

Dump fighters plan for garbage debate

The Tremaine-Britannia Group hopes to have about 75 people join their delegation when they attend a Garbage Fest sponsored by Carbage Coalition in Waterloo on Nov. 19.

Ontario Minister of the Environment George Kerr and environmental lawyer David Estrin are expected to attend the meeting and take part in panel discussions.

Representatives from government and private industry are expected to take part in the panel discussion and workshop as well.

Spokesperson for the group, Anne Katz said the whole day will be spent discussing resource recovery, landfill and waste management in general.

Interested citizen groups from across the province are expected to take part in the discussions. Mrs. Katz noted Mr. Kerr is back from a trip to Europe, where he had the opportunity to visit resource recovery plants. Mrs. Katz noted the minister has gone on record as saying Halton should take positive action towards resource recovery within a year.

Of the systems that have become known, the Tremaine-Britannia people feel the Dominion Bridge proposal is the best.

Group president Stuart McFadden said that proposal is the only one that can operate without a landfill site

as a backup. McFadden points out the plant has a three-day storing capacity in case of a breakdown.

The firm will offer to work on a joint ownership basis with the region. The plant is estimated to cost about \$18,000,000, McFadden explained.

The plant could be set up providing energy for refineries. "It could be a beautiful setup," he explained.

Both McFadden and Dave Katz will visit a Dominion Bridge plant in Montreal Friday, to tour the facility and learn about the operation.

Dominion Bridge is one of three proposals presented to regional councillors at a public meeting in Milton several weeks ago.

The Tremaine-Britannia Group has conducted a vigorous battle against plans to develop a massive landfill

site at the northwest intersection of Britannia Rd. and Tremaine Rd. in the southern part of Milton.

The conference on Nov. 19 will be held at Bluevale Collegiate Institute in Waterloo. The address is 80 Bluevale North.

To get there take Highway 8 north from Highway 401. Follow signs that say north to Highway 85, turn right on Bridgeport St. and then take another right on Bluevale.



DAMAGE TO A PIONEER CEMETERY a heartbreak.

\$1,700 damage

Trustees seek provincial assistance for cemetery

The provincial government has been contacted by trustee Reg Hewins in an effort to secure funds to repair an estimated \$1,700 in damage done to the Methodist cemetery in Mountsberg by vandals.

Mr. Hewins stated he was uncertain where the money would come from, if the government did not come to the aid of the cemetery.

"Several individuals have offered small donations if we do not receive help," stated Mr. Hewins. The vandals knocked down a heavy steel fence, then proceeded to topple approximately 60 monuments, according to Mr. Hewins. "It seems a pretty senseless thing to do. I just don't understand the reasoning of their thoughts," he said.

A trust fund was set up several years ago when the Mountsberg Methodist Church closed and was moved to a pioneer village in Rockton. However, the trust fund cannot be touched since the interest from the fund is needed for maintenance of the cemetery according to

Mr. Hewins. At the moment the trustees have approximately \$500 in the interest fund. Trustees have received an estimate of \$580 to put upright 30 large monuments, but the trustees are reluctant to use all their savings in "one blow," said Mr. Hewins.

Approximately \$1,200 would be needed to patch up broken monuments and erect all fallen stones. An additional \$500 would be required to inlay the stones in cement according to an estimate given by Jim Strain of Creative Memorials Ltd., of

Milton. Repairs to the wrecked cemetery could be put off until the spring stated the trustee for fear of frost, but he expects the 30 large monuments to be set up within the next two weeks.

Missed the messages

Dear Sir:

I read, with interest, an article entitled, "Nassagaweya Feels Shafted" in our paper of Nov. 2. It concerns or perhaps even disturbs me that while you reported the content of the speeches accurately, you missed two important messages conveyed firstly by the lack of attendance and secondly by a relatively new home owner attending the meeting.

As I understand it, there are in excess of 300 families in the Nassagaweya area. Of this total 25 attended the N.A.R.A. meeting (some of whom may have been husband and wife). This represents less than nine per cent of the total families in the area which in anyone's eyes does not suggest that the general feeling is one of BEING SHAFTED. On the contrary, the lack of attendance suggests to me that the

majority of residents in the township have "HAD IT GOOD" over the past years and have now accepted the fact that their "DAY OF RECKONING" is just around the corner. That is taxing on a market value basis.

An important point was raised by a relatively new homeowner which you missed when reporting. It appears that anyone in the township who owns a home built within the last five years is being OVER-TAXED. This is happening because these houses were assessed on the basis of a similar home in Milton, whereas older homes were assessed locally at a much lower value. This fact was stated at the meeting by Mayor Gordon.

To offset this assessment difference the tax levy for the township of Nassagaweya was raised in total to balance its tax with the remaining area. This means that the new homeowner is paying a double tax since his house is already assessed at a higher rate than the comparable house built more than five years ago.

Anyone in the new home category should be happy to accept taxation on a market value basis since this will mean that all will have to pay their fair share of administrative and service costs.


Is Nassagaweya being shafted? I believe it is, not by regional or other governments, but by those within the township who are presently not paying their fair share.

Yours truly,
W. C. Purchase,
R.R. 2, Rockwood.

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All about / People

During a town council meeting Monday, Councillor Gord Krantz expressed concern that Milton telephone subscribers did not automatically receive a copy of the new Burlington directory, which contains the "335" exchange numbers which were introduced this year in the Lowville and Kilbride areas.

Bell's area manager Bill Barnes was at the meeting, and he told of the predicament Bell was facing. If Bell sends out free directories to people who don't want them, Mother Bell gets accused of contributing to environmental pollution, he said. On the other hand, if someone wants that book and doesn't get one, they holler just as loudly.

Bill promises that anyone needing a Burlington directory can call the Bell business office and one will be sent out. But due to the damned-if-you-do-and-damned-if-you-don't philosophy, Bell won't send them automatically.

Church anniversaries provide an opportunity for many former residents to return and renew acquaintances with friends. On Sunday for the 125th anniversary of St. Paul's United Church, guests included former ministers' wives Mrs. J. L. Graham and Mrs. Helen Blair. Others were Mr. and Mrs. Ed. McKim of Ingersoll, Arthur and Laura Dixon of Elora, Mabel Williams of Toronto, Mary Hume of Burlington Jim Garter of Sarnia, Cora Lush of Toronto, Mrs. Marda Drake of Caledonia, Mrs. April Blanchard of Hannon, Mrs. and Mrs. Bill Switzer of Etobicoke, Jessie Mouser of Claresholm, Alberta, Eva and Mort Montgomery of Dwight, Mrs. Ernest Taylor of Guelph, Mr. and Mrs. Don MacKenzie of Guelph, Irene Harvey and Edith Dennis of Cambridge, Mrs. Robert Moffatt, Jean and Laura of Alma, Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Hayward of Oakville, Ruth and Stephen Gilmore of Port Credit, Kay and Harold Harbottle of Hamilton, Beasie Gemmell of Hamilton and Margaret Gemmell of AYR, Marjorie Ottman of Copetown, Ada, Norm and Beth Gropp of Kitchener.