

# LETTERS

## Unwelcome visitors

Dear Editor,

Last weekend, we, or rather our daughter, received unwelcome visitors.

On Sunday, my 13-1/2 year old daughter decided to stay home so she could finish her homework, while the rest of the family drove to Milton for a couple of hours.

We had only been gone 20 minutes when she called us on our cell phone to say some people had banged on the front door and when she didn't answer (as she's been told not to do while we're out) they tried the door handle.

Luckily, the door was locked but it freaked her out, hence the call. As she spoke to us, she watched out the living room window as the people got into their car, a red Pontiac

TransAm, she thinks, which they had parked on our drive, and drove off.

When she was sure they'd gone out of sight, and whilst still talking to me, she opened the door to pick up the "garbage" they'd left.

"It's something to do with God, I think," she said, simultaneously as my husband said "It's either politics or religion."

When we got home we looked at the "garbage" - guess who our unwelcome visitors were - Jehovahs Witnesses!!

Who do they think they are trying to get in our front door and frightening our daughter? It's a good thing we always lock the doors whilst we're out! What would they have done if the front door had been open?

Do we have to put a sign at the top of our drive saying "Jehovahs Witnesses not welcome!" They are the only religious sect, that I know of, that insist on forcing their opinions on people on their own doorstep.

If they want to advertise their faith why can't they just leave their "garbage" in the mail box like everyone else, and let people decide for themselves whether they want to read it or not.

How many other people's doors have they tried? How many other people have they frightened? How many houses, whose doors weren't locked, have they actually entered?

Annoyed rural resident.  
(Name withheld on request)

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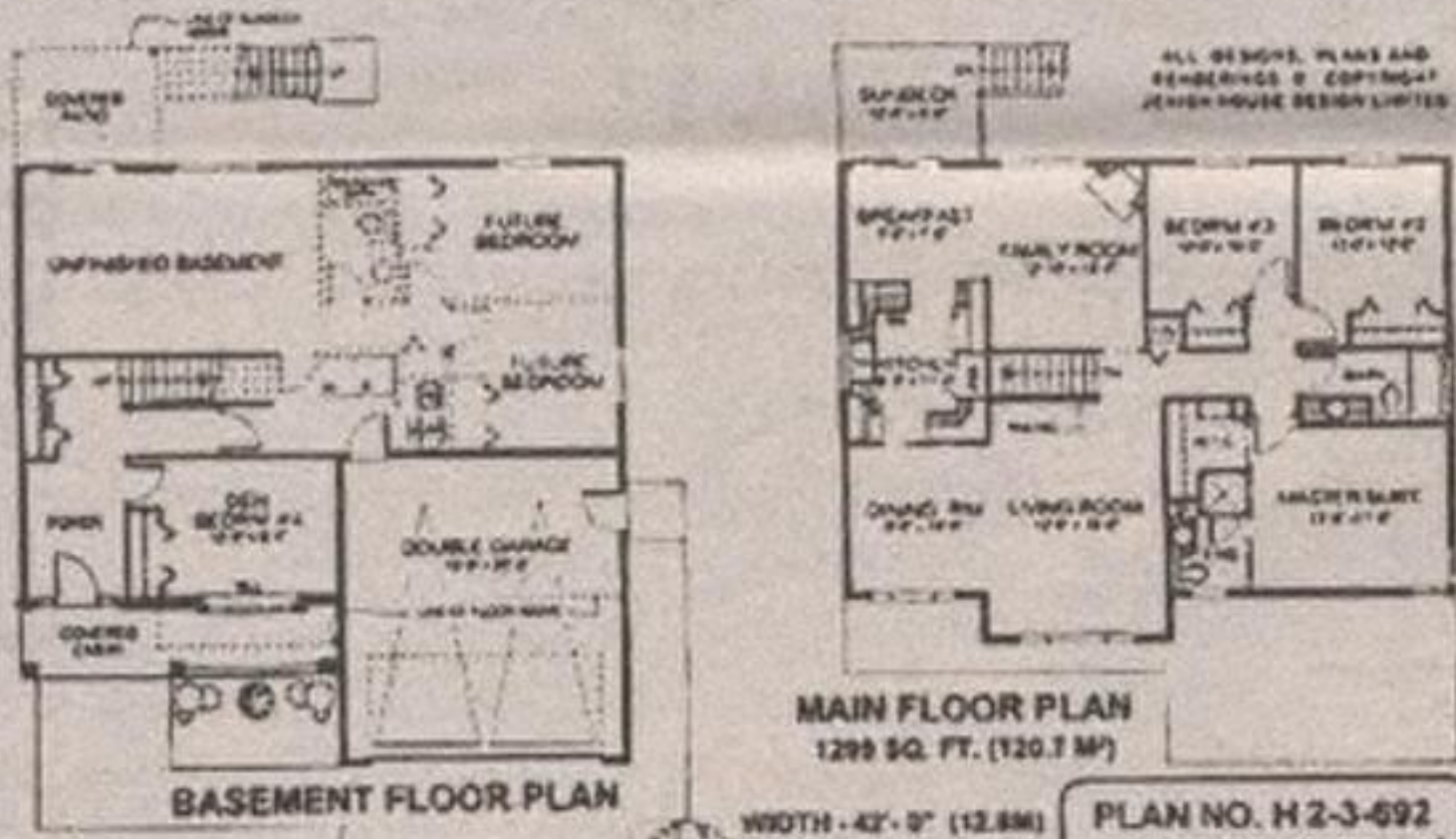
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### Three-bedroom family home



