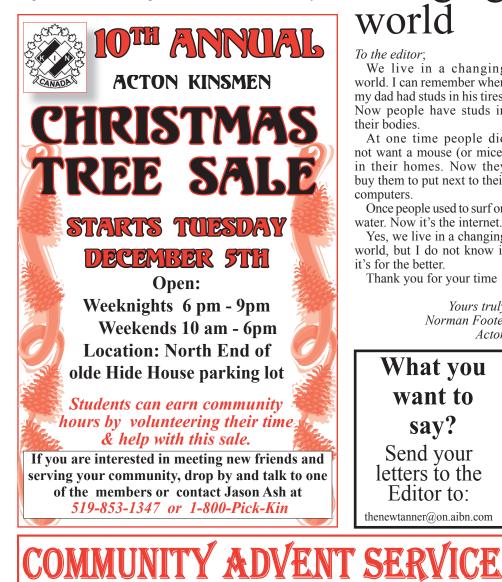
ouse fire in 'fort'

Acton firefighters used a portable water pack to extinguish a fire in a fort built in a stand of trees beyond a cornfield on the Fourth Line, north of Highway 7.

Fire fighters found the fort and a stone fire pit when they responded to a burn complaint call at 5:03 last Thursday.



Letters

It's a changing

To the editor:

We live in a changing world. I can remember when my dad had studs in his tires. Now people have studs in their bodies.

At one time people did not want a mouse (or mice) in their homes. Now they buy them to put next to their computers

Once people used to surf on water. Now it's the internet.

Yes, we live in a changing world, but I do not know if it's for the better.

Thank you for your time

Yours truly Norman Foote, Acton

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nong quits

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ciple for me, not, something on which I can or will compromise. Not now. Not ever," Chong said, adding he will be loyal to the party and the Prime Minister, but his first loyalty is to Canada.

When asked about Chong's resignation, Prime Minister Harper defended his motion, telling the House that the time has come for national reconciliation.

In an interview on Tuesday from Ottawa, Chong said recognizing the Quebecois as a nation, even within a united Canada, is based on ethnic nationalism that could divide the country

He said for the past five days he wrestled with his convictions, but on Monday morning, decided to "step aside and resign" rather than vote against the motion which cabinet members were told to support or risk being removed from caucus.

Chong said he did not consult with his local constituents, but did a lot of "soul searching.

Chong said he expressed his concerns to Harper on



two occasions and with staff on other occasions as well, and while he would not reveal their discussion, he said Harper was a "statesman, and was very gracious" about the resignation.

While some pundits say it was easier for Harper to lose Chong, instead of two or three of his 10 Quebec MPs who were in favour of Quebec as a nation within Canada, Chong said that's not the way that this should be seen.

"For me, politics is about compromise, it's about trying to achieve consensus, and you do that on a daily basis, but there are certain things on which one can not compromise and this is one of them."

Chong said he believes in one nation, undivided, called Canada, based on civic, not ethnic nationalism. His late parents, immigrants from Japan and Holland, fled ethnic nationalism to come to Canada, a country that treated all of its citizens equally.

He said the "English and French facts" of Canada are recognized through the official bilinguialism policies and multicultural policies that all groups in Canada will be recognized and celebrated.

Before being elected in June 2004, Chong was chief information officer for the NHL Players' Association,

And a technology consultant for redevelopment of Pearson International Airport.

In 1997, Chong co-founded the Dominion Institute, an organization committed to raising Canadians' awareness of history and civics.

With his resignation from Cabinet, Chong forfeits \$70,000 in salary, office staff and a chauffeur.

Renate Nap claims she was misquoted

An article in last week's (Nov. 23) New Tanner concerning the sale of BNR Towing to Rob Arsenault of Fred's Towing in Georgetown and the awarding of the CAA contract to an Orangeville firm contained quotes which Renate Nap claims she did not tell our reporter in a phone interview.

The article said the Naps were shocked at CAA's decision

to award the contract to a company so far away (Orangeville) "We weren't surprised though, with CAA it's all about the money not the customers," the article quoted Mrs. Nap who says she did not make that statement.

Mrs. Nap also said the assertion in the article that there is no CAA service in Georgetown was not true, the service exists.



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