Outlook on Halton Hills

Turner's challenge news to the others

A column written a month ago by Progressive Conservative candidate Garth Turner in the Toronto Sun attacking the provincial Liberal party policies was blatantly political, New Democrat Fern Wolf has charged.

The politically-oriented column "is an indication of a lack of integrity on his part," Ms. Wolf said.

She said there is a "very fine line" in deciding when not to write about a political issue and Mr. Turner may have crossed that line.

Mr. Turner vowed to avoid writing about political issues related to the upcoming federal campaign in his high-profile business column in the Toronto Sun.

"I am not running as a provincial candidate," Mr. Turner replied.

"I was very careful not to write about anything that would have given an edge to my candidacy," he said.

When Mr. Turner won the Conservative nomination in Halton-Peel earlier in the summer he decided to continue writing his column but avoid political issues which may arise in the campaign. A panel at the Toronto Sun scrutinized each column to edit anything out that might refer to his campaign, said Mr Turner.

Nothing was ever edited out of the columns, he said.

Mr. Turner stopped writing his column two weeks ago in order to devote more energy to his campaign.

Meanwhile, Mr. Turner has challenged Liberal candidate Pierre Klein and Ms. Wolf to a series of debates over the next seven weeks.

Both Mr. Klein and Ms. Wolf deny being issued a formal challenge to the debate.

Mr. Turner made the challenge public in a press release issued last week. He initially asked the two other candidates for debates at an all-candidates meeting in Palgrave on Sept. 21, he said.

"I'm prepared to debate anytime," said Mr. Klein.

But he would not comment on the proposal until he has seen the detnils.

Ms. Wolf also favors a debate on the issues but added she has not been contacted by Mr. Turner's office.

"I don't know what he's doing,"



Members of the Balton Hills Camera Club picked up ribbons for prize photos last week. From left to right are Elaine Wasserman, with first prize for her color nature shot, Myles Gilson, with third price for his color nature

shot. Ted Brown with first prize for his black and white nature shot and Bruce Andrews with first prize for People in Color.

Motorists don't heed crosswalk

The newly revamped pedestrian crosswalk on Main Street at Bell School Lane in Acton is not good enough, Acton Councillor Norm Elllott says.

The intersection markings were recently improved and pedestrians. can activate a flashing amber light indicating they intend to cross the road by pressing a button.

But citizens who use the road say the problem of cars speeding through the crosswalk hasn't disappeared, said Coun. Elliott

"Three or four cars continue to drive through the crosswalks when there are people standing in the crosswalks," he said.

"The crosswalk situation in my mind is desperate," he added

Coun. Elliott said he has been stopped at the crosswalk for pedestrians and cars have attempted to pass his

"I don't know how anybody can be

that blind," he said. He wants town engineer Bob

Austin to examine the possibility of installing a flashing red light, which can be activated by the pedestrian, to replace the amber light.

"I'm not sure if we have the authority to do it," said Mr. Austin, acknowledging that the problem lies with cars travelling in both direc-

The town will prepare a report on the feasibility of the flashing red



Council approves 4-per-cent raises

Councillors voted themselves a four-per-cent raise on Monday.

The town's general committee decided that four per cent, the lower of two indexes used to measure the increase in the cost of living, would suffice for a raise retroactive to Jan.

The raise brings the salary for the Mayor up to \$20,400 a year from the current \$19,585 annually

Each councillor will receive a raise in salary from \$7,751 a year to \$8,077 a year.

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Council decided to take salary increases out of their own hands at a

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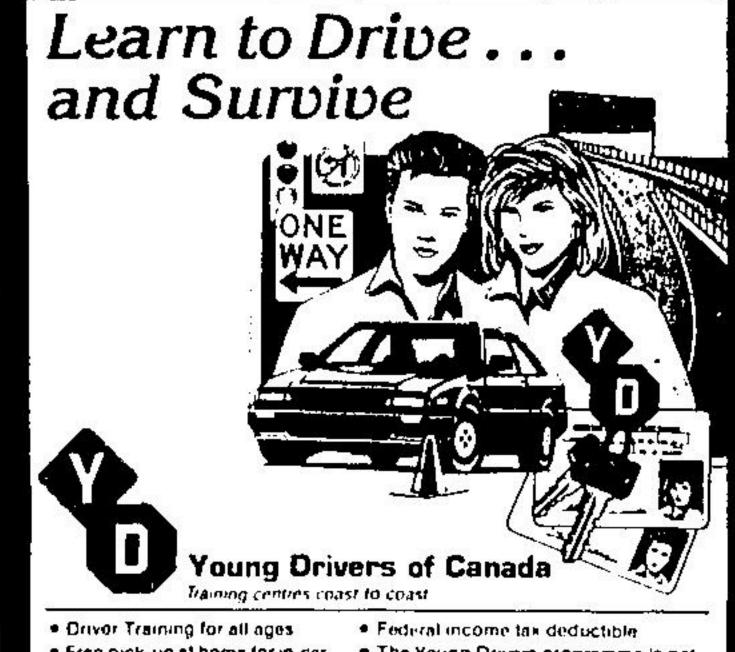
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