



**CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF:** Elly Tuitman, left, and Russ Miller, east and west chairs of the Halton Hills chapter of the United Way, pose with the unnamed mascot for this year's campaign which has a goal of \$220,000. A "name the mascot" contest is underway. (Jamie Harrison photo)

## Trustee conflict hearing Nov. 14

Five Halton school board trustees, including Acton-Esquesing trustee Ethel Gardiner, will be in Milton court Nov. 14 to answer allegations that they breached conflict of interest legislation.

The complaint against the trustees, filed by a member of the Taxpayer Coalition Burlington Inc., alleges that because all five have rela-

tionship with Board employees, or employees of other Boards, they should have declared conflicts and not voted on the Board's \$272-million budget last year.

Gardiner, on the advice of a lawyer, declared a conflict on the salary and compensation section of the budget and then voted on the whole budget at the end of the debate.

## DEATH NOTICES

ERSKINE, Alexander (Alex)

At Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital, on Sunday October 6, 1996. Alex, in his 72nd year, beloved husband and best friend of Joyce and the late Ina Park. Dear father of Theresa Erskine (Eplett) of Barrie. Loving grandfather of Elizabeth and Megan Eplett. Dear brother of Isobel Foreman of Plymouth, U.K., Charlotte Erskine, Bessie Brand and the late Maggie Tait of Loanhead, Scotland. Loved stepfather of Kent Walker of Dundalk and Rick Walker and Baird Walker both of Cambridge, Jane Roza of

Acton and Kim Alcorn of Mississauga. Special "Papa" of Tassos and Scot Walker, Alicia Ashton and Natalie Roza, Katlyn, Kyle and Ryan Alcorn and Brennan Walker. Friends will be received at the Shoemaker Funeral Home, 55 Mill St. E, Acton, on Friday from 2-4 pm and 7-9 pm. Funeral service on Saturday, Oct. 12 at 11 am. Interment Fairview Cemetery, Acton. If desired, donations to the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital would be appreciated by the family.

ARBIC, Wayne (Terrance Peter)

Suddenly at his home in Fort McMurray, Alberta on Sunday, October 6, 1996. Mass and Christian burial to be celebrated Friday, Oct. 11 at 11 am at St. Joseph's Church, Acton. Interment St. Joseph's Dublin Catholic Cemetery.

## NEWS SHORTS

### Bloom fades at Rene's

Life, or at least work, has come full circle for Rene Short, who closed her Mill Street flower shop on Saturday after 10-and-a-half years in business.

Short, an Acton resident for 20 years, has accepted a job with a Guelph florist and is looking forward to 40-hour, not 70-plus hour, work weeks.

"What goes around comes around I guess," she said Saturday. "The week before I opened in Acton I was going to go work for the same place I'm going now, but I passed on the job then to open here."

Short, who moved with her family to Guelph several years ago, said that she was both happy and sad to be closing.

"I'll miss my customers who became my friends and I really enjoyed being here, but it's time to move on," Short said, noting that although most of the hugs and kisses of good-bye on Saturday were for her, there were a lot for Sam, her white cat, usually found sleeping in the front window display.

There's no word if a new tenant has been found.

### Youth knocked unconscious

A 17-year-old Storey Drive male was the victim of an assault, Sept. 23 at 11:45 pm.

The youth contacted police saying that he had been walking between Cook Street and Holmesway Place when he was struck on the upper back and the back of the head by what police believe to be either a baseball bat or piece of wood.

Police report the youth neither saw his attackers, nor was he aware of any motive for the attack.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"The Town sold us the Town Hall for \$1, so with inflation we figure that \$2 is a good price for the old Fire Hall."

— Dr. George Elliott, spokesman for Heritage Acton, Front Page

### DID YOU KNOW?

We shiver when it's cold because the muscle action's purpose is to increase our body heat.



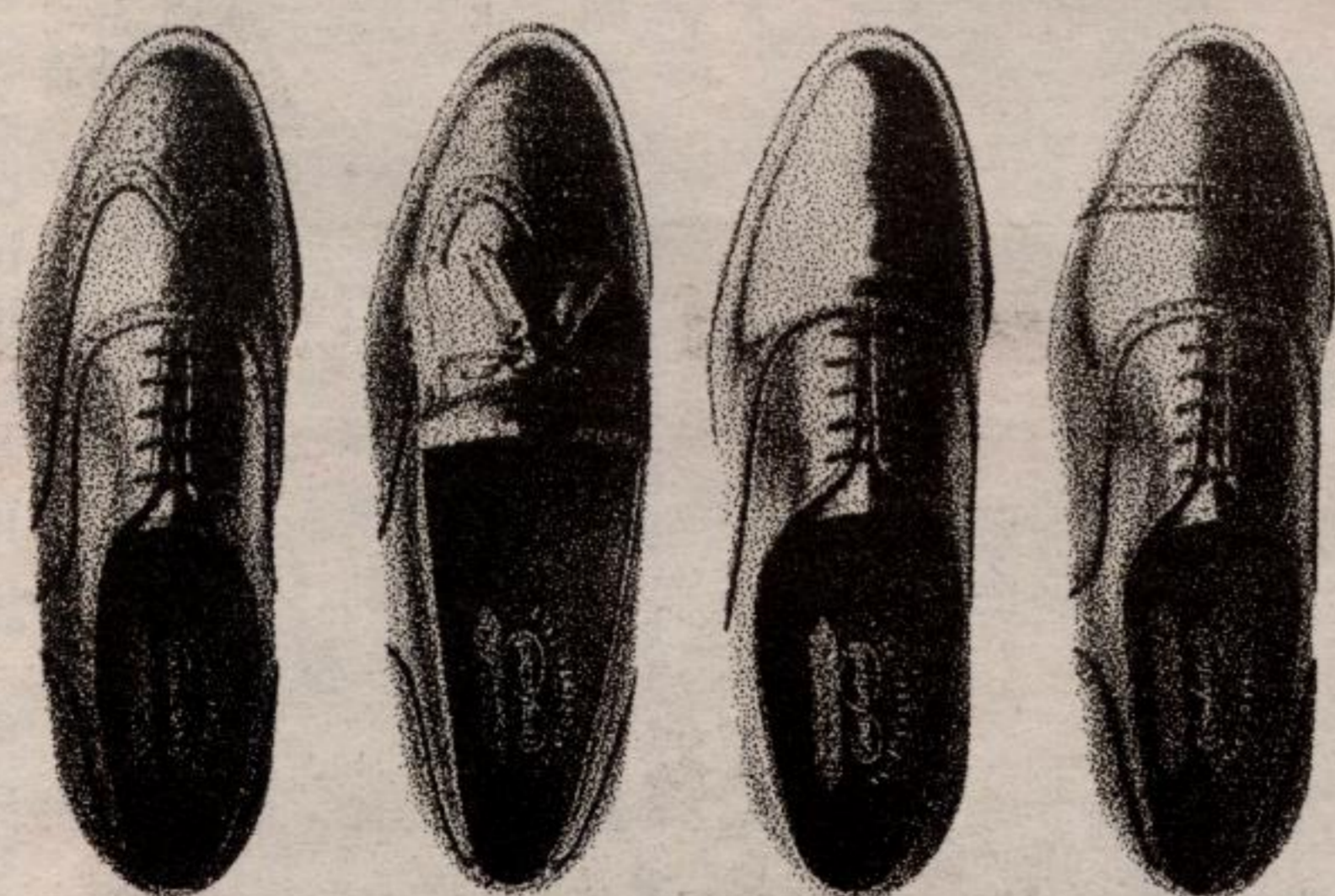
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