

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader slams Mayor's outburst, says intent clear

To the editor of The Herald: Outbursts of a sensational nature from any politician tend to elicit negative responses from the public they serve. And such is the case after the Credit Valley Conservation Authority's (CVCA) unexpected visit last Thursday evening from Thomas Jefferson Hill.

Halton Hills Mayor Hill has never been quite as visible as he was when he attended the CVCA's meeting; the first he has attended in 1978 although he is an appointed member of the Authority. He had barely given the other members time to recognize who he was when he attacked their planning and budget in a manner most unbecoming a public figure. Surely, there must have been a good reason for his attendance at this meeting and his subsequent outburst!

Could it be that since a Municipal election is scheduled for November 13th, and since Mayor Hill has declared his intention to seek a third term, that a little bit of political "grandstanding" was brought into play?

Although it is a sad reflection of the times, it is also a reality that Halton Hills must now be considered "big business" in the political

arena. Hence, a leader must be chosen who is capable of meeting the demands of such an organization. Mayor Hill has repeatedly shown he is not that man as evidenced by his dismal attendance record at the CVCA meetings.

The appointment to sit as a member of the CVCA was a two-year appointment, made by Halton Council. It is of interest to note that during his first year (1977) Mayor Hill attended only 2 of 8 full CVCA meetings and none of the 4 scheduled Information and Advisory Board meetings. In 1978 his record was no better. He did not attend any of the 4 Information and Advisory Board meetings and only 1 of the 5 full CVCA meetings. (and that one was the one he attended last Thursday evening).

Of course, the intent is clear. Mayor Hill is out to win another election and as an astute "politician" he knew when to take advantage of the media. However, his leadership qualities and sense of responsibility leave much to be desired.

May I suggest the time has come for a change?

Pamela Sheldon
Halton Hills



LIMEHOUSE DINNER

Don Lindsay demonstrates his skill with a carving knife as he works on one of a number of turkeys carved up for serving at the Limehouse Presbyterian Church fowl supper. Rain didn't dampen the diners' enthusiasm and a good crowd turned out for the annual event.

Rebates needed says health council

Hoping to cut back on abuses of the region's health care services, the Halton District Health Council has asked the provincial government to offer Ontario citizens income tax credits and cash rebates as incentive to "remain healthy".

The suggestion is one of several proposals recently placed before a select committee of the legislature that is examining health care costs and financing across Ontario. Members of the region's health and social services committee will discuss the health council report at a forthcoming meeting.

The Health Council has suggested that Halton citizens who rarely use health care facilities and services that are covered under the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) should be rewarded with income tax or cash rebates at the end of each year.

The council believes that such a system would reduce costly abuses of the services by persons who unnecessarily apply for aid.

COUNCIL PROPOSALS
Other proposals put forth by the Council include the provision of private insurance that would cover additional charges outside the basic OHIP fee schedule for individuals who consult doctors not involved in the OHIP plan; and, a re-examination of purportedly "generous" OHIP premium and drug benefits for senior citizens.

In the report, Council chairman Terrence Baines cites the Council's strong belief that "Ontario citizens enjoy one of the best health care systems in the world," but bemoans the lack of a comprehensive, co-ordinated and flexible plan for health care in this province.

"Surely a program as far-reaching as our multi-billion dollar health program should be guided by an overall and visible plan," Mr. Baines contends.

FOR A STEP
"A first step towards creating such a plan might be a series of co-ordinated guideline policy papers which could set out intermediate objectives

to serve as beacons for health care professionals, medical schools and health sciences centres, research facilities, voluntary organizations and interested citizens so that they could direct their own planning in the most effective way."

The Council further suggests that the province should continue to seek an all-party solution to the problems associated with rising health care costs and should consider redistributing OHIP premium costs.

The Council would also like to see some "confirmation by an independent agency study that health care costs are, or are not, excessive in relation to other costs in our society".

BIG MAC CALLING

Breaker! Breaker! This is Burger One to Big Mac.

That could be the message heading across Halton airwaves today as a group of Georgetown CBers lend a hand to the local McDonald's McHappy Day fundraising drive for Crippled Children.

Richard Mirco, manager of the Georgetown Radio Shack, said he and a number of other local CBers have agreed to put out the call to other area CB enthusiasts and urge them to eat a Big Mac for charity today.

