

# Region declares Week of the Child

Halton has declared Oct. 20-28 as Week of the Child.

The region's support in backing the week was recommended by the region health and social services committee.

November 5-9 will be Engineering Week in Halton.

### Contracts

Tanya E. Cole, a speech therapist, has been awarded a contract to provide speech therapy to eligible home-care patients until March 31, 1985 on a fee-for-service basis.

Karen Laretei, nutritionist, has been awarded a contract to provide nutritional services in the region until March 21, 1985, and a fee-for-service basis.

### Honoured

A number of regional employees were honoured by council for their service.

Retiring at the region were Doreen Brownell, printing; Gordon Filman, plant operator; Pearl Mowat, health care aide; and Josephine Mule, housemaid.

Retiring from Halton Regional Police were: Charles Parsons, Constable First Class; Jack Petraraca, Constable First Class; and Alexander Terell, Inspector.

### Warning Sign

Council has authorized an agreement with CP Rail for the installation operation, maintenance and repair of a proposed special interconnected warning signal on Guelph Line in Campbellville.

### Trees Planted

Halton will pay for trees to be planted along the newly reconstructed portion of Steeles Ave. in Milton.

This and another project in Halton Hills will cost \$26,402.60 to be completed.

### Old Coat For New

A provincial coat of arms housed at the Halton Region Museum will soon grace the newly rebuilt courthouse and jail which will be used as Milton's new town hall.

The loan will be long-term, and when

erected, will be accompanied by a small plaque noting the coat of arms is on loan from the museum.

### Funeral Help

Regional chairman Peter Pomeroy will officially write a letter thanking the Town of Milton for the town's participation in the funeral procession held for Metro Police Constable David Dunmore.

The procession was conducted in an "uninterrupted and dignified manner" by the town, Mr. Pomeroy said.

### New Signals

Halton has \$82,900 for traffic signals but it better make sure signals don't put the red light to the environment.

The region has been informed by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation and Communication the money can be used for new signals or modernizing old ones.

In addition to noting the money can be spent for anything else but traffic lights, MTC regional director E.J. McCabe noted all municipalities must meet the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act (EEA).

Mr. McCabe warned that any municipal projects which violate the EEA would find subsidies withheld by the province.

### Hire And Fire

Ways to fire municipal employees will be spelled out in a letter from the region to the area municipalities.

The regional administration and finance committee had asked for an opinion on clarifying the law as it relates to what has come to be called "wrongful dismissal."

The regional solicitor has conferred with a private sector lawyer and the result was contained in an opinion handed to councillors. The councillors have in turn asked it go to the area municipalities for their infor-

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### mation.

Chief administrative officer Dennis Perlin told the committee the region has had "in the area of 10" wrongful dismissal cases.

"It still appears that the appropriate method to ensure that few employees must be terminated, and that when necessary just cause can be proven, is diligence in the processes of recruitment, job description and expectations, management, job review and the JEAP program.

"These preventive measures provide a method of reducing the costs associated with that portion of employment law relating to terminations which has been given the misnomer 'wrongful dismissal', Mr. Perlin said.

### Best Foot

Some regional employees will be able to put their best foot forward providing they don't spend more than \$75.

Councillors have recommended the regional supplement, it pays to regional employees required to wear safety footwear, be increased from the current \$60 to \$75.

Then policy allows the subsidy of up to \$75, but if the safety boots cost more than \$75 then the allowance won't be paid.



### Mounds of mittens

These 44 pairs of mittens represent a lot of knitting time to Dorothy Lougheed. The Harmony Court resident donates her work to bazaars like the one to be held at Halton Centennial Manor today (Wednesday) from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.



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