

Wilson runs for council again

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The tender years and the golden years will be the twin focus of resident Frank Wilson if he succeeds in a battle for the position of Ward 2 Councillor in the November 13 municipal elections.

He's facing off against incumbents Wally Hunter and Art Melanson, as well as newcomer Jim Timbers.

It's the third time Mr. Wilson has decided to throw his hat in the ring, each time in the hopes of drumming up more housing options for seniors.

"My goals haven't changed. I still don't think we do anything for seniors," he said. "I don't think those options are there."

Teens need places to go

As for teens and children, Milton needs more places for them to go.

"For a 60-year-old to understand a 15-year-old is a no no. He's simply not in the same market," he said. "That's not bad, that's just a reality."

The Town needs to consult with the kids on what they want, said Mr. Wilson.

"Right now they're hanging about in the malls and everyone's chasing them. Can't anyone see the light," he asked. "You've got to interact with them. You've got to know what they want."

But Mr. Wilson spoke against imposing curfews on teens.

"We all have rights under the charter," he said. "And I'm sure the local constabulary wouldn't be too happy running around at 10 p.m. chasing after kids."

Mr. Wilson is also hoping to shed more light on town business, possibly by posting weekly council and committee meeting updates on the internet.

"You won't get the seniors looking at the 'net, but you will get the kids, and by that I mean those age 30 and under," he said. "The future."

He'd also like to revisit the community's portion of Mohawk Raceway slot machine revenue.

"If you live on Coxe Boulevard, Mohawk hasn't done anything to you," said Mr. Wilson. "But if you live in Campbellville, it has affected your habitat. They've got to get something."

He'd also like to see service groups which contribute to the community receive a share.

To get his name out, Mr. Wilson will attend all-candidates meetings and hammer in his signs. But he doesn't plan on going the old-fashioned door-to-door route.

"I think knocking on doors is old-time politics," he said. "I believe the media is the place."

And though Milton may be ripe for change, he advises residents to be careful who they put behind the steering wheel.

"It may be time for a change, but don't take a dummy out to put a dummy in," he warned.

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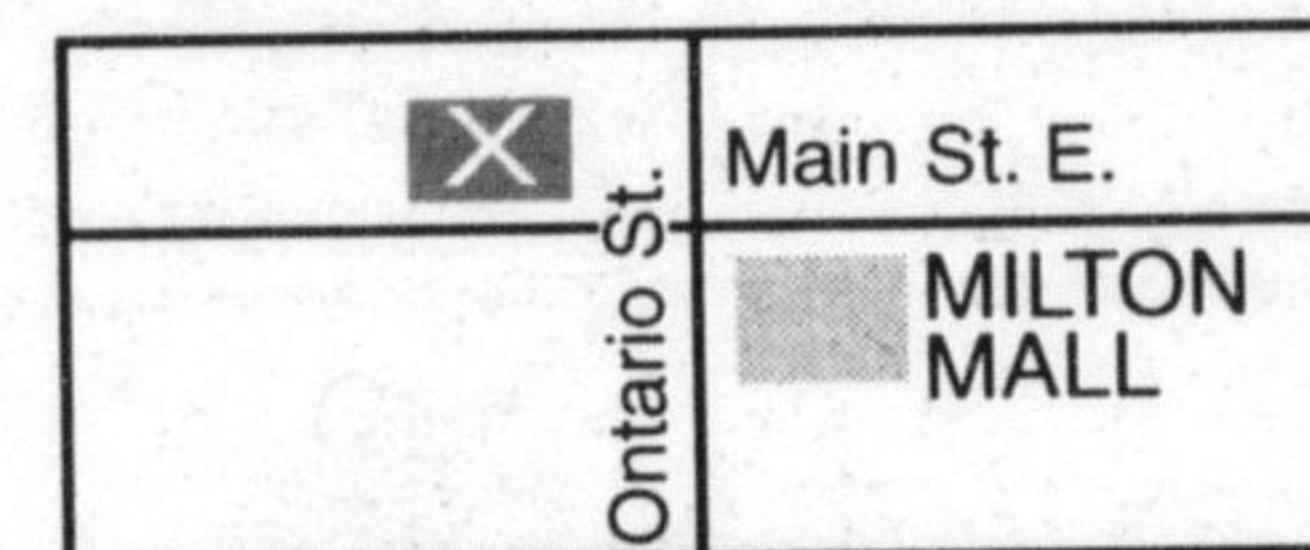


