

Between the Willows



Hit and run time

By DON BYERS
Champion Resident Columnist

This is a catch-up column in which I'll be covering a number of different topics while answering some of your questions.

To the gentleman who enquired about the disposition of my vine: I have finally stripped most of the testy tentacles off the house. Some still cling to the upper reaches of the chimneys, but I'll get to them with the ladder I borrowed from my neighbor Brian.

My recent assault on the cursed Boston Ivy was necessary because I am in the midst of painting the house. This means endless scraping to remove the pesky prints left by the voracious vine before I can get on with the job.

Of course, I'm not about to delude myself into thinking that I have vanquished the creeping menace. We all know, deep in our hearts, that it will be back with a vengeance next spring.

Another reader expressed curiosity about my nemesis the Guru of Mount Nemo.

I haven't seen or heard from the old buzzard for months. He's probably been busy working on the novel he threatened to write.

Before the snow flies (shudder, shudder) I plan to visit the Guru's cave.

Should I again survive that experience I will give you a detailed account.

To the lady who kindly enquired about Matsu, the fluffy, red Chow we were dog-sitting for the summer, he's alive and well and living with his owners in Hamilton. And yes, we do miss him.

In response to the gentleman who wants to know whether or not I'm going to have another go at making crab-apple wine, the answer is "no."

The tree is heavy with fruit again but this time we're going for crab-apple jelly. From this you may accurately conclude that my wine making was something less than a huge success. (Although I may have discovered a most effective laxative in the process.)

I wonder how many wives out there are quietly rejoicing upon hearing the news that the professional football players in the United States have trotted out on strike. Some of you ladies may actually get a shot at your favorite Monday night television program for a change—or maybe even have a conversation with the old boy.

And finally: Yes, I have returned to Conestoga College, where I conduct a creative writing course, one day a week. I've begun year seven in good ole Portable 7.

The young ladies and gentlemen have already completed their first assignments and it's a pleasure to see their latent talent beginning to be expressed.

Well, that about does it for now. I hope I've answered some of your questions. Keep those cards and letters coming.

Our Readers Write

Chamber says thanks

Dear Editor:
An open letter to Milton Merchants.

On behalf of the Milton Chamber of Commerce, I wish to thank all the Milton merchants and businesses that entered our "Old Fashioned Days" display contest. Their enthusiasm and community spirit is deeply appreciated. This is what makes Milton a special place in which to work, live and do business.

The following stores are to be especially commended as they entered two categories; the Bank of Nova Scotia, interior and costume display and Harris Stationery, window display and costumes.

Stores entering the window display showed great originality as each was quite different. They were the following: Audrey Meredith Dancewear Centre, first place; Clements and Noble Insurance,

Thanks, but . . .

Dear Editor:
Thank you for your editorial "Legion serves as well" and article page 11 "Few still Remember" of September 24th, 1982. As membership chairman of Branch 136, Milton I would like to correct a serious error.

There are six life members, veterans of World War I, 214, veterans of

second place; Twin Trains, honorable mention; Harris Stationery; House of Spectacles; Anderson's Barbershop; Knights Men's Wear; Man's World Hair-stylists; Milton Music; The Nutmeg; and Peggy's of Milton.

The contestants in the costume category were The Bank of Nova Scotia, first place; Harris Stationery and Delacourt's.

The Milton Chamber of Commerce is looking forward to 1983 Old Fashioned Days and hopefully even more of Milton's business community will join in the fun and excitement by assisting Steam-Era to turn back the clock to the 1900s for a week.

Yours truly,
Linda B. Mullin
President,
Milton Chamber of Commerce

World Wars 1 and 2 and Korean war, 133 Associates, five Honorary and 71 Fraternal Members making a total of 429 Members, so Veterans are 54 per cent of the membership not 10 per cent as quoted.

Sincerely,
Erica Duncan,
Membership Chairman.

Our Steve doing well

Dear Editor:
Hi, my name is Steve Davies and in a July edition 1982 of The Champion you printed an article about my exchange trip with the Canada World Youth organization to New Brunswick and then Bolivia. I am, right now, almost finished the first part of the program in New Brunswick and am doing fine. I thought you might be interested in how things were going.

