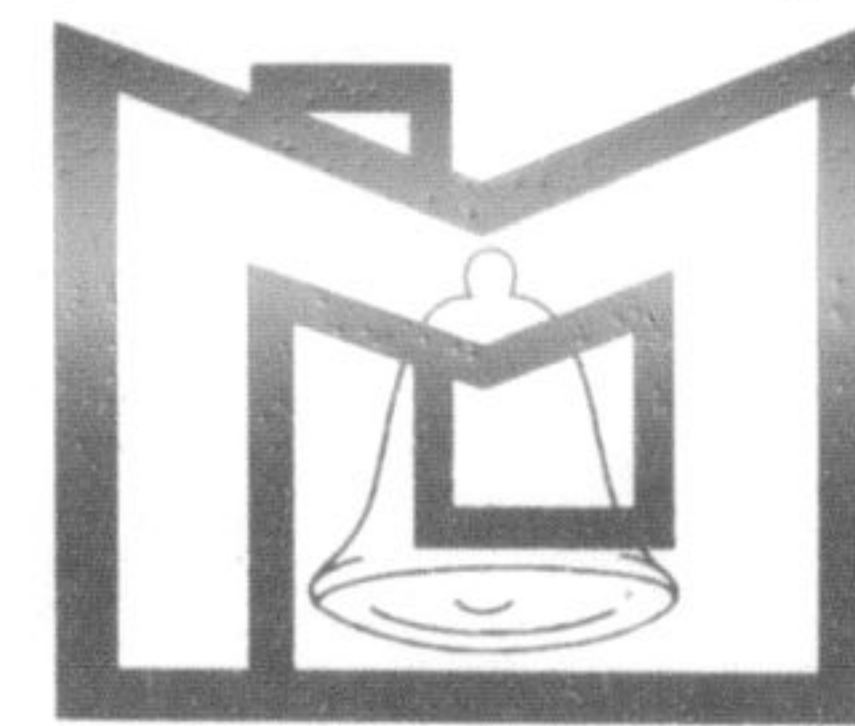


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I suspect it is safe to say that we are at last having the spring many of us have been hungering for since we were deep in the grip of winter. It's hard to believe that was only a few short weeks ago.

As my garden returns to life, with plants, weeds and weed-like plants (Star of Bethlehem! Oh my!) jockeying for position, it is wonderful to be outside, tending to the garden, listening to the busy birds and the laughter and play of neighbourhood children enjoying being outside.

Being outside is a true joy of this time of year. If you are looking for ideas about how to better enjoy your time outside, why not come by the library for some investigation of the different resources we have available: from fishing to hiking, from boating to birding, and everything in between (including the simple pleasure of flying a kite).

Perhaps you simply want to explore your town and your neighbourhood? Why not stop by the Milton Public Library and borrow one of the pedometers we started circulating in September? Using one is a great way to remind yourself to be active. I often wear one at work (I have one strapped on right now: 4,607 so far for the day [at least another 6 thousand to go]) as a reminder to walk when I can. As you may remember, you can borrow a 'ped' for three weeks, and we have many available for use.

When you do come by the library, try to remember to take a moment to admire the gorgeous spring gardens. They were designed and are maintained with the knowledge, skill and enthusiasm of the Milton and District Horticultural Society. While I think the gardens are always beautiful, they are particularly lovely in the spring. And if you come by soon enough, our magnolia may still be in bloom, too.

In Library Branch Construction news, I'm thrilled to report of two major achievements. In late March, the Town was advised that the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative grant application had been successful (over a million dollars to offset its costs). And in

