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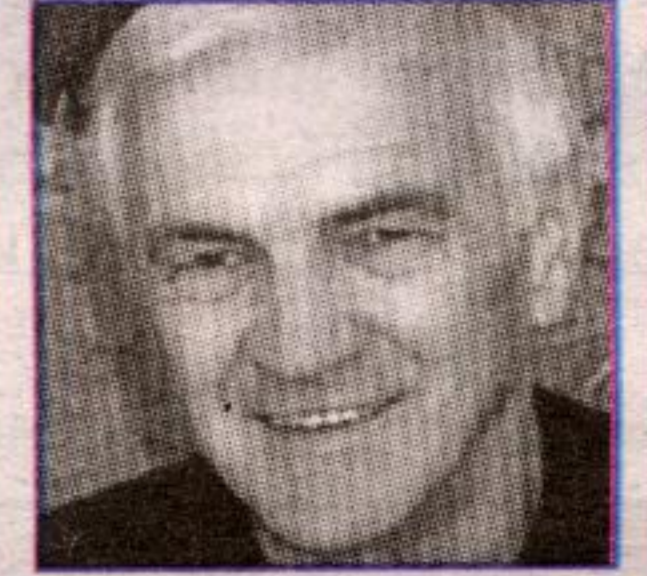
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Rural forum on policing

Savoline and Algar seek public input

By DONNA DANIELI

As a region comprised of four separate municipalities, two urban and two rural, Halton must be sensitive to the fact that on no issue will there be a one-size-fits-all solution. Whether the issue is housing; education; health care; roads or infrastructure, each municipality brings with it a unique set of circumstances.

With this in mind, Halton Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline and Halton Regional Police Chief Ean Algar want to talk to the residents of Halton's two rural municipalities, Milton and Halton Hills, to find out what their particular needs are in relation to policing. The public is invited to a rural community forum on Tuesday, October 12 at Halton Region Museum at 6 pm. This rural community forum is part of the Region's continued effort to increase communications with residents living in North Halton and will focus on issues such as communications, security, speeding, illegal parking, traffic and road maintenance. Chairman Savoline and Police Chief Algar will both be present for the meeting to receive input from residents and to answer questions.

"The Halton Regional Police Service is committed to community policing," explained Chief Algar. "Community involvement and input will help us to continue achieving excellent results in lowering crime rates in Halton." Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline expanded on this message, saying "Halton Region is committed to the open flow of communication between government and the community. It is always our practice at Halton to be transparent and accessible. Public consultations assist us in meeting this commitment by allowing us to hear from our residents about the issues meaningful to them."

For more information, please contact the Region at 905-825-6000 or access the website at www.region.halton.on.ca.

Region one of Canada's Top 100 Employers

Today Halton Region was announced as one of the Top 100 Employers in Canada. The announcement appears in the October 4 issue of Macleans Magazine, and Halton will be highlighted in a book to be released later this month by MediCorp Canada Inc., entitled *Canada's Top 100 Employers (2005 Edition)*.

"It's very gratifying to realize that, as Halton Region celebrates our 30th anniversary, we have been recognized as an employer of choice in Canada," said Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline. "This enviable status will continue to help us to attract and retain the very best people for our workforce: people that are skilled professionals and people who are leaders in their fields who possess exemplary customer-service skills which are critical in the public sector. The calibre of Halton's staff translates directly to the programs and services we provide to our residents, which in turn ensures the high quality-of life we all enjoy," MediCorp Canada Inc., publisher of *Canada's Top 100*

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Bollywood Hollywood



PHOTO BY ANN KORNUTA

Shruti Bhalla portrays the character of Satwant and Ritesh Singh portrays J.D., the male lead, in a Bollywood film set partly in Nassagaweya. Judy and George Marsh, who operate a bed and breakfast from their property known as Windrush Farm, enjoyed using their place as a backdrop for certain scenes in the low-budget production which was directed by Param Chall. The movie, called *Player*, is due out in movie theatres sometime next month. See full story on page 19.

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