

COMMENT

Hats off to students for their accomplishments

Congratulations to the 14 Milton elementary and secondary school students recognized by the Halton school boards for their achievements.

As reported elsewhere in this newspaper, 10 local students in the public school system and four in the Catholic system are being honoured for excellence as part of Education Week.

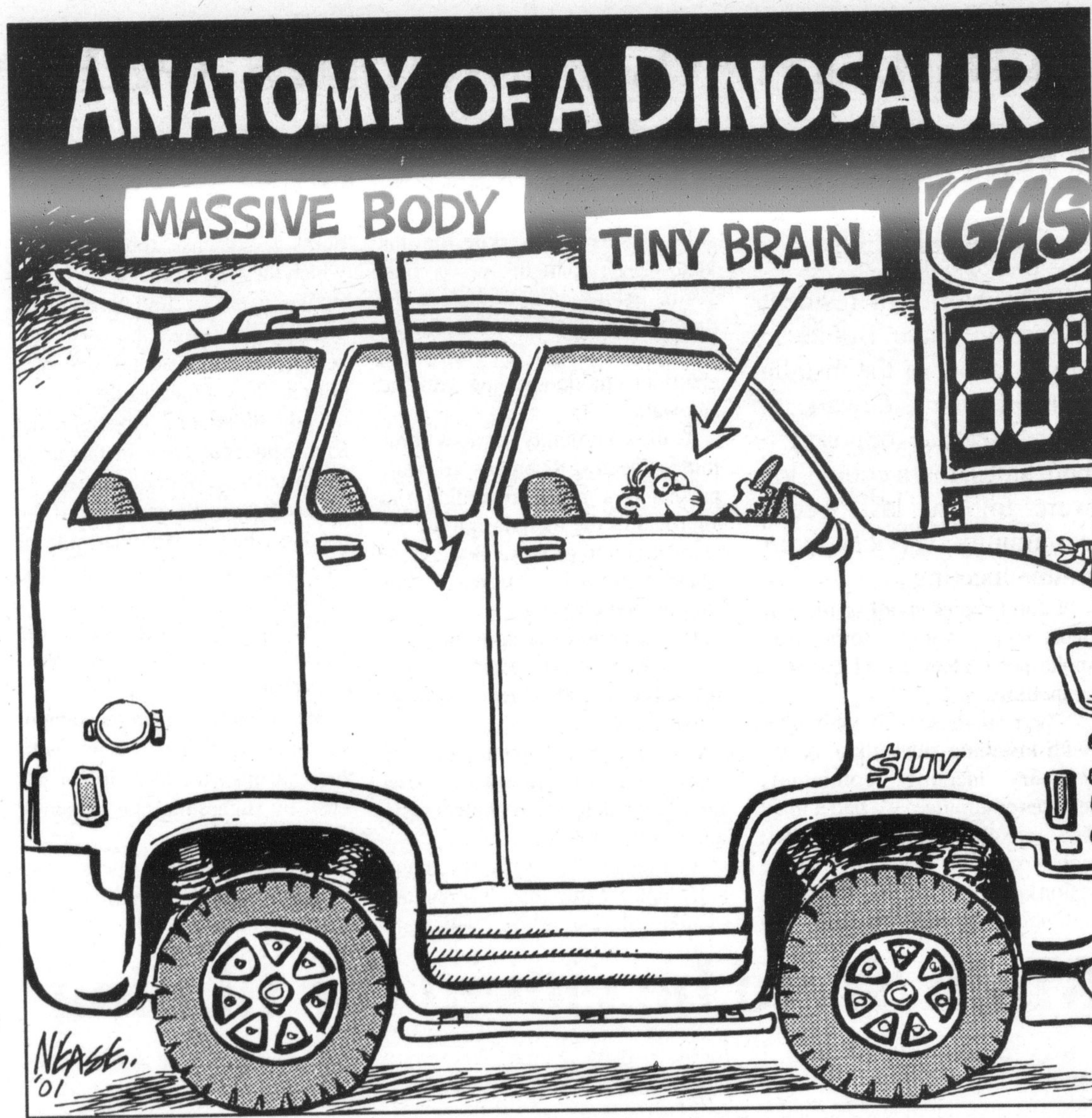
The awards are not just given for academics, but also athletics, community work, citizenship, family commitment and leadership skills.

Many of these young students are likely our future leaders — ones who will one day play significant roles in their communities as well as their chosen professions.

Judging by their accomplishments to date, we'd say the students' continued success is guaranteed.

Thank you, students, for the contributions you've already made to the community.

Keep up the good work.



OUR READERS WRITE

Thanks to all the generous people of Milton for donations to Amity store

Dear Editor:

From Goodwill — the Amity Group, — thank you to the many generous people of Milton.

At the end of our fiscal year, we have recorded a total of 3,993 people from Milton who have donated their surplus, saleable clothes and household goods to our non-profit agency.

The sale of these used goods in our stores greatly assists us in providing job training programs for those in the community needing assistance with job

assessments and/or upgrading their work skills.

Last year, we served more than 800 people.

As the weather warms (so hot, so fast), and everyone starts to sort through last year's summer clothes, please remember Goodwill — the Amity Group — as the recipient of your surplus goods.

Thanks again.

**Brenda Poland, director
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'Millennium' in new Mill Pond gazebo name represents how the structure came about

Dear Editor:

The Milton 2000 Committee, in honour of the town's millennium celebrations, spearheaded the building of the gazebo at the restored Mill Pond, and a community-wide contest to name the gazebo was held.

The contest was well-publicized in this newspaper, was open to everybody and anybody, and the name chosen by the Milton 2000 Committee (including our elected mayor) was 'Mill Pond Millennium Gazebo'.

I was born in 1940, two houses north of the new gazebo, at my grandma Raspberry's, who was the local midwife, ran a nursing home and sometimes took in 'foundlings'.

I would have loved to have had the gazebo named after her, but there are also many other past and present area families and people who could be so honoured.

The much respected Martin family comes to mind, of course, after whom the town of Milton is named, as is Mill Street, Martin Street, Martin House, etc. and well deserved, too.

The Mill Pond was a man-made reservoir of dammed up water used to run the mill, which once stood across the road, but it was much more than that to most of us.

We cut ice-blocks for our home food-coolers, learned to skate and play hockey on it, swam in it, built rafts and fished, and had bonfires up the pond bank.

The Mill Pond was a regular all-season outdoor 'recreation centre' for Milton youth at that time.

As long as I can remember, it was just simply called the Mill Pond, and I wanted to keep that little part of my heritage as it was, and I believe 'Mill Pond Millennium Gazebo' reflects that.

I also think millennium should be part of the name, as that was the reason for the gazebo being built, and I agree, after all the hullabaloo that led up to the millennium(s) — 2000? 2001? — most of us have grown weary of the name overuse.

But some years from now, this, too, will be part of our heritage and memory.

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