

Open house May 16

# Plans considered to increase Ontario St. five lanes

Even though Ontario Street reconstruction through urban Milton is not complete, town officials are already looking at whether the current scheme will meet Milton's long-term needs.

Instead of four lanes for the remaining portions of the reconstruction project, the town is contemplating five lanes, and will go to the public with an open house May 16 at Halton Centennial Manor to solicit opinions on the matter.

### For \$350,000 more

Already the rebuilt intersections, such as Main Street and Ontario, include a left turn,

or fifth lane. The plan at present is for each intersection between Steeles Avenue and Derry Road to be similar.

But for an extra 10 per cent on top of the total project construction cost (approximately \$350,000 in addition to projected costs of \$3.5 million) the five-lane plan can replace the currently approved four-lane scheme, said John Sutherns, a spokesman for engineering firm McCormick Rankin.

Mr. Sutherns pointed out that five lanes will make traffic movements in and out of the E.C. Drury High School complex easier, allowing buses, for example to turn left into the school without slowing other traffic move-

ments. The same holds true for the area near the apartment complexes on the more northern stretch of Ontario Street past Woodward Avenue, he pointed out.

### Need more frontage

If the five-lane plan is adopted, Mr. Sutherns said, the town will have to require frontage property from three homeowners in the vicinity of Laurier Avenue, but that is the extent of the frontage requirements.

As much land (a narrow strip) will have to be acquired otherwise for the four-lane option as the five-lane plan.

Mr. Sutherns said the noise level for nearby

residents would rise by approximately one decibel if the five lane option is chosen instead of four lanes.

Reconstruction of the Laurier Avenue to Derry Road portion of Ontario Street is expected to go to tender May 15.

If the five-lane option is chosen, it will be for the balance of the project, between Childs Drive and Laurier Avenue in the south and Mountainview and Steeles Avenue in the north.

The open house at Halton Centennial Manor is to be held between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16.

## Giant pot hole closes Highway 401 Friday

The pothole that wouldn't go away created nightmares for motorists on Highway 401, just west of Highway 25, all day Friday.

Between noon and about 8 p.m., Milton OPP were forced to close two westbound lanes as the Ministry of Transport (MOT) undertook road repairs, backing up traffic for miles.

The story began early that morning, about 4:30 a.m., when the OPP located the pothole after being tipped off by a passing motorist.

It started getting larger, forcing the OPP to close one lane of the highway, between 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m., while MOT crews carried out repairs.

However, at about 11 a.m., the hole re-appeared and around noon the OPP closed off two lanes for the next eight hours, while MOT crews corrected the problem.

### Pitch-in Week

## War on litter waged in community parks

A major clean-up of local parks will be held by Community Resource Services (CRS) of Halton May 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. as part of Pitch-In Week (May 7-13).

"We expect approximately 10 of our clients to participate in this project as our contribution toward cleaning up our community's environment," said Lori Chapman, a CRS co-ordinator for north Halton.

Bronte Meadows District Girl Guide organizations, Our Lady of Victory School and Trillium School also have plans to participate in the Pitch-In campaign.

Pitch-In Week events, involving more than 4,000 organizations in Ontario alone, will be held across Canada.

The special week is a program of the Ontario Federation of Anglers



and Hunters in co-operation with Pitch-In Canada, NOVA Corporation of Alberta, the Ontario Ministry of Environment and local governments throughout the province.



Photo by JOHN WARREN

### Lest we forget

A plaque honouring former Milton District High School students who served in the Second World War and the Korean War was on display at the school Sunday. From left to right, John Wilson, Elenor Wilson, Dick Clement and Ed Leoprich view the 220 names on the plaque which was a project of the school and Branch 136 of the Royal Canadian Legion in Milton. Mrs. Wilson is the daughter of the late Private Joe Waters whom the branch was named after.

## Kinney expansion means 64 new jobs

Kinney Canada Inc.'s retail divisions continue to enjoy rapid growth throughout the country in 1990.

Locally, the Milton Distribution Centre, which serves most of the company's clothing stores, is scheduled for expansion in early May.

The 117,000-square-foot addition will contribute to a total area of 260,000 square feet. The expansion will also provide an additional 64 jobs over the next three years.

Currently, 81 people are employed at the centre distributing a variety of merchandise to Lady Foot Locker stores and departments such as Sportelle, Karuba, Raglans, Willow Ridge, Afterthoughts, Randy River and Canary Island.

Inducon has been selected as the designer and builder. Construction is slated to be completed by mid-December this year.

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