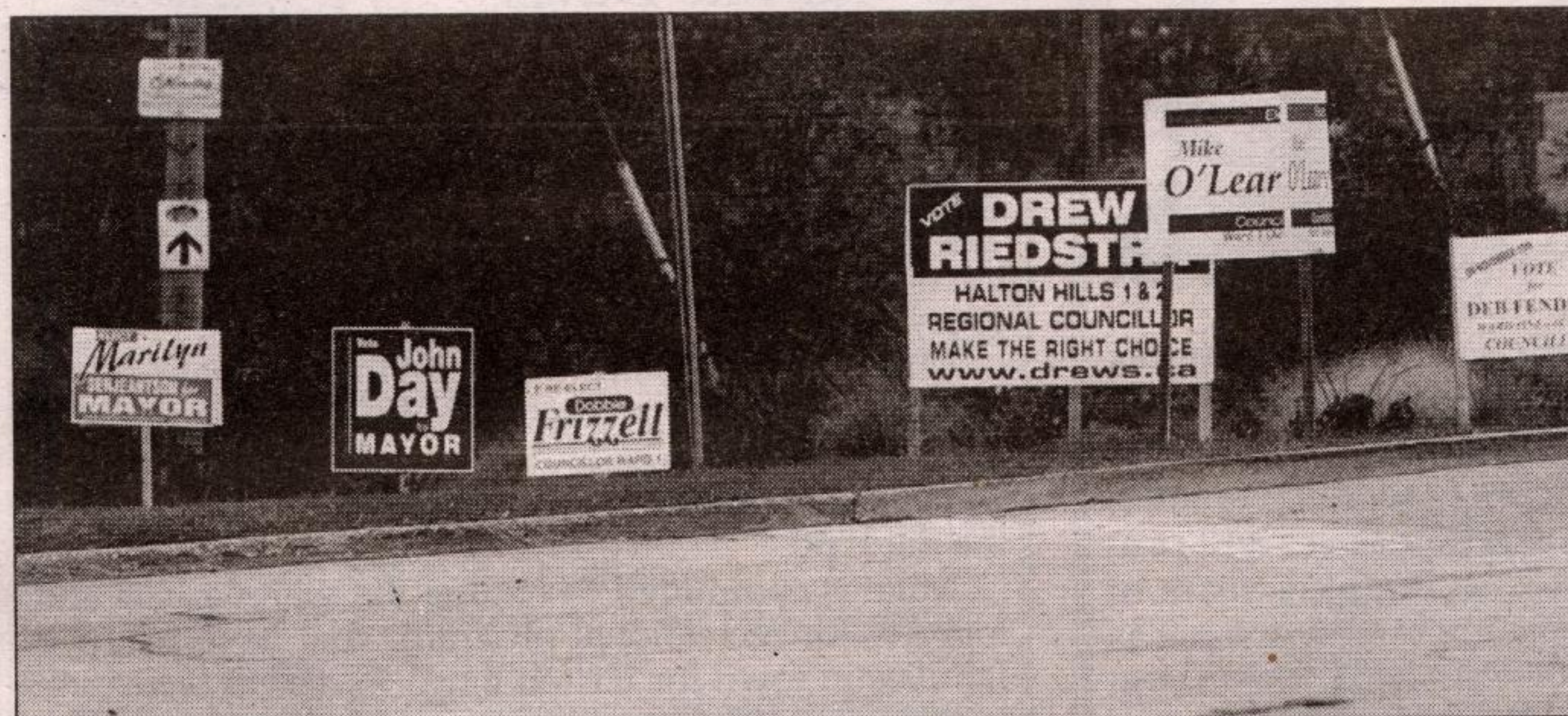


# 2003 Municipal election profiles

The Independent & Free Press contacted the candidates for the November 10, 2003 municipal election and asked them to convey, in 125 words or less, their message to the voters of Halton Hills.

On this page and pages 8 and 9 we reprint those responses.

## Election day: Monday, Nov. 10



## WARDS 1&2 (Regional elect one)

### Drew Riedstra



Age: 39

Occupation: Owner/president of Drew's Trailers & Drew's Containers  
Previous political experience: None

Living on a busy regional road in Norval for over half of my life, I know the concerns of the residents of Wards 1 & 2 in Halton Hills.

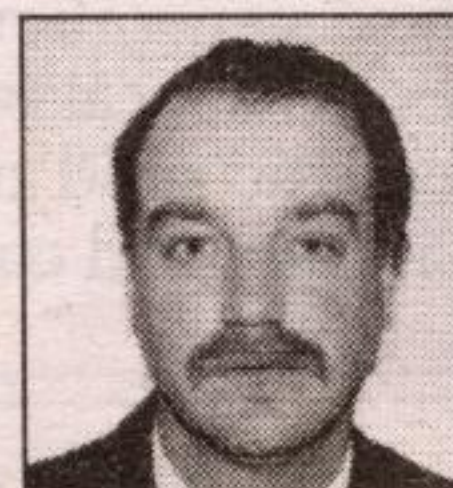
Through improved fiscal management, not increased taxes, I will dedicate my efforts to provide more police, fire and health services, and increased parks and recreation facilities and services.

Proper planning with full community input will provide safer roads and water, and any future developments will be sensitive to the environment, current residents and the "style" of our communities.

To achieve these goals I will insist on completely open and inclusive discussions at all levels, with no "in camera" debates.

I look forward to working with you to represent you as a town and regional councillor.

### Stephen Grasby



Age: 42

Occupation: C.N.C. machinist  
Previous political experience: None

The saga continues over the firing and taxpayer buyout of our Chief Administrative Officer. Both Ward 3 elected councillors and a brother developer continue to make front page headlines.

