## Reform candidate not impressed with PC policy

By Oksana Buhel

Dick MacDuffee, federal Reform Party candidate for Halton-Peel, compared Kim Campbell's victory at the Progressive Conservative federal party's leadership convention to "changing crews on the Titanic."

MacDuffee said he was disappointed the Conservatives' failed to address significant issues.

He complained parliamentary reform was not even mentioned as one of the candidates' goals. MacDuffee added, parliamentary reform is a crucial issue for the Reform party, which wants to implement citizens' initiatives and a recall bill. Citizens' initiatives are similar to referendums, giving voters a greater opportunity to get involved. A recall bill would allow constituents to remove a member of parliament whose performance was intolerable.

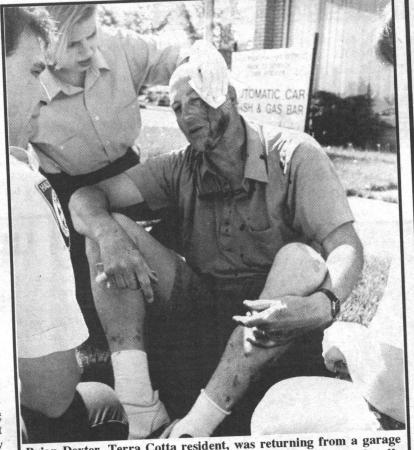
Another problem which MacDuffee did not feel was well addressed was that of economic reform. "They've been talking about economic reform for nine years already," he said, "but they still haven't done anything about it."

MacDuffee contrasted the Conservatives' laziness regarding economic reform to his own party's zealous attack on the deficit. He mentioned the "Zero in Three" plan of the Reform party, which aims at eliminating the deficit in three years.

MacDuffee did admit he was pleased with the economic policies of Conservative leadership candidate Garth Turner. "In fact, I think his performance was quite good. He shares a lot of philosophies with the Reform party. Unfortunately, the Conservatives are unwilling to listen to him. He can't be a very effective tool if no one is listening to him."

MacDuffee firmly believes in the policies of his party, and believes it will show well. "I was never much of a politician. I'm not a great lover of the political office, but I became involved because of Reform party and its policies."

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Brian Dexter, Terra Cotta resident, was returning from a garage sale with a newly-bought bicycle rack balanced between his handle bars when the rack got caught on the spokes of his wheel, causing him to tumble over. The accident, which occurred Saturday morning on Guelph St., left Dexter with stitches to his forehead and cheek along with other cuts and bruises.

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