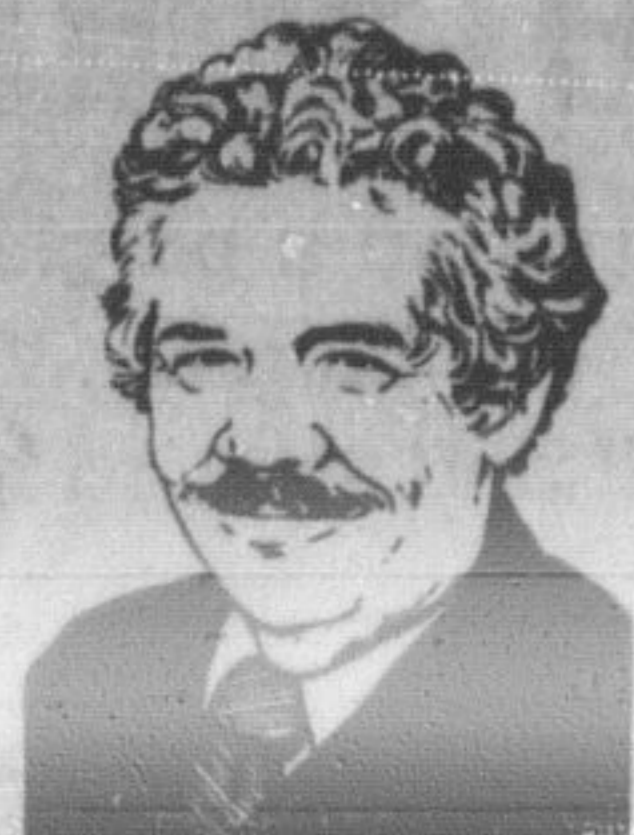


Between
the
Willows



Reader redress

By DON BYERS

Champion Resident Columnist

"Your driveway," said the voice on the phone, "has become bloody boring. And the same goes for your stupid Guru. Why don't you get off on something different?"

Right, why don't I? In the remote country of Whatsabout, there once lived a man obsessed by the fatal desire to please everyone.

He had survived more than half a century without ever realizing he was attempting the impossible. Even stranger, he was often accused, by those most close to him, of never considering the well-being of anyone but himself.

Think about being between a rock and a hard place, and you'll understand where the subject of this piece found himself.

Considering the bitchy phone call, he looked at it this way: Just about everybody, from time to time, has an icy driveway they cannot negotiate. Allegorically, that is.

It's called frustration—and there's a lot of it going around these days.

As for the Guru, he thought, they are prevalent, too. Sure, they come in different disguises—politicians, doctors, lawyers, ministers, rabbis, priests, union leaders, corporate brass, journalists—oh, and yes, broadcasters and columnists. They opine and we whine.

What is it all about? he thought, feeling like a faded page from a 1952 Readers Digest. And, almost before that sentence had a chance to land on the page, it was rear-ended by "Who the hell cares?"

He did. Oh yes. He was concerned deeply with what was happening in the country of his birth, Whatsabout.

It's true he could not understand it. Like many others, he had become the unsuspecting victim of a system he had risked his life to protect, years before he was old enough to vote. And, he had known many who had paid the full, final price.

Hard as he tried, he couldn't seem to get his head around what had gone wrong. And it bothered him a whole bunch.

"All the world's a stage," Shakespeare had written. "And all the men and women merely players." Oh yes, William knew all about icy driveways—although he never had to drive on one.

The answer to the mystery is, probably, that there is no answer at all.

In our modern world of technology we have come to believe that there is a finite answer to everything. Wrong.

We seem to have made progress in every possible area except those tender relationships that, in the end, matter most of all.

Pity. Only in Canada? No. With deep regret, he thought, perhaps, we will never take the time or care enough to find out.

And, that, friends is a towering shame.

Our Readers Write

Duke comes home

Dear Editor:

Last Wednesday night we lost our dog. Our dog is getting old and is blind and partially deaf. We keep him inside most of the time during the winter, but our backyard is completely fenced in and this is where he stays when outside.

Somehow he got out the gate around 8 p.m. on one of the coldest nights of the year. We spent several hours walking and driving around our area but were unable to find him. Thursday morning we called J.M. Denyes and asked if they would announce our lost dog on their P.A. system which they did. We also contacted the animal control officer, talked to neighbours, the postman and kept looking. Later in the day we contacted CFRB and CING radio stations and several

Milton CBers.

