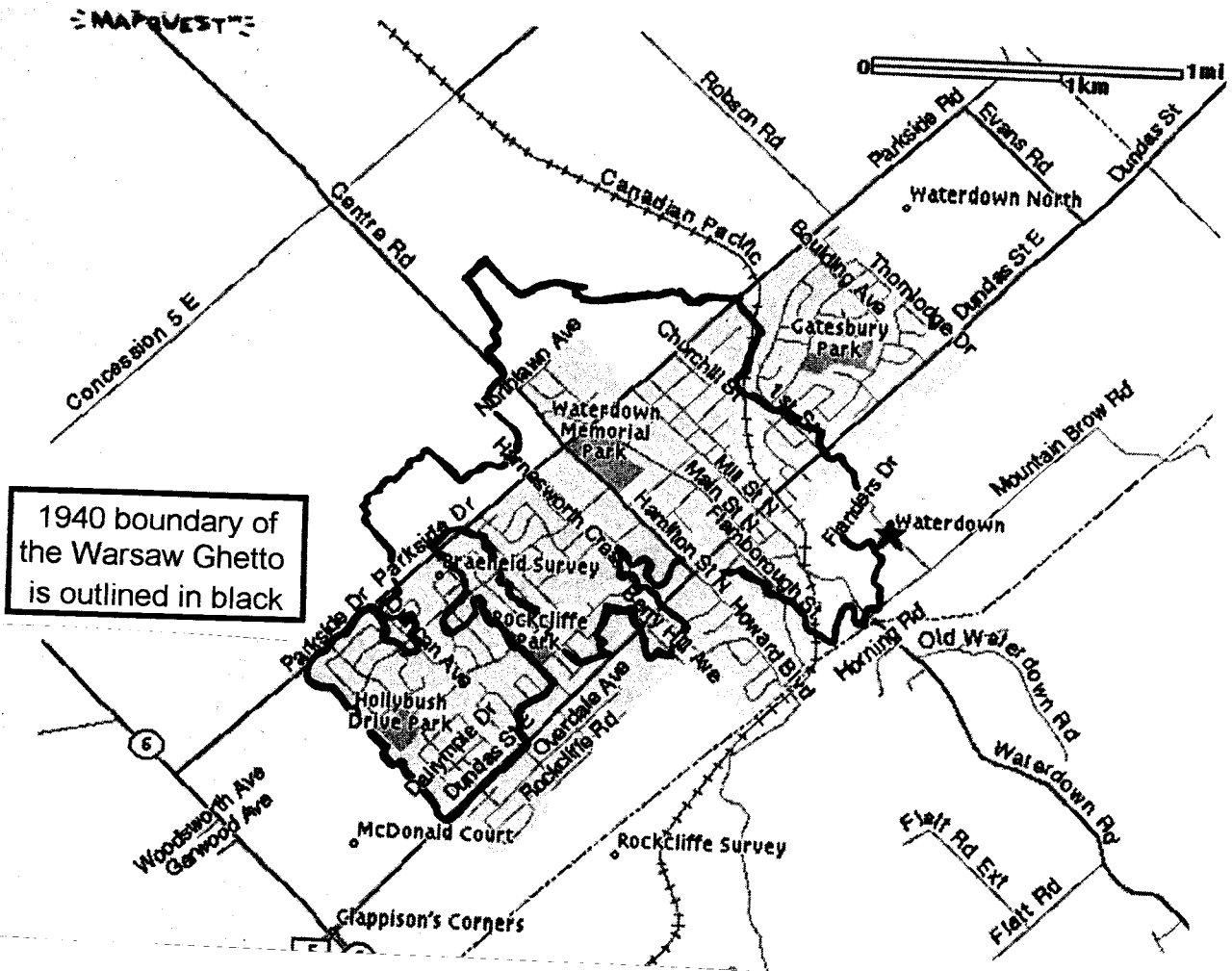


The Warsaw Ghetto Superimposed over Waterdown



- ✧ In 1939, the City of Warsaw (capital of Poland) had a Jewish population of 350,000 – 30% of the total city.
- ✧ After the Polish surrendered to the Germans, the Warsaw Ghetto was created from an area 2.6% the size of the rest of the city. A 10ft wall was constructed around the ghetto.
- ✧ November 16th, 1940 – the Warsaw Ghetto is sealed off from the rest of the city.
- ✧ From 1940-1944, Jews, Gypsies, Homosexuals, Soviet Soldiers, Communists, and other “Enemies of the Nazi Party” are sent to the Warsaw Ghetto.
- ✧ July 1942, transportation of the inhabitants of the ghetto to Treblinka Extermination Camp begins.
- ✧ April 19th, 1943. An uprising occurs within the ghetto that lasts 27 days. Nazi officials put the revolt down by burning the remaining buildings in the ghetto down. No outside help from the Allies is given to the rebels.
- ✧ Superimposed over Waterdown, the Warsaw Ghetto would run roughly from Hollybush Drive to First Street (near Conan’s Nurseries), and Dundas Street to Guardian Angels Catholic Elementary School on Centre Road. The population of Waterdown in 2003 is approximately 13,000.