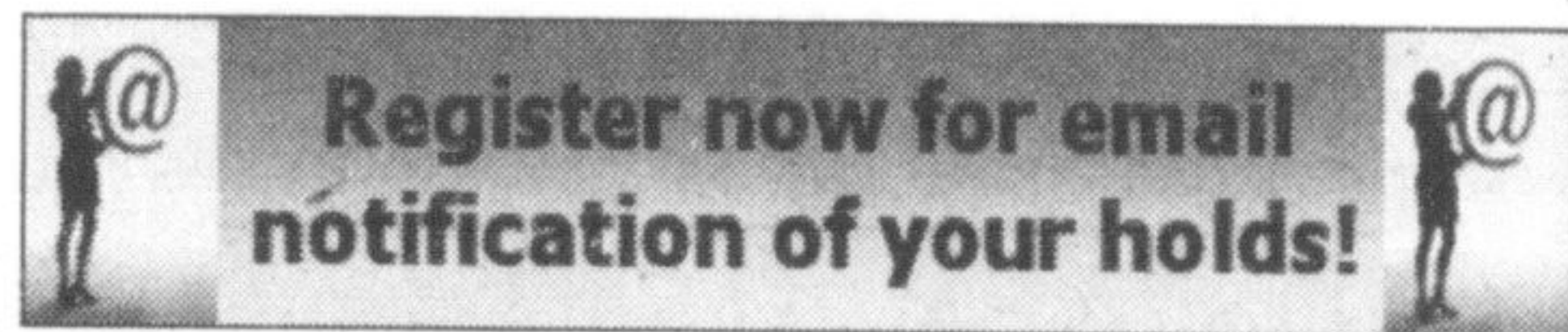
very early April work began at the site: and you can already begin to see some of the shape. Last Friday, the concrete footings along the north wall started to be poured. When I stopped by today (Tuesday, April 22) all the north wall footings had been poured, and work on the other footings will begin in a few days. It has been fascinating to see the project beginning to really take shape, and I can't wait until we are able to open our doors.

Talk to you in May!

