

# Comment

## Search effort defines the word 'community'

We applaud all the people who took part in Sunday's massive search for a missing nine-year-old girl.

As reported on today's front page, the girl was visiting Andrews Scenic Acres with her parents when she wandered off Sunday afternoon.

An estimated 300 volunteers gathered at the pick-your-own farm after word got out about the missing girl.

Among the volunteers were members of several Neighbourhood Watch groups, as well as members of the Andrews' church — Boston Presbyterian Church. Volunteers came from as far away as Kitchener and Hamilton.

The volunteers joined the Halton Hills and Milton fire services, Halton EMS, the York, Toronto and Peel police services, the CN police and the Caledon OPP, plus police canine teams from Halton and Hamilton.

The search went on to the wee hours of the morning yesterday and fortunately had a happy ending as the obviously-exhausted little girl was found sleeping under a tree.

It just goes to show that when the going gets tough, our community is strong. This effort actually defines community, and it confirms what we already knew — that our community is one to be proud of.



## Our Readers Write

### There is indeed the need for a three-bus transportation system in this community

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to last Tuesday's letter to the editor with regard to the Town's three-bus transit system by Agostino Galioto.

I think it's great that Milton finally got this transportation system in place.

Now residents of Milton who don't drive won't have to rely on others to get around.

There's many Miltonians who don't have a car to get around. Among them are seniors — some of whom can't bike or walk far — and teenagers, who now

won't have to rely on their parents to drive them everywhere.

So in response, yes I believe there's a need for three buses that run every half-hour. I think it's insane to think that one bus running on the hour to cover the whole town will do. I don't mind my tax dollars going to our transit system. It's worth it.

And as for the pollution that Mr. Galioto says the buses are causing, I have to ask if he's really seen these buses.

**Karon Sizer  
Bronte Street**

### Dangerous driving practices have really gotten out of hand along Britannia Road

Dear Editor:

Has everyone gone crazy?

We've lost track of the number of cars in the ditch near our house due to all of the motor vehicle accidents over the last six to eight years.

They're mostly, in our opinion, due to speed.

Then there are also the drunks.

And this is just on Britannia Road

between Fifth and Sixth lines.

There are people who toot their horns because the school bus stops too long to drop off or pick up small children.

There are truck drivers blowing their horns because the farmers are moving tractors from farm to farm.

There are people driving on the wrong side of the road, into oncom-

ing traffic, because a cyclist is in their way.

It's only a matter of time before someone is killed. Let's hope it's the idiots and not some poor innocent person or small child.

Life is so precious. Please be careful out there.

**Bruce and Donna Sharpe  
Britannia Road**

### Councillor's attempt to include retractable leashes wrong

Dear Editor:

I would like to ask Town Councillor Jan Mowbray to use The Champion's letters to the editor forum to explain her reasoning behind an attempt to amend the animal control bylaw to include 25-foot retractable

dog leashes.

I believe this is wrong. A 25-foot leash doesn't provide enough control over a dog.

**Scott Ben  
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