I am living and working on a dairy farm in the Acadian part of the province near Bathurst. I am living with my counterpart from Bolivia, 22-year-old Francisco Cordoba, who works on a government run agricultural co-operative in the tropical lowlands of Bolivia. We are both working hard on the farm here and, although the work is hard physically, we are both learning much about agriculture. For Francisco, the experience is a great one as he is amazed at some of the North American technology and conveniences.

More importantly, we are both learning much about people. Our exchange group here in Bathurst consist of seven Canadians and seven Bolivians, and having lived in southern Ontario for most of my life it is a great feeling to have friends ranging from Newfoundland to Vancouver to Bolivia! Communication is a barrier which is slowly being overcome. Francisco and I can now carry on conversations using a unique dialect of bad French, bad English, bad Spanish and sign language.

This region of New Brunswick is also very interesting to live in for awhile, although I really miss my home area. Here the people are Acadian and very very proud of it. I have seen here a loyalty and proudest of their heritage unheard of in Milton. The people speak Acadian French, and listen to Acadian music etc. Whereas teenagers from Milton are likely to go to a rock concert, teenagers here attend Acadian music festivals, featuring a countrylike music. The people also live, generally, more simply.

When we travel to Bolivia I will be going to live in a region called Sepencho. It is a community based on government-subsidized co-operatives.

The community is in the tropical areas of Bolivia and was just built within the past 20 years. They grow there bananas, oranges, rice, cocoa, coffee etc. for markets in LePas. Very little is exported. I will be living with Francisco's family and the fact that they live about 20 miles on the other side of a river, which will get washed out during the rainy season (occurs while I'm there) from the rest of the group means I will be probably isolated from other Canadians for two months. Oh well, a great chance to learn.

I am eagerly waiting for our trip to LePas but I also look forward to Jan. 9th when I will return to the Milton area.

Sincerely
Steve Davies

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September 27, 1982

AN OPEN LETTER

Mr. Hugh McCullum, Editor
The United Church Observer

Dear Mr. McCullum:
I note that you are scheduled to visit our fair town a week from Sunday to deliver an address at 9:30 A.M. on "the Church in the 80's".

As you will recall, I wrote you on May 17 as a fellow-Christian and a fellow-Canadian, in response to the vicious attack you published in the May issue of the Observer, upon a courageous human rights advocate, (a defender of the most basic of human rights - the right to be born), and in the face of a flood-tide of permissiveness, a champion in the crusade for faith, family and freedom.

I refer to the Page One feature by Barb Janes, in which that noble Christian humanitarian, Dr. Jerry Falwell, was identified as "nefarious" and "a shyster" and his friends as "a gang of thugs".

Had such terms been used to describe a homosexual alderman candidate, the magazine publishing such a diatribe against a fellow human being would have been charged with publishing "hate literature".

I asked you then and repeated the request in a subsequent letter on June 1, for the appropriate Christian response which would have involved:

1. publishing an apology to Dr. Falwell and friends from Barb Janes and from the Editor of the Observer;
2. providing equal space in the Observer for an article correcting the gross misrepresentations contained in Barb Janes piece, (based as it was on Penthouse research), of Dr. Falwell's Christian character and humanitarian commitments.

As a friend of Dr. Falwell and host of an inter-denominational crusade committee which is bringing Dr. Falwell to Canada for 2 rallies this Fall, I continue to await a response from you which is appropriately Christian and/or Canadian.

Sincerely,

Ken Campbell
Executive Director
"to rouse the Church, to lead the Nation, to find its soul!"

United Way on TV

Halton Cable will feature a Milton United Way report next week on Tuesday October 5th, at 7 p.m., Wednesday Oct. 6th at 8 p.m. and Thursday Oct. 7th at 6 p.m.

The report is an update on the progress of the 1982 campaign and includes the United Way film "Looking out for Number 1" with Don Harron.

The report will be updated each week as the campaign aims for its goal of \$119,000 for 1982.