McDonald's are donating the total purchase price of every Big Mac sold today to the Ontario Crippled Children Association.

Mr. Mirco told The Herald that his store is supplying the equipment to set up a base station at McDonald's throughout McHappy Day. Using the base station they will appeal to other CBers over channel 22 to drop by the restaurant and eat for charity.

Radio Shack will also be supplying a public address system with music at the restaurant all day.

Service advisor corrects pamphlet

To the editor of The Herald: In the recent publication of Halton Hills Recreation Department the contact information for the Georgetown Emergency Communications Service is incorrect. All requests for assistance should be made by referral through North Halton Contact Centre at 877-1211.

G.E.C.S. is a small group of citizens who operate cars equipped with G.R.S. radios and voluntarily make this fleet available as a community service. Our primary objectives is to be available for assistance to the Halton Region Police and to emergency organizations in the community. Since it is our hope that emergencies will not occur, we also

make ourselves available to the community as a whole for any situation where a small radio network can be of use.

In the past twelve months, we have provided radio communications on the following occasions:

Haloween - patrol assistance to Halton Police, Santa Claus Parade - marshalling assistance, Crazy Boat Race - route communications for ambulance assistance, Highland Games - parking and traffic control, Great Dane Assoc. of Canada - route communications in Erin Township, CNE exhibition - traffic information and assistance, Emergency Searches - two private requests for lost children.

Most of our members are being trained in Emergency Services procedures. This year eleven members qualified in Standard Red Cross First Aid. If any reader has need of our service, please do not hesitate to contact us. Should any adult reader be interested in joining the service, all you need is a GRS-equipped car, a little time to spare, and a desire to help your community. Write for information to P.O. Box 76, Norval, Ontario, L0P 1K0.

Yours sincerely,
T.B. Robinson
Service Advisor, G.E.C.S.

Pinball possible

A conference behind closed doors with a representative of the Halton Regional Police has prompted town council to ask its staff to examine a decision by the finance and administration committee granting permission to three licensed lounges in this municipality to install billiard, pool and baggelle tables.

Sergeant Jason Fields of the regional police met privately with council for more than 30 minutes Monday night to discuss the administration committee's recommendation by which gaming table licences would be granted to the Dominion Hotel and 747 Lounge in Acton and the McGibbon Hotel in Georgetown.

When the meeting was over, council approved a resolution asking town staff to report on unspecified "procedures" pertinent to the matter at hand.

Excellent cartoon, 'wrong sentiment'

Editor, The Herald

Dear Sir,
We have for some weeks, been visitors to Georgetown seeing our daughter Mrs. Joan Eyre who is President of the Georgetown Chapter of "Parents Without Partners". Earlier in our visit we were reading The Herald dated September 5th in which you published an excellently drawn cartoon representing the alleged surliness of Canadians.

While I appreciate the art work I am at a loss to understand the sentiment, as indeed is my wife. Having

spent twenty-two years in the R.A.F. we have travelled widely, as doubtless you will appreciate and we have never, in all our travels been treated nor greeted with such open-hearted courtesy, kindness, generosity and friendliness (the superlatives could go on and on) as we have in your lovely Country.

We would like to thank all Georgetownians for the holiday of a lifetime. Bless you all and keep up the good work.

We are Sir,
Yours sincerely
John and Lotie Devlin
Devon, England.

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FRIDAY OCT. 6
9:30 A.M. West Central Ontario Championship Holstein Show
Placing and Judging Hall Exhibits
9:00 P.M. TEEN Dance featuring FULLHOUSE

SATURDAY OCT. 8
1:00 p.m. STOCK TRACTOR PULL
2:30 p.m. Icelandic Horse Demonstration
3:00 p.m. Fair Queen Competition
1:30 p.m. Goat Show
1:30 p.m. Jersey show, dairy 4-H clubs
Midway
9:00 P.M. Fair Dance

SUNDAY OCT. 8
Gates open at 1 p.m.
1 p.m. Pony show
1:30 p.m. Palomino classes
2:00 p.m. Western Horses
2:00 p.m. HEAVY HORSE DRAW
2:00 p.m. Sheep show
2:00 p.m. Exhibits Hall Entertainment
Coliseum Exhibits, Midway

MONDAY OCT. 9 THANKSGIVING DAY
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