

**OUR READERS WRITE:**

**Couldn't respond**

Nov. 11, 1978

Dear Sir,  
I would like to draw your attention to a paid advertisement by the Halton Teachers Association that appeared in your newspaper November 8, 1978.  
This paid advertisement responses to various questions put to the candidates running for trustees in the Municipal election in Halton Hills.  
It was shown that two candidates gave no responses.

This is not true. I was never asked or given any document to respond to. Had I been given a series of questions I would have gladly answered even though I was acclaimed.

This article was a public service and as such was a very good service. However, I do not believe it was also a service to mislead the public or to embarrass anyone.

Sincerely,  
H. B. Sherk,  
Trustee, Halton Hills,  
Halton Roman Catholic  
Separate School Board.

**Acton cares!**

124 Elizabeth Drive,  
Acton, Ontario,  
November 8, 1978

Dear Editor:  
Six of the local churches have representatives on a committee which is planning programmes for the "Ten Days for World Development" campaign in February.  
This will be the third year that Acton has participated in this countrywide programme and once more this year the

subject is "Food" with emphasis on the needs of the developing nations.

This is not a financial campaign, it is an educational programme to help people understand some of the root causes of hunger in the "Third World".

Anyone who is interested in obtaining more information about this programme or helping in any way should contact their own church representative or Mr. Eldon Comfort—853-1089 or the undersigned.

Yours very truly,  
Lorna I. Clarke

**Ended with a laugh**

Milton, Ontario  
November 9, 1978

Mr. Editor:  
An item I found of interest in your "20 years ago" which appeared in your November 1, 1978 paper was the account of an accident at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, 240 Elmore Drive, that took place in November, 1958.

A humorous point concerning that accident was never part of the report, and I now advise you of it for the record.

At the time I received the call about a stolen car from Guelph heading east on Seven Highway, I had a local citizen in custody in the cruiser.

As you may recall, Police were a little scarce in those days, so I had no choice but to take my inebriated prisoner along on the chase.

When this stolen car ran into the resi-

dence at Elmore Drive, I had to cuff my prisoner to the post on the front lawn and then proceed with the accident and the escaped prisoner from Guelph, who had stolen the car.

After all was done, I suddenly remembered the other man left cuffed to the post on the front lawn.

By this time, the November weather had its effect on his condition, and I was able to then drive him home for the night rather than lay any charge against him for his original state. (He cursed me all the way, saying I tried to freeze him.)

It was a serious accident with a lot of damage to the house, but I ended the night laughing at my friend as I took him home.

Respectfully,  
Bob Morceau  
209 Heslop Road  
Milton.

**About the plaza**

November 12, 1978

The Acton Free Press

Gentlemen:  
As a resident of Acton for nearly 12 years, I think I can consider myself and my family Actonians. I wish to speak about the proposed Plaza.

First I feel that there was not enough discussion given to the pros and cons by the people of Acton. The decision was made to scrap it at this time, as it was felt by a small segment, that the advantages of a big Plaza

would be detrimental to the merchants of the downtown core. Well, I think that this decision is harmful to the growth of Acton when we see the vitality and controlled building that is going on in our sister municipalities. Let us have an open discussion or meeting on the subject, instead of running a meeting in the atmosphere of a private country club.

I am, yours sincerely,  
Trevor N. Hoy  
155 Jeffrey Avenue  
Acton, Ontario.

**Regrets losing billiards**

Thurs., Nov. 9, 1978  
Acton, Ontario.

A Letter to the Editor:  
In regards to your article headed "Hotels behind 8-ball pool, billiards banned" in your Nov. 8 edition.

This article was just a lot of words that told us nothing. I for one, would be quite interested to know why the applications for these licences were rejected. I see no reason for what seems to be an air of secrecy about this. If the licences are refused there should be a reason stated, not just on the advice of the police.

I am not familiar with the way the McGibbon Hotel or the Dominion Hotel are run, but I am familiar with the 747 Lounge of Acton. I was at one time an employee of Mr. and Mrs. Bigelow and am familiar with their strict rules, regarding the playing of billiards. The minors are never allowed to

sit with the older teens if they have a drink on the table, they are warned about their behavior and language if necessary. There is more supervision there, than at any other place I have seen. I myself would prefer my son to be in the 747 Lounge playing pool, than standing on the street corner, like so many of the Acton youths do. I see no harm whatsoever in the kids playing pool at the 747. I am 31 years old and in all my time working days, or nights for the Bigelows, I have never seen any trouble with, or had any verbal abuse from the kids that frequent the 747 to play pool, and have their chips and coke.

I know the kids are upset about the fact that they will not be able to play pool. I guess it's back to the streets for them.

Yours truly,  
Mrs. Gloria Warren



MRS. W. SNOW represented the Silver Cross Mothers at Remembrance Day ceremonies in Milton Saturday at the cenotaph. Mrs. Snow lost a son in World War Two and is accompanied by another son. Mrs. Snow is also the mother of Oakville MPP and Minister of Transportation Jim Snow.

**Women's program hard to market**

It's not easy to market the Secretary of State's program for women, says Barb Weaver, a community development officer for the department.

Ms. Weaver, like the other four officers in the department's Hamilton office, is responsible for both a geographic and a program area. Halton is the geographic responsibility for the Campbellville resident, while women's programs are her program assignment.

