

Entertainment



MILTON'S NEWEST BARTENDERS pour a draught for a customer at The Dickens, the British-style pub that opened last week in Milton. Co-owners John Kane

and Gary Craddock pour a Double Diamond, an imported British beer. The pub also serves meals and specializes in British and Canadian cuisine.

By George! It's The Dickens

"Milton needed something different, and that's why we did it," says Gary Craddock, part-owner of Milton's newest business venture, The Dickens.

The Dickens is a British-style pub which opened last week, in the renovated building at 189 Mill St. which used to be a laundromat, and before that a tire shop.

Located on Mill St., the

pub features an interior decor patterned on pubs in Britain.

John Kane, Mr. Craddock's partner, said the two of them designed the pub.

Mr. Craddock is in the construction business, and Mr. Kane has designed similar pubs in Ontario and Hawaii.

"We decided to form a partnership," said Mr. Craddock.

Mr. Kane said the two had done some research before deciding to build.

"I was talking to several people here (in Milton). They all said Milton needed something different, someplace where they could go and not do the same things."

"We went to each restaurant in town and studied what was happening in each."

"We also studied

Milton's ethnic background and make-up. We came to the conclusion it would probably do well."

"We think Milton will be a really great town in a few years. We like to think we're the start of the downtown redevelopment," he said.

Mr. Kane also said the town was helpful to the two of them in getting started.

Mr. Craddock said the

idea of building the pub was not a new one.

"We had the idea of a British pub about a year ago. We investigated places where we could build and decided on this place in May," he said.

Mr. Craddock said the pub represents "an investment of about half a million dollars."

The decor is Victorian, and was the genesis of the pub's name.

"We had to have something indicative of the era."

"We threw a couple of names around, and we hit on Charles Dickens because he was of that era," said Mr. Kane.

The pub has four British beers on draught:

Double Diamond; John Courage; Whitbread Tankard; and Murphy's Stout.

As well, there are two domestic draught beers, and domestic and imported bottled beers.

The pub also serves food, and has British and Canadian cuisine. Among the items on the menu are roast beef and Yorkshire pudding; steak and kidney pie; and fish and chips.

The chef is Ken Saunders, the Manager is Craig Davidson and the assistant manager is Ann Kane.

The pub will be open from noon to 1 a.m. Monday through Saturday, and on Sunday from noon to 10 p.m.

Home approval to be appealed

Poor planning, not the potential for ecological damage, is the reason why the Regional Planning Committee is appealing a Halton Land Division Committee (LDC) decision to allow a home to be built near Rattlesnake Point.

An Ontario Municipal Board hearing will likely be called to hear the appeal.

The LDC decision would permit severance of a one-acre parcel of land on No. 12 Sideroad from an 18.8 acre parcel.

The land is owned by Gord Hasselfeldt of Milton and is located just east of Walker's Line, north of Derby Rd. Mr. Hasselfeldt wants to build a house on the severed land.

The regional committee voted to object to the severance because it is contrary to the regional plan.

Rashid Mohammed, regional planner, said: "the regional plan encourages rural non-farm dwellings to locate in recognized hamlets, rural clusters, or in rural estate subdivisions."

"This proposal satisfied none of these conditions," Jan Watkins, a neighboring resident, told the committee she was opposed to the severance because she said it would "eventually contaminate the ground water", and it would lead to the "continued fragmentation of the area around Rattlesnake Point."

Of more immediate concern to the committee members, however, was the apparent attitude of the LDC to regional objections.

Expect seal fund to pass \$100,000

C. L. McFadden, chairman of the Halton Lung Association's Christmas Seal Campaign, expects this year's drive to crack the \$100,000 barrier.

At the Association's recent board meeting, McFadden said the 1979 Christmas Seal receipts would probably exceed \$100,000 in light of the \$99,308.30 collected by Jan. 10.

"There are still about \$8,000 from former contributors still to be heard from."

"It is unrealistic to believe that we will hear from them all, but hopefully we will hear from enough of them to put us comfortably over \$100,000."

A press release issued by the Halton Lung Assoc. noted that last year's receipts totalled slightly over \$96,000.

MOVIE DATE



WITH CHRISTI CHADLEY

Halton against lax dope laws

Halton Board of Education wants no relaxation of laws regarding marijuana.

Trustees backed Norfolk Board of Education Thursday in opposing "any legislative changes leading to legalization or decriminalization of possession of cannabis."

All That Jazz

All That Jazz is a black-comic musical based on award-winning director (this list includes Oscar Tony Emmy) Bob Fosse's life.

Apart from directing All That Jazz, one of Fosse's best known works is Cabaret, although All That Jazz is not in the same league. It seems that in All That Jazz, Fosse had trouble transmitting his genius, probably because of his proximity to the subject.

However, All That Jazz does have brilliant choreography and dancing sequences attributable to Fosse and Ann Reinking (playing the hero's mistress Katie) and Leland Palmer (playing the hero's wife Audrey).

The principal male parts are ably filled by Ben Vereen and Cliff Gorman, with a goateed Roy Scheider starring as Joe Gideon, Fosse's character.

In All That Jazz, Death is personified, dressed in white, and played by Jessica Lenge. Gideon holds long conversations with this being, in an attempt to explain his art and his life.

Laden with fantasy production numbers that are brilliant but harrowing (shots of open heart surgery) but lengthy, Fosse ends up delivering show-biz clichés that leave the audience not caring about this, his soul-bearing.

Rating—Admittance Restricted to Persons Eighteen Years of Age or Older.

LAND STUDY

Regional council has approved a \$13,700 expenditure to hire a consulting firm to prepare a report on Milton's Amendment No. 7.

The amendment deals with the implementation of a proposed industrial park.

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