dinner-theatre will be held Saturday at Halton Hills Place. The meal of specially prepared veal begins at 7 p.m. with the play beginning at 8:30 p.m. Dancing will follow at 10 p.m. and run until 1 a.m.

The first performance of *6 Rms Riv Vu* was held last Saturday and the advance billing of this being the top production of the players proved true.

One or two tables remain for Saturday. Tickets are \$22 each or \$160 for a table of eight.

Nursery school registrar

Milton Community Nursery School is accepting registrations for the fall of 1986. Programs offered are for two mornings, three mornings and three evenings.

Parent participation is required. Children must be three years of age as of June 30, 1986. Call Pat Douglas at 878-1632 for more information.

The World Day of Prayer will be held March 7 at Knox Presbyterian Church with Rev. Noble Dean speaking.

This year's world service was written by women of Australia and called "Choose Life in its Fullness". It raises the social and ethical questions about current topics such as genetic engineering, child neglect, boredom and affluence.

The Physically Handicapped Citizens Association of north Halton needs help in putting together a unique cookbook. This cookbook will collect recipes from the past in addition to recipes from other countries brought to this country in the past.

This new "olde fashioned" cookbook will be compiled by the association and then published. The person with the most outstanding recipe will receive a free cookbook.

Recipes can be sent to PHCA of north Halton, 28 Chapel St., Georgetown, L7G 2L9. The deadline for submissions is March 17.

Lily Munro speaks

Lily Munro, Ontario's citizenship and culture minister, will be the guest speaker at a meeting of the University Women's Club Thursday March 6.

Dr. Munro is expected to speak at 8:30 p.m. on a topic of interest to Milton residents. The speech will follow the regular meeting of the club. The meeting will be held in E. W. Foster School. The public is invited and admission is free.

Pete's got wheels

Halton Region may buy a car for chairman Peter Pomeroy.

A cause of much furor three years ago, Mr. Pomeroy drives a full-size Mercury which costs \$482 per month to lease. Mr. Pomeroy discovered other regions buy cars for their chairmen in many cases.

Regional councils probing the cost differences between buying and leasing and may opt for the purchase of a new car for Chairman Pete.

Local MPP Otto Jelinek is inviting constituents from Halton to a seminar on the upcoming federal budget.

The seminar will follow the introduction of federal finance minister Michael Wilson's budget. It'll take place Monday March 3 at Oakville Arena.

How would you like a job where, if you made a mistake, a big red light goes on and 18,000 people boo?

Former NHL goalie JACQUES PLANTE

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Milton passes dump request



It was a whole new world for a group of young Martin St. School students last week as they toured Central Fire Station. One of them shown here is Ian Schofield. Readers should also note the "911" emergency sticker. The number is getting upwards of 1,000 calls

per day. You are urged only to use the number in emergency. For everyday calls, please look up the administration number in the telephone book.

By MIKE BOYLE
Champion Reporter

The stage has been set for a classic showdown featuring Milton, Burlington and Halton Region concerning the proposed regional landfill facility.

And Milton councillor Rick Day knocked the cobwebs from his slingshot which he brought to Milton Council chambers Monday night to show his cohorts, and his opponents, that he's ready for a fight.

Milton Council gave its approval, albeit grudgingly, to a request from Halton Region to prepare a technical report with the intention of rezoning a 309-acre site on the northwest corner of Highway 25 and Britannia Road (Boyne site) for a dump.

The request was delivered in person by regional planner Roshad Mohammed who endured a battery of questions delivered by Milton councillors for 90 minutes.

The rezoning application became required after regional councillors opted to take both the Milton and Burlington sites to a provincial environmental assessment hearing, tentatively slated for the fall. Burlington's Aldershot site was preferred by the consulting firm of Walker, Wright, Young Associates which conducted a mammoth million-dollar study.

Although Milton Council approved the request, it was apparent from their comments that they were in disagreement with the entire process. Most expressed dismay of having to go through this process despite the claims of an independent consultant which named the Burlington site as better.

(A technical report prepared by Milton staff, circulation of this petition to residents living within 1,000 feet of the subject land, and a public hearing must all follow before council can approve a rezoning.)

"Passing this request," explained Milton planner Bob Zsadanyi, "doesn't mean the town is expressing itself pro or con on the dump site. No

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Scotsdale Farm task force being proposed

Complaints from some parents and teachers concerning the Halton school board's policy on outdoor education has sparked the board's administration to take action.

George Heaver, Superintendent of Curriculum Services, says he is proposing a task force be set up to revise the environmental education policy in the region. The proposal is likely to be presented to the board as information at an upcoming meeting.

