

Police survey will define public's needs

Halton Regional Police are asking for the public's assistance in determining how the force is perceived by the public.

"The survey is part of a new planning initiative started by the force to determine the future needs of police in Halton," Const. Bob Percy explained. "We know what we think the public needs, but any input is always appreciated."

Through the survey, the force hopes to get "some accurate input" about its efforts.

Interested individuals should answer the following questions and send them along with the question form clipped from the paper to: Halton Regional Police, "Futures", P.O. Box 2700, Oakville, Ont. L6T 5C7 or drop the information into their nearest detachment.

1. I am: a) male b) female
2. My age is: a) 16-25 b) 25-45 c) 45-65 d) over 65 years
3. Educational background:
 - a) presently attending school
 - b) did not complete high school
 - c) did complete high school
 - d) attended college or university
4. Have you ever had contact with the Halton Regional Police as (circle as many as apply):
 - a) a victim/complainant of a crime against property (break and enter, theft, vandalism, etc.)
 - b) a victim or complainant of a crime against persons (assault, domestic assault, abuse, etc.)
 - c) regarding community/public relations (neighborhood watch, school safety, public speaking)
 - d) involved in a criminal investigation
 - e) approached re: traffic or bylaw offence.
 - f) station enquiry/complaint
 - g) phone enquiry/complaint
 - h) a witness to an accident
 - i) no contact (please skip to question 15)
5. Did you have contact with the following areas: (circle as many as apply):
 - a) Uniform Patrol Branch
 - b) Criminal Investigation Bureau
 - c) Crime Prevention Bureau
 - d) School Safety Program/ Public Relations
 - e) Records and Information Bureau
 - f) Complaints Against Police Bureau
 - g) Communications/Dispatch/Switchboard
 - h) other _____

Please answer yes or no to the following series of questions.

6. Did the person with whom you had contact exhibit courtesy and knowledge of the job?
7. Were you satisfied with the service provided?
8. The Halton Regional police prioritises calls for service. Did you feel the response time was satisfactory for the type of incident reported?
9. If you had occasion to attend a Halton Regional Police Force station were you served promptly?
10. Were you given the information you required?
11. If you telephoned the Halton Regional Police Force were you satisfied with the telephone etiquette of the person you contacted?
12. If you left a message was your call returned?
13. Was the officer you dealt with organized and professional in paperwork and court preparation?
14. Did the officer you dealt with display integrity and fairness with

dealing with charged persons?

15. Do you have concerns about police visibility in your community? If so please explain.
16. Do you believe police in Halton are dedicated and concerned?
17. Do you believe police programs such as Neighborhood Watch, STEP, DARE, Bicycle Patrol, Village Constable, etc. should be publicized more?
18. Are you concerned for officer safety?
19. Are you in favour of two-man cruisers?
20. Are you in favour of the bicycle patrol?
21. Are you satisfied with police appearance (dress, physical fitness, etc)?
22. The budget for police services in Halton is one of the lowest per capita in the province. Are you willing to pay an increase in taxes to maintain the above services?
23. Please circle the one area of policing that concerns you the most:
 - a) Traffic safety and enforcement
 - b) Crime prevention
 - c) Drugs in the community
 - d) Crimes against property
 - e) Crimes against people
 - f) other _____
24. What is it that we can do today to improve and benefit the Force members and the general public?

If you wish to expand on your answers please feel free to do so on a separate sheet of paper.

Anyone wishing further contact with police about the survey should include their name and telephone number with their answers.

New president of Big Brothers

Big Brothers of Halton has elected Katie Kidd to serve as president of the board of directors.

Kidd is well-known within the community as a service provider and for giving so freely of her time to many community boards and committees.

She replaces Gary Hannaford who served as the association's president for the past two years. Mel Caterine was elected vice-president and Dale Williams is the new treasurer.

Six people were elected honorary directors because of their long-term commitment to help Big Brothers. They are Doug Carrothers, Otto Jelinek, Bruce Jenkins, Ron Johnston, Gord Krantz and Anne Mulvale.

Big Brothers provides a preventive support service to boys between 6 and 18 who live in father-absent homes.

For information about becoming a Big Brother or to receive service, please call 847-7257 pr 876-4756 (message).

ADULT FUN

The Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department has an interesting variety of programs for you to choose from this spring including:

Interior Decorating - Pick up some valuable hints and suggestions on sprucing up the house this spring.

