

Smith tourney weathers the storm

By Colin Gibson

The 17th Annual Bill Smith Charity Golf Tournament for Cancer is now safely tucked into the annals of Halton Hills and it will be recorded that the coffers of the Canadian Cancer Society have been enriched by over \$250,000 since the event's inception in 1976.

Despite Monday's off and on battle with the elements at North Halton Golf and Country Club, 240 golfers bravely toured the links and through their efforts and the efforts of corporate and individual sponsors \$23,250 was raised for the fight against the insidious disease.

"We're just ecstatic," said Sheila Huska of the Georgetown Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society. "It's

just incredible that in these tough times the public and the business community just keeps coming through. It's both a credit to the community as a whole and a tribute to Bill Smith himself. We are deeply grateful."

The keys to the cars offered for holes-in-one remained safely tucked away in the pockets of the generous car dealers who offered them as special prizes. The dealers included; Achilles Motors (Mazda) of Acton, Capitol Ford of Georgetown, Georgetown Chrysler, Georgetown Honda and Park Lincoln Mercury.

Arend Roos, of Roos Travel in Georgetown, also sponsored a hole-in-one, offering a week-long Carnival Cruise as the prize.

American Airline were also a

hole-in-one sponsor, offering a trip for two plus \$1,000 in spending money to any location in continental North America serviced by the airline.

In addition, American Airlines sponsored a draw for the same hole-in-one prize and conditions and it was jointly won by Steve Jobin and Brian Dolotowicz, both of Georgetown.

The man behind the tournament, Bill Smith, deflected praise away from himself and lauded the efforts of the host of volunteers "who make the whole thing possible" and those who support the tournament either through playing or through sponsorship.

"I'm really thankful for the support we get, not only from our own area people, but from people throughout southwestern Ontario," he gratefully acknowledged.

"It really is an exhilarating experience," he said, "for both me and my committee. It's gratifying to have people come out and support us. The cause speaks for itself. Cancer has touched everyone in one way or another."

The tournament committee will wrap-up this year's event at a meeting this coming Friday, then it's right back into planning for the 1994 special day.

On the competitive side, Georgetown golfers sauntered of the sodden course the main winners.

The men's Low Gross winner was Mark Mailloux and the men's Low Net winner was Jack Walinga. Katherine Latimer was the ladies Low Net winner.

Brad Smith, Bill's son, also had praise for the cooperation extended by North Halton Golf and Country Club.

"When I got up Monday morning," he said, "I thought, no way. We might not even be let on the course with carts. But the people at North Halton were great, and their efforts should be recognized."

All 240 golfers who teed-off, some in torrential rain, played 18 holes.

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Racist card found at Coles

By Jamie Harrison

The specter of racism has once again reared its ugly head in Halton Hills.

A white business-size card from the Heritage Front, a Toronto-based white supremacist organization, was tucked into a book purchased at Coles Bookstore at the Georgetown Marketplace. The Autobiography of Malcom X, as told to Alex Haley was the book targeted.

The card posed the question: "Do you believe in equal rights for whites?", while decrying the federal governments' policies on immigrants and welfare recipients and how they discriminate against white people. The card then encourages people to "protect our rights" by purchasing and distributing the cards.

The card also labels the Canadian media as "anti-white" and calls Time Magazine "ultra-liberal".

Jan Kraft, manager of the Coles outlet, said she has never caught anyone inserting the cards in the book jackets, but customers have found similar cards and brought them to the attention of Coles' employees. Kraft believes the insertion of the cards may

only be the work of one person. Kraft and her employees now make

it policy to regularly check books by prominent black authors and about Africa, for similar cards.

Kraft went on to say she first became aware of the problem around the time of the new year, "when the (Ku Klux) Klan was in town." Since then, Kraft and her employees have not found any pattern to the insertion of the cards.

Helena Aalto, market research and communications manager for Coles Bookstores at the Toronto head office, said she hadn't heard of incidents like this happening too frequently, but did say "when I was managing stores, people would slip business cards into books (the cards were) from religious groups, and the Church of Scientology, etc...Fortunately, it doesn't happen frequently enough to be a big problem."

Aalto said Coles has no official policy regarding unsolicited materials inserted in books, but does endorse the policy of checking and disposing of any materials found in books.

"It sounds like Jan (Kraft) is doing a marvelous job being vigilant."

Wolfgang Droegge, leader of the Heritage Front, was unavailable for comment at press time.

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