Making profits from garbage



Staff comment

By Ani Pederian Herald Columnist

If you want to get rich, then you should know everything there is to know about garbage. Because garbage is where the money is.

If you don't believe me, look at what Halton Region has been, is, and

will be, paying for garbage. What you do, is add a middle initial to your name and start up a consulting firm. Not just any consulting firm, but one that specializes in garbage.

Why a consulting firm? Because that's where a lot of the Region's money - climbing up to \$5 million at last estimate - is being spent.

Listen to the rates consultants are getting away with charging Halton and its taxpayers.

For representing Halton at the Environmental Assessment hearings. the legal firm of Osler, Hoskin and Harcourt wants \$175 hourly for Tom Lederer, \$135 hourly for Doug Hodgson and \$95 hourly for A. McAllister. The hearings aren't just . a one hour or one day event. They're expected to last six months.

Osler, Hoskin and Harcourt stands to earn \$564,000 - that's more than half a million dollars - according to an estimate by the Regional treasurer.

The next highest carner at the hearings is Walker, Wright, Young Associates Ltd. The Regional treasurer has estimated they'll soak up \$166,000 of your tax dollars.

That's \$140 an hour for Peter Walker to attend the hearing, and \$120 an hour for his preparation time. Is that a good salary or isn't it? Mr. Walker is the highest paid consultant of the lot, next to Halton's

legal counsel Tom Lederer. The Region has two pages worth of consultants' names and fees, people who will be paid an estimated \$942,000 for their work at the hearing, and who have already been paid for the technical reports Halton will be using to back its case for a new dump. That's not including the legal

As you might expect, none of the consultants come cheap. In fact the cheapest hourly wage is \$35 an hour for junior staff at Landplan. But obviously, that chap or gal isn't expected to be used exclusively, for the Regional treasurer has estimated spending \$103,000 for Landplan's contributions at the hearings.

Two Landplan consultants are charging Halton \$97.50 hourly for their services at the hearing, again not a wage to sneer at.

As for some of the other consulting firms such as Ecological Services of Planning Ltd., Myra Schiff Consultants Limited, Pollutech, Barman, Coulter, Swallow Associates, and F.H. Theatston and Associates, they're charging on a daily basis.

Their rates vary from as high as Pollutech and Myra Schiff of Myra Schiff Consultants Limited, to \$380 daily by. B. Pearce of the Museum of Indian Archaeology.

So now do you want to get into gar-

John Quinn WW II veteran

Funeral Services for John Quinn were held at Graham A. Glddy Funeral Home, Fergus Sept. 26. 1986. Rev. Whitehead officiated. L. Quinn died at the Parkwood Veteran Hospital in London Sept. 24 in his 68th year.

John Quinn, beloved husband of
Helen Dore. Loving father of Tom

of Georgetown and Susan of Calgary. Dear Grandfather of Tim, Jacqueline, Diana and Debbie. Brother of Peggy and the late

Quinn was a veteran of the Second World War, and a member Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 229, Elora. The interment was held at the Elora Cemetery, The pallbearers for John were Bud Denne, Bernie Paul Dore, Herb Ford. Stewart Wilde and Gord Patmore.



Guys 'n dolls

Six Halton Hills children received dolls in the Mattel "My Child" Sweepstakes. The contest which ran in The Herald during August and September, was sponsored by Capital Ford Sales Ltd. of Georgetown and Mattel Canada Inc. Seen sitting with Heraid ad manager Steve Foreman are (back left to right) Tracey Rees, Allison Cook, Jennifer Koster, Brooke MacLean,

(front left to right) Shaun Lockwood and Robert Muson. Contest entrants who dld not win a doll can pick up a coloring book at The Herald. Other entrants, and winners of coloring books, include:

Katle Morris. Donna Koeler, Cora Houtledge. Hilds Hinsjoen, Brooke Marteen, Lynne Ana Clarke, Yer Ma. Becky Huhtalo, Hobbi Thibeault, Catolyn Iske, Wayne Forly, Michael Watts, Allison Cook, Valerie MacLean, Mark Lockwood, Shaunna Fedora, Terri Fedora,

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Citizens' forum

Buying locally a big plus

Buying a new car these days is no not want to pay anything more than easy task. Hecently, I purchased a what we had agreed upon. 1966 Ford Mustang from a Toronto To my surprise, many people said Dealership, or at least I thought I that this was probably no mistake. tions and a set price. I was totally customers have set prices. They excited the night I signed and as I make you feel excited about buying preceeded to tell all my friends the a new car so when they ask you to excitement grew. This excitement, pay more money later, you oblige however, was very short lived as the because you want the car so badly. I from the dealer. He was terribly the extra money, get my deposit into the price - I had to pay an addi- and head somewhere else.

> Skilled surgeon

EDITOR'S NOTE: This letter was filed with The Herald for publication. To Halton Hills Veterinary Ser-

vices. 2 Main Street North, Georgetown, Ont. L7G 3G6

Dear Doctors and Staff. I wish to thank you for all that you have done for me and Perry over the last four days. You are to be praised for your skills as surgeons and lauded for your humaneness and care of your charges. You are truly a credit to your profession.

"Perry" is a guinea pig, a very small one at that. Your devotion and efforts to saving her life knows no bounds. The midnight calls you answered shows the great concern you have for your patients. The "major surgery" that was per-formed, with only a 50 per cent survival rate, saved her life. The intensive care you gave after surgery to insure her survival knows no end as well as the follow ups you carried out.

