

LETTERS

Love, compassion not based on gender of the person

To the Editor,

I wish to thank Eve for her response to my article on the feminist movement as she has pointed out, and rightfully so, that some good has been accomplished by women for women.

Equality (eg. being treated fairly and with respect) and peace (eg. good will toward

men) are my beliefs, as well, but as is reflected in Bible teaching. All humanity is judged and loved equally by our Creator and it is His will that we live in peace - not striving to be better or even equal as He set up an order of authority and all human beings must conform to His commandments if we are to truly

live in peace.

Violence has increased over the past 30 years and there is an underlying tone of discontent within society that has seen marriage breakdown escalate by over 50 per cent. This anger and abuse is not directed solely at women or children as often women are the violent and aggressive ones, according to recent information released.

As rights have continued to be touted by citizens in Society who neglect Christ's teachings of self sacrifice and love for neighbour the Charter of Rights and Freedoms has become distorted from its original intent.

Now, those who wish to pursue their own freedoms (eg. abortion, pornography, homosexuality, sex with minors, etc.) are using the courts to legitimize their activities even when it infringes on another human life. Does the baby want to be aborted or young child used to make nude films?

Why do we go to extremes to save a premature baby at six months in the pregnancy while aborting another one at nine months? Only because one is wanted and the other is not? What about adoption? Somewhere, someone wants that baby. Who gave mankind

20th annual Terry Fox Run set for Sunday, Sept. 17th

By Jon Hurst
Special to the New Tanner

On Sunday, Sept. 17, the 20th annual Terry Fox Run will be held here in Acton, and at hundreds of run sites in Ontario, across Canada and around the world, to continue the fundraising efforts to find a cure for cancer.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the Terry Fox Run, and also commemorates the 20th anniversary of Terry's own Marathon of Hope. We were certainly fortunate as a community to have seen Terry running through Acton and Halton Hills on that emotional July morning in 1980. I don't believe anyone who experienced the awesome sight of Terry's presence in our community will ever forget the memory, and it is hard to believe that 20 years have passed by so quickly.

The community of Acton can certainly take pride in the fact that they have hosted a

terry Fox Run every year since, raising an astounding \$378,670 in the process. Last year's event alone raised over \$25,000. All funds raised by the Terry Fox Foundation, as Terry requested, are used specifically for cancer research, and are distributed by the National Cancer Institute of Canada to various worthy Canadian research hospitals and institutions.

This year Acton's run will be held once again at the Acton High School track on Sunday, Sept. 17, rain or shine. The official opening is at 8 a.m. with Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson and Acton Citizen of the Year Harold Townsley cutting the ribbon. Participants can arrive anytime between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. to run, jog, walk or cycle some or all of the 25 laps around the track. Prizes will be available to be won by random draw and the food booth will be serving hamburgers, sausage-on-a-bun, pop, cof-

fee, etc., with all products donated by local businesses and supporters, and all proceeds going directly to the run. Terry Fox T-shirts, sweatshirts, hats a, books and buttons will also be on sale.

Pledge forms are available at various locations around town, including all banks, variety stores, the Credit Union, Home Hardware, Off the Wall Youth Centre and all schools. Anyone requiring further information or assistance can contact Jon Hurst at 853-2015.

On the recurrence of his cancer, Terry Fox said: "I don't feel that this is unfair; that's the thing about cancer. I'm not the only one. It happens all the time to other people. I'm not special. This just intensifies what I did - it gives it more meaning. It will inspire more people. I just wish people would realize that anything's possible if they try, that dreams are made if people try."

SENIORS' REC. CTR.

By Dot Redekop

We have had no winner for the 50/50 draw during the first four weeks in August. I haven't heard about last week yet.

The mooners for August were Mary Papillon, Eleanor Robinson and Isobel McDonald.

I hear the Newsletters came out on Friday and are ready to be picked up. I haven't been able to do too much so I wasn't in to get my copy. I will let you know more when I get the information. Things should be starting up again and we will be in full swing.

The Rama trip on October 25 has been cancelled because we have a trip on Friday, November 3 to Rama and to a show at the Gryphon Theatre to see "Jimmy the Janitor." The trips are too close to fill the coach twice. It should be a treat show if you have listened to his tapes on the coach.

Pat Galton won the 50/50 on the last trip to Rama.

Hopefully I can get back at this and give you more information about upcoming happenings.

the right to take a life?

Please be assumed Eve that I do not hate women as I am one myself and under no circumstances do I condone the killing of women, children or men. My views are not anti-feminist but are based on God's word and He is not anti-feminist (see Proverbs 31).

What is wrong with working in a kitchen as many a mother found her greatest joy in feeding, nurturing and consoling her children in that very room? In our kitchen on the family farm, we had many wonderful meals, lots of laughs and much joy around the old wood stove that warmed our bodies and our hearts.

Asserting oneself into a man's world hasn't necessarily made women happy and it has left many a child with no

where to turn except daycares, nannies and babysitters. Progress is not always measured in the rights or victories won in the court, at the parliamentary level or even in the medical forum. There is merit gained even in suffering although God wills for us to live in peace.

By the way, there are women that treat men in a hateful fashion just as there are men who treat women that way. Love and compassion is not based on gender but on forgiveness, good will and prayer.

Sincerely,
Pat Woode

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