

# Satisfied with dialogue

Editor's note: The following letter was forwarded to the Halton Hills Herald for publication.

Mr. Ian S. Keith  
Director of Planning  
The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills  
P.O. Box 128, 1 Halton Hills Drive  
Halton Hills, Ontario  
(Georgetown)  
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RE: Niagara Escarpment Development Permit Application

Eagle Ridge Equity Inc.  
Parts Lots 9 and 10,  
Concession 3  
Town of Halton Hills  
(Esquering)  
File No. H/C89-90/49

Dear Mr. Keith,

It was a pleasure to meet with you after the November 19, 1990 General Committee meeting. I feel that the dialogue was both positive and constructive with regard to both of our concerns.

I am satisfied that the ground-

water concerns I raised in my September 5, 1990 letter are recognized by the planning department. I acknowledge also that my comments regarding both you and your staff's professional integrity were not based on fact, but rather, on perception. These comments should not have been written and hence, I withdraw them.

Subsequent to my presentation at the November 19, 1990 General Committee meeting, the Georgetown Independent followed-up with an article in its November 21 issue headlined "Planning Department called irresponsible." Both the heading and the opening paragraph used the words "irresponsible" and "negligent" with reference to the town's planning department. I do not believe that the planning department has been either irresponsible or negligent with regard to this N.E.C. Development Application, and I apologize if my presentation had left anyone with that impression.

Sincerely,  
Gord Vandevalk,  
Halton Hills

## Country sold out

To the Editor:

Some years ago I received an amusing birthday card. It depicted on the upper half a beautiful blonde captioned "This is Edith." On the lower half a delicious looking birthday cake, captioned "This is your cake." Inside was the punch line, "You can't have your cake and Edith too."

We, the Canadian people, decided we could indeed have both. Unfortunately, Edith turned out to be a lady of "ill repute" and the cake was almost indigestible.

This is all too descriptive of our current financial situation, with a public debt of some 380 billion, as a result of "Edith's" many demands, and a "cake" or medical bill, of staggering proportion, the result of high living.

In less fanciful terms, like it or not, we have little option at this late date, but to accept the fact that we have somehow sold our country out. This is like taking on a monstrous mortgage, perhaps best handled as such, say on an amortized plan of 5 or 10 years.

Not being an accountant myself, I challenge any who are, with their ingenious software and megabyte computers, to come up with the appropriate annual payments. Ask Mr. Crow what interest rates to use. Our Auditor General should be empowered to see that these payments are made in full, and on time.

How these monies are to be ob-

tained does, of course, involve the revolting consideration of increased taxation. I leave it to the undoubted (0) credentials of Messrs Mulroney, Wilson and Crow to produce an acceptable answer.

I would be pleased, even gratified to provide my personal solution but have not been asked to do so, nor do I expect to be asked.

On second thoughts perhaps I may do so anyway. Look for my next letter.

A.J. Dewdney, P. Eng.  
Georgetown.

P.S. Let's buy Canada back!

## Youngster thrilled

To the Editor:

On behalf of my son David and myself I would like to thank the Halton Hills Police Department 11th Division station in Georgetown and the Herald for David's tour of the police station on Monday, Nov. 26th. A very special thankyou to Constable Barnett for all the time she took with David.

He was thrilled with his tour and still hasn't stopping talking about it. David said that when he's a policeman he would like to show a child the police station as well.

Once again thankyou for making a little boy very happy.

Yours sincerely,  
Lauren Ashley,  
Georgetown.

## Automobile Club explains departure

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Mr. Derek Green,  
24 Hyland Avenue,  
Georgetown, Ontario  
L7G 3A2

Dear Mr. Green:

We sincerely thank you for your concern in the Halton Hills Herald - October 31/90 regarding the closing of the HAC office in Halton Hills.

A decision for this did not come easily. The area was studied by the Club for a couple of years as to a location and the success of the office.

The HAC was very proud to have opened the office January 22nd, 1988. We staffed it with professional persons and promoted it as to the best of our financial ability with postal walks, newspaper ads and features in our HAC News.

To our dismay, we established only a small membership base in Halton Hills. It seems that many

members still want to patronize the CAA offices in the Mississauga and Toronto areas.

We are a not-for-profit organization that operates only with money from our membership base. Unfortunately the office was a great financial drain on the club's operation.

We could not attract new members and when we held special events at the club - such as 55 Plus program - only 8 to 10 persons would show up for the seminar compared to 50 to 100 in our other branch areas.

The HAC is still very committed to serving members in the Halton Hills area - offering all our services through our Oakville and Hamilton offices as well as 24 hour emergency road service and the HAC Approved Auto Repair Service program.

We trust you will continue to enjoy your membership benefits as you have for the past 26 years.

Sincerely,  
Hamilton Automobile Club,  
Richard Congdon,  
President.



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