

Help for Holly was volunteered

DEAR EDITOR:

This letter is in response to the December 15 letter by Karen Fyffe, Maitlyn's mom, and the January 24 letter by G. Munnings regarding our baby Holly.

In response to Ms Fyffe's letter, first let us please express our prayers and well wishes for you and for Maitlyn. We are well aware of the trials and tribulations of a situation like yours — and ours.

I'd like to clarify a few stated misconceptions quoted in this first letter. We, Holly's family, did not make Holly's situation public.

A group of wonderful, supportive people in the community and surrounding areas brought the situation to the Champion's attention, and the Help4Holly Trust Fund arose from there.

We are thankful for you that your daughter Maitlyn's situation was at least identified by four months of age, unlike Holly's parents, who were still fighting to get someone to listen by the age of eight months and would still be on a waiting list today if they had not taken matters over and above our Ontario medical system, and gone to

Alberta.

Again, let me stress that we did not go to the public for a handout for Holly. We would have sold everything we own as a family to get whatever is necessary to possibly better Holly's situation, no matter how slight, and provide her with anything and everything we can to make life that much easier for her.

We do not feel that our situation is any more heart wrenching than any other, but perhaps, in being public, it will open the eyes of many taxpayers as to the situation faced by those with family members suffering from diseases so rare that the ability to get immediate recognition from the medical field becomes a difficult task — one that you have a choice of either taking on in a passive or aggressive manner.

Perhaps I can refer to Michael Papaioannou of Campbellville, who would not have been able to travel to the United States to get the medical assistance needed without the wonderful support of community fundraising.

The fundraising committee started with people that are not related to Holly, and with the support of these people, and

their love and devotion to Holly, the care she requires right now is available to her. We are forever thankful to all of those that donated time, items, money, love and/or support to our Holly fundraisers.

We do not, in any way, take away from the donations to the services and agencies out there, and in fact many of these agencies depend on not only government funding but private fundraisers as well.

A special thanks goes out to country singer Alysha Brooke, who's helped out tremendously with Holly fundraising efforts and devotes much of her time to many other charitable fundraising events such as Special Friends Day, Halton Police Services Children's Day and Michael Papaioannou's first fundraiser.

She came forward herself, after reading about Holly, to offer any help she could to assist on a voluntary basis, and she does it on behalf of her two young nephews who both suffer from Leukemia.

Good luck with Maitlyn.

THE TAYLOR FAMILY
MILTON

Water finally turned back on after lengthy job to fix leak

'Time Capsules' are gems of information extracted from past issues of The Champion and other publications in order to provide a window into Milton's past. Explanatory comment is sometimes provided to place the situation in context.

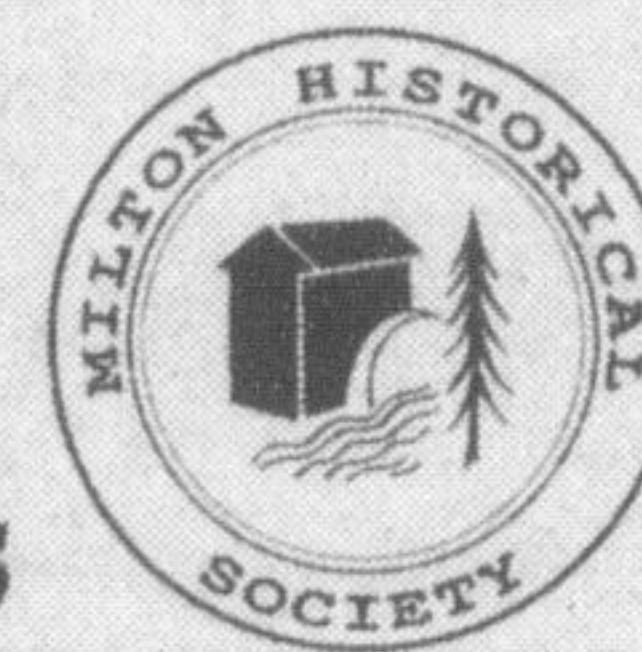
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The waterworks committee of the town council was slow about tackling the leak in the main at the corner of Main and Martin streets but when the leak was uncovered last week and citizens gathered to view and listen to the big flow of water, operations were rushed with a vengeance. All services were cut off on Saturday and men were at work after night until stopped by the storm. Work was continued on Sunday until 5 p.m. when it was finished and the water again turned on. Surprise was general and so was sarcasm at the expense of the committee for its apparent wanton violation of the Lord's Day Act but it has been explained that the work was really a work of necessity.

