

Milton's new mayoral candidates

By DONNA DANIELLI

An important part of the democratic society we live in is the ability to choose our leaders. On

November 10, Milton residents will choose their mayor from amongst six candidates. Incumbent Mayor

Gord Krantz and current Regional Councillor Rick Malboeuf will square off against four other candidates on the ballot. Each of these four candidates was provided with the opportunity to answer the same set of questions. They were asked why they chose to run for Mayor, what skills they could bring to the job if elected, what they saw as the outstanding issues and how they would suggest dealing with those issues. The candidates and their answers are profiled below.

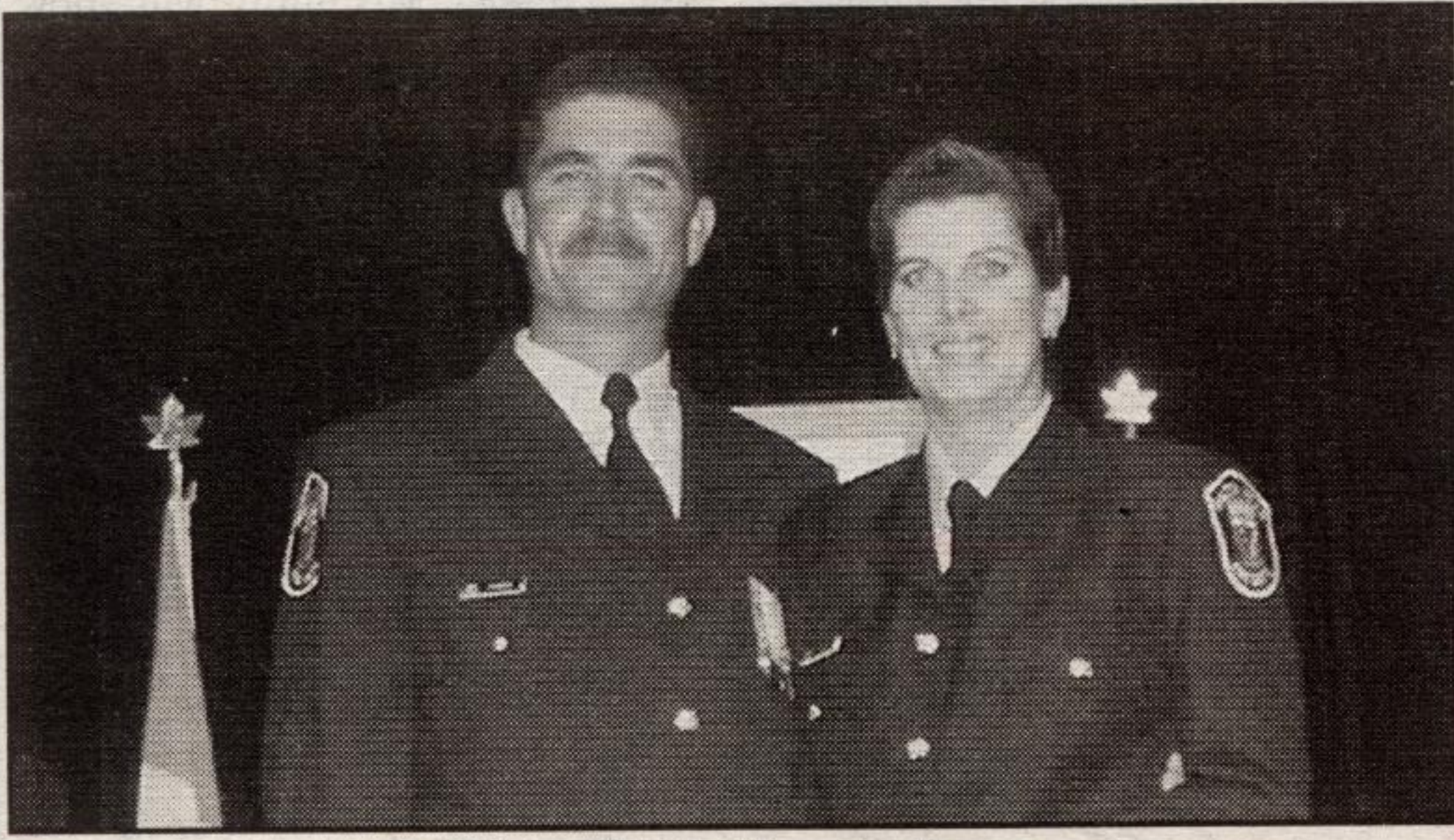
Vito Agozzino: Mr. Agozzino also ran for Mayor in the last election. He is the owner of the Nascar Pit Restaurant in Milton and as a small business owner, he is unhappy about the way that small businesses have been treated in light of Milton's rapid growth. He states that his community and business development, coupled with a com-

mon sense approach, will serve the residents and businesses of Milton well. He is concerned about the issues of infrastructure, especially in the area of transportation needs. It is his belief that the bus system is inadequate, a taxi cab monopoly does not encourage competition and that a recreational centre is a necessity for Milton's youth who are seeking activities to keep them off of the streets. Mr. Agozzino would address these issues by encouraging competition amongst Milton businesses and considering re-visiting the smoking by-laws.

David Lloyd: Mr. Lloyd is a Property Manager and owner of a landscape company in Milton. He has run in previous elections for the positions of Councillor and Mayor. He has coached and managed softball teams, as well as been involved in youth groups and serv-

ing on the Board of Directors for the Centre (a youth centre that was located under the Lido Restaurant). Mr. Lloyd is running for Mayor because he feels that it is time for a new face and new ideas that look farther into the future. The issues that concern him include lack of resources and entertainment options for youth, roads, transportation and parking issues, equity of the rural tax base and adequacy of the Town's fire and police services. He would answer these concerns by examining railway crossings, GO bus linkages in Halton's municipalities, subdivision parking needs and the hiring of more fire fighters and police officers.

Also running for the position of Town of Milton Mayor are Al Volpe and Las Polcz, both of whom were unable to comment by press time.



Firefighting duo

As part of the National Fire Prevention Week, veteran and rookie firefighters in Halton were honoured. The ceremony took place on October 8 at the John Elliot Theatre and Cultural Centre in Georgetown. The event included recruit graduation, retirement recognition and exemplary service medals. Of the 12 new recruits two are female and one male. Larry Brassard, Chief of Operations states, "The 'family atmosphere' of the fire service is exemplified in this year's recruit class as one of the female recruits joins her husband as a member of the department, thus becoming the first husband and wife team to join the ranks of active firefighters ever in Halton Hills." Pictured here are new recruit Shelley Dodds and her husband Rick who has been a firefighter for three years.

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