DOPINION WHERE'S ALL THE ELECTION-RELATED **CONTENT IN THIS WEEK'S PAPER?**

DESPITE OUR VERY BEST EFFORTS, **MISTAKES CAN MAKE** IT INTO PRINT. WRITES KAREN MICELI



KAREN MICELI Column

It's about trust. Our relationship with our readers is built on transparen-

cy, honesty and integrity. As such, we have launched a trust initiative to tell you who we are and how and why we do what we do. This article is part of that pro*iect*

Halton residents head to the polls Monday to elect their new representatives at city/town halls and Halton's public and Catholic school boards.

Since this print edition is the last before you cast our ballot, you might be wondering why there isn't more election-related content in this week's issue. It's a great question. I'd love to tell you.

Accuracy is one of the tenets of journalism. Along with truth, fairness and independence from

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those we cover, getting the facts rights is imperative.

But we are only human. Despite our very best efforts, including robust copy editing and diligent fact-checking, mistakes albeit rarely.

When they do, we are quick to set the record straight. We issue a correction, acknowledging we made an error, and we provide readers with the accurate information. We do so with a certain level of transparency.

Online, we have the ability to update articles limited delays. with Changes cycle through the front end of our website almost immediately. An editor's note is always included in the body of the article to alert readers that the story was updated from its original version as a result of an error.

In print, a correction notice referencing the article is published along with the accurate information. Since we only publish weekly, we are limited as to how quickly we can right any wrongs. We must wait until the next print edition to do so. And that can mean several days before it reaches you, our reader, on your doorstep.

Readers turn to their trusted source of local news to make informed decisions, especially leading up to a vote. One misprint could impact your deci-

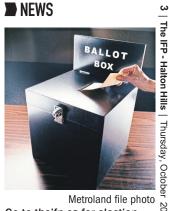
sion — and the outcome of the election.

The stakes are high. With no time to set the record straight in print before you cast your ballot, we'd rather not take the chance.

That's why only the very basic, most helpful election-related information is included in this week's paper, general information largely limited to voting here in Halton. However, our website is chock full of municipal election news and information. Coverage of local races is available 24-7 leading up to and including election day.

We welcome your questions and value your comments. Email our trust committee at trust@metroland.com.

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Go to theifp.ca for election results.

GO ONLINE FOR ELECTION RESULTS

Due to our Monday afternoon press deadline, no municipal election results will be published in the Thursday, Oct. 27 edition of the Independent and Free Press.

Please go to theifp.ca for all Halton Hills results.

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- L.M. Montgomery Museum Board
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- Halton Hills Rural Police Board (past)
- Friends of the Library Board (past)
- Glen Williams Community Assoc. Board (past)
- Chair of Canada Day in the Glen (past)
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