

Name is chosen for the Mill Pond's new gazebo

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The new gazebo at the restored Mill Pond has been named. If town council approves the name — chosen by the Milton 2000 Committee — at its next meeting May 7, the gazebo will officially be called the Mill Pond Millennium Gazebo.

The Town committee recently held a community-wide contest to name the gazebo. More than 115 entries were received.

In reviewing the entries, the committee was looking for a name that would reflect the location of the new structure and the spirit with which it was built.

Local resident Darryl Ezeard submitted the chosen name.

"The millennium committee was thrilled with the amount of entries received," the Town's director of community services Jennifer Reynolds told councillors at Monday night's community services committee meeting.

"We shortened the list to come up with the final decision."

The community services committee approved the name but it won't become official until town council gives it the green light.

Mayor Gord Krantz, who serves on the Milton 2000 Committee, said a lot of discussion went into choosing the final name.

"There were a lot of good choices."

Councillor Rick Malboeuf said he didn't have any problem with the name but in the future wants council to see the list of entries put forward.

The building of the gazebo was a legacy project spearheaded by the Milton 2000 Committee in honour of the town's millennium celebrations.

Mr. Ezeard will be invited to participate in the official opening and ribbon cutting ceremony for the gazebo to be held as part of the town's Canada Day festivities July 1.

In addition, Mr. Ezeard will have his name inscribed on a commemorative stone that will form part of the walkway at the Milton Millennium Garden at Chris Hadfield Park.

Ms Reynolds also informed councillors the Mill Pond restoration project is nearly done.

"Landscaping still has to be completed for the gazebo," she said. "We're looking at the safest location (on the pond) to hold winter skating. A significant interest was also taken with boating accessibility. The pond is now full but the re-stocking of fish has yet to be done and that will be looked at after July, so the annual Fishing Derby won't be held at this site."

Work that's been completed at the Mill Pond includes the removal of 32,000 cubic metres of sediment and construction of a deep water fish refuge. A wetland was also created on the north shoreline.

Disposal sites of the sediment included two closed landfill locations in Georgetown and one industrial site north of Hwy. 401 in Halton Hills.

Aquatic planting within the pond is set to begin the week of May 14 and shoreline planting of trees and shrubs was set to get underway this week.

The pond was drained during the winter of 2000 and excavated this past fall. The pond was re-filled last month.



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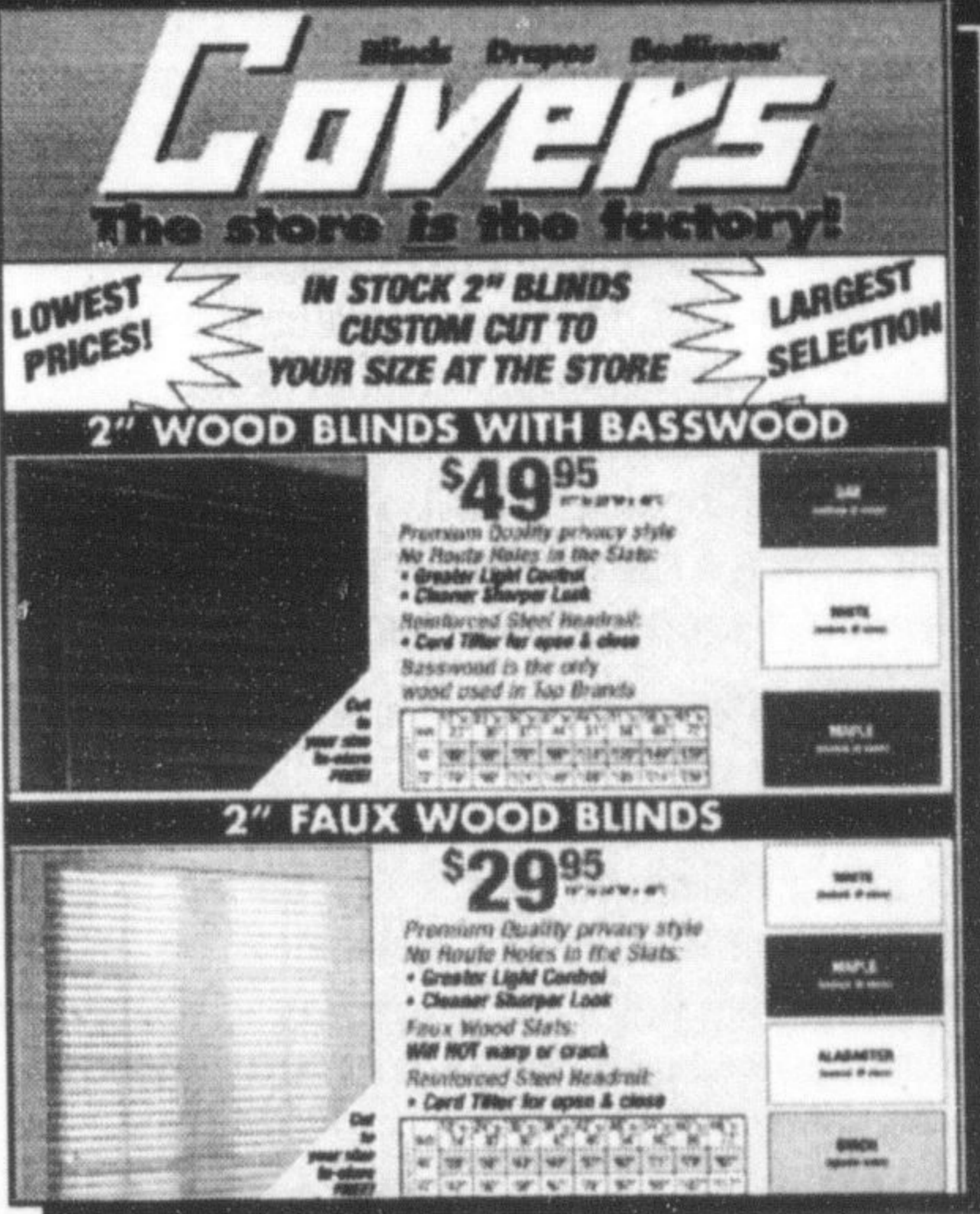
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The problems began when an overgrowth of milfoil invaded the pond in the past few years. The fast-growing weed choked out native plant species such as bulrushes and lily pads in the pond. That in turn contributed to a decrease in the fish, amphibian and reptile populations.

