

People's Forum

Stay at home mom has an important job

Dear Editor:

After reading the letter from Joan Davison this week commenting on the "Yuppie threat," and being a member of the one in 10 families with a stay at home mom and a working dad I felt I just had to comment.

I feel it a tremendous shame that in today's society a person must receive a paycheck to feel some self-worth. Whatever happened to a sense of personal satisfaction in a job well done, and I say job, because that is what stay at home mom has - a job.

Whatever happened to the notion of married couples working together in a partnership for if looked upon in this way a woman should never feel that she is dependant on her husband's "bounty" because in a partnership any income earned is "theirs" and not "his" and "mine."

I won't say staying at home isn't difficult at times, but those of us who do - do it for a very good reason and that is to give children a loving and stable environment in which to grow in and that is paycheck enough.

As to benefit packages:

How about kids who know their mom is home waiting for them, wanting to hear about their day, or to nurse them when they are

ill. Or how about a husband who knows after working all day there is a special place for him to go. I call it a home and I am proud

to say I provide one.

Thankyou,
L. Inglis,
Georgetown.

Carried away with crusade

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

Mr. Gori:

It is my opinion that you are somewhat carried away with your continuing crusade to keep only heterosexuals as the only people who should be entitled to

Family Benefits, since we have always held 'special status' in Canadian society.

Your focus is that the ideal institution, is to propogate and raise children to be responsible citizens.

Well, not all heterosexuals are family oriented. Some couples are quite happy just being with each other. Some, afraid of the responsibilities and dangers of raising children. Some incapable, and some unable to afford the luxury of having any, whatever their reasons. I feel it is unfair to lay any guilt trips on them as well.

Supporting the 'traditional' family (one with a mother and a father) has sometimes infringed on other's rights.

Government grants and pensions are paid for by 'taxes'. We are the Government. Anyone paying taxes is supporting such. This includes homosexuals, does it not? Or, are they exempt from paying taxes?

Lois A. Richardson,
Georgetown.

Special thank you

Dear Editor,

We would like to say a special and warm thank you to all who helped during the clean-up and restoration of our Love In Christ Food Bank.

To all of the Churches, Business and Managers, Industries, Schools, Youth Groups, Service Clubs and Associations, the Mayor and Municipal Employees, and the many, many individuals who pulled together to give help, we say thank you.

We should all feel very proud of our community.

On behalf of the Board, and Clients of the Love In Christ Food Bank,

Laura Ellison,
President.

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