

Gevaert has lowest attendance, but second highest pay

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time the committee met.

Committee members Councillors John Challinor and Brian Penman also attended all meetings, with Councillor Ron Furik missing one and Councillor Wally Hunter missing two.

Out of 25 council meetings held last year, Mr. Gevaert attended 15, most of them before August.

In contrast, Mr. Penman and Mr. Lee had perfect attendance at council meetings.

All other councillors clocked in between 20 and 24 meetings for the year.

Mr. Gevaert won't be winning any gold stars for 1999 attendance, either.

Since the start of the year, Mr. Gevaert has turned up at just two out of nine council and

committee meetings.

Despite this, he's the second highest paid Milton councillor, taking home \$14,611 in salary and expenses.

Though some councillors, such as Mr. Hunter, Mr. Challinor and Mr. Malboeuf, have taken voluntary pay cuts since last year, Mr. Gevaert is still collecting a full pay.

Only Mr. Furik took home more money in 1998, pocketing \$14,818 for his work as a councillor.

Mr. Gevaert, who promptly returned a call from The Champion on the matter, said he's not ready to vacate his place at council.

"Yes, I still want to represent the people of Nassagaweya," he said.

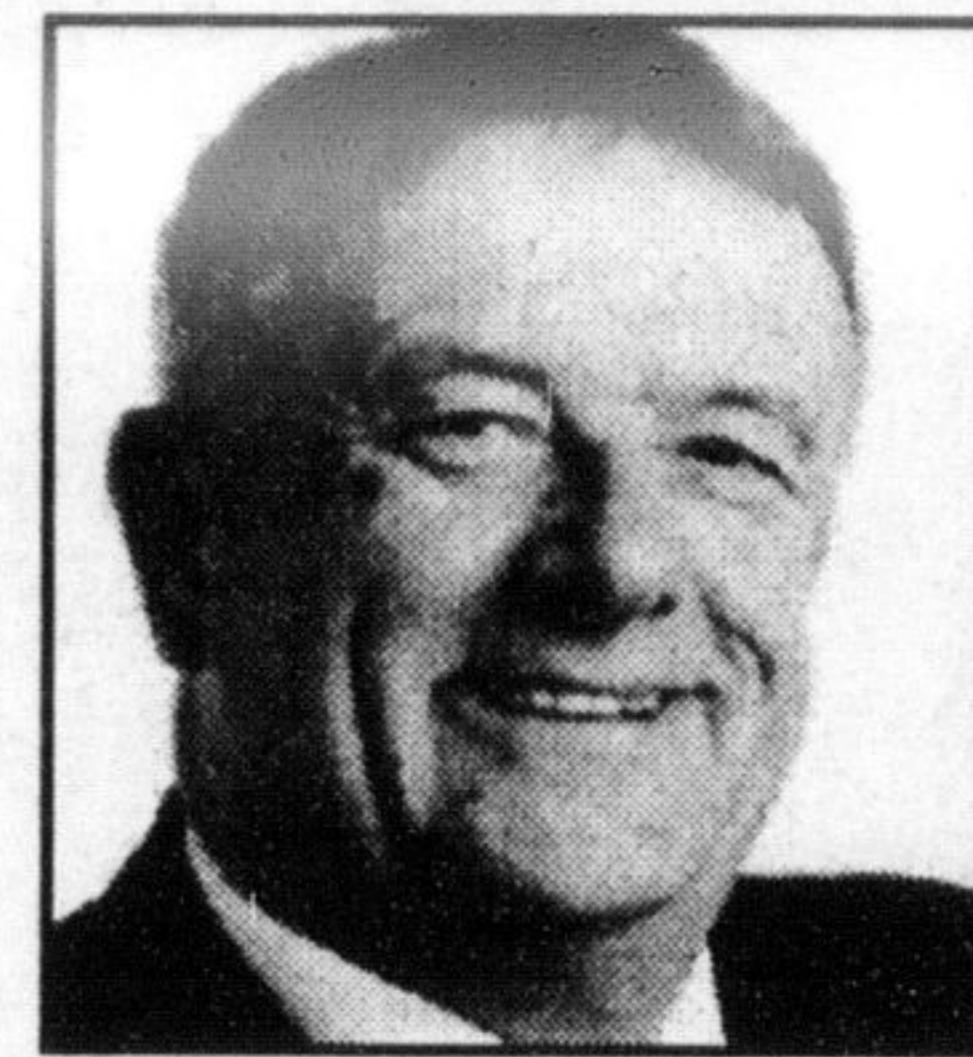
Mr. Gevaert said he keeps up by keeping in

regular contact with Town Clerk Helen Lisi.

