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The gloves come off at Conservative nomination meeting

By DONNA DANIELI

Despite the Conservative Party's Nomination Committee Chair Dean Martin's exhortations to the contrary, a large part of the recent Conservative candidate nomination meeting focussed on speeches around the plans to beat the Liberal party should an election be called in the near future.

"The prize tonight is not defeating fellow Conservatives, it's not even about defeating a Liberal Member of Parliament or Prime Minister," said Martin to an assembled crowd of over three hundred party members. "The real prize is restoring our country to one filled

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with freedom, peace and growth."

Still, each of the four candidates made a point of outlining their plan of attack against Liberal incumbent Gary Carr in their speeches as they sought the Party's nomination. "I know I can and will be a better Member of Parliament than Gary Carr," said Brent Colbert. "I can and will run a campaign that focuses on Halton's issues." Fellow nominee candidate Richard Malboeuf, former Regional Councillor for the Town of Milton called attention to his own 25-year history as a resident and businessman in Milton, saying that "When it comes to debating the issues, I can out-Halton Gary Carr in Halton."

D'Arcy Keene, a third candidate for the nomination, made reference to Mr. Carr's hockey background, stating that "I think it is high time Mr. Carr served a little time in the penalty box." For former Member of Parliament Garth Turner, it was Mr. Carr's historic crossing over from the Conservative party to the Liberal party that was an issue. "The people of Halton deserve better than an arrogant flip flopper as a Member of Parliament," he insisted. "People of Halton don't want politicians of convenience, they want a man of conviction."

Ultimately, it was Turner who won the support of the standing room only crowd and will serve as the Conservative candidate in any coming election. Garth Turner served as a Member of Parliament for five years, then was Minister of National Revenue in Kim Campbell's government. Since leaving politics in 1993,

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PHOTO BY ANN KORNUA
Unchanging and ancient Forest and rocks in the Speyside area of Halton.

Greens opposed to greens

By BERNADETTE WARD

A proposal for yet another two golf courses in the Milton area raised the hackles of some local residents and provoked some scathing rebuttal from a council member during an Administration and Planning Committee meeting on May 16.

"It's time to put the environment first, it's time to think

green. We need to consider the future of everyone, not just of golfers," said Bob Beyette, a Milton resident and well-known face at council.

Delegates were responding to two separate proposals before council for golf courses. One, a 27-hole course to be

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