

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Baker
I am a member of the Milton Chapter, Harley Owners Group. We meet every Sunday morning at the Mohawk Inn as well as for monthly meetings.

As a member of the Milton Chapter I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you at the Compass - but especially Donna Danielli for taking an interest in our group and for helping us tell the community who we are and what we do. For us, your interest has been wonderful and has made us feel a part of the Campbellville community.

Donna has expressed an interest in our "pop tab" run which was started by one of our own members. Our run is a yearly event. This year it is on Sunday May 15, 2005. Our next major event is a "poker" run for Erinoak Treatment Centre. They serve children & young adults in Halton, Peel and Wentworth. This run and the poker run find us at the Mohawk - either at the start or the end of our ride.

Thank you all - again. Your interest in our group is invaluable to us!

Sincerely, Marg Saliba

To the Editor,
Without question, we all feel betrayed and frustrated by some of the findings of the Gomery Commission. Why wouldn't we?

But I think we have a unique position as intelligent and informed voters. We are experiencing, for the first time in my memory, a government that is trying to make transparent the backroom nonsense that does go on in all political entities and arenas.

It is apparent that the Liberal Party is attempting to air its dirty laundry and to sort out and eliminate those who have abused power and corrupted their positions of trust. Canadians, being statistically, one of the most intelligent nations on the planet, need to see that the Paul Martin government could have successfully spun itself out of this political mess, as would have that of former federal governments going back to Confederation. But instead, they have decided to be up front and open to criticism.

I think the Canadian voters are in shock!

We are not used to being told so much truth by politicians and it scares us. So much so that we are afraid to believe them. Unquestionably the reason that recent polls are so dynamic.

Some of the witnesses at the Gomery trial have made me ill just hearing the untruths being uttered. No wonder, people are so skeptical.

I for one, would like to see what comes of the Gomery Commission before tarring the entire government with the same brush. I would like to see who is punished and what kind of punishment they receive. If anything, those having betrayed the Canadian people so blatantly should be punished for the crime of treason. If our former PM is found to be a traitor then he should be punished the same as the remainder of those guilty ones.

Nevertheless, if the separatist Bloc is in favour of an immediate election, we should all be on guard for this country. Anything that group does or desires, is not good for Canada as a country but for the well-being of one province only.

You are intelligent and logical...prove it to Canada, the world, and to history.

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Youth Week 2005
April 29 - May 7, 2005

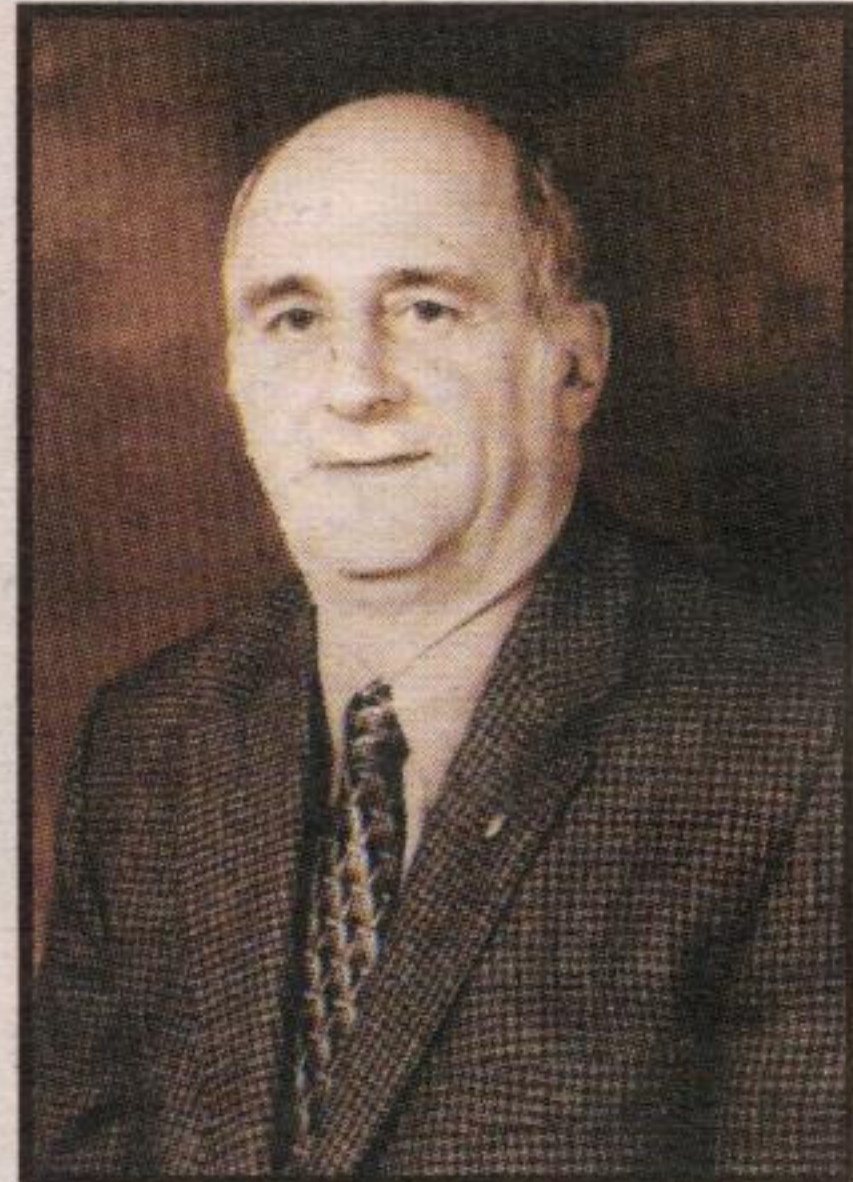
The Milton Mayor's Youth Advisory Council and the Town of Milton invite youth, 13 - 24 years of age, to celebrate Youth Week.

