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### Letters to the editor

## Centre examines spanking alternatives

Dear editor,

It used to be alright to hit spouses. It is no longer alright. It is also not alright to hit children. It teaches children that "might makes right." It sometimes leads to injuries, it alienates parents and children, and it contributes to the cycle of violence by teaching children to hit others who are smaller and weaker.

As our children's biggest role model, we teach them that through power, intimidation, fear and pain they can get others to do what they want. We must ask ourselves: "What are our children learning?" and "Is this what we want them to learn?"

October is Child Abuse Prevention Month in Ontario. In order to give widespread visibility to the need to stop hitting children, the Family Education Centre has set Oct. 17 as SpankOut Day.

A SpankOut parenting conference will be held at Sheridan College, Davis Campus in Brampton the morning of Oct. 17. The theme will be "Alternatives to Spanking." Parents will have the opportunity to choose from four workshops. The topics include:

- Communication
- Discipline

- Coping with Anger
- Building Self-Esteem

Childminding will be free of charge. For more information, please call 452-0332.

This will be an opportunity for parents to learn skills to raise children which will help them become caring, responsible and productive adults. Discipline is important. Children need to have rules which are clear, concise and consistent. They must have predictable and fair consequences for breaking the rules. Children, like adults, learn better by being noticed for appropriate behavior than by being punished.

The Family Education Centre has been enriching families for 25 years through community based, parent-to-parent education, support and training. This organization has many resources for teaching parents effective discipline, through eight-week parent study groups, workshops, parent's evenings and shelter programs.

Most of all, children need to observe adults who are good role models of self-discipline, caring and responsibility. Discipline is teaching children, not hitting them.

Liz Corbett,

Family Education Centre, Brampton

## Clearing the lines

Dear editor,

Ad-Tel Communications Halton would like to clarify that there is no relationship to the other phone company mentioned in the Oct. 7 issue of The Independent & Free Press. Ad-Tel Communications (Halton) is alive and well and has been serving Georgetown and area since 1994. The head office is in Ballinafad and we are a member of the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce.

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Loretto Bender,  
vice-president, administration  
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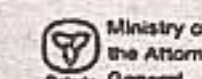
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Page 11 - Halogen Vanity Lights, 52-3722X  
Copy reads: Bulbs included. Should read: Bulbs sold separately

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