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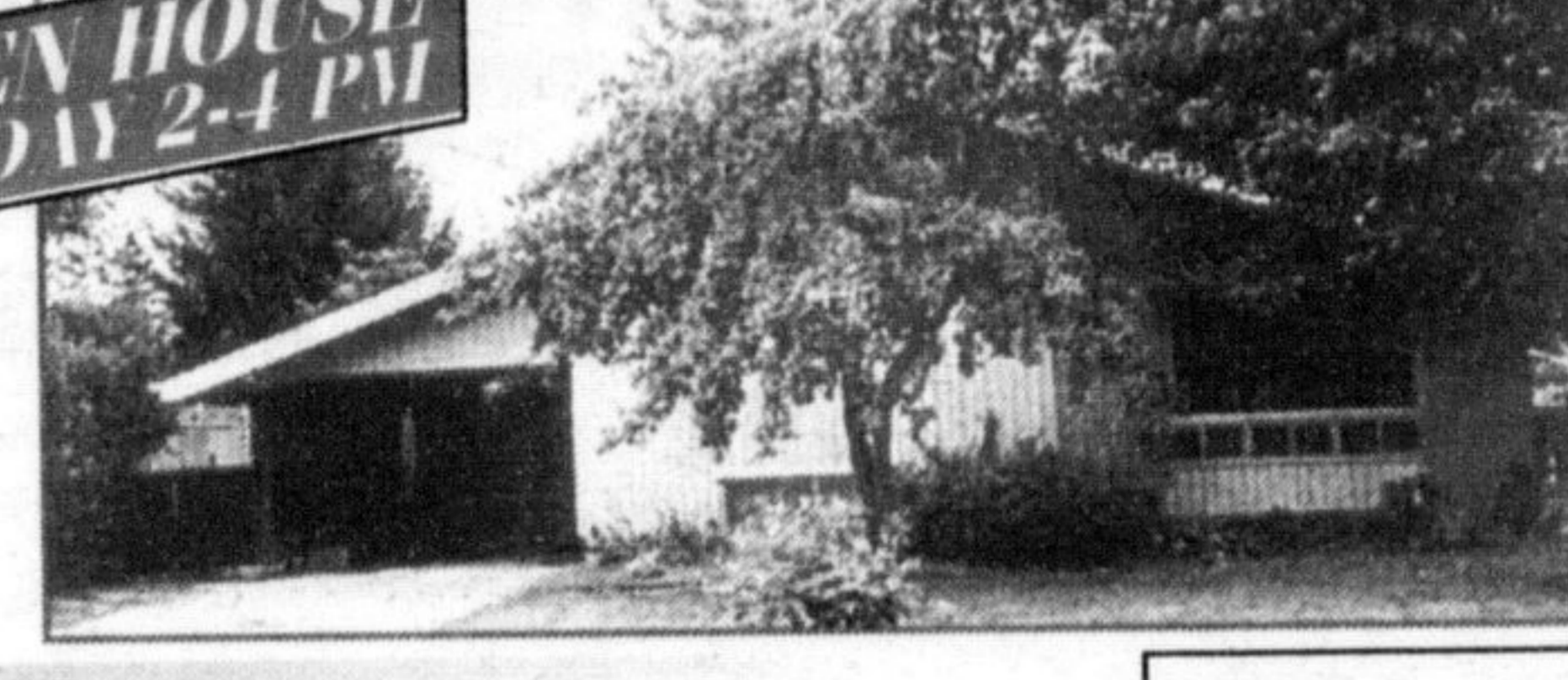


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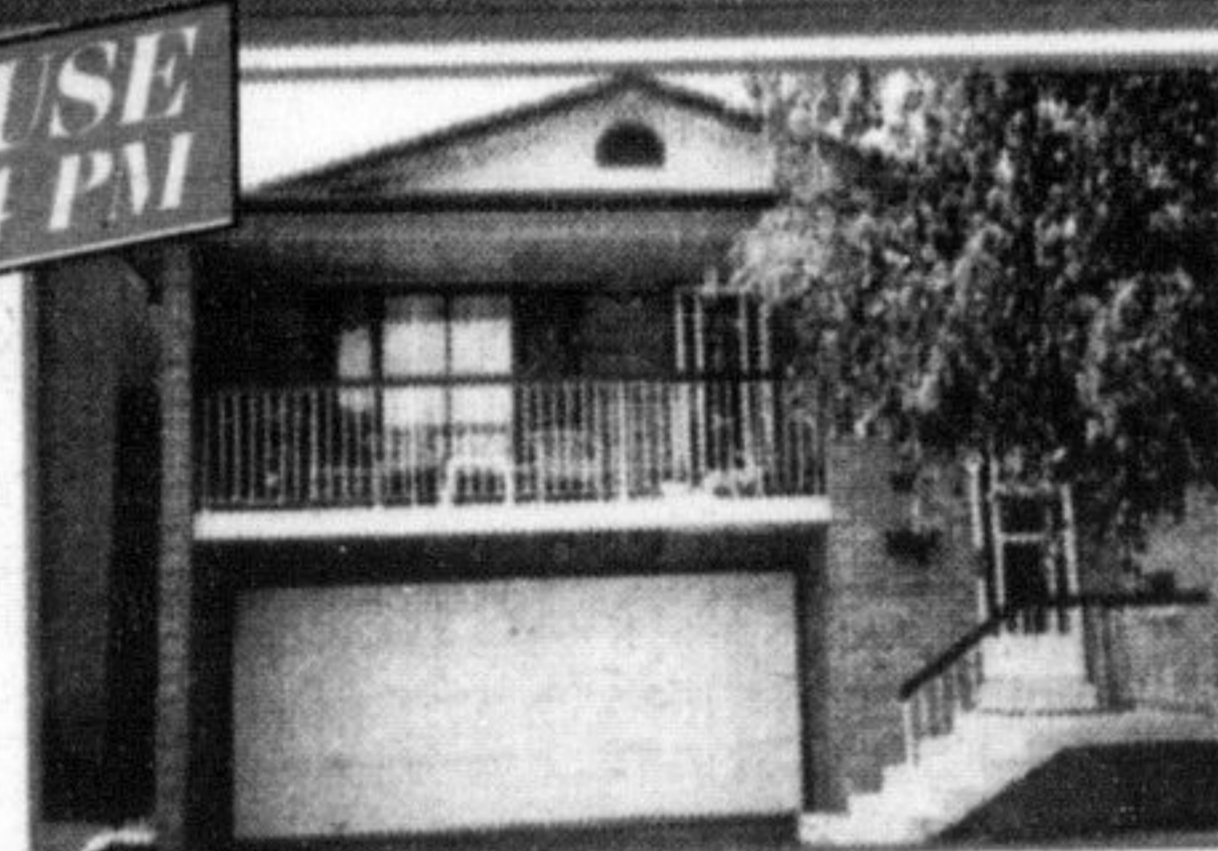
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