

Mayoralty rematch

Four acclaimed

20 in Nov. 13 race for council, board

Miltonians heading to the municipal polls on Monday, Nov. 13 face almost a rematch of the 1976 election battle — with many of the same faces seeking the same seats in the 1978 battle of the ballots.

When the final nominations were posted on the board at town hall Monday afternoon, officials totalled up 24 people seeking the 15 open seats on Milton Council, Halton Board of Education and the Halton Separate School Board. Four

of them won acclamations, leaving a field of 20 in the race for the remaining 11 seats.

Just four of the candidates are newcomers to local election battles this year, all the rest had their names in

the last race. New faces seeking council seats include engineer Dave de Sylva, realtor Don McMillan (who was acclaimed to a Ward Three seat), and Terry Gibbons, a salesman seeking an urban seat. The lone newcomer in the education race is Tom Hill, a teacher in North York who is challenging incumbent Bill Lawson for the urban seat on the Halton board.

Acclamations went to incumbent Brad Clements, a five-year veteran and former Nassagaweya Township clerk and deputy-reeve Don McMillan in the rural Ward Three (Nassagaweya) council seat; to John M. Bradley, an 18-year veteran trustee who was unopposed for the separate school supporters' seat on Halton Board of Education; and to the town's representative on the separate school board, another veteran Angelo Tonelli.

McMillan will occupy the seat vacated by Councillor Russ Powadiuk, who retired this year.

Headlining the race is the two-way battle for the mayor's seat, featuring incumbent Don Gordon and his challenger, former mayor Anne MacArthur. She was reeve of Nassagaweya when it was merged with Milton in 1974 and led the new Milton Council through its first three years, before losing at the polls to Councillor Gordon two years ago. She went back on council this past summer, taking the place of Emmerson McCready who resigned

when he moved to Oakville.

Gordon served on Oakville Council for eight years, representing the rural northern ward, before his area was merged with Milton in 1974. He has a total of 13 years' council experience. Mrs. MacArthur served nine years on the township council, including several years as reeve and was Warden of Halton one year. She served three and a half years on Milton Council since the formation of regional government in 1974.

He is an accountant, she is a retired school teacher.

An interesting seven-way race shapes up for the four open urban seats on Milton Council this year. Incumbents Gordon Krantz and Rose Harrison are the only two returnees, as Mrs. MacArthur stepped up to run for mayor and Councillor Art Melanson is retiring. Challengers include first-time entrants Dave de Sylva and Terry Gibbons, and returning candidates Blanche Hinton, Gordon Cartwright and Don McColeman. The latter three were all beaten when 10 candidates sought the four seats last time around.

In Ward One (former North Oakville and North Burlington), incumbents Brian Penman (a teacher) and Richard Day (a lawyer) are being challenged by Howard Carney of Derry Rd., who unsuccessfully sought a Ward Three seat in the last election.

Regional seatholders Jim Kerr in urban Ward Two and

Jim Watson who represents combined rural Wards One and Three are both being challenged again this year. Watson's opposition is former NDP candidate William A. Johnson of Nassagaweya

while Kerr faces a challenge from Gus Goutouski. Watson and Kerr are both retired teachers now active in real estate, while Johnson is a stationary engineer and Goutouski is a real estate broker.

Winners of the regional seats sit on both Milton and Halton Councils. Watson has held Milton's rural regional seat for five years while Kerr was elected to regional council two years ago. Both have prior experience on local councils.

is challenged again by Neil Johnson of Drumquinn who ran against him two years ago.

John Bradley, the separate school representative of Milton and Halton Hills on the public board, was acclaimed when no-one challenged him, as was veteran trustee Angelo Tonelli of Milton who is the separate school board trustee for the town.

Clerk Campbell Thompson, chief returning officer for the Nov. 13 vote, reports advance polls will be held Saturday, Nov. 4 and Tuesday, Nov. 7.

The only meeting the candidates meet scheduled to date is a Chamber of Commerce and Halton Teachers' Federation meeting set for next Wednesday, Nov. 1 at the high school auditorium, at 8 p.m. More may be held later.

Meet candidates next Wednesday

Local voters will get a chance to see and hear the candidates in Milton's municipal election next Wednesday evening, Nov. 1 at an all-candidates' meeting in the high school gym.

The evening, to start at 8 p.m., is co-sponsored by Milton Chamber of Commerce and the Halton Teachers' Federation. All are welcome and admission is free.

Candidates for mayor, regional seats, local council and school boards are being invited to attend and speak. A question and answer period will follow.



WHO CAN RESIST playing in a pile of golden scrunchy autumn leaves? Brothers Bobby and Terry Craig of Oakville have a fling at Woodland Trails Camp on the escarpment.

20-year-old Milton man dies in crash

A 20-year-old Milton man died on the operation table at Milton District Hospital Saturday evening, a few hours after being hit by a car on Appleby Line.

David Ambrose Heaney, of 378 Ontario St. N. was northbound on Appleby Line, north of Derry Rd. on his motor-

cycle when the collision occurred with a southbound car driven by Gary Adrian Noble, 21, of Burlington.

According to Halton Regional Police, Mr. Noble lost control of his 1972 Oldsmobile on a curve in the road and slid sideways into the path of the motorcyclist.

Mr. Noble and his four passengers, also from Burlington, did not sustain any serious injuries. Damage to the Noble vehicle is estimated at \$1,000. The motorcycle was demolished. David Heaney was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Heaney of Milton. He is survived by his sister Monica, at home, and brothers Greg at home and Gary of Coniston.