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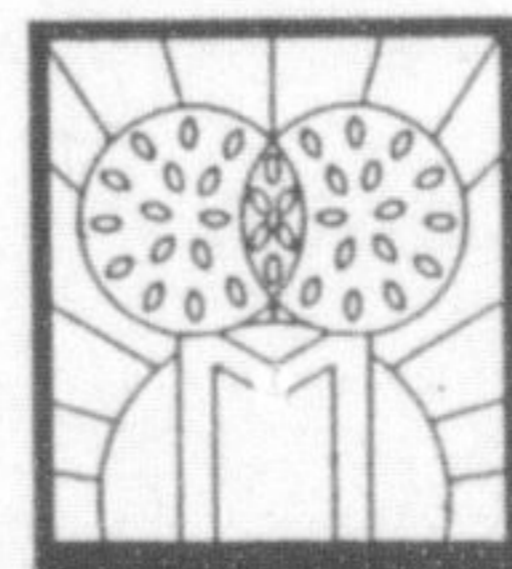
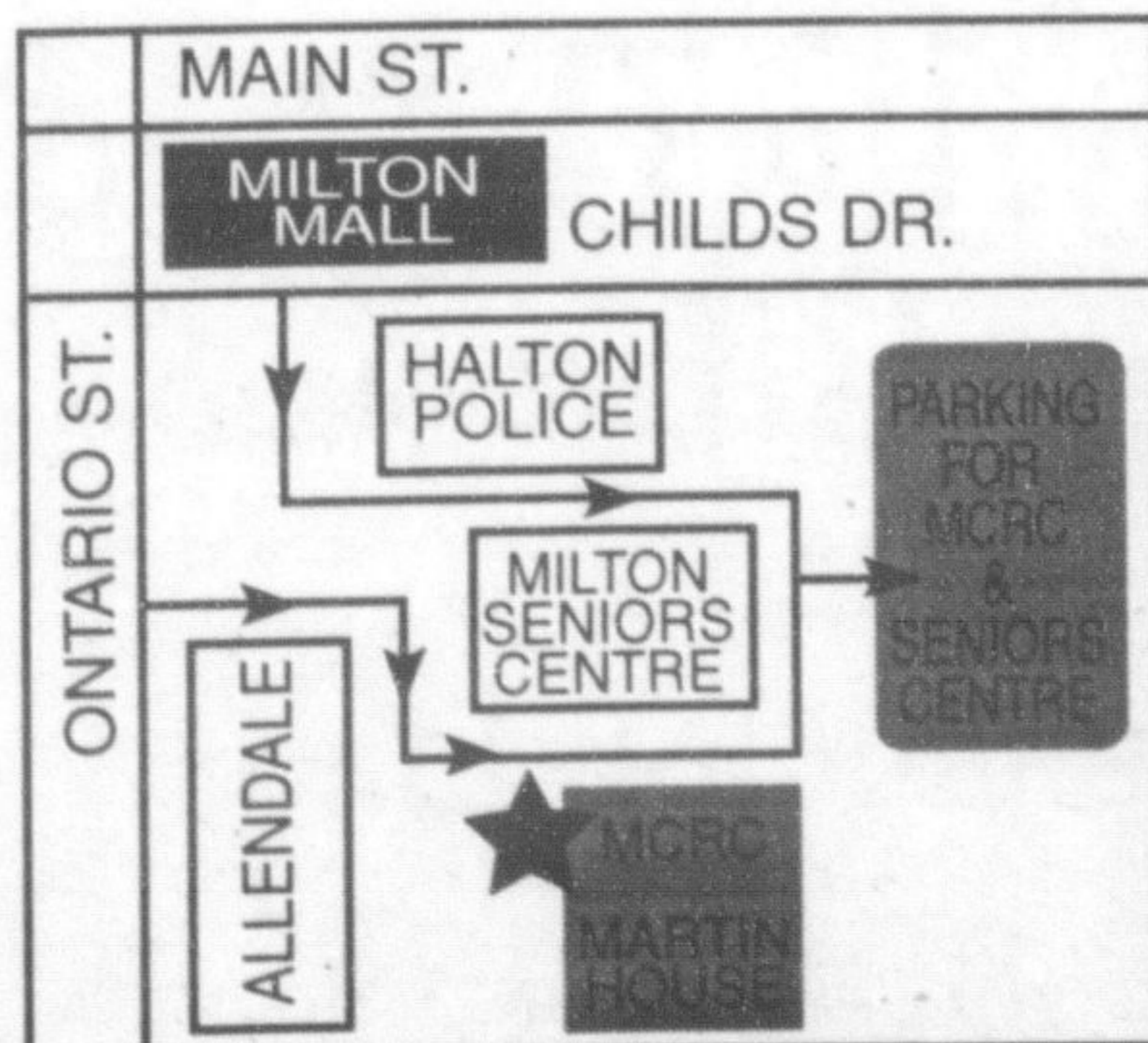
Community Day

The day will start with a Breakfast Barbecue at 8:00 am at the Milton Community Resource Centre (MCRC), 540 Childs Drive (see map below)

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