

Proposed bike ban would be unenforceable says mom

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ravine, and there's no reason to change it.

"Don't ban an activity that doesn't cause any problems," she said, adding that recreation facilities are strained to capacity in Halton Hills and biking should be encouraged not banned.

Hand suggested many alternatives including education, adopt-a-park, park watch patrol and a one-year trial period followed by a review. She said she would be more than happy to volunteer her time for park patrol if it was organized.

"Let's not make a radical and unenforceable bylaw banning the use of this natural part of our town," she said. "Let's find an environmentally-sound way to enjoy the ravine promoting safe fitness and valuable time with your family."

Hungry Hollow is the name of the town-owned valley lands that border Silver Creek, which flows from Cedarvale Park to Norval Park. Created by glaciers eons ago, Hungry Hollow has beaver ponds, fens, marshes, woodlands and meadows as well as a borderline cold-water stream. Its wetlands have been designated as "provincially significant".

-By Cynthia Gamble, staff writer

Family and friends remember Acton man at car crash site

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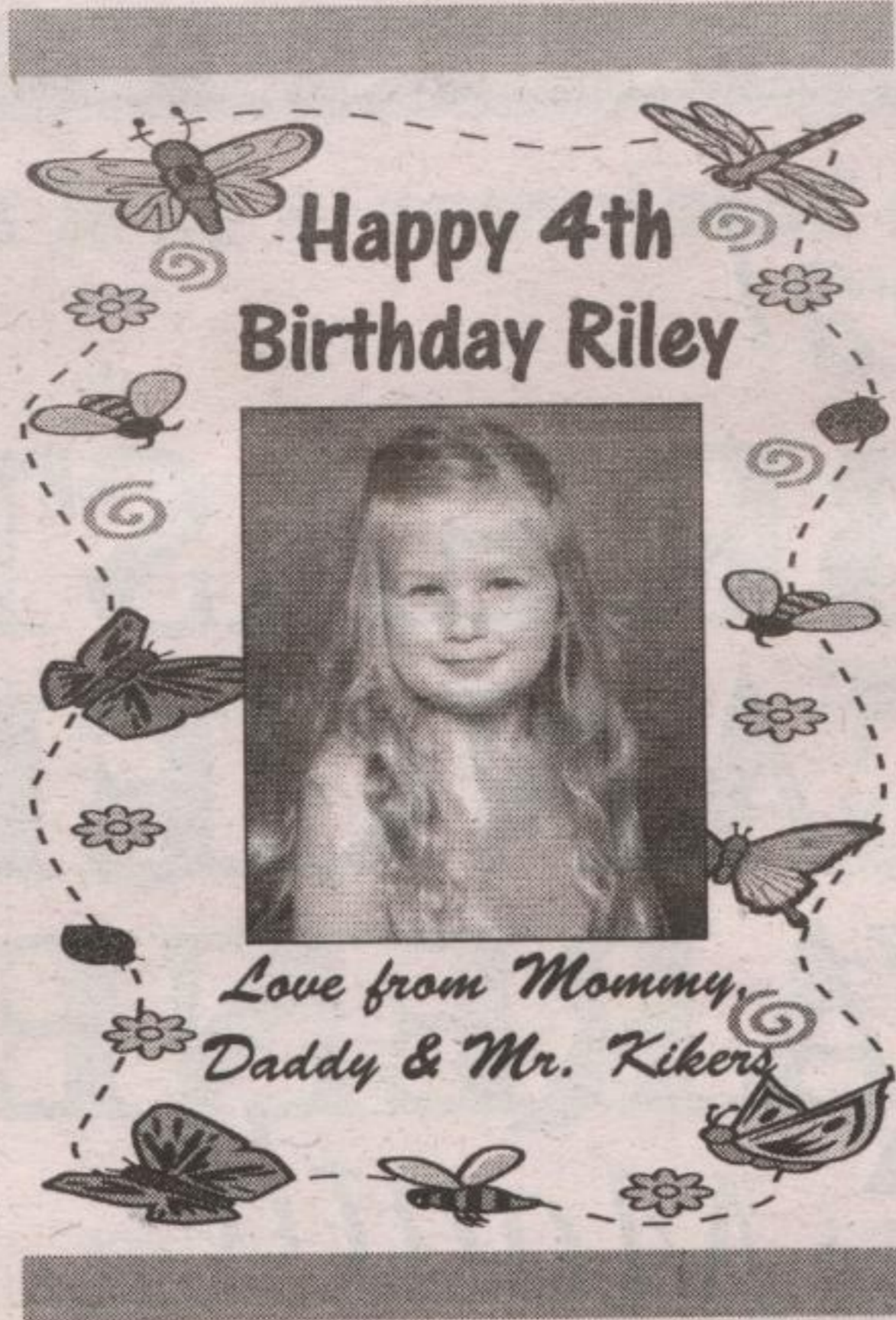
"He was my mentor," she said after court. "He wanted to help everybody. To Allen it was never 'me, me, me,' " she said.

Yesterday, Vryenhoek's mother invited friends who attended court to accompany her to the crash scene that she visits every week to tend her son's roadside memorial. She brought a small music box in the shape of a birthday cake that her five-year-old daughter Yvonne gave to her before she went to school so she could play it for her brother.

Vryenhoek was born in Guelph. He attended John Calvin Christian School and lived on Waverley Drive with his mother, a single parent, until she married Les Douglas and the family moved to Acton in 2000. Vryenhoek was on his way home from visiting a friend's trailer at Emerald Lake when he was killed.

He was an active member of the Beth-El Christian Reformed Church in Acton and planned to go to college to become a mechanic. He had earned his glider's licence through the cadets and was preparing to establish a cadet squadron to assist homeless youth in Erin.

-By Hilary Stead, special



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