



HALTON, RISING, WILD AND BECKONING: now on sale for \$39.95 at bookstores throughout Halton region. - Submitted photo

Book about Halton raising big dollars

A colourful book on Halton, published two years ago, has reached sales of 8,000 copies resulting in \$2000,000 being raised for conservation projects.

Called "Halton, Rising, Wild and Beckoning" the book is now in its second printing. The book is a project of the Conservation Halton Foundation, a volunteer organization that raises funds to assist Conservation Halton, the community environmental agency that protects thousands of hectares of conservation lands in the Halton watershed.

Sarah Lowe, Foundation director and chair of the book committee said "The book has not only raised considerable funds for conservation, but has also raised awareness of the watershed's significant natural environment and the important work of Conservation Halton."

The hardcover book is a guide to the Halton watershed which includes the Niagara Escarpment, Carolinian forests, Lake Ontario shoreline, creeks, valleys and rich wetlands. The book has 160 spectacular photographs that show the natural landscapes that interface with Burlington, Oakville, Milton,

Halton Hills, Flamborough and other communities in the watershed. The book also shows how 5,500 hectares of conservation lands protect unique geological features and environmentally sensitive habitats in areas such as Hilton Falls, Crawford Lake, Rattlesnake Point, Bronte Creek Provincial Park and the Royal Botanical Gardens.

Each chapter is introduced by people like Canadian astronaut Roberta Bondar, David Crombie, Chair of the Lake Ontario Waterfront Regeneration Trust and Robert Bateman, international artist. The book includes 16 coloured maps showing scenic

drives and trails that can be used as a guide to find and explore the area's abundant parks. It comes with a full colour fold out map with dozens of natural and cultural features portrayed.

The book retails for \$39.95 and is available at bookstores throughout Halton. There is also a Limited Millennium Edition of the book that has a gold embossed sleeve and is personally signed by Canadian Astronaut Dr. Roberta Bondar, currently patron for the Mountsberg Visitor Centre fundraising campaign where funds from book sales will be directed.



LEGION NEWS BRANCH NO. 197

By Joyce Buchanan
Legion Br. 197

Well, we are still getting some good weather. Hope it keeps coming. I guess all the goblins and witches are hoping for good weather.

Gord is still progressing very well, but not back on the golf course yet. Now the

golf is finishing. Kerwin could use your help repairing some tables and chairs.

Poppy Blitz is starting Nov. 3 and the tickets for the Remembrance Dinner on Nov. 11 are going well, but you should pick up yours soon. The bus for Casino Rama is starting to fill up so hurry and

put your name down.

Snooker players, there is a tournament coming and you should be signed up by Nov. 11, the cut off date for entry.

Santa will soon be picking up his list from the Branch. Hope all the kids names are in.

Legion and Rotary Seniors Christmas Dinner is Nov. 28. Tickets went on sale Nov. 1 at the Legion and at Halton Hills Furniture.

Saturday, Nov. 4 we have a bus load of legion members from Br. 126 Preston arriving about 2 p.m. Why don't you plan to come and join them at the Meat Draw.

Don't forget Bridge every Wednesday afternoon, Euchre every Thursday afternoon and Friday nights.

To all who are ill, we wish a speedy recovery. Our sympathy goes to the Herrington family at the passing of Mac Herrington.

See you at the Branch.