Leslie Fitch
Chief Librarian



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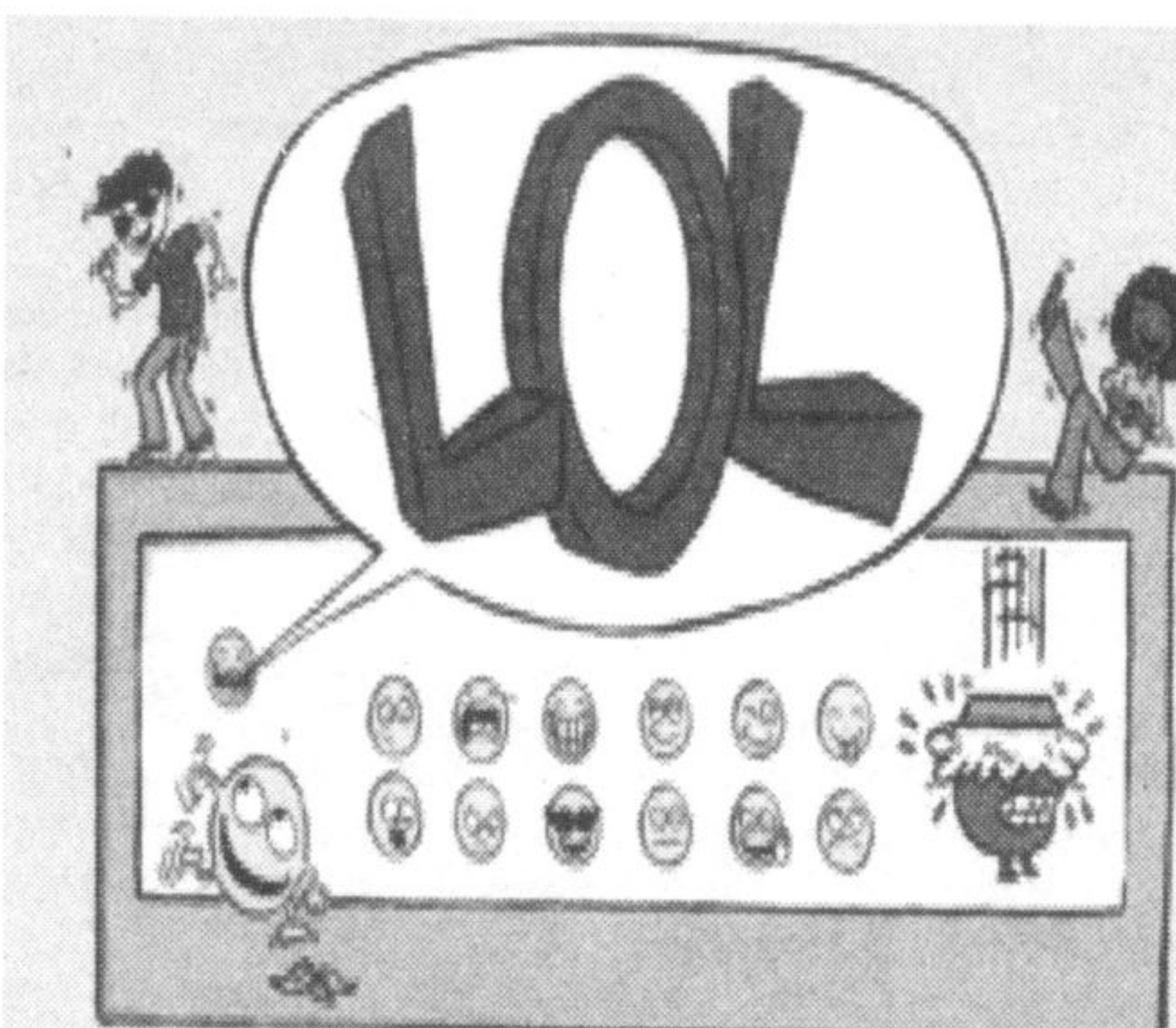
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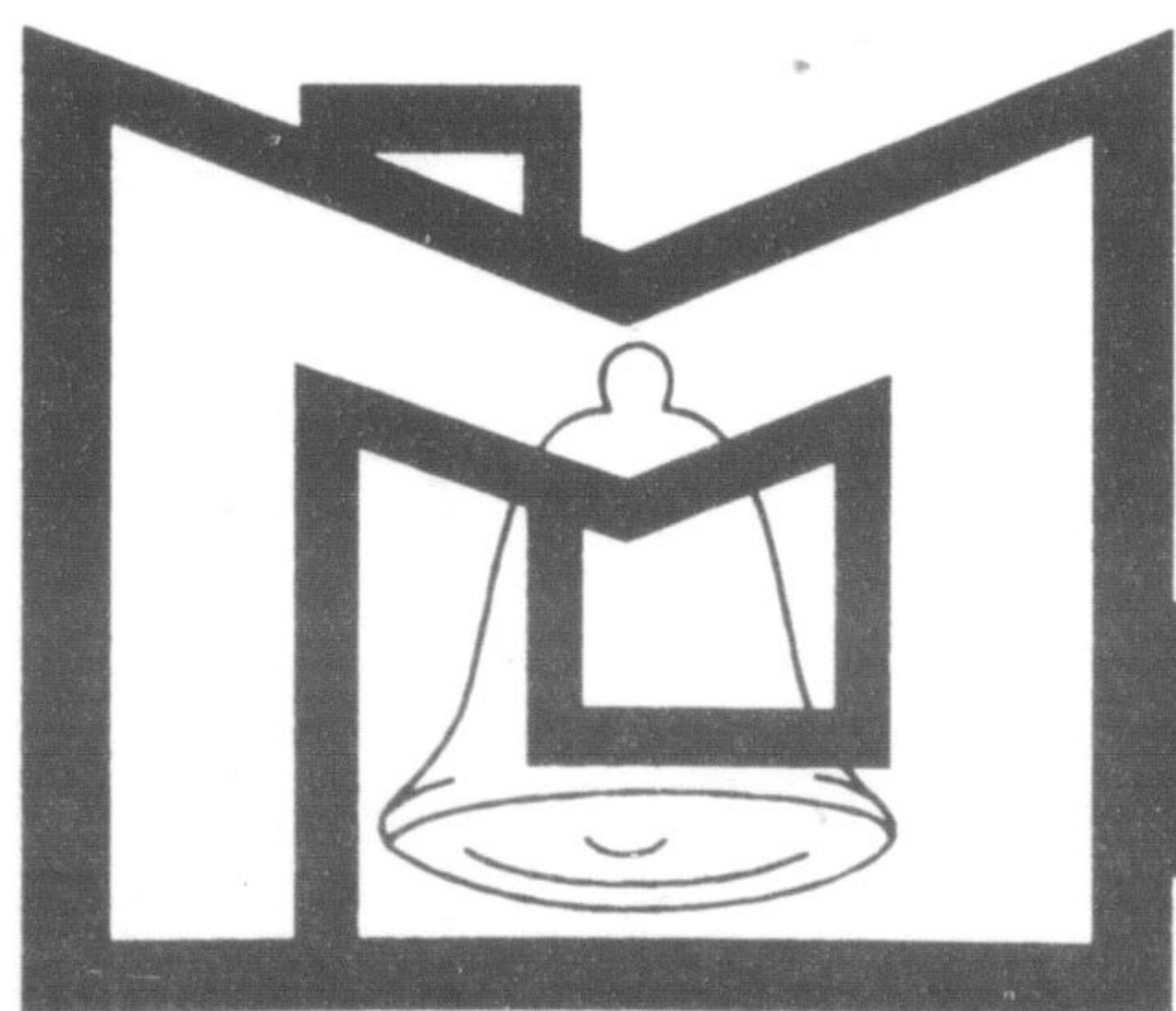


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