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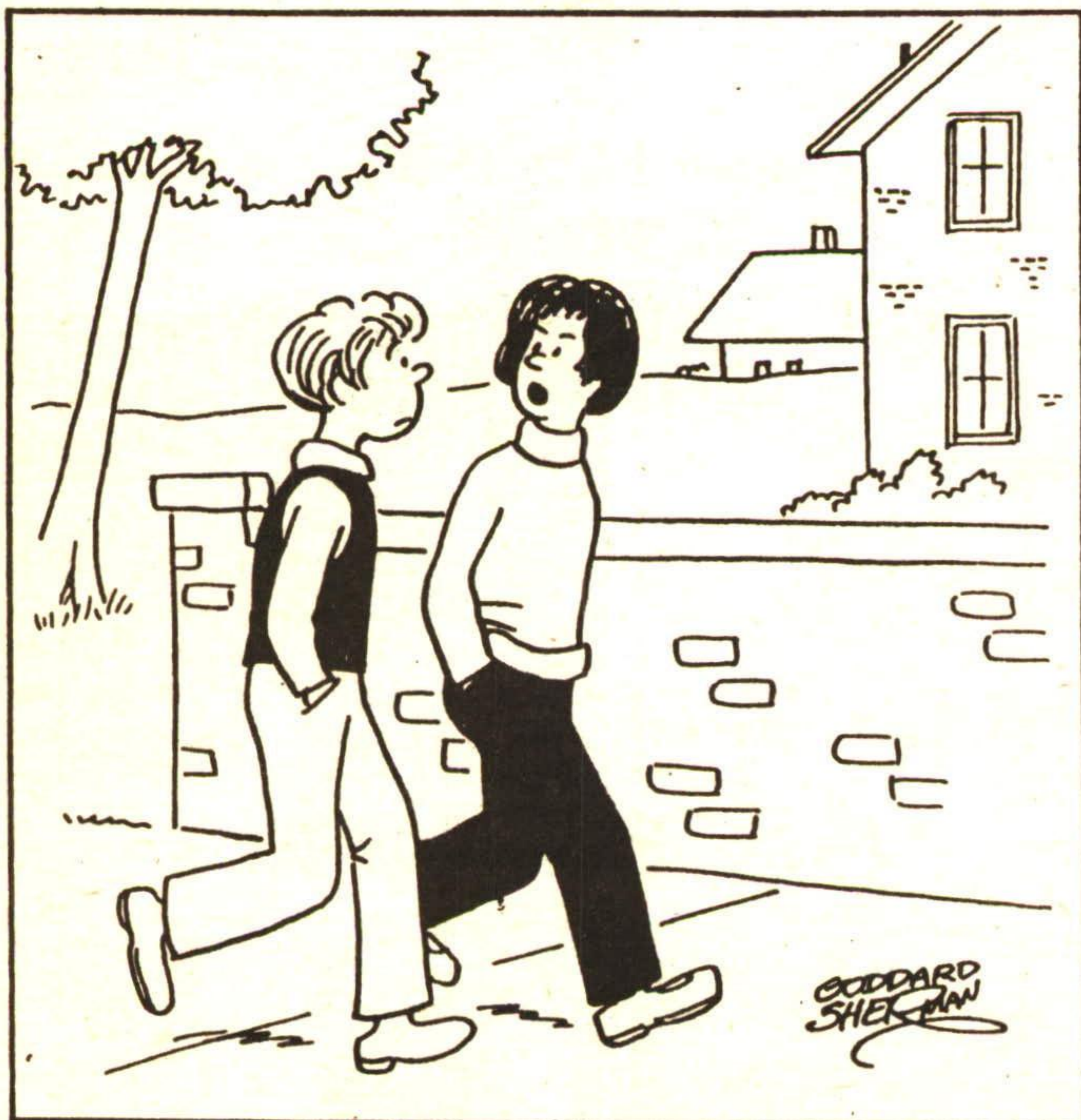
Tennis Lessons - beginner and intermediate classes for children and adults.

Also being offered are programs in Lawn Bowling, Golf, Gardening, Fitness, Seniors T.V. and Games. Be sure to check your brochure for more details on these and other exciting programs or call 873-2600 ext.268.