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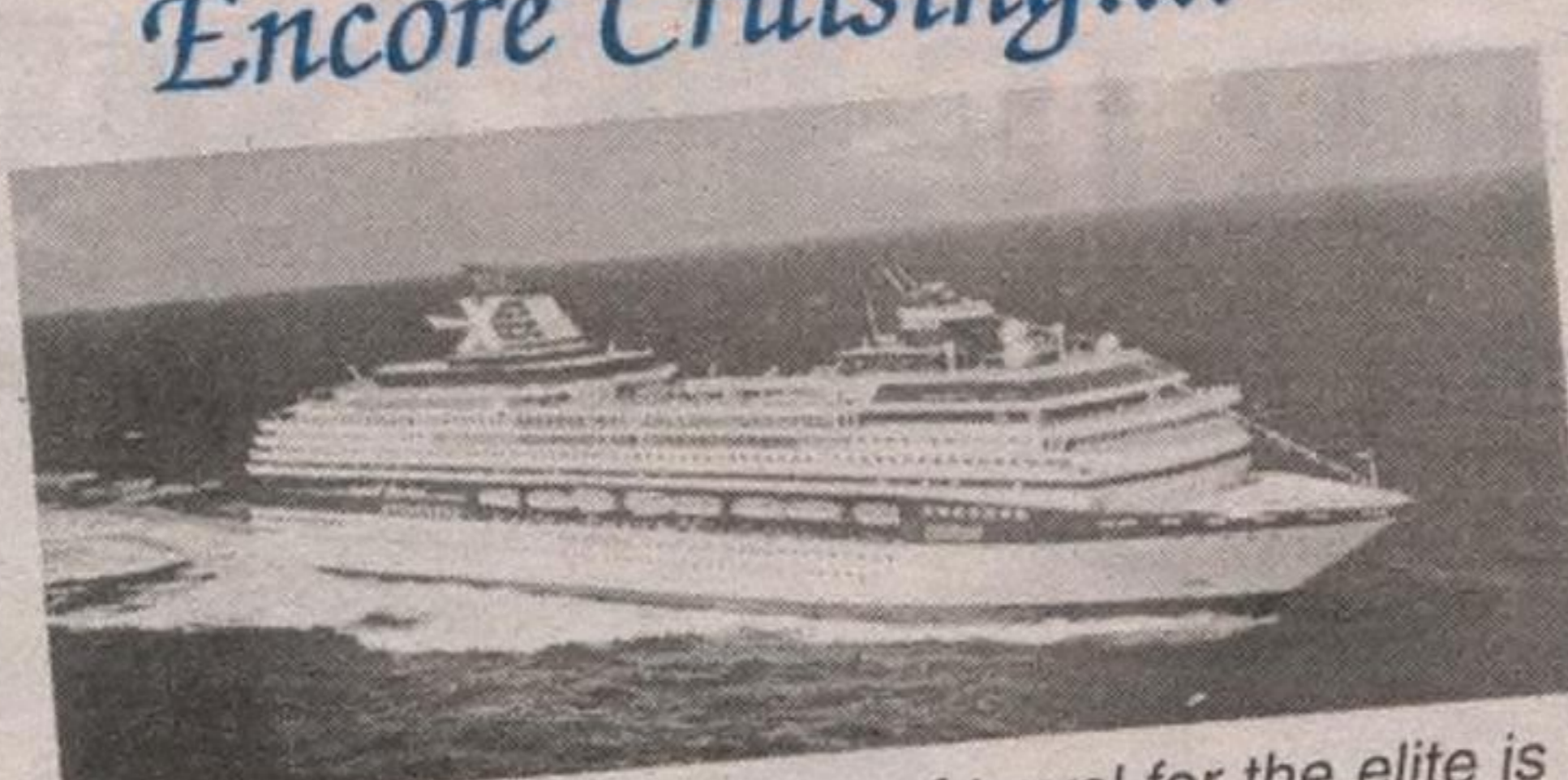
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Vandals disgust town resident

To the Editor,

As residents of Acton for the last two years we have felt at home here. We have met so many kind and caring people and defended Acton's reputation to our Georgetown relatives. We were warned about Devil's Night in this town and now Acton has come a long way in putting this situation in check.

I personally came from a large city and remember growing up seeing the occasional pumpkin smashed, but not to the extent I've seen here, in this town I now call home.

At 8:45 in the evening as my husband and I were watching TV, we were startled by a loud crash at our front door, so loud it rattled the glass in its frame. As we ran to the front door in a panic with a baby now wakened and screaming, we remember that it was this so called "Devil's Night."

Our front door was covered in eggs and our neighbour, Father Bob of St. Joe's parish, was out there yelling in vain at them that their actions may have disrupted our child's sleep. This pack of eight teenagers, a pack like a pack of wolves, ran around



the corner and without hesitation spray painted with purple our neighbour's car along with egging its windshield. Our neighbours, the nicest family a fortunate person could ever meet, has endured this abuse for years. They spent so much time, energy and money making their home festive for Hallowe'en as we did. They received this vandalism on a somewhat regular basis because they are on the corner, across from the empty unkempt ex-Beardmore property which makes for a fast getaway through the woods for these tyrants.

We live on a nice, well kept friendly street, not far from downtown which is becoming problematic. Going to work a couple of weeks prior to this night did give indications of what would follow. All that hard work put into beautifying our downtown with cornstocks and ribbons decorating the posts, day by day diminished. Garbage cans knocked over onto the roadways, and of course, the never ending issue of the cor-

ner of Mill Street and Willow. Or just these few teenagers that walk down my road to the woods using the 'f' word as a noun, verb, adjective at the top of their lungs at peers.

The night before Hallowe'en has infuriated me. All the volunteers out in town vehicles with the lights, the IGA not selling eggs after Saturday, extra police patrol and yet this chaos continues. A home up on Agnes with their scarecrow ripped out of their yard and shredded in the middle of the road and signs defaced with purple spray paint by the letter A circled up on Maria Street. I assume the A stands for Anarchy - oh what a proud statement you have made to this community! My empathy goes out to the homes at Church and Main Street who had to call the police as well.

