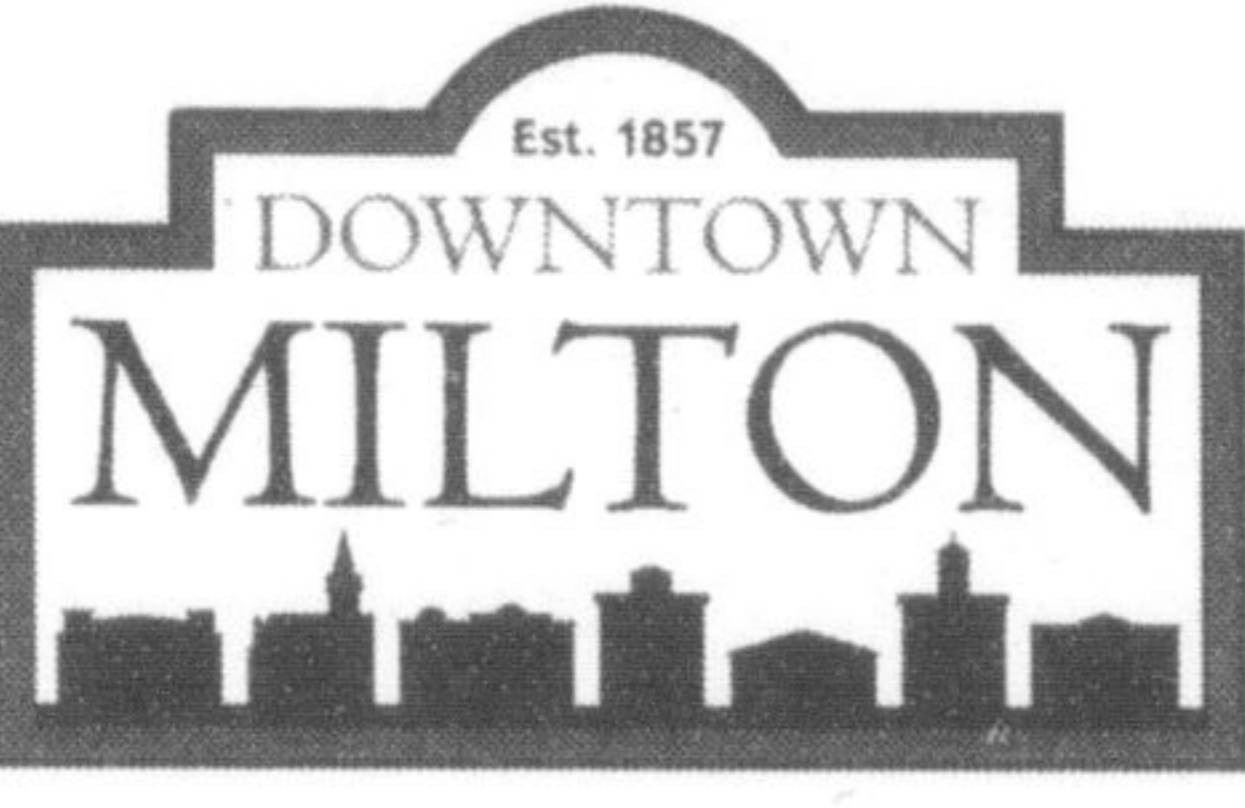


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Milton DBIA Slogan Contest

The Milton Downtown Business Improvement Area is in the process of developing a slogan that truly typifies the experience of being in the heart of Downtown Milton.

We are seeking input from the community to develop a slogan that will rest in the minds of visitors and locals alike.



THE SLOGAN SHOULD...

1. Refer to the historical/cultural identity of the downtown business improvement area.
2. Establish downtown as a distinct shopping, dining and gathering place.

CONTEST RULES:

1. The slogan must describe and be appropriate for the downtown core.
2. Six words maximum.
3. It should incorporate the key ideas listed above.
4. Anyone can enter.
5. Deadline for entries is Monday February 28, 2005.

Send entries to
Downtown Milton BIA Slogan Contest
 251 Main St. E. Suite #103,
 Milton, ON L9T 1P1
 or email info@downtownmilton.com
www.downtownmilton.com

Bike path redesign report presented at committee

It looks like Milton may never see another proposal for a paved bike path that would cut across boulevards and driveways on collector roads.

A report presented to the community services committee Monday night detailed staff's proposal to change the Town's design of 26-metre wide collector roads to include a bike lane on the road portion, not the boulevard.

"The redesign has been vetted through the trails advisory committee and will be presented to the builders/developers liaison committee at their next meeting," the staff report said.

