

**Media** association

Oct. 27 is the day to have your say and son who you want to lead and represent ≝your best interests.

Plenty of people and personalities are running for seats here in Halton Hills.

Whether it's fresh and new faces in newbie candidates or the gamut of incumbents hoping to win your votes, the election has a variety of views and opinions from candidates that you should get to know before Oct. 27.

While candidates have done their job so far by entering the race, sharing their views and platforms and showing up at local debates, the onus is now on residents to get out and vote.

This isn't an opportunity to waste as municipal elections only come along once every four years. And since voter turnout across Ontario in all levels of government doesn't have the greatest track record, now is the time to start making informed decisions about who is worthy of your vote.

These are the people who can make a difference at the local level and will advocate on your behalf.

If you care about what's happening in your community, how much your property taxes may or may not go up, what roads are being fixed and how council is spending your hard earned tax dollars, then you need to vote on Oct. 27.

This is your opportunity to have your voice heard.

Don't waste it.

#### **WEB POLL RESULTS**

(Go to www.theifp.ca)

Who is your choice for Mayor?

- Rick Bonnette (68%)
  - Sally Stull (32%)

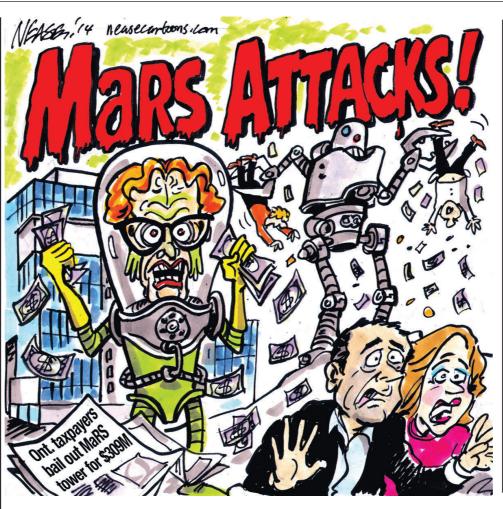
#### The Independent & Free Press

The Independent & Free Press is published Thursday and is one of several Metroland Media Group Ltd. community newspapers. Editorial and advertising content of The Independent & Free Press is protected by copyright. Unauthorized use is prohibited.

The Independent & Free Press is a member of the Ontario Press Council, which is an independent ethical organization established to deal with editorial concerns. For additional information or to file a complaint, contact info@

ontpress.com or call 416-340-1981.





905-873-0301

Publisher: Dana Robbins General manager: Steve Foreman (sforeman@theifp.ca) Retail advertising manager: Cindi Campbell (ccampbell@theifp.ca)

Managing editor: Chris Vernon (cvernon@metroland.com) Distribution manager: Nancy Geissler

> (ngeissler@theifp.ca) Classifieds/Real Estate

Kristie Pells (classified@theifp.ca or realestate@theifp.ca)

**Classified Call Centre** 1-855-415-8237

haltonhillsclassads@metroland.com Accounting

1-866-773-6575 **Editorial** 

Cynthia Gamble: News editor (cgamble@theifp.ca) Lisa Tallyn: Staff writer (ltallyn@theifp.ca) Eamonn Maher: Staff writer/sports (emaher@theifp.ca)

Get the latest headlines delivered to your inbox by signing up for our twice weekly electronic newsletter.

Go to www.theifp.ca and click on 'Newsletter sign-up' at the bottom of the homepage.

## Letters to the editor

## Candidate did touch on the issue at debate

Re: Ward 2 candidates debate rural, hamlet issues.

(The reporter) indicated that I didn't address the question of the diversity of the ward.

Possibly because I didn't read my answers from notes and spoke extemporaneously, but I did give her a copy of my notes.

I'm pretty sure I didn't ignore the topic and did comment. My notes were...

"While we are different, I have found that many issues are similar quarries vs. people, water, road quality and infrastructure, traffic."

I did make these points, perhaps briefly.

We aren't as diverse as some may think.

> Philip Lewin, Candidate Ward 2

# John Day touched many

Re: The passing of John Day, former town councillor and Nordixx pole instructor.

Norman Vincent Peale said, "It's always too early to quit."

I'm guessing you and Norman never met but I know he would have been humbled by both your passion for life and your relentless drive to

My friend, we should all be humbled by your selflessness, compassion, fear of failure and success. You openly shared the bends in the road and truly inspired us with your undying commitment to improve life's ride. You've left us too soon but we know you are needed elsewhere.

Fear of failure can create great leaders, but more importantly it can create great men.

> Ginger Quinn and your Nordixx Family

# Thanks for the coverage

Just thought I would take a minute to thank the IFP for the extensive coverage of all the candidates running for election in recent issues of the paper. One can get the general information on how and where to vote from the Town mailings and web site. However, at the municipal level in small towns, it is difficult to get comprehensive information on who the candidates are and what they stand for, or even what they look like.

> Laurent Thibault, Halton Hills

### Letters policy

Letters must include the author's name, address and daytime phone number. Anonymous letters will not be published. Letters should not exceed 150 words and may be edited for content and/or length. Publication is not guaranteed.

Email: cvernon@metroland.com Mail or drop off: Independent & Free Press, 280 Guelph St., Unit 77, Georgetown, ON., L7G 4B1.