> Yours truly, Jonn Stevens, Raylawn Cres.

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The people at Park Lincoln Mercury here in town were extremely helpful and up front. At no point in time did I feel I had to be defensive with protecting my money or that I was forced into buying something I did not want. I purchased a Capri at the end of August and I have been totally satisfied with the whole experience from the initial dealings with the dealer to the follow up inquiries from myself and the dealer, and the service department.

The turn-over of cars in Holton Hills may not be as high as those at the Mustang dealership in Toronto, but the attitude of making every customer a satisfied customer most definitely shines through.

I wish to thank Stephane Trottler and Peter Homer of Park Lincoln Mercury for making my experience in purchasing a new car end positively. It is too bad all dealerships do not have this same attitude.

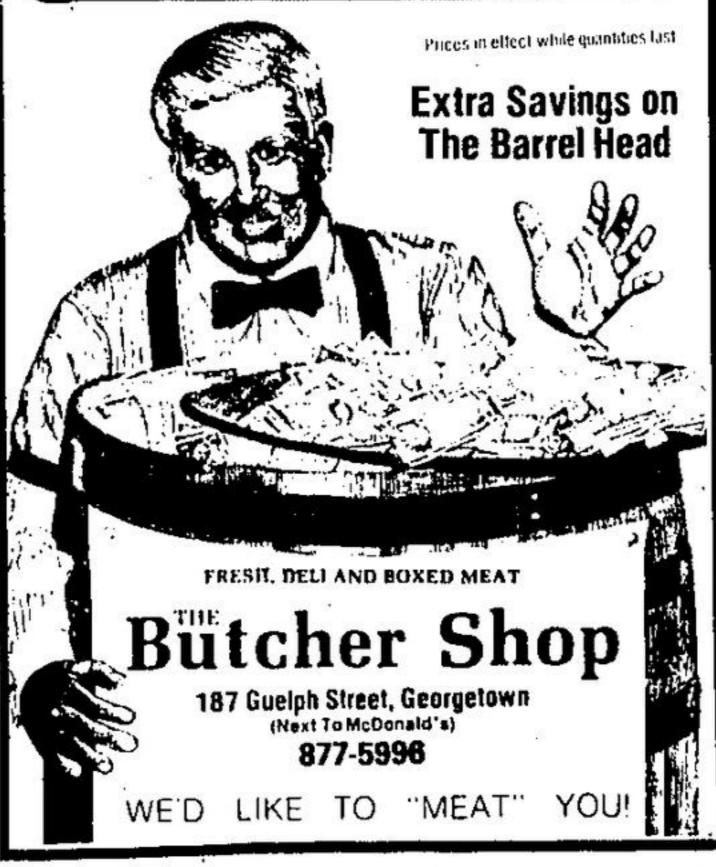
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School board denies disabled on education



Against the odds

> PAT WOODE

A Catholic separate school board has been found guilty by the Ontario Human Rights Board of Inquiry of violating the Human Rights Code by denying children of separate school supporters a Catholic education because of their handicap.

The children were all labelled trainable mentally retarded and because of their disabilities they were required to spend a portion of each day in non-denominational schools. The parents argued that their children were being denied a Catholic education because of their mental handicaps.

The school board argued that as they did not have the special services available, the children could be better helped educationally by attending the public system. The board also felt that the parents' prime objective was to obtain integrated education with nondisabled rather than a Catholic education.

The Human Rights Board's decision raises several legal issues. The Board ruled that the Human Rights Code took precedence over the Education Act. While school boards may contract each others services they still must not discriminate because of disability. The lack of amenities (in this case specialized Catholic teachers) in and of itself does not necessarily constitute discrimination. The refusal to add the amenities, however, when asked does support this decision.

Undue hardship was considered when deciding what reasonable accommodation the Catholic school board should make. As the school board was small and rural, the tribunal ordered the minimum accommodation that should be provided to bring itself in compliance with the code.

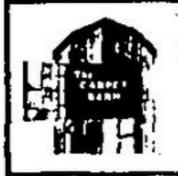
The ruling did not state how much time was to be in special classes or in integrated classes...

Despite this decision prior to the beginning of fall classes, a separate board has refused two teenagers admission because of their handlcaps. The school board is appealing the above decision and have therefore refused these students entry to the revised program.

Alternative Computer Training for the Disabled is a registered charity that provides 12 months of free computer training for Grade 12 graduates who are disabled. Nine of its first eleven graduates were successful in obtaining employment with companies such as IBM and CNCP. ACT can be contacted at 250 The Esplanada, Toronto, 365-3330.

Strict is fair

The Ontario Provincial Police "Strict is Fair" policy of highway traffic enforcement will be in effect over the coming Thanksgiving Holiday weekend, a time when families across the province gather for traditional homecoming celebrations.



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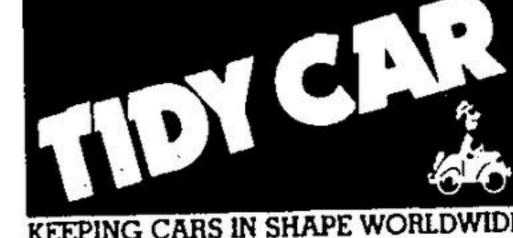
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