All efforts made to avoid destruction to local homes and property have been in vain! Maybe it's not as bad as it once was, but less bad is not the alternative that I'm satisfied with.

So what can we do as a community to alleviate this situation. Do we start with the parents? I cannot be apathetic any more. Should we be standing vigil on our lawns, call in more volunteers, more police, or do we start a petition to have a curfew instituted for the night before Hallowe'en? You tell me!

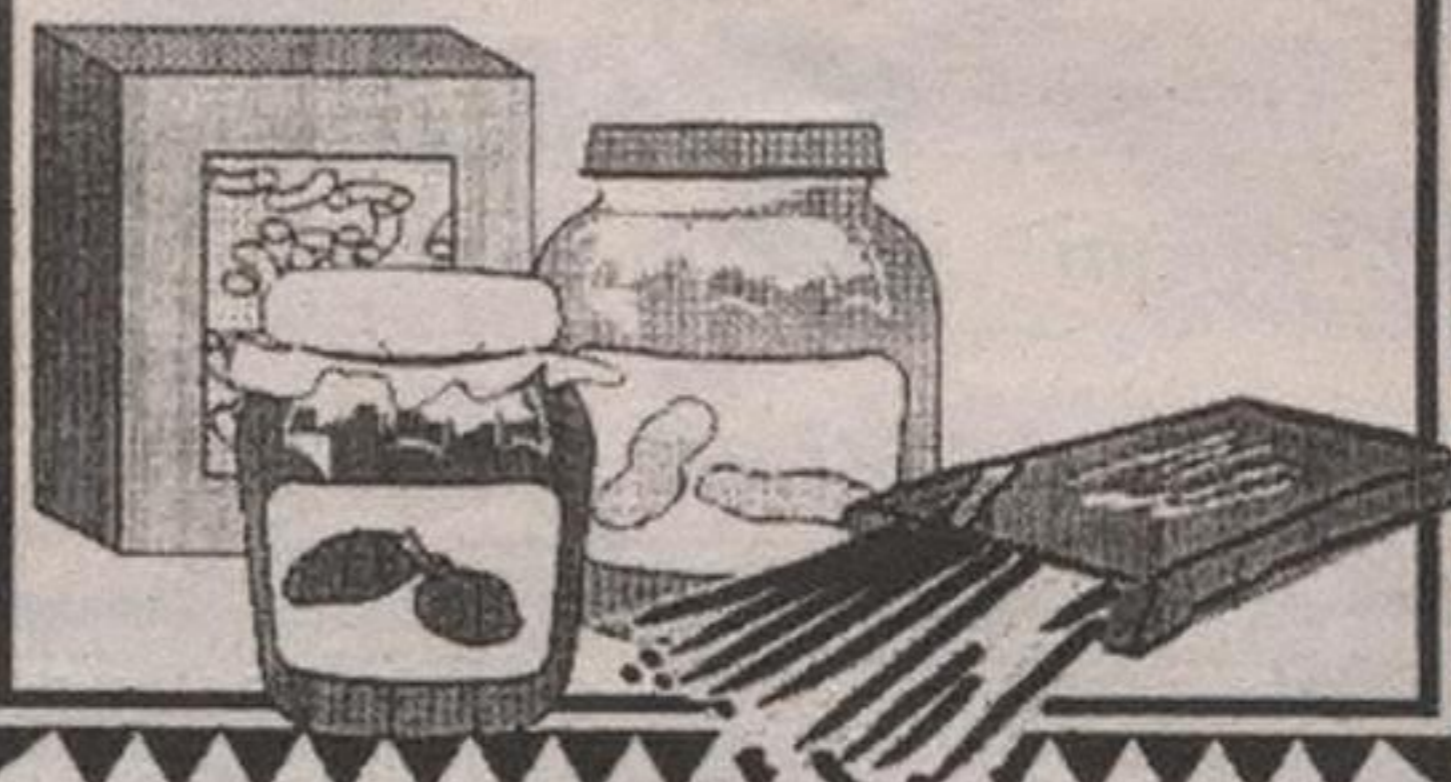
Allison McCallum

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SENIORS' REC. CTR.

By Dot Redekop

Well, I was in the Centre and talked to the plants. I think the Christmas cactus is on the way out. Someone else must be watering them also because the poor thing is drowning.

The Mooners for the month are Edna Nellis, Mary Papillon and Theresa Matheson.

We are having a fish and chips supper later in November. I will let you know when I get the information.

There was no winner of the 50/50 again last week.

The Newsletters are in and are ready to be picked up. I haven't seen them so I cannot tell you what is happening.

We have a "Showcase of Lights" coming up on Dec. 7. More about it later.