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THE CANADIAN CHAMPION

Homemaking editorial right on

Dear Editor:

Your editorial of January 6 — 'Our elderly deserve to be treated better' - has, I am sure, struck many responsive chords throughout this community. Congratulations on the accuracy of your assessment and thank you for your advocacy on behalf of our elderly citizens, who need the services provided through home health care services to maintain their independence and continue to enjoy the familiar surroundings of their own homes.

I also appreciate your support of the homemaking personnel, who benefit their clients in ways that cannot be measured in terms of hours, dollars and cents.

You might be interested in knowing that home care in conjunction with the Halton Regional Health Department is contemplat-

ing adopting the U.S.- based program P.A.C.E., which basically involves daily transportation of the elderly and frail to and from a central location, where personal care and meals are provided.

Considering the number of seniors who live alone with family not available, has any consideration been given to the problem of preparing these folk for the daily rides in all kinds of weather? Is there a comfortable facility for a nap at this location? What about the rural community? I really think that Halton is the place for such a program. This might work in an acute situation in a highdensity population centre.

Let's hope that the young people who are now planning our elder care take a second look at what they are about to implement in the interest of economy.

Audrey Cairns Milton

Thanks for the help, businesses

Dear Editor:

The Heart Health and Cancer Prevention Program of the Halton Regional Health Department recently held a campaign to encourage women over the age of 50 to talk to their doctors about having a mammogram.

We would like to thank the following businesses and workplaces for their participation and support of this initiative: Cleo/Ricki's, Green Ginger, Heady's Haircutting, Jo'Leen's, salon Group, Total Skin and Body Care Clinic, Karmax Heavy Stamping.

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Dear Editor:

The Domus Foundation, located at 551 Commercial Street in Milton, is a private non-profit organization which consists of 110 three and four-bedroom townhomes. Our mandate is to provide affordable family housing.

There seems to be a misconception in the Milton area that these homes are 'Ontario Housing' and that anyone who lives there must be receiving government assistance (i.e. welfare). The board of directors would like to clarify this.

Domus does receive some subsidy income from the federal government. The organization has been in business for approximately 20 years. Of the 110 families on our site, there are some who do require assistance in the form of a rent subsidy. The balance of our residents are families who pay the full market value rent. This rental amount is set by the federal government based on the rents for similar homes in the area.

The board is constantly upgrading the units themselves, both interior and exterior, to blend with similar housing in the area. We are proud of our property.

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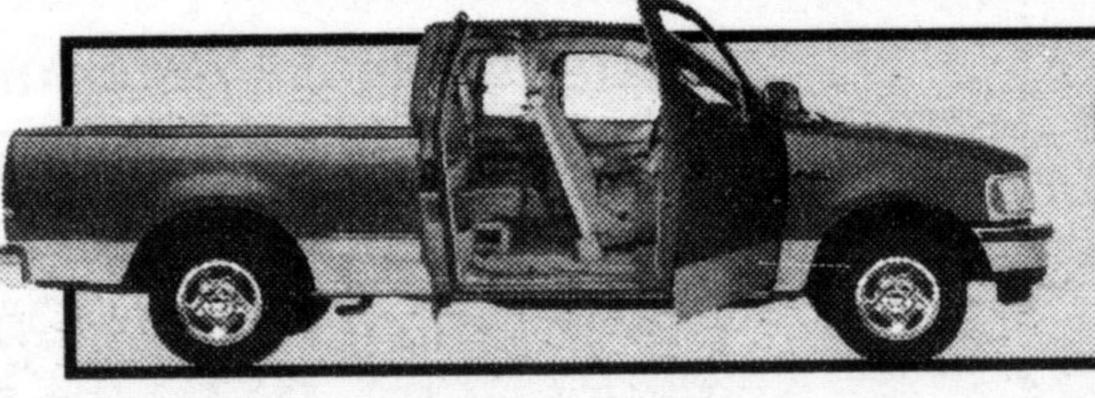
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