Tragedy could prompt interest in Block Parents

By JANE MULLER The Champion

residents interested in the Block age group as well. Parent program, says local coordinator Sue Robertson.

Interest in the neighbourhood safety initiative is waning, even dinator. though the commitment amounts to

and putting up the Block Parent sign at the participant's convenience.

"It's a shame. It's a sign of the times," Ms Robertson explains.

To become a Block Parent, everyone living in the prospective home is screened by police. Once the police give the okay, a red-and-white Block Parent communities," says Ms Robertson. sign is issued. The sign is to be dissomeone is home and willing to respond to a knock at the door.

Children are taught to consider homes with signs as "safe". They can expect to be helped if they are cording to Ms Robertson, the promay become lost or disoriented even in their own neighbourhood.

"We are trying to get seniors and kid needs you," she says.

teens involved," she explains.

Teenagers shouldn't forget the lessons they learned about Block It shouldn't take a tragedy like a Parents as youngsters, she suggests. child abduction or murder to keep. The safe houses can be used by this

> Wandering seniors could benefit from the Block Parent telephone network, says the program coor-

There is a great need for more receiving an annual telephone call Block Parents in Milton. With only

about 10 new signs handed out each year, the program is slowly dying.

Campbellville group folded recently when no coordinator could be found. There had been 60 signs in

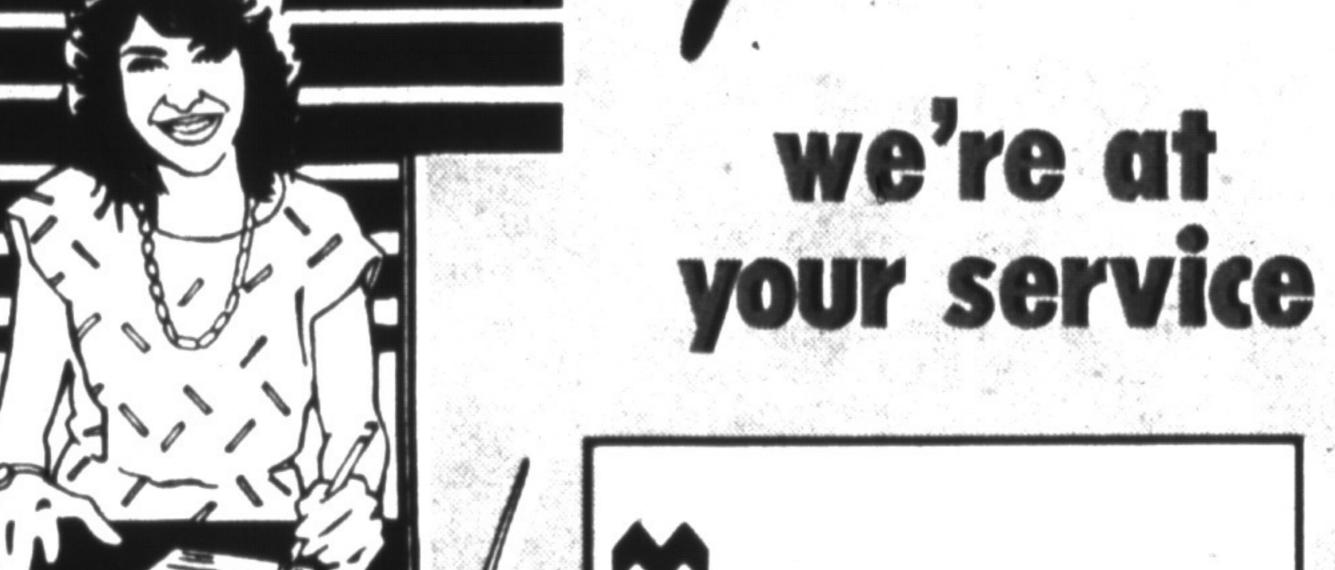
the village, now there are none. "It's happening in all kinds of

She's a member of the Ontario played in a front window only when Block Parent Association. Its members have concluded that people are more worried about break-ins than the safety of kids.

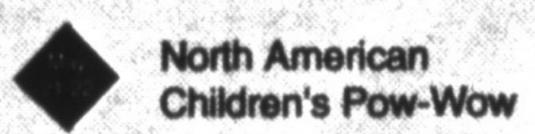
The lack of interest is frustrating for people like Ms Robertson espelost, being bullied or followed. Ac- cially considering this type of volunteer work allows the participant to gram also extends to seniors citizens take part only when he or she wants who suffer memory impairment and to - after work, a couple of hours on the weekend, after school.

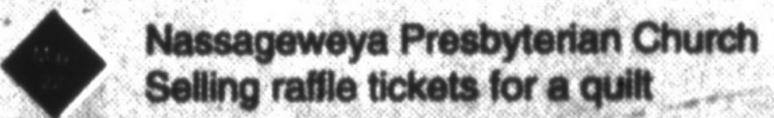
"You might be at home when a

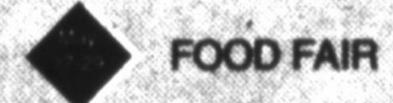


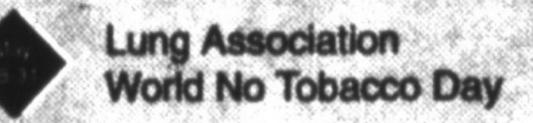


UPCOMING EVENTS

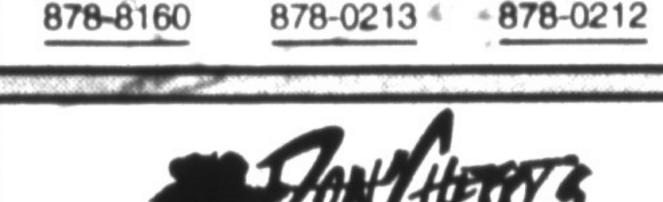








LINK Foundation



JOAN

GLYNN

Commercial

Manager

Bank of Montreal

RON

HALL

Loan & Mortgage

Manager

Join us every Friday Night for great Steak and Seafood Specials.

Specials start at \$6.95 and includes Caesar Salad, Choice of Potato and Vegetable. RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE

55 Ontario St. South, Milton Mall 875-1559



FATHER'S DAY SPECIAL 40% OFF

> **MEN'S WALLETS** 3 Initials Included 878-9770



ROYAL BANK

ROYAL BUY-BACK & SHOCK ABSORBER

2 Great Car Loan Options 875-0600

KATHY

LEKAVICIOUS

Branch

Manager

National Trust

Give us Your Mortgage and We'll give you up to \$1,000

\$5 CASH FOR **EVERY \$1,000 OF** YOUR MORTGAGE.

Visit our Mortgage Specialists Today

* Limited Time Only 878-4173



SELL OFF LINE

875-2929

Toronto - Manchester Return \$329 plus \$40 Tax

Home Of

Hours:

Mon. to Friday 9:30 to 9:00 Saturday: 9:30 to 6:00 Sunday: Noon to 5:00

55 Ontario Street 878-3900



GEORGETOWN

235 GUELPH STREET - 873-1999

CINEMAS

JUST DEUX IT.

HOT

PART DEUX