Born, raised and residing in Ward 3, I moved the previous "Smith & Stone mountain" or sleeping giant. Petitioned, delegated and citing property standards, the giant's days were numbered with Ministry of Environment intervention. We need industrial growth for our tax base rather than residential. The Big Pipe serves no purpose for "explosive" housing development, decimating our frail infrastructure, already in gridlock. Public transportation is ill affordable.

An audit of where all our taxpayers' dollars have been exploited should commence. Good riddance to "banners" and "bloom" — a smokescreen for the imminent decay of our community.

### Sean Haefner



Age: Not supplied

Occupation: Contractor/renovator  
Previous political experience: Not supplied

I have lived in Acton all my life, privileged to have grown up in such a unique, caring and supportive community. I've been able to prosper as an entrepreneur, and enjoy life with my wife and six children, only because of the support and community strength that is Acton.

However, Acton is approaching a crisis. Growing pressure from development and growth threaten to drastically change the unique small town atmosphere of our community. I want all my children to enjoy growing up in the same wonderful community as I was fortunate to have experienced.

This is why I am running for Ward 1 councillor, asking for your vote, to help me preserve our unique community!

### Clark Somerville



Age: 41

Occupation: Information specialist (Georgetown Chrysler)

Previous political experience: Six years

During the past six years as a local councillor I have had the pleasure of meeting and working with many of you over various issues. I look forward to the challenge of serving both the rural and urban residents of Halton Hills at the Region of Halton.

I have always actively supported rural residents and their issues. As a member of Halton Hills council I was the first to oppose the closing of our local OMAFRA (Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs) Office.

I have always supported rural residents on traffic concerns as well as the resurfacing of rural roads. This will continue in the future.

## WARD 1 (elect two)

### Deb Fendley



Age: 44

Occupation: Godfather Pizza manager

Previous political experience: None

Acton needs and certainly deserves a strong presence at council. I am committed to being that presence. Acton is lacking in industrial growth and I will work towards attracting new businesses to the area. I am against the proposed street name changes and the 8 per cent tax increase. I am concerned about affordable housing for both seniors and the young alike. I am also concerned about traffic congestion and road conditions in the Acton area. I will bring my many years of business and quality experience to council. I am committed to being a voice for Acton, a voice that is heard at council. On November 10, please remember to vote.

### Jon Hurst



Age: 59

Occupation: Electrician

Previous political experience: None

I am a lifelong resident of Acton and Halton Hills and have been employed in Acton for the last 36 years. I am currently self-employed as an electrical contractor and I have the necessary time available to spend as your councillor. I have been actively involved in the community, most notably as an organizer of the Paul Murr Memorial Golf Tournament for the Cancer Society and chairman of the Terry Fox Run. As your councillor for Ward 1 my duty would be to represent the interests of all citizens of Acton. I would be receptive and responsive to all questions or problems presented to me and would work cohesively with local and regional councillors for the betterment of our community and Halton Hills.

## WARDS 3&4 (Regional elect one)

### Jane Fogal



Age: Not supplied

Occupation: Not supplied

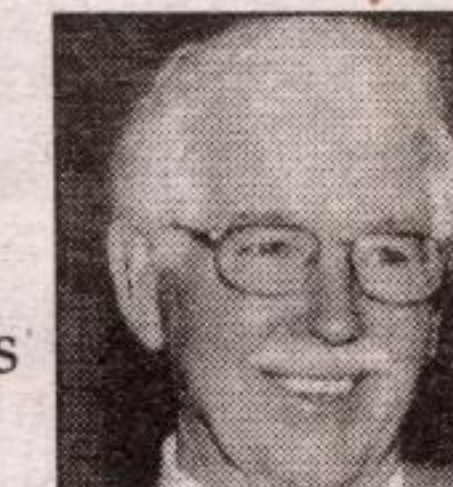
Previous political experience: 6 years town council

As a lifelong resident and six year veteran of town council, I know this is a great place to live. It is my mission to keep it that way. Through talking to hundreds of people in the course of this campaign, I know that the following issues are important:

- Preserving the character of our small town
- Attracting new industry
- New seniors' housing
- Maintaining our well-based water system
- Support for downtown Georgetown
- Protection of environmentally significant areas
- Litter control
- Public health

As your regional councillor it is my pledge to effectively represent your interests at regional and town council.

### Dobbie Frizzell



Age: 72

Occupation: Retired

Previous political experience: 3 years town council; 9 years hydro commission

Taxes— first priority— work to keep our budget for all needed services to a reasonable tax level  
Prime agricultural land— work to keep existing farmland from being sold for future development

Industrial land— Work with the Town of Halton Hills and Halton Region to explore new methods for water resources in Acton and area. We need to bring new industry to Acton.

Doctors— Make offers to prospective doctors more appealing, for example a bonus and rental housing for three years to set up a practice in Acton.

Hydro— Work to investigate the feasibility of windmill-generated power and investigate waste incineration to generate power. (The Old Beardmore property might be suitable for these projects.)

### John Lamberink



Age: 44

Occupation: Contractor

Previous political experience: None

I am applying for the job of town councillor, to be your voice in looking after the concerns of Ward 1.

I believe that I am uniquely qualified for this job. For the past seven years I have had the pleasure of being a director of Prosperity One and now also serve as chair of the audit committee. This has given me the opportunity to work with a community-based multi-million dollar corporation, which is very similar to our town.

I have no fear speaking out on the issues, whether it be financial, heritage, growth, or our community's well-being. We must have a strong voice on council. On Nov. 10 hire/elect John Lamberink as one of your representatives.

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