

Learning the ropes

Little Matthew Lomon learns what it would be like to milk a cow using a demonstration device that sprays water into two buckets. It's part of an interactive petting zoo and kids play area at Springridge Farm.

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Commentary

Manure report valuable

Ontario farmers are keenly aware of the benefits animal manure can provide to soil and crops. They're also aware of the concerns this manure can create. That's why a consortium of individual farmers and commodity groups formed to study manure management technologies for the future.

The Advanced Manure Management Technologies for Ontario (AMMTO) report has been released, the result of several years of study and review.

Partners in the development of the AMMTO report view the project as a proactive measure to assist farmers with the adoption of new and innovative technologies to address odor, nutrient and groundwater issues related to livestock production.

Ontario farmers facing implementation of the Nutrient Management Regulations will find this information valuable as they prepare to make their farming operations compliant.

Findings and recommendations of the AMMTO project weren't developed in a vacuum as new manure management technology for four case study farms, typical of farm sizes and types that exist in Ontario, formed the basis for the project.

The AMMTO also served as a manure management resource for the agricultural community by providing input at government-hosted manure management workshops where positive aspects of these technologies were discussed by farmers, concerned citizens and government agencies.

Results of the project are now available world-wide on the Internet, and indications are people from around the world are accessing details from the AMMTO report.

One of the key areas of interest to farmers is the 'steps to implement' database, developed as one of five tools to help individuals understand the principles behind manure management technologies. This database provides information about the different types of technologies to allow potential users to determine if a particular technology is suitable for their operation.

As a result of the AMMTO study, Ontario farmers now have access to workable solutions to help them decide on the most appropriate manure management technology for their farms.

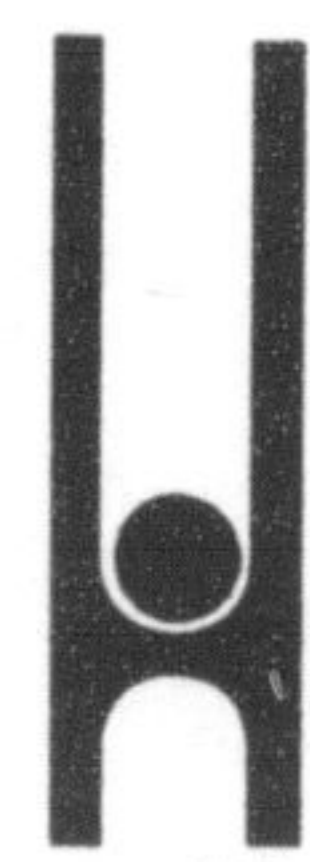
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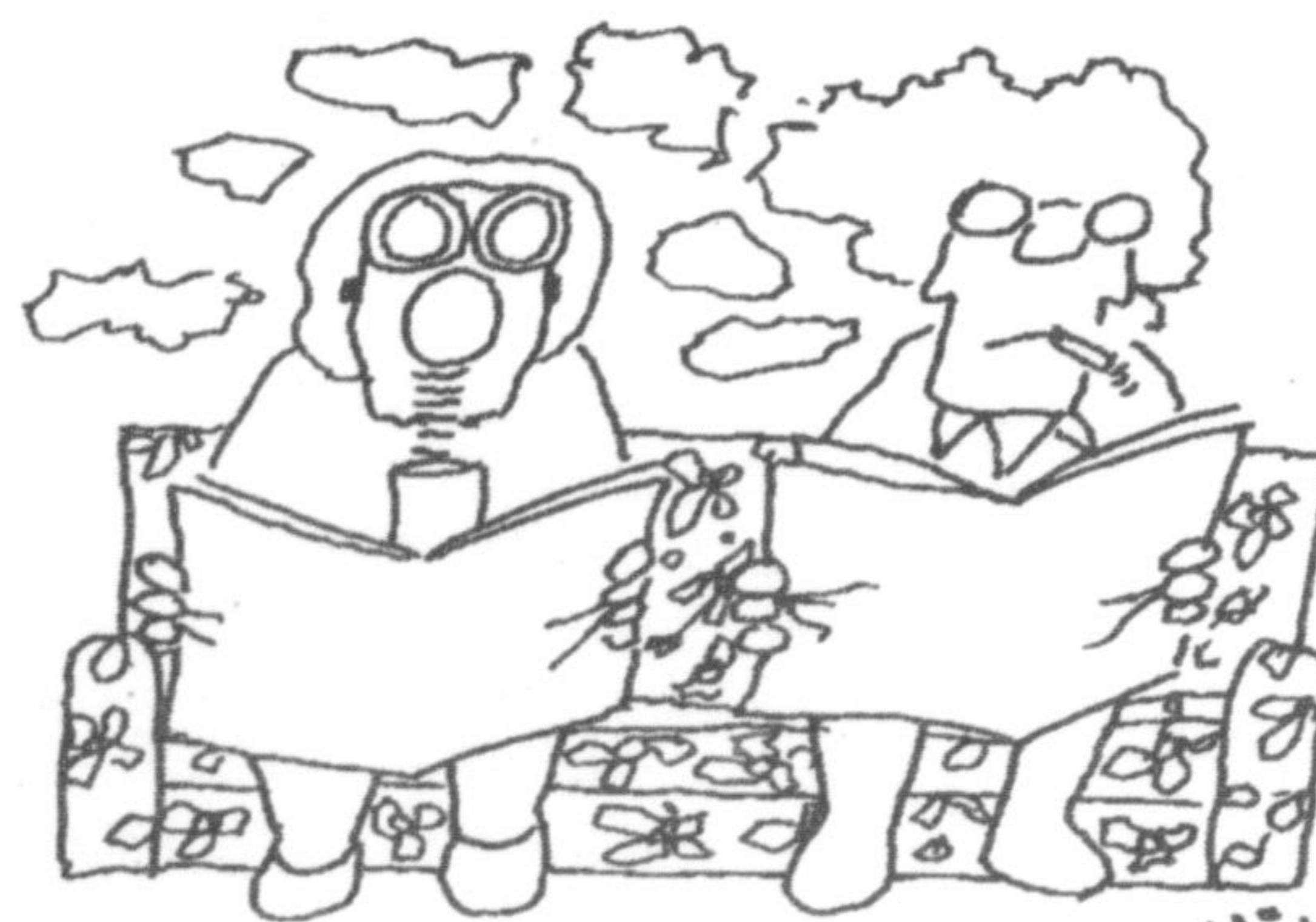
All members of the public are welcome to attend the

PUBLIC BUDGET MEETING
Wednesday, May 26, 2004
Milton District High School
396 Williams Avenue, Milton
Presentation - 7 p.m.



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We apologized for any inconvenience this may have caused.