

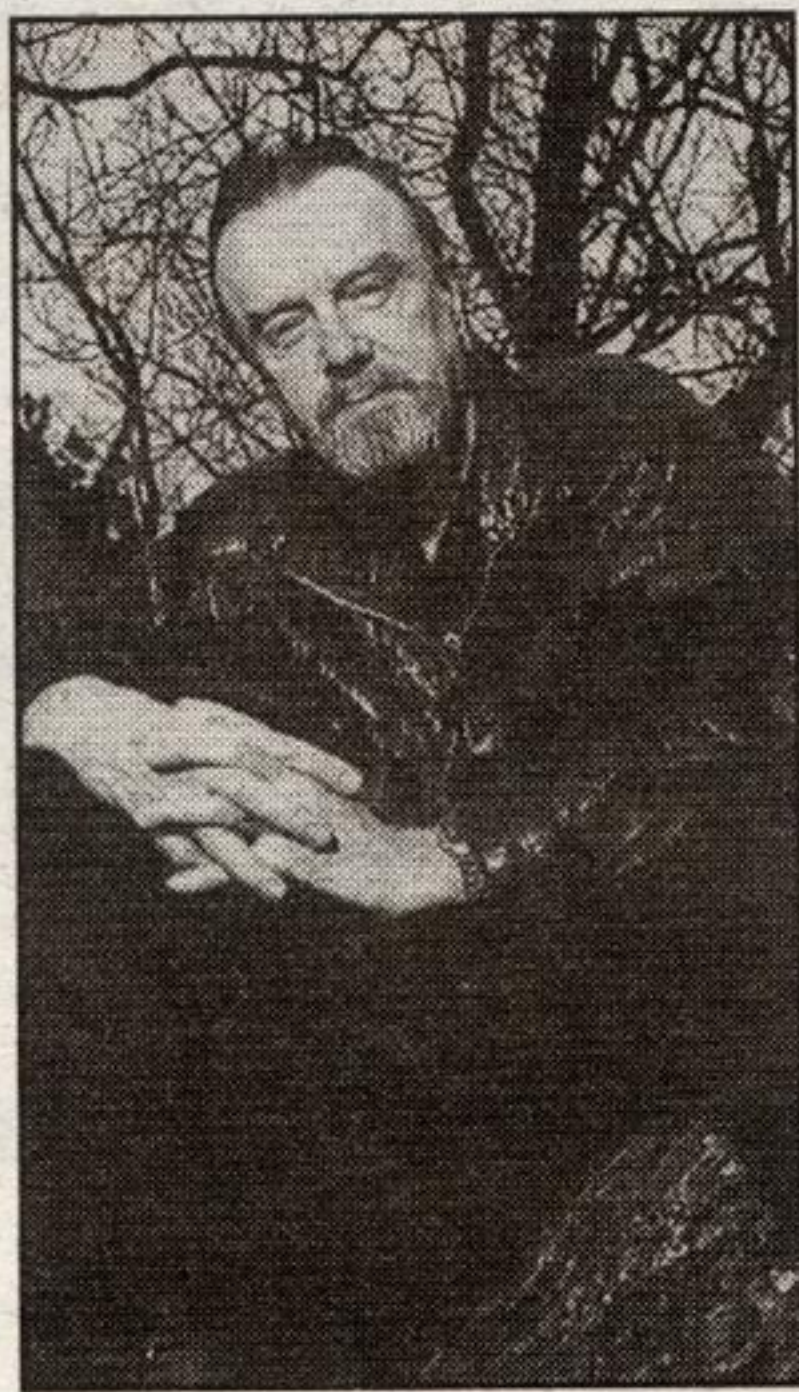
Green Peace co-founder at P.O.W.E.R. annual general meeting

Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources (P.O.W.E.R.), the group that initiated the fight to stop a dump planned for the Acton Quarry 15 years ago, is still alive and well. More recently they have been known for TREES 2000 which started as a Millennium project and developed into the ongoing Future Forests.

The very successful ecological restoration project, Future Forests, has provided over 6000 student day trips since the spring of 2000. Half the day is spent planting and erecting bird boxes and half the day is spent on environmental education.

City TV's Bob Hunter will be the speaker at their Annual General Meeting Friday, November 28th at the Mold-Master SportsPlex, 221 Guelph Street in Georgetown. This meeting is open to the public.

Ecology Specialist Bob



Bob Hunter

Hunter, who is co-founder of Greenpeace, helped to found the Society for Pollution and Environmental Control and spearheaded a successful campaign to ban commercial whaling. Hunter is an award-winning author, columnist and lecturer.

Hunter says, "I have visited 34 countries in my journeys around the world,

have swum underwater with Dolphins, stood on ice in the path of an onrushing icebreaker, parachute jumped, dodged great white sharks and motorcycle gangs of whale factory workers in Australia, faced angry mobs in Newfoundland, founded a religion, run with the bulls in Pamplona, survived numerous storms and other near-disasters at sea while commanding a converted minesweeper in the North Pacific, stuck my head in a killer whale's mouth and have nearly drowned, or been stomped, run down, or crushed many, many times... and now I'm working for Moses on "CityPulse". What a fabulous existence."

Doors will open at 7 p.m. for displays and the meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. President, Barbara Halsall, said that holding the meeting on a Friday night is a new departure for P.O.W.E.R., but they were

so thrilled to have Bob Hunter coming as a speaker that they were

willing to accommodate him. Hunter is up at 4:30 a.m. week days for his

Breakfast Television show so week nights are difficult.

Community Advent Service

Sponsored by the Acton Ministerial Association
Hosted by trinity United Church (70 Mill Steet East)

Sunday, November 30, 7:00 p.m.

From Eve to Mary

A candlelight service of lessons and carols on the family tree of Jesus, the Christ, according to the Gospel of Matthew.

Combined mass choir & instrumental music.



Freewill Offering for the Community Christmas Luncheon.

The Community Christmas Luncheon is local initiative of members of Churches, Social Services, and the community at large. If you might be on your own on Christmas day, or if you're interested in contributing or helping, please contact Ann Adema at 853-3687.

Please also bring a non-perishable food item for Acton Foodshare.

TOWN DIGEST

Cops want more cash

Just how much are Halton taxpayers willing to pay to be safe? That's the question raised by a number of members of the Halton Regional Police Services Board during budget debates last week, as the Board approved a \$70-million budget for next year, up 13.4 per cent from last year.

That works out to a \$168 increase for the average resident for a policing bill per household of \$473, an ever-increasing cost that some Board members feel the public will question.

Police Chief Ean Algar said being a proactive, not reactive service, incurs costs and that he has little control over areas of the budget including salaries, benefits, capital debt and provincially mandated standards.

Ace boss

Congrats to the powers-that-be at Conservation Halton, named as one of Canada's top 100 employers by the editors of MacLeans Magazine.

Employment information was assessed at over 51,000

Canadian companies, and the list narrowed to the best 100. Tim Hortons, CBC, Ikea and

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