



It's Your Business

with **JANE MULLER**

Mug shots

Howard and Deborah Latham have nothing to do with the police department, however they do make a business of creating mug shots.

There's a difference between the Lathams' mug shots and the photos taken of suspected criminals. Photo-mugs feature photographs that are given to the Lathams for reproduction on white coffee mugs. They'll print up to two photographs and a message on a mug — and the customer gets the original photos back.

The Milton couple are so swamped with orders resulting from their booth at Zellers that they've been closing at 6 p.m. and filling orders at home in the evenings. They bought the franchise recently and began making these personalized gifts last week. The parent company based in Montreal got started three months ago.

Mr. Latham says he thinks orders will keep coming even after the Christmas gift buying season is over. Potential customers can call the couple's home to place orders once the display at Zellers is removed.

Photo-mugs has an agreement with Zellers to market the product in stores across the country. The cost of a mug with one photograph is \$12.95 and an extra \$3 is charged for a message or second photo.

Bountiful Baskets

Every gift basket sold at The Second Cup location at Milton Mall will benefit not only the recipient but the Milton District Hospital Foundation as well.

Peter Vanlinsel, owner of the gourmet coffee and gift shop, is donating \$1 from each basket sold to the Foundation. There are ready-made basket assortments available or baskets can be filled to order. Prices start at \$8 and according to the owner, there's no limit to the variety and price of products that can be included in a basket.

Chudleigh's On Track

A hot drink and a piece of that famous apple pie can still be found at Chudleigh's despite the scaled-down scope of the operation since last February's fire.

The farm-gate operation's marketing director, Shirley Rosenbersky, says a family can still spend an hour at Chudleigh's, buying apples, gourmet foods, sampling some pie, riding a pony or a horse-drawn wagon. Cross-country ski trails will be open again this season at the Highway 25 farm as well.

While a small shed at the original site provides a retail outlet and base for other activities, a large building in Aberfoyle houses the Chudleigh's bakery. Located on Brock Road (old Highway 6) north of Highway 401, the building also includes a small retail outlet.

This Saturday and Sunday, Santa Claus will be visiting Chudleigh's on Highway 25 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The retail outlet will be open until 7 p.m. this weekend to provide ample opportunity to pick up some Christmas baking or a gift box.

Murder Planned

A murder is expected to be committed on New Year's Eve at the Tea Rose Restaurant and Gallery. The 50 guests won't be surprised, however, as they will be attending a murder mystery dinner theatre.

An Oakville based professional theatre company called Murder Most Foul will present a play between courses of the four-course meal. The entire house will be used for the production.

Dinner guests will have hors d'oeuvres, a bottle of champagne, dinner and entertainment for \$125 a couple.

Region says liner ensures safety

The 4-million tonne landfill in Milton will be perfectly safe, says Halton Region's acting public works commissioner. The fact that Halton has opted to install a liner at the site just ensures that safety, he believes.

Halton Region has decided to build a liner just to make sure any cracks in the clay basin are closed, said Bruce Kitchen.

Although the clay base is highly resistant to penetration from any moisture, including leaching liquid garbage, studies recently carried out by the Region supported the contention that there are cracks in the clay bed which could be widened by dump excavation work, Mr. Kitchen said.

In order "to be sure" no such cracks will allow waste to contaminate ground water supplies, the Region will dredge up the clay at the

site to a depth of 1.5 metres as the landfill pit is created, mix the clay together and replace it to form a solid base before any garbage is dumped at the site, Mr. Kitchen said.

The clay itself, which Mr. Kitchen likened to "a flowerpot" in its water resistance, will form the liner.

Halton will apply to the provincial government for funding assistance in

the massive undertaking, expected to add at least \$10 million to the cost of the landfill. The Province may supply one-third of the \$10 million, Mr. Kitchen indicated.

The \$10 million will be tacked on a rapidly escalating landfill construction budget that was hovering around \$35 million before the Region included the cost of the liner.

Crack liner adds \$10 million

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The current situation, the Mayor said, arises from the fact the hearing panel "would not pay attention" to Milton's concerns regarding the clay cracks. The Region now finds a liner is needed. That is something we tried to tell everybody — anybody who would listen.

Milton council voted to request all the pertinent water study information from the Region in order that council, and the Town's landfill lawyer, Fred Leitch, can examine the findings.

The Region readily agreed to forward that data, Milton town administrator Roy Main said.

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