- Milton Youth vs. Halton Police Ball Hockey Game (April 29)**
The first 16 youths to sign up will be on the team! Call 905-878-7252, ext. 2754.
- Free Outdoor Band Show (May 1)**
Kick off Youth Week with Love Letter Refuge, Dying Young, Mor Terra and Break Even.
- Youth Drop-in Night (May 3)**
Play video games and board games, enjoy pizza and much, much more!
- DJ Pool Party (May 4)**
You're never too cool to jump in the pool! A DJ will play tunes while you swim.
- A Youth-Friendly Milton! (May 5)**
Youth and community stakeholders will come together to at this forum (by invitation only).
- Headliner Band Show (May 7)**
Bands include The Most Serene Republic, The Lava Witch, Strawman Fallacy, Sidford and Five Blank Pages.
- Free Outdoor Dance (May 6)**
Dance under the stars with your friends at this free event.
- Audio Car Show (May 7)**
Is your car sound "suped" up? Put it to the test!

Calendar of Youth Week Events: www.milton.ca 905-878-7252, ext. 2754

RICK MALBOEUF WANTS TO REPRESENT YOU IN OTTAWA

THAT IS WHY HE HAS DECIDED TO SEEK THE NOMINATION TO BE THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY CANDIDATE FOR HALTON



The Liberals have abused the trust and confidence granted them by the people of Canada. \$1 Billion lost in the HRDC scandal, \$1 Billion cost overrun to finance an ineffective gun registry, and another \$250 Million wasted in the ADSCAM scandal that has resulted in a major increase in support for the separatist movement in Quebec. The Liberals slash spending for our health care system, our military, and infrastructure while their friends collect millions in commissions and fees for work never done.

It is time to bring honesty, integrity and common sense back to Ottawa. It is time for a new Conservative Government. It is time we sent a Member of Parliament to Ottawa who understands Halton and who will truly represent the people of Halton. **Rick Malboeuf** is that person.

Rick's political experience includes two federal campaigns, having run as the Reform Party candidate for Halton in both the 1993 and 1997 federal elections. Between 1997 and 2003 Rick served two terms as a Milton Local and Halton Regional Councillor. During those years Rick served on the Halton Health and Social Services Committee, the Halton Regional Police Services Board, The Halton Land Ambulance Advisory Committee, the Halton Community Housing Corporation, and the board of the Milton Chamber of Commerce to name just a few.

Rick has been a resident of Halton for 25 years, the last 18 of those years in Milton. He is 54 years of age, married, the father of 4 children and grandfather of 2. Originally from the Province of Quebec, Rick is fluently bilingual. For the last 15 years Rick has owned and operated his own Milton based business specializing in the sales and service of automotive equipment across Canada.

Rick has military experience as well, having served 3 years in the U.S. Army Airborne, where he was decorated for valour and received the Purple Heart for having been wounded in action.

Rick believes his political, business and military experience make him uniquely qualified to best represent all the people of Halton as their new Conservative Party Member of Parliament following the next election.

In order to support Rick's nomination bid you must be a party member by April 28th. Anyone wishing to speak with Rick, or help him in his bid to win the nomination is encouraged to contact him at
(905) 878-1299, (905) 878-0111 or email to **malboeuf@look.ca**.

EDITORIAL

They say that confession is good for the soul, and mine could probably benefit from a little Spring-cleaning.

Just in case anyone doesn't know, I own a horse farm in North Oakville, which includes a chunk of the 16 Mile Creek Valley and 55 acres of Carolinian forest. The proposed changes to Burnhamthorpe will directly affect me, especially as the construction of the bridge would necessitate the tearing down of my forest. It doesn't take a genius to know that once the forest is gone, it's gone. Ten thousand years in the making and gone in the blink of an eye. I've even offered to give the forest and valley to the Town of Oakville as a park, provided they undertake not to destroy it. The only guarantee I could get was that if they did put the bridge in they would give me the land back. I must have been away sick when they covered that in Log 101.

Looks like we might be working our way up to an election. The part of me that sells advertising would be happy with this, especially if we can get a whole raft of candidates with fat little budgets. The part of me that has to cover the issues though will be vaguely cheesed off. I truly am neutral when it comes to the different parties. I get to know and to like most, if not of all of the candidates. If they didn't possess some degree of personal charm they wouldn't even get nominated. This will be an opportunistic election rather than one driven by serious political need. Ho hum.

Building a weekly newspaper takes time, patience and cash. I never believed that it would be easy, or that in the short term our revenues would be greater than our costs. To spread fear and confusion amongst our enemies I will share with you the fact that this week marks our emergence into the black. Actually that's pretty good after just one year of being weekly. Thanks for all your help.

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