

This stretch of Winston Churchill Boulevard, between 10 Sideroad and Steeles Avenue, could be a candidate for Worst Road in Photo by Ted Brown

Local roads among nominees for Worst Road in Ontario

Seven people have nominated sections of Winston Churchill Blvd. and one person has nominated the Third Line as being among the Worst Roads in Ontario.

The Municipal Roads Coalition— the Canadian Automobile Association, Canadian Taxpayers Federation, Ontario Motor Coach Association, Ontario Trucking Association, and Ontario Road Builders Association— have launched what they call "a shame campaign" designed to bring public pressure on governments to

improve road conditions.

Citizens are asked to go on-line, www.worstroads.ca, to nominate a road. The top 20 worst roads will be announced in November.

Here in Halton Hills, Third Line, between Five Sideroad and 15 Sideroad, has been nominated "because most of the time it's mud. Sections of Winston Churchill Blvd. have been nominated seven times.

One comment on a stretch between 10 Sideroad and Steeles Ave is "the entire section of this road looks like it has taken multiple bombing raids."

Town to spend \$2M over three years on roads

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Staff has been directed to prepare a report for the 2006 budget committee on road priority.

"One million dollars is aggressive, but it's an excellent opportunity," said the mayor in his bid for votes around the council table.

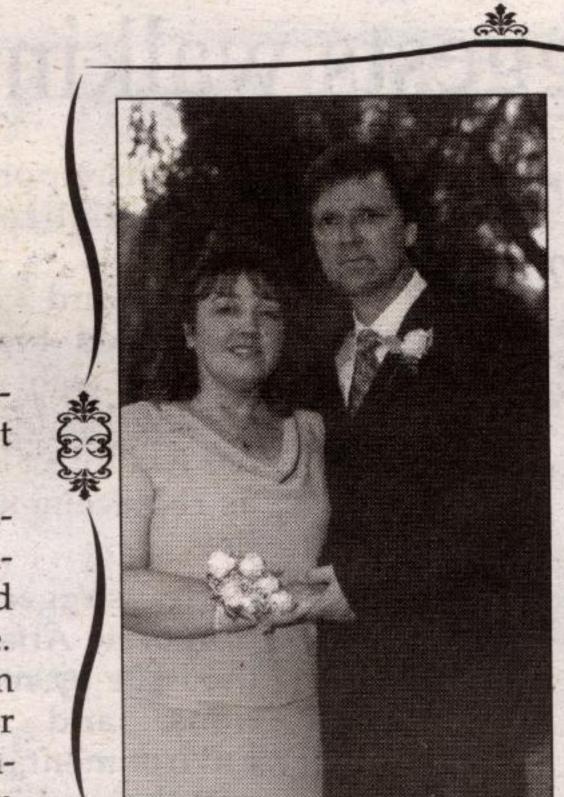
"The mayor's resolution is an extremely important one for Ward 2 residents," said the seconder, Ward 2 Councillor Joan Robson, adding roads have been the number one issue among her constituents since her election five years ago.

"My fellow councillors and myself have been called out in the late winter and early spring to witness the near devastation and disintegration of rural roads. In certain areas they were just not passable," she said.

In a recorded vote, only Ward 3 Councillor Mike Davis voted against the mayor's motion. Davis said he preferred staff do a report and make a recommendation to council.

"We (council) should not be earmarking this (\$1 million) to go to hard-topping of roads," he said. "It needs to be looked at from a global level."

—By Cynthia Gamble, staff writer



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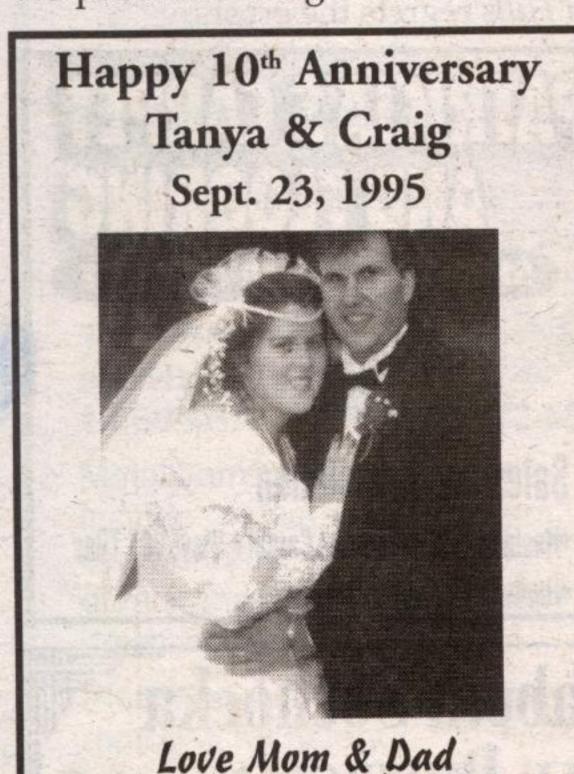
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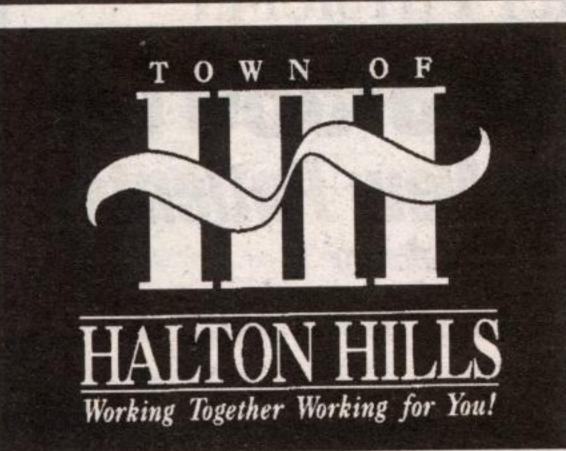
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