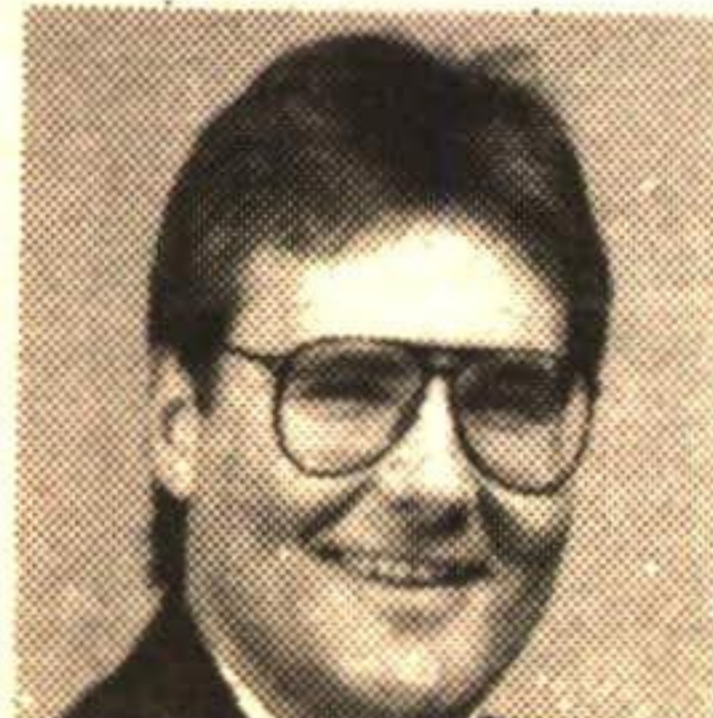
Harmony in Blue

The Halton Regional Police Chorus in association with the choruses of the Hamilton Wentworth and Waterloo Regional Police and the Ottawa Police Choir present Harmony in Blue. The event will take place at 7:30 p.m. April 28 at Park Bible Church, 1500 Kerns Rd. Burlington. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors and children.

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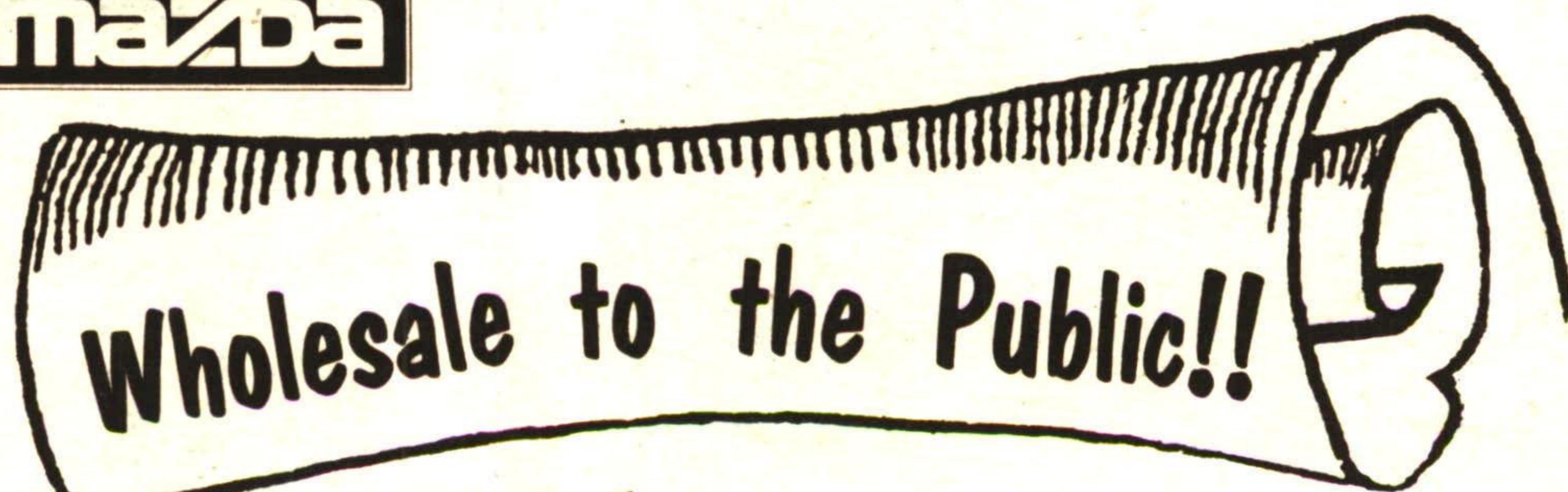
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