Boulevard bike paths became a

hot topic around Milton about two years ago when residents in Mattamy's east-end Hawthorne subdivision discovered there were plans to retrofit this type of path into their neighbourhood.

Many people said they were never told by the developer about the path before buying their homes. Also, concerns of safety, property values and boulevard parking factored into the debate.

Council then decided to delete the controversial path and redirect funds that would've been used to build it to trail improvements in other areas of the Bristol Survey, such as lighting for the planned multi-use trail that will follow a

Union Gas corridor in the south end.

Mattamy has put forward its support for this proposed change.

The staff report notes that the boulevard bike paths planned for collector roads in other Bristol Survey subdivisions are subject to deletion given the new collector road proposed design.

"Staff are proposing that bike path funds from these other subdivisions should also be utilized in the Union Gas trail project," the report said.

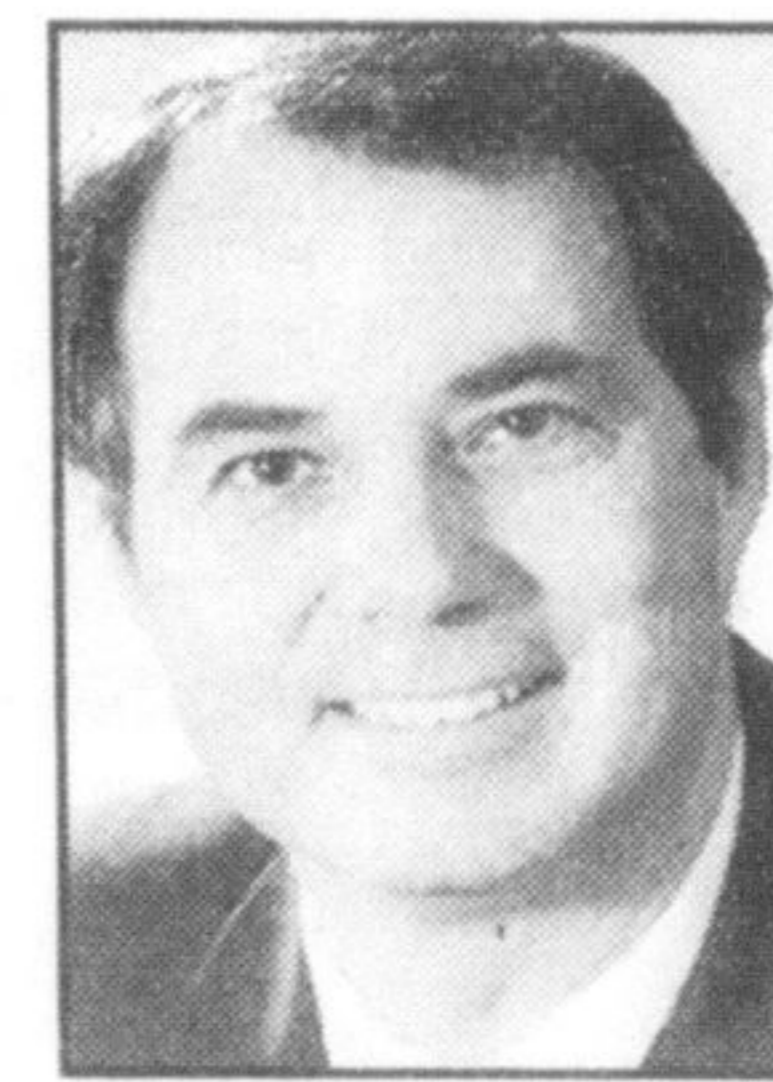
The report will come before Milton council February 28.

Carr recognized for charity work

Halton MP Gary Carr was recognized Wednesday by Big Brothers of Halton for his commitment to mentoring in the community.

The award was presented at a reception on Parliament Hill, which was hosted by Deputy Conservative Party Leader Peter MacKay, who is a former Big Brother and supporter of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Canada.

"Our agency nominated Gary Carr for this special recognition by our national organization because he has been a consistent supporter of mentoring and has demonstrated a personal commitment to addressing the needs of at-risk children in our community through the Big Brothers Big Sisters program," said Lena Bassford, executive director of Big Brothers of Halton.




Gary Carr

"We look forward to continuing to work together to ensure that every child in Oakville, Milton and Halton Hills who needs a mentor has a mentor."


Big Brothers Big Sisters of Canada is the leading child and youth mentoring organization in the country. Its 170 agencies provide a range of quality one-on-one mentoring programs to children and youth in more than 300 communities across the country. The organization's programs have proven instrumental in reducing truancy, bullying, leaving school early, delinquency and substance abuse.

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