In a recent interview she discussed her work on behalf of women, work which takes her beyond Halton to Niagara, Hamilton-Wentworth, Brant, Waterloo, and Wellington County.

The Department of the Secretary of State assists both organizationally and financially. One kind of financial assistance available to community groups is seed money.

The term literally means implanting money into an organization so it can get its operation off the ground, Ms. Weaver explained.

These funds go to community groups which want to raise the awareness of the citizenry about some matter — energy or garbage, for example — and to gain a mandate from them to take action on the issue.

For community women, this could mean studying the decision making process of an institution and, if needed, trying to do something about it. For instance, a women's group might study employment of women in executive positions of civic governments, and work to make these jobs more accessible to women, Ms. Weaver said.

To take on this kind of project requires a well-established women's group that is able to get into lobby action. The lack of groups at this level is what makes the women's program, at least in this respect, difficult for Ms. Weaver to sell.

An exception is a group of women in Niagara who have taken on as their project education for an alternative work ethic. Their aim is to reach teachers and have them help students develop new attitudes towards work, to think about other jobs besides teaching, and to examine the options of job sharing and part-time work.

Assistance is also available through the Secretary of State for the development of networks among women's groups. The purpose of building a network is to provide a means by which the various community organizations which serve women could be quickly mobilized behind a common concern, Ms. Weaver said.

In this connection a meeting for women in the region of Halton was held at Sheridan College a year ago to consider a network linkage. However, the women attending opted instead for banding together to pursue the establishment of a women's hostel in Halton.

Another group formed out of this meeting was interested in looking at ways of using the media to promote community issues. They made a videotape about battered wives. The tape was shown on cable television stations in the region and is available at Sheridan College.

While on the topic of video, Ms. Weaver said workers in the Hamilton office would be interested in a community group doing a study on the usefulness of the medium.

Although a year ago Halton women chose to funnel their energies into a specific issue, that of abused women, it may be useful to have another meeting soon about organizing a network, Ms. Weaver mused.

Yet a third kind of project which can be assisted through the Secretary of State is a project of a skill development nature.

Skills the department wants to help community groups build include leader-

ship skills, organizational skills and political action skills. A group needs abilities in these areas in order to be able to cope with institutions, to study them and to have an effect on them, Ms. Weaver said.

An Acton organization, Women for Women, became involved in this kind of project. The group observed that Acton had little to offer women, even socially, she reported. They wanted to correct this situation, but didn't feel they had the skills.

What Women for Women did, with the help of the Secretary of State office, was hold a workshop, bringing in a resource person with expertise in organizational matters.

The department also can help groups financially by making available to eligible organizations the funds to hire summer students. Ms. Weaver called the summer program a useful tool which "provides legs to an organization that usually scapes down its program in the summer and provides the impetus for the group to get going again in the fall."

The Halton Women's Hostel Steering Committee received funds this summer to hire a student.

**Feed advisory program**

by Mark Leahy  
Dairy farmers report savings of up to \$100 per cow using the Feed Advisory Program offered by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

Last year the program supplied more than 1,200 Ontario dairy producers with computer-formulated rations, says Stewart Cressman, program co-ordinator. "The feed advisory program helps farmers improve herb performance, and cut nutrient and feed costs," he says. Ration formulation begins with a chemical analysis of homegrown feeds. Farmers, with the assistance of ministry extension personnel, take feed samples for testing at the University of Guelph.

Cost of the feed tests range from \$7 to \$16, depending on the type of analysis required. Laboratory tests include tests for dry matter, crude protein, calcium, phosphorus, magnesium, potassium, and trace minerals. Last year the feed testing laboratory handled more than 6,200 samples.

Although it is possible to

formulate rations without feed analysis, Mr. Cressman feels analysis is the key to accurate ration formulation. "If tests show the hay is worse than average, we can increase supplements to balance the ration properly."

In order to formulate rations quickly and accurately, the program uses computers at the Canfam Service Agency of Agriculture Canada. Using the results of feed analysis, the computer calculates a biologically balanced ration.

Mr. Cressman stresses that these rations are developed to make the best possible use of homegrown feeds and purchased supplements. "These rations are custom-built around the existing feeding

system, and personal feeding preferences," he says.

Despite the federal government announcement that the Canfam Service Agency will be closed, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

The **AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP** meets at **St. Joseph's Church Hall** 64 Church E. Mondays at 8 p.m. Information 853-3310 After Hours 853-2504

**At the fair**

A trip to the Winter Fair was arranged by the Golden Age Club. A busload went Friday to enjoy the show.

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ADMITTANCE RESTRICTED TO MEMBERS OF CLUB  
Box Office Opens 7 p.m. Show Starts at 7:15  
The MUSTANG DRIVE-IN will be closed for the season as of Nov. 19... "REASON FREEZIN'"  
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A MOMENT'S SILENCE is observed at a ceremony at Evergreen Cemetery in honor of those men who died during the wars. The monument at the front of the cemetery was erected by Milton branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, and was the scene of a special service before the main one at the cenotaph.

To all those people who voted for me on Nov. 13th and all volunteer workers, friends and family who so faithfully supported me—please accept my sincere thanks.  
**Bill Coats**

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