The bedroom wing occupies the right-hand side of the house, with the master suite taking pride of place at the front. This generous-sized suite includes a full en-suite bathroom and a walk-in closet for clothes.

The main bathroom separates the master suite from the two secondary bedrooms, which overlook the back garden.

The double garage has a side door as well as access to the house through the laundry/utility area.

Linen and coat cupboards make sure there is plenty of storage space.

The unfinished basement has been designed with roughed-in plumbing for a bathroom and space to easily convert to additional bedrooms in the future, if desired.

The house is 42 feet wide and 41 feet, 4 inches deep with 1,299 square feet of living space as well as the unfinished basement.

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A covered entrance, brick accents and a veranda with stone pillars add an inviting note to the exterior of this three-bedroom family home.

The den, immediately adjacent to the entrance, is ideally situated for conversion to a home office, if this is needed, or could serve as a fourth bedroom for extra sleeping space.

Upstairs, the landing leads to the living room and dining room at the front of the house and the kitchen and family area at the rear.

The kitchen is the hub of the design and is efficiently laid out with plenty of work space and a pantry to add extra storage. The kitchen's access to the breakfast room on one side and the dining room on the other side will help to streamline the preparation and serving of meals.

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**BOYS AND THEIR TOYS:** All of these toys surrounding Acton Salvation Army Captain Lyndon Hale were donated to the Acton Christmas Assistance Program that ensures the needy will eat turkey and their children will open gifts this holiday season. - Frances Niblock photo

## 90th birthday celebration assists Yule toy bonanza

By FRANCES NIBLOCK  
The New Tanner

The front lobby of the Acton Salvation Army Citadel looked like Santa's workshop on Monday after a party at the facility on the weekend.

Each of the guests at Kay Nash's 90th birthday celebration was asked to bring a toy for the Acton Christmas Assistance Program, a joint project of Salvation Army Family Services, Acton Rotary Club, The Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire and St. Vincent de Paul Society that ensures the needy in Acton have a nicer Christmas.

Applicants can receive a food hamper, including a Christmas dinner and more, and those with children can

"shop" for the kids from the toys that will be displayed in a store-like setting.

Salvation Army Family Services co-ordinator Susan Kuechler, daughter of the birthday celebrant, said they expect to provide food hampers - made up of donated food - to approximately 75 families this year.

"Back in the Army history, they fed people and then led them to God," Kuechler said when asked about the Salvation Army's two-decade involvement in Christmas.

"We are supposed to love and help people," Kuechler said, adding she hopes other people will ask party guests to donate to the needy.

"We a very materialistic society and some of our money

could be put to better use."

Anyone who would like a hamper is asked to come to the Citadel at 120 Mill St. East, beginning next Thursday (Nov.23) to fill out an application that requires identification. There are six other dates in the following weeks to make application with the final day on December 12.

For other application dates and times call 853-1140.

## TOWN DIGEST

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Town administrator Steven Andrews was confident Halton Hills would fare well, but said comparing its results with other municipalities will be difficult, using neighbouring Milton as an example.

"How do you take into account that Milton gets millions of dollars of revenue from the horse track (Mohawk Raceway and the casino) whereas Halton Hills gets zero?"

Just because of geography our tax rate might look higher than theirs and you'd have to take things like into consideration to make a fair comparison," Andrews said.

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