Open house for local firemen

You're invited to tour the newest fire station in Milton during Fire Prevention Week beginning Monday, Oct. 4.

One of the attractions will be a tape of a recent That's Life television program which featured local fire fighters in a seven minute segment.

Station three on Derry Rd. will be open to the public for tours Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursday evening from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Literature and films covering fire prevention will be part of the open house as well as demonstrations of equipment.

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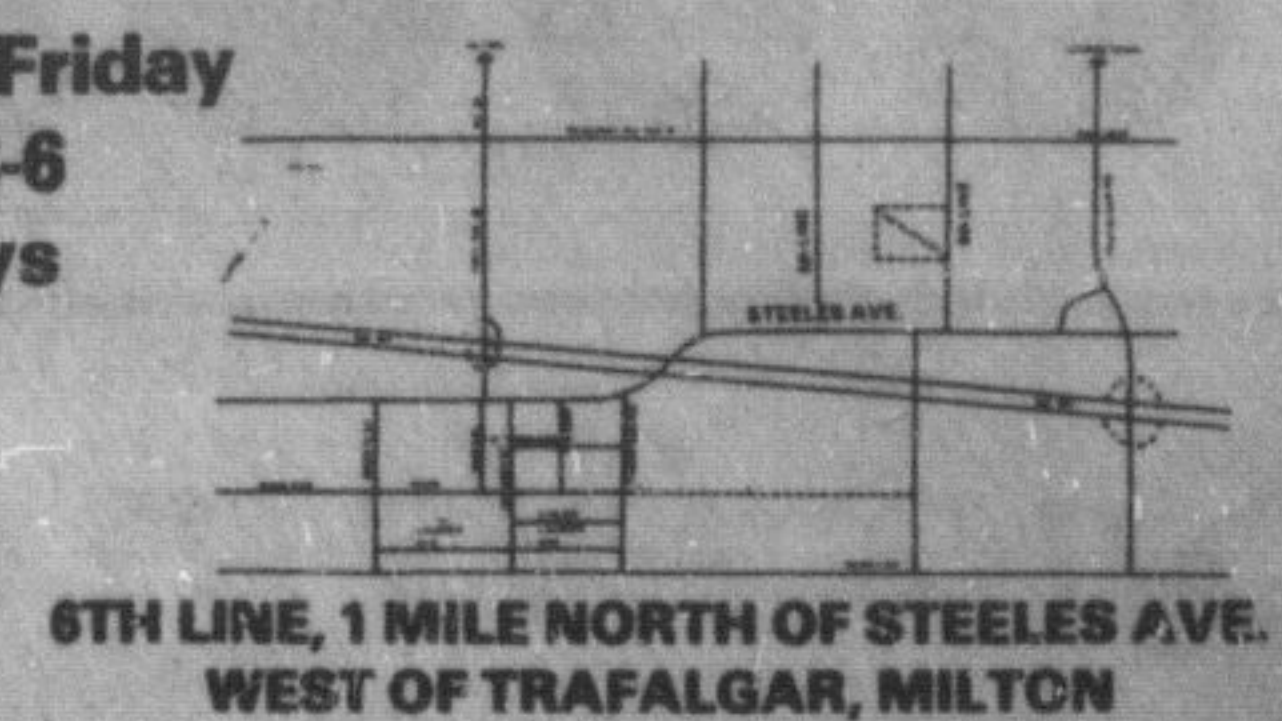
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AROUND THE HOUSE
with Bill McDonald

When buying clothes—especially for children—it pays to look for cold water-wash garments that require no ironing. You'll save hot water, electricity, and your time and energy.

Both milk and water leave difficult-to-remove spots on stainless steel flatware. Rinse milk off immediately and prevent water spotting by towel-drying utensils after they are washed.

Before hanging a group of pictures on a wall, spread a large sheet of brown paper on the floor below and arrange pictures up - it outlines their shapes neatly, tape up bottom and neck, rest easily while nails should go.

Heat nails in hot water before driving them into a plaster wall and you'll be amazed at how smoothly they enter, leaving no chips or cracks.

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