A plug, which greatly reduced the water pressure and affected fire protection was put into the pipe when it was believed that the work would be finished by Saturday night. As it was not finished then it simply had to be continued on Sunday. When the enormous daily loss through the leak is considered it seems possible that, after all, the town needs little, if any, additional supply of water, but chiefly reasonable care of what it already has — attention to intake pipes, a constant watch for leaks and prompt attention to them when found. A competent man should be engaged as superintendent. The present happy-go-lucky management is cheap, but not economical. By the way, it is reported that there is another leak in the pipes between the town and the reservoir. We hope that we shall not again be under the necessity of criticizing the waterworks committee.

Halton is to acquire a half interest in the county of Peel's house of refuge. A bylaw to that effect was passed at last Friday's meeting of the

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county council and the report of the commissioners appointed to value the farm buildings, stock, etc. was accepted. The valuation was \$18,635.50 and Mr. Mason, architect, estimates the expenditure on the additional buildings which will be needed, including plumbing and heating, at \$12,000. Halton's expenditure, therefore, will be about \$15,000. Of this it is expected 25 per cent will be repaid to Halton by the government. The county council of Peel met on Tuesday and passed a bylaw to provide for the sale to Halton.

Milton Council: A committee recommended laying of a cement walk 3 ft wide, 132 feet long on Margaret Street from Martin Street west and a plank walk from Thomas Street eastward to Jas. Morley's property.

Milton Council: G.A. Griffith, M.E. Parks, R.E. Gollins, R.E. Harrison and E. Syer were named a committee to look after the building of the band stand in the park opposite the county buildings.

Mrs. Annie Robertson, widow of the late John Robertson of East Seneca, died this week. Last week she was taken to Hamilton in the faint hope that an operation would prolong her life. It was performed on Friday but she failed to rally after it. The mother of P.L. Robertson, she was also survived by five other children, Dr. Wm. A. Robertson, John B. Robertson, Denver Col; Dr. H.A. Robertson of Hamilton; P.L. Robertson and Mrs. Gordon Mackenzie of Milton and Mrs. John T. Mitchell of Washington D.C.

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Help getting car unstuck appreciated

DEAR EDITOR:

I always read your paper and am pleased to see letters thanking Miltonians for their thoughtfulness. I would like to add my experience.

I do not live in Milton and mistakenly drove down Court Street recently. At the end I got stuck in the snow.

A young friendly fellow with a hockey stick came to help me. He cleared some of the snow in front of my tires. He said my car needed to be pushed out and he would get his father. When his

father arrived, he continued to remove the snow from in front of my tires.

As they stated to push my car, another young man arrived. He joined them and all three managed to get my car unstuck.

I wanted to stop and tell them how grateful I was for their help, but one of them shouted "Don't stop." So I'd like to offer my sincere thanks to all three.

ANN PAUL
ROCKWOOD

Shane Smith fundraising support was amazing

DEAR EDITOR:

This letter goes out to the countless businesses, friends, family and community members who helped with the February 17 fundraiser in support of Shane Smith.

Your generosity was an

important factor in the success of this event.

On behalf of Shane, Bonnie and Lexi Smith, please accept my sincere thanks for the incredible support given to our 'Shane Smith Fundraiser'.

The support everyone has

given to the Smiths is not only counted in dollars and cents, but in the spirit of community, family and friends.

Thank you all.

JODI WILSON
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