Despite the lengthy list of no-shows, Mr. Gevaert said he has not been taken to task by any of his constituents.

"I'm not aware of any complaints. There may be some but I'm not aware of it," he said.

That doesn't mean conditions have been ideal for Ward 3 residents, he said. "The fact that I'm here doesn't allow me to serve the constituency the way I'd like to. I'm already looking at how I'd serve better by being there more often."



Lieven Gevaert

According to Ontario Municipal Act (OMA) regulations, he hasn't been away long enough to be turfed. The OMA states that councillors must miss three months of council duty before action can be taken to remove them from their posts.

"Other than shaming them into returning a portion of their remuneration, there's nothing legally you can force people to do," said Mayor Gord Krantz.

In the end, the people will decide when enough is enough, he said.

With his time in Israel winding down, Mr. Gevaert expects to be warming his seat in council regularly by June. He said he has already turned down a similar consulting job that would have started soon. "I wouldn't do this again. I didn't expect it would be this long."

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Dateline Drury - March 26, 1999
by Jessica Wellstead and Katie Murzin

Welcome to Dateline Drury for the week of April 2, 1999. E.C. is bustling with activity this week, the first of the spring season.

"Dracula Baby", this year's school musical, is well under way. All involved actors, singers and musicians are practicing daily their dance steps, songs and scenes in order to bring to the stage a wonderful performance in May. Keep up the good work cast and we'll see you on the stage later this spring.

In other arts news, E.C. Drury will be sending a number of musicians to Hamilton Place to perform in the annual Halton Showcase. Amongst those participating are the school choir, the vocal music class and a few instrumentalists. Good luck to all those performing on April 8th in Hamilton.

Back at Drury, the Student Government is organizing its second annual Hacky Sack competition to be held Friday, April 9th. The entry fee is \$1 per student and all are welcome to participate. Come on out and show off your skills!

On an academic note, it has recently been found that those who eat breakfast are better able to concentrate and do well in school. For this reason, E.C. Drury will be participating in a new program called The Meal Mobile: Breakfast to Go! The program, which will run twice a week on Wednesdays and Fridays, is a joint venture between the school council, Knox Presbyterian Church and the Halton Social Planning Council. Under the guidance of the region of Halton, Drury's school council will provide the funding for the breakfast and Colleen Smith of Knox Presbyterian Church will provide the volunteers, both adult and student, who will help carry out the project. Loblaws will be providing juiceboxes, baked goods, snacks and fruit for the Meal Mobile at reduced or no cost to the school. In order to purchase these items, students can buy a card for \$2.00 which entitles them eight choices from the "Breakfast to Go" cart. The Meal Mobile will start its rounds on April 7th and carry on through the rest of the school year. If the program is successful, it will also be run during the 1999/2000 school year.

That's the scoop at Drury for this week! Enjoy the warm weather and we'll see you back here next week - same time, same place - for another edition of Dateline Drury!



Jacqueline Bass

GRADE "A" NEWS **AT** **MILTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL** **ADVERTISEMENT**

Grade "A" News at MDHS
By Jacqueline Bass and Marissa Cheskey

We hope that you all had a great week! We're sure the fact that it was only a four day week made it a little more enjoyable. We hope that no one forgot to sign up for the 30 Hour Famine this week. It will be taking place on April 9 and 10. Good luck to all the participants who are out frantically gathering sponsors.

You might have noticed on the sign out front at M.D. that this year's Spring play, Done to Death, is coming up. The cast is madly practicing as we speak and it will be performed on April 15, 16 and 17. Tickets are being sold for eight dollars. It's a great way to spend an evening and support M.D.'s young actors and actresses, so don't miss out!

We would also like to remind you for one more time that the last dance of the year will be held on April 8. Tickets are only seven dollars if you buy them ahead of time and eight dollars if you wait and buy them at the door. Remember it's the last one of the year so don't forget to buy your tickets A.S.A.P.

The M.D.H.S. badminton team is on their way to the Halton Regional competition on Thursday, April 8. Have a great time playing and good luck to all of the badminton players out there!

Have a great long weekend and Happy Easter!



Marissa Cheskey

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Join us on April 13, 1999 at Milton District Hospital and find out if you are a "risk taker" when it comes to your heart. If you are a woman between the ages of 35 and 65 you'll want to attend this seminar featuring Dr. Sonia S. Anand, an internist from Hamilton Health Sciences Corp., and Nicola Simmons, R.N. and Emergency Education Specialist. The evening begins at 7:00 pm with displays and refreshments and the speakers beginning at 7:30 pm. Seating is limited, so book your seat now by calling 338-4379.



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