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Got to side with Trump on this one

I was making up a list for this column of the things that irritated me most, and asked my oldest daughter for some input. What do you find irritating? I asked her. Without hesitation, she said, "You."

I laughed. She didn't. Ouch. What made me think of the idea was that I happened to be watching *The View*. Okay, I turned it on so I could hear more of the feud going on between them and Donald Trump.

Four women continuously trying to talk at once. Just shoot me now.

I like gossip, so the Trump feud fueled my interest. Trump said that Barbara Walters told him that working with Rosie O'Donnell was "like living in hell."

Walters denies all of this, but the evidence is right there, and I'm siding with Trump on this one. I believe him. Just watching those women, especially O'Donnell, continually preach about this and that, actually is like living in hell.

I tried to make a comparison to make sure I wasn't being sexist. Often there are sports talk shows that have four men trying to talk over each other. That doesn't bother me at all, so I guess it is just the women.

I'm not admitting I'm sexist. I think it works the same

both ways. Women would find it irritating listening to a group of men talking, just as men would find it irritating listening to women do the same thing.

Anyway, enough of that, I had started making a list of things that irritated me, and even found one thing that I'm taking off the irritation list. Fast food places and the fact that they get the order wrong so often has always been a major source of irritation, and it doesn't look like it's improving any time soon.

I ordered a hamburger meal at Harvey's recently, usually one of the best for service, and they forgot to put the hamburger in the bag. I had to go all the way back and was ready to blast them for not being able to count to one, but the young man was apologetic and took the wind out of my sails.

A fairly new source of irritation is trying to cross downtown Main Street on foot. It used to be simple enough, but now there are so many cars it can be a long wait. And because the windows of opportunity are less frequent, you have to take more chances. There's no official crosswalks, but they're going to have to put some in before somebody gets seriously hurt. And speaking of waits, the traffic light at Main and Ontario, if you're planning to turn left, can take forever.

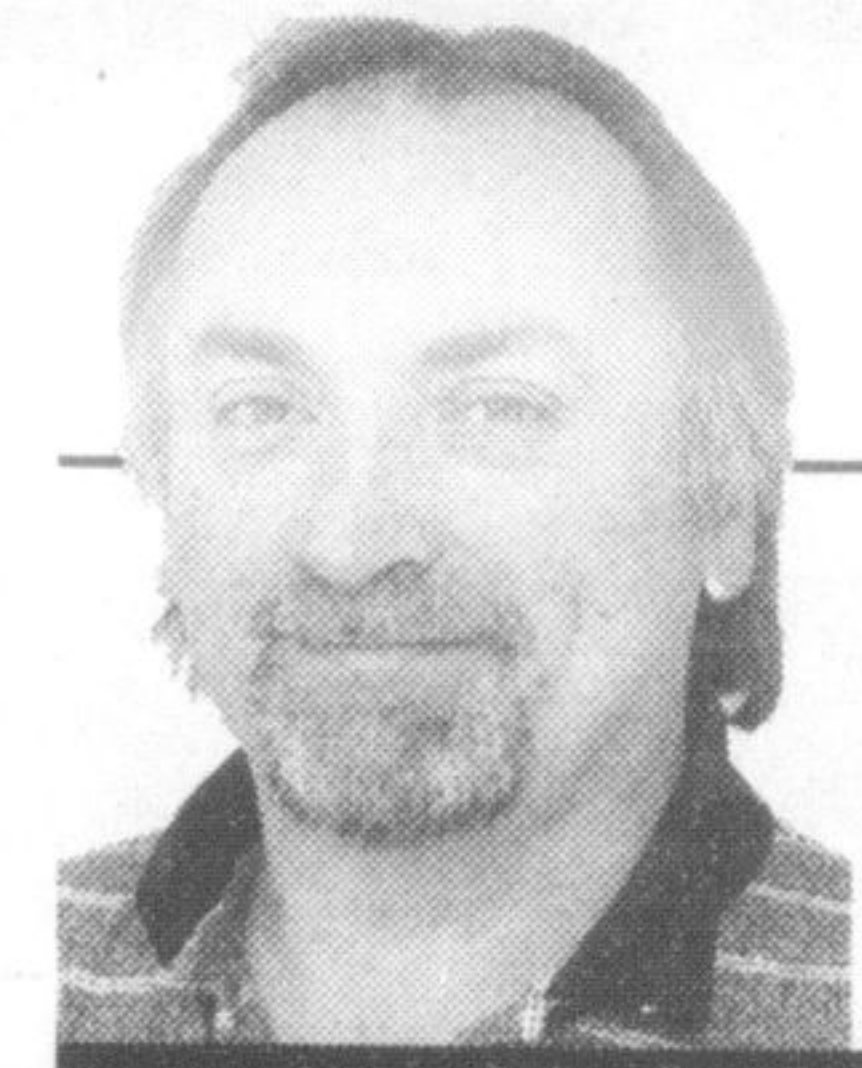
There's more, but I'm running out of space. I don't get irritated that easily, anyway, so I don't have a lot of complaints.