Funeral service was held at Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church Tuesday morning. He was buried at Evergreen Cemetery in Milton.



HALTON REGIONAL POLICE DETECTIVES worked with plastic bags to recover the badly decomposed body of a child, found fully clad in a

wooded area of Chudleigh's Apple Farm on Highway 25. Three children hiking through the woods discovered the body on Sunday afternoon.

Discovered by hikers

Child's body found

By Linda Kirby

A Sunday afternoon family walk through the woods at the Chudleigh apple farm on Highway 25 turned into a horror story with the discovery of the badly decomposed body of a small child in the bush.

Eva Koselak of Malton and her two children Erica, 10, and John, nine, along with friend Brian Turner, six, were making their way through the bush area north of the apple farm entrance, when they came upon the body, lying

face down on a bank. Halton Regional Police detectives at this time have not made any identity of the body, nor confirmed the sex of the child. It is also unknown how long the body has been in the dense bush.

Clothing and a pair of shoes lying near the partially-clad body indicate it could be a girl, according to the children and their mother.

"She was even younger than Brian," said Mrs. Koselak, who was only a short distance away from the children when

they found the body. Despite the shock of the discovery, the children remained calm.

"I thought it was a rock with a sweater on top," said John who clambered up the bank and accidentally put his hand on the body.

It was the family's first trip out to the farm and they thought the woods might be a shortcut back to the road where their car was parked.

The small child was found within 200 feet of Highway 25.

Halton Regional Police arrived at the scene after Mrs. Koselak notified Milton OPP of their find.

For the rest of the afternoon and evening and the next morning, police worked with plastic bags, recovering the body and any evidence that might provide information on who the child was and how the body came to be at the popular apple farm.

Police expect some information within the next few days, after the police forensic laboratory in Toronto examines the body.

At the time of the discovery, Milton OPP were directing traffic in and out of the farm lane, as thousands of visitors paid a Sunday visit to the apple orchards.

Tom Chudleigh, owner of the farm, was busier than ever with sales but was not perturbed when he heard six cruisers were parked along the highway near his driveway, he recalls.

"I knew it was a busy day, but I thought someone had wrongly counted, when they said six cruisers were outside."

He learned the reason for the number of police, when a Halton Regional Police detective arrived on his doorstep Monday morning to tell him

about the discovery. "I'm still feeling shock waves about the whole thing," he stated.

Few people ever hike through that area, he said, because of the swampy conditions.

The last time he had visited the area was nearly five years ago, when he cleaned out the brush for firewood.

"There was never any reason for anyone to go in there," he continued.

An exception was made however, only two weeks ago, when a five-year-old Hamilton girl disappeared from a school group visiting the farm.

The girl was later found in a bus in Mississauga.

At the time of her disappearance, police and apple pickers had formed search teams and looked through the entire farm property.

"A crew did go into that area," confirmed Mr. Chudleigh, who added the search parties "combed every square inch of the farm."

"I don't know how you miss things like that," he said in amazement.

Clocks back this weekend
Milton and district revert to Standard Time this weekend. Clocks must be turned BACK one hour at 2 a.m. SUNDAY, Oct. 29 when the changeover officially takes place — or at bedtime Saturday night if you prefer. Then you'll get back that hour of sleep you lost when Daylight Saving Time began last spring!

If you can't remember whether clocks go forward or back, think of the old adage: "Spring forward, fall backward."

Region okays sale jail, court to Milton

Halton Regional Council agreed to offer the old Halton Jail and Court House to the town of Milton for \$80,000. The decision was made at council's meeting Wednesday, Oct. 18.

The only condition council made was that the buildings be kept for their historical significance.

Milton Mayor Don Gordon said if his council agrees to purchase the buildings, he

saw no objection to keeping the buildings for their historical significance.

However Milton Councillor James Watson disagreed, saying Milton should pay only \$1 if the region expects the town to maintain the buildings for their historical value.

While Watson felt \$80,000 was too much, several other regional councillors felt it was too low.

Burlington Councillor Ben Ciprietti said he thought \$80,000 was a bargain.

If the buildings were sold at market value, the price would be closer to \$400,000, he said.

The \$400,000 is based on the region's property agent Vince Geraghty's calculations.

Geraghty said the depreciated reproduction cost of the buildings plus the value of the land on which they are located, would be approximately \$400,000.

Ciprietti said the \$80,000 doesn't reflect fair market value.

Oakville Councillor Carl Eriksen said the \$80,000 means the buildings are "a free gift to the Town of Milton."

Councillor Laurie Mannell of Oakville disagreed, saying the \$80,000 is a "fair" price so long as the buildings are kept for their historical significance.

Eriksen replied the region should get as much as it can for the buildings, in order to

help defray the cost of the region's new headquarters building.

"Milton is getting a bargain," he said. "We shouldn't overcharge but we shouldn't give it away."

He favored sending the matter back to the administration department to put a more realistic price tag on the properties.

Burlington Councillor David Coons said he assumed the buildings were being sold for \$80,000 because the matter had been discussed between regional and Milton authorities. Otherwise the \$80,000 is "so much talk."

He was informed a group of seven businessmen had been interested in purchasing the jail-court house complex with the idea of turning it into a commercial venture. One of the ventures would be a restaurant.

However, the businessmen couldn't afford a \$100,000 price tag, let alone the \$400,000 which Geraghty felt it was worth if used for commercial purposes.

The area in which the buildings are located is now zoned institutional.

Mayor Gordon informed council the new official plan for Milton would designate the area low density residential and it would be zoned R-3.

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