This decision comes 15 days after several north Halton parents, teachers and principals

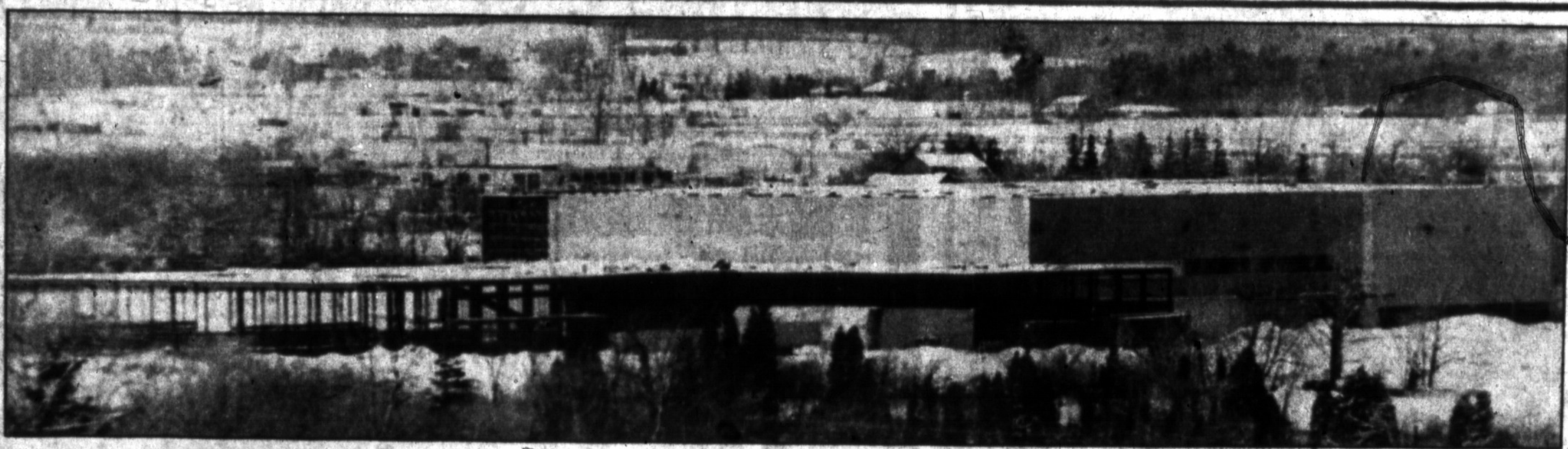
met in Milton to assure that Halton students don't lose the opportunity for environmental education at Scotsdale Farm. During the meeting, several critics charged that the board held an "antiquated" outlook on outdoor education.

Herb Pilles has been selected as the most likely candidate to head up the force. He's a teacher at W.I. Dick and Chairman of Halton Outdoor Education Teachers Association.

Mr. Pilles and Mr. Heaver met last Tuesday morning to discuss the parameters of the task

force, which will report to the board in the spring. Mr. Heaver said he's not certain who will make up the force, but wants representation from trustees and principals.

The teacher at W.I. Dick has been vocal in the past regarding the board's outdoor education programs. He has been the driving force behind the group of concerned parents, teachers and principals, who want to see the 540-acre Scotsdale property, offered to the Halton board, incorporated into the region's outdoor education program.



This is a shot of the Magna plant taken from Steeles Ave., west of Townline showing the size of the plant being built to produce auto bodies. Last week, Magna's John Logan spoke to the Milton Chamber of Commerce calling for more housing for future employees.

Magna promises jobs, wants homes

By JANE MULLER
Champion Reporter

The first plant to produce complete car bodies in Canada will begin production here in the fall of 1987 despite problems some of its estimated 350 employees may have in finding a home here.

When John Logan, director of human resources for Magna International, addressed members of Milton Chamber of Commerce last week, his tone was generally positive. That lasted until he mentioned a concern over a lack of housing in Milton,

While the company will attempt to hire locally, members of the management group who are to be imported, "can't find a place to live."

The 325 to 350 employees at the half a million square foot facility will "mainly be recruited from the local area," Mr. Logan said at the luncheon meeting. Skilled trades people including millwrights, electricians and electrical technicians will be hired early. The spokesman for Magna was not able to give information about rates, saying the company will offer pay which is competitive in

the area but won't rob other businesses of skilled help.

A cafeteria providing hot meals, adequate parking, a fitness centre and a health service offering initial diagnosis on a walk in basis, are among Magna's "unique" employee services. Mr. Logan said the 40 acre site will be extensively landscaped. The site will include picnic areas as well as a soccer pitch and baseball diamond.

The first presses will arrive at the plant in May or June and major tooling will be delivered in September.

The 2,000 ton capacity presses are being imported from Germany. Once production starts next year, Magna will operate as a "just in time" plant, meaning orders will be filled within four hours of demand.

Not only is this Canada's first complete car body production plant, it represents the first time car bodies have been produced outside captive plants of the car manufacturers. The need for a "high tolerance of quality" has kept this aspect of production away from companies like Magna, according to Mr. Logan.



John Logan, shown speaking to the Milton Chamber of Commerce, had some good news about job creation.

