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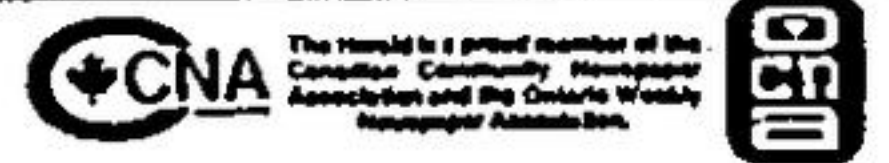
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## NDP Incineration Policy should be clarified

Enough is enough!

Earlier this year the provincial government imposed a ban on municipal waste incineration. On the surface the message seemed clear enough: municipalities who were thinking of burning garbage as a means of waste disposal should think of another way.

However, further examination of the subject, especially as it applies to Halton Region, proves the announcement was anything but clear.

As a condition of its approval to build a landfill in Milton, which is scheduled to open during November of 1992, Halton Region was required to establish an Energy From Waste (EFW) facility. EFW is a type of incineration in which garbage is burned to create energy.

Since this condition came into being much earlier than this past spring's provincially-imposed ban on municipal waste incineration, it would seem to follow that the condition for an EFW facility would be immediately nullified.

However, Halton Region staff has been trying for the last while to get a definitive answer on the issue and yet no response has been provided.

What's the problem? The problem is there shouldn't be a problem. The ban should stand. Otherwise what's the point of putting a stop to municipal incineration if it isn't going to apply to all municipalities.

The province's inaction could possibly have been ignored and chalked-up to bureaucratic red tape, except the issue centres on how to deal with garbage - a problem the province says has reached crisis proportions in the Greater Toronto area.

This crisis situation requires a concerted effort on the part of the province, municipalities and the public to be resolved. But, if the province is incapable of taking the lead, especially since it took over waste management strategy from the municipalities late last year, how can this needed cooperative effort come about.

For the sake of all, the Herald urges the provincial government to take the lead and support the policies on which it was elected.

The Herald is still interested in hearing from Halton Hills residents and any questions they have for the Town's municipal politicians.

Below is a Herald "Yes I Care" form which allows all residents to write in to the newspaper with questions directed at any of the current elected municipal officials. We will confront them with your concerns and print both the question and reply - or the reason no reply was forthcoming.

It's our community. Important elections are upcoming. For the sake of the community, let's get involved.

### Yes I Care

Question to: \_\_\_\_\_

Question: \_\_\_\_\_

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Question from: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Send Questions To: **Yes I Care**

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### IN A QUIET IRISH GRAVEYARD



### People's Forum

## Cancer fundraisers appreciated

Dear Editor:  
April is established as fundraising month for the Canadian Cancer Society.

Many volunteers go out into our community, annually, knocking on doors, collecting money and distributing educational literature. All this takes time and commitment.

The officers and directors of the Georgetown and area unit are proud to announce that the volunteer canvassers have met the target set by Ontario Division.

This achievement not only points out the dedication canvassers have to the cause, but reaffirms the confidence our donors place in this unit and the Canadian Cancer Society.

The cost to maintain an office and provide patient services is a major expense. Even then, we have volunteer drivers to ensure patient comfort to and from care facilities. Another large chunk goes to research, to assist in the reduction, control and, hopefully, the elimination of the disease.

The fundraising success is not limited to a community canvas. We are also fortunate to have special events such as Classic Cars held each Father's Day and the Bill Smith Golf for Charity in

early June. The Georgetown unit is the recipient of the proceeds from these two major programs and we are deeply appreciative of these gifts. We want to thank the volunteers in these events for their hard work and continued support.

To all our volunteers, including

those in our unit who publicly promoted the campaign, who made sure coin boxes were in place, saw that daffodils were delivered and ran educational seminars, a sincere thanks.

Yours very truly,  
Paul C. Armstrong,  
Fundraising Chairperson.

## Local MP thanked for efforts in PEI

Dear Editor:

We would publicly like to thank Garth Turner, MP for Halton-Peel, for helping the people of Summerside, Prince Edward Island.

The Federal Budget of 1989 closed Canadian Forces Base Summerside, and as a result, 1,300 jobs will be lost in a town of 8,500 people. Prince Edward Island has no representatives on the government side of the House of Commons, and therefore our Island voice is not always heard. Mr. Turner came to Summerside on more than one occasion to assess our problems and made recommendations to the Prime Minister's Office.

Mr. Turner has helped in many ways. A prime example is his assistance in helping us (displaced civilian workers from CFB Summerside) make a transfer to the new GST Center. He accomplished this through his dealings with the Federal Bureaucrats on our behalf.

The people of Halton-Peel are very fortunate to have a person like Garth Turner to represent them. The Government of Canada could use a lot more Garth Turners - we would be a much better country.

Yours very truly,  
Civilian Employees  
Canadian Forces Base  
Summerside, P.E.I.

## Smokers not alone in their fight

By PAUL BAGNELL  
Ottawa Bureau  
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OTTAWA - The suite of offices is handsome but unremarkable, except for the presence of something vanishing rapidly from most working environments. Ashtrays. Lots of ashtrays.

The offices are occupied by the Canadian Tobacco Manufacturers' Council. It's from their offices that the country's cigarette-makers try to influence federal decision-makers on tobacco policy.

The council's most recent salvo was its controversial mail-in campaign to let smokers complain to Prime Minister Brian Mulroney about high cigarette taxes.

Supported by Canada's three cigarette-makers, the council is

led by William Neville, a former principal secretary to former prime minister Joe Clark and a lobbyist with an almost legendary reputation in Ottawa.

Neville, aside from being the tobacco council's president, also works for clients such as American Express, Molson Breweries, Litton Systems of Canada and Wood Gundy Inc. through his company, William Neville and Associates Inc.

And if anyone needs Ottawa's most noted ear-bender, it must surely be the cigarette-makers.

Canada has become perhaps the toughest country in the world in which to sell cigarettes. Taxes on the product here are thought to be higher than in any other country, now accounting for roughly three-quarters of the retail price.

And new health warnings required on packages, expected

this fall, will be larger and more explicit than anywhere else, anti-smoking advocates say.

Has defending the interests of the cigarette-makers become a lost cause? No, say spokesmen for both sides.

"Clearly, expressing our views persuasively is very important," says Jacques LaRiviere, council vice-president. "We are talking about a legal product."

For the record, the industry still maintains no "casual link" between smoking and health problems has ever been established. Studies have only shown a "risk factor" associated with smoking, LaRiviere says.

LaRiviere says the industry is the first to accept reasonable restrictions on tobacco use and sales, but speaks out when it feels governments are being "excessive."