

Rural residents may get garbage collection, for extra \$120 a year

People living in rural Milton will have a chance to decide whether they want municipal garbage collection as Milton's public works department does a survey on the subject this month.

The department will hold three open houses and ask area residents to fill out questionnaires indicating whether or not they approve of the idea. The responses will be taken to town council for a final decision.

Currently rural residents make their own garbage collection arrangements, usually with private contractors. If the new scheme is implemented, various private haulers will be asked to bid on the rural garbage contract.

Phil Antoniow, Milton's manager of engineering services, said he expects town garbage collection would cost rural residents roughly \$120 a year for an averagesized home. The rate would be based on property tax assessments, so those with larger houses would pay more.

area, Mr. Antoniow said. Currently, those who separate keep the same hours, 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.

recylables in rural Milton must take them to designated recycling centres.

Mr. Antoniow said it's possible to offer collection for only \$120 a year in rural Milton because the program will be amalgamated with the existing urban one. That means that urban residents will, in effect, subsidize rural collection to some extent, but it only amounts to "four or five dollars a year," Mr. Antoniow noted. The \$120. collection tab would be billed to rural ratepayers as a property tax increase.

Next Wednesday (April 15) the first open house wil be held at the Italian Canadian Club on Townline Road (Tremaine Road) in Milton Heights. It'll take place from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and from 7 p.m to 9 p.m.

The other two open houses will be on Thursday, April 23 and Thursday, April 30. The former will be at the Boyne Community Centre (Britannia Road just east of If municipal waste collection is adopted for rural Mil- Highway 25) and the latter at the Nassagaweya Comton, the blue box program would be expanded to that munity Centre (Guelph Line, Brookville). Each will

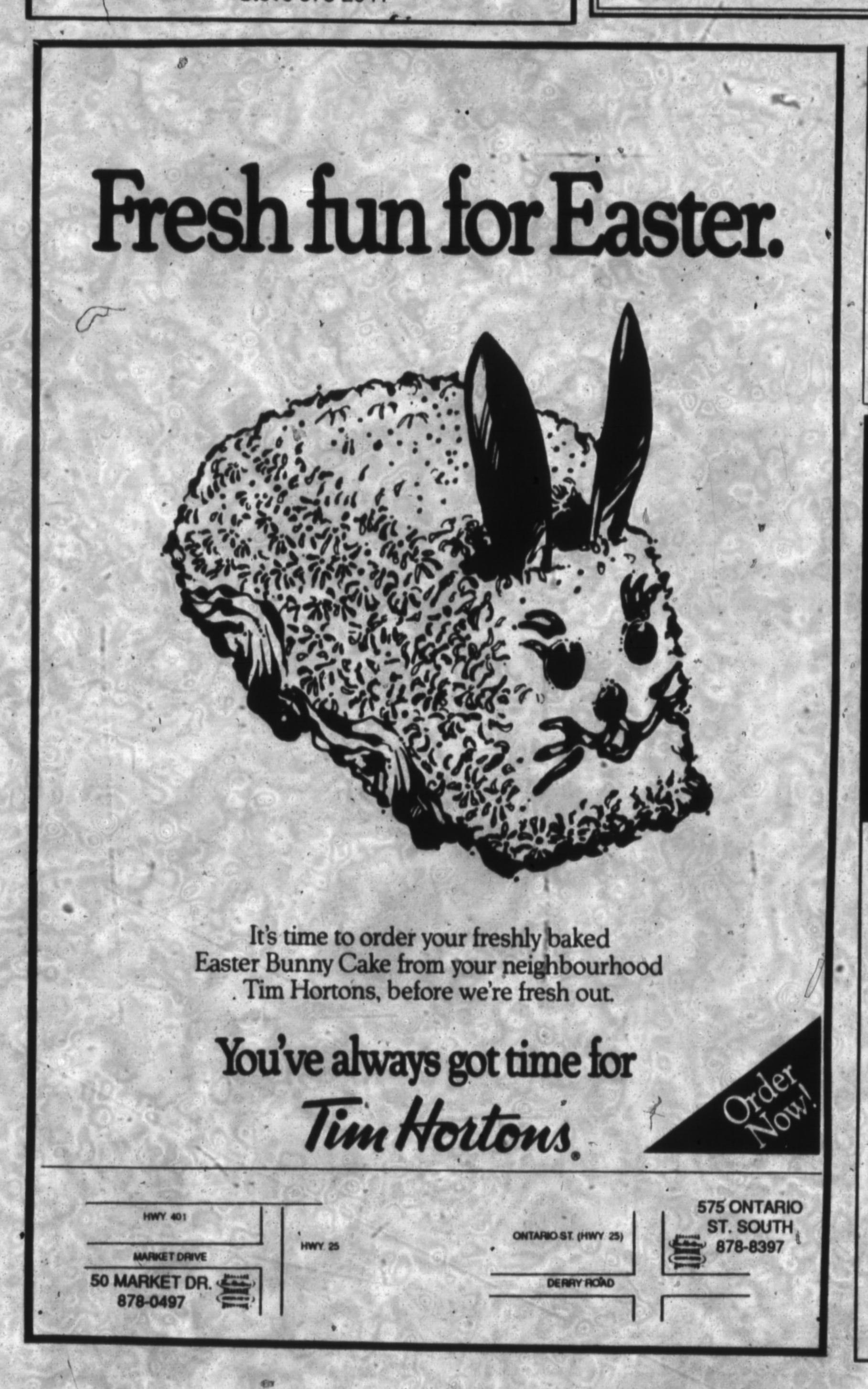
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and this is the time of year to find them.

Both Milton Mall and Chudleigh's are planning Easter egg hunts this season. At Chudleigh's Apple p.m. There will be a small charge to enter the hunt details and be on the look-out for eggs.

There are a number of lost Easter eggs in the area with proceeds going to Easter Seals. Prizes will include a pony ride.

At Milton Mall an Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt has \$250 in Milton Mall gift certificates as the prize. Farm it's a one-day event Sunday, Apr. 19 at 12:30 Shoppers should ask mall merchants for contest



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