One thing that always did irritate me before has changed. I've always hated wind chimes. I found them intrusive and annoying because I like listening to the wind just on its own.

But a neighbour has a wind charm that isn't constantly ringing. Just once in a while when the wind blows. I find it soothing and pleasant, and now I look forward to hearing it.

So, things can stop being irritating that were before, and things can start being irritating that weren't before.

As for Rosie O'Donnell and *The View*, that's a lost cause.



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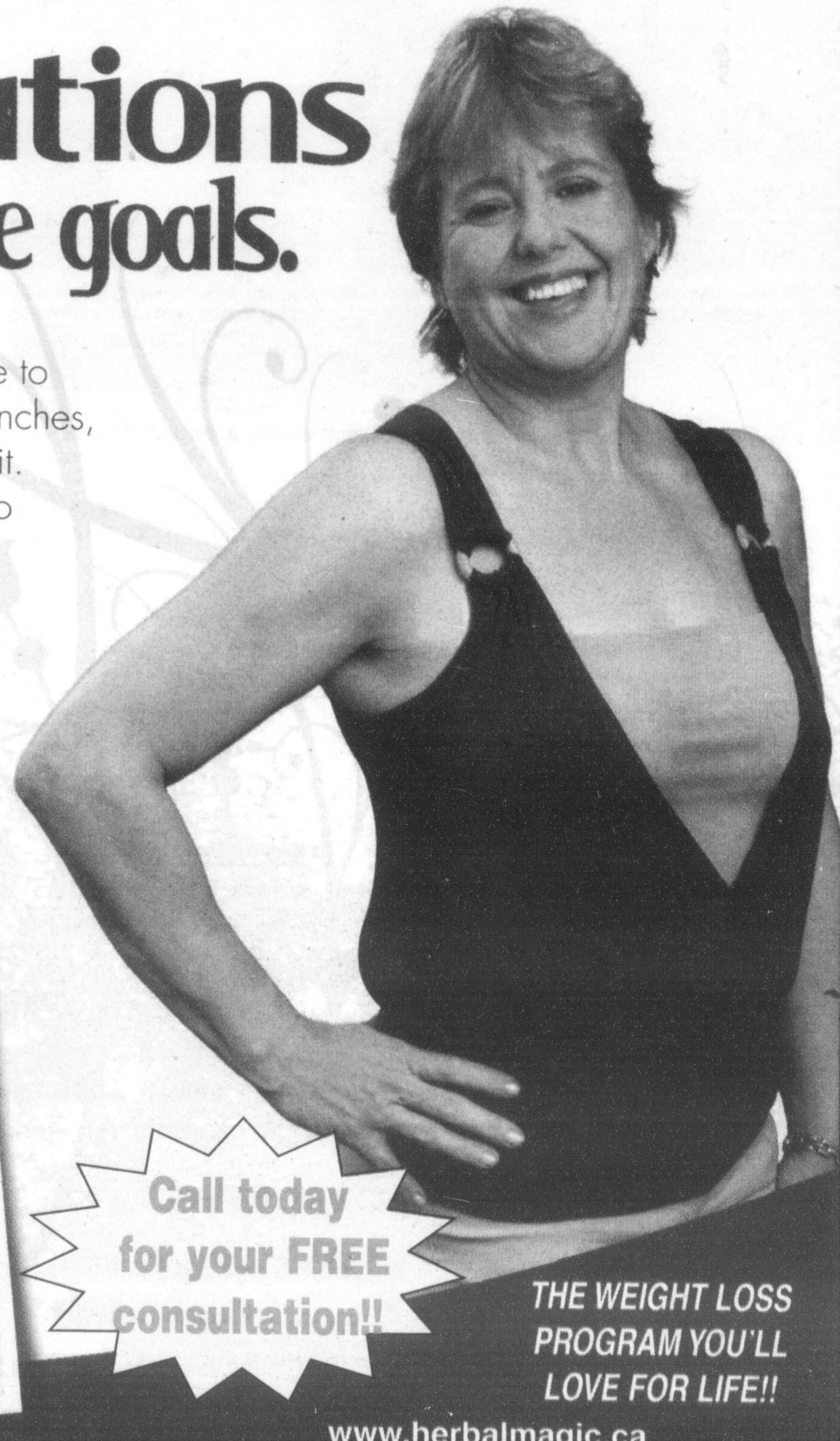
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