Friday morning, after another very cold night and still no sign of Duke we phoned the Champion office to see if anyone had reported a lost dog but no such luck. However Friday afternoon a Mrs. C. Thompson noticed a dog walking around in circles and bumping into the snowbanks in front of her house. She mentioned it to her son who had heard the announcement at J.M. Denyes and realized it was the same dog.

Duke is back home and in great shape and we want to sincerely and gratefully thank everyone who helped to get him back.

Sincerely,
The Adams Family

Ode to Glen Eden

Dear Editor:

As a follow up to your spread on Glen Eden Ski area, I wonder if you would be interested in the 'filler' item of our experience of skiing at Glen Eden, I enclose a SAE.

Yours Sincerely,
Mrs. C. Barlow

The sun had long since taken its cold, clear, winter glitter ever westward. In its place floodlights

illuminated the piste below us leaving the trees in dark obscurity. At the top of the run the only sounds were the whirr of the T-bar wheel and the rhythmic clatter as skiers, two by two, leave their magic carpet.

We four, muffled from toque to boot against the painful cold, moved forward and in uncertain formation descended the hill. A gentle hill ineptly skied but in that moment lay, for this family a pinnacle of skiing—our first Canadian winter.

Wetland grant

The Province has granted the Halton Region Conservation Authority nearly \$22,000 for the purchase of two properties at the northern end of Bronte Creek.

The grant, which totals \$21,952, was announced last week by Alan Pope, minister of natural resources. Estimated total cost of the project is \$40,000.

The properties, which cover 55 acres altogether, are situated in Puslinch Township, several miles north of Milton, upstream from the Mountsberg Reservoir.

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CAS plan offers relief for retarded

Parents who need help, but don't want to put their mentally handicapped children in institutions, may find some relief in a new program being planned by the Halton Children's Aid Society.

The CAS is arranging a foster care plan for retarded children as a response to a growing number of requests for some form of alternative care.

Ron Coupland, executive director of the CAS, told board members last week that the initial program would be offered in a home the society owns in Oakville.

That facility would accommodate three children under the care of specially trained foster parents.

An additional three homes would be located throughout the region, where one child each would be placed.

A CAS press release says the program will be operated in conjunction with Oaklands Regional Centre, a provincial home for the mentally retarded in Oakville.

"The children placed in this program will not be in need of protection under the Child Welfare Act or be wards of the CAS, although the program will be run by the society to complement the existing foster care program," the release stated.

Mr. Coupland told board members that the former group home to be used for the pilot project has a capacity for seven children, so there will be room for natural children of the foster parents in addition to the children placed in the home.

Mr. Coupland added that 100 per cent of the cost of the program would be funded by the Provincial Ministry of Community and Social Services.

The CAS Press release listed several advantages for the children to this type of arrangement.

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Elect chairman

Members of ad hoc committee of the Halton Board of Education will elect future chairmen rather than naming the first person on the committee's member list, as was formerly the practice.

All committee members are named by the chairman of the board in alphabetical order, making the first one on the list the chairman of that committee.

Trustees such as Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Bullock, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Bruce and Mr. Crosier would be named chairman of several committees under the former arrangement.

Milton trustee Ivan Armstrong, proposed the amendment to change the board's by-law because the old method meant the trustees with surnames starting with letters at the beginning of the alphabet were consistently named chairmen.

AROUND THE HOUSE
with Bill McDonald

Delicate bone china cups that are badly stained can be restored with a solution of hot water and denture cleanser. Use directions on box for dilute proportions.

If self-stick weatherstripping tape won't adhere to window or door molding, try using a hair dryer to warm both strips and molding first. It should work.

Short on storage space? Consider keeping out-of-season clothing in stored luggage that is only used for summer vacations.

A savings of nearly 40% in heating bills results from dropping hot water temperature to 120 degrees from the usual 180 degrees. However, if you have an automatic dishwasher, reducing it to 140 degrees will still produce a 20% savings.

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PROCLAMATION

FOSTER FAMILY WEEK

FEBRUARY 1-6, 1982

The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Milton, hereby resolves that February 1-6, 1982, shall be observed as FOSTER FAMILY WEEK in the Town of Milton.

In compliance with the aforesaid, we hereby proclaim February 1-6, 1982, as FOSTER FAMILY WEEK. Let this week serve to strengthen the awareness of the community around the positive attributes and contributions of fostering and to thank the local volunteers who have come forth over the years in the best spirit of community assistance and in support of the values of the family.

We urge everyone to join in the recognition and celebration of this week.

MAYOR G.A. Krantz
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