

# OUR READERS WRITE

THE CANADIAN CHAMPION

## Rural Halton dumped on, again

Dear Editor:

As usual, the citizens of Rural Halton are being dumped on.

On Jan. 1, 1994, those of us who choose to take care of our own garbage will again be penalized by being charged \$5 every time we take our garbage to the landfill site, regardless of the size of the load.

If I may refresh a few memories, it was the rural residents of Halton who were the first recyclers, the first composters and we are usually the most diligent in sending the least amount of garbage to the landfill.

If we do have garbage pick-up at our homes, we pay extra on top of our already high taxes. We don't have sewers. We don't have sidewalks. We dispose of our own leaves and we don't have bus service. It costs us gas money to go to and from the landfill, plus the wear and tear on our vehicles.

In this home, we don't generate a great amount of garbage. We have a composter. We recycle our cans, bottles, newspapers and flyers, etc. We have a wood stove in which we burn cereal boxes, labels and anything else that is safe to burn.

I can tell you, it's not the \$5 that's the problem here. It's the principle involved. I, for one, do not intend to pay this fee. I will find another way.

Jean Dent,  
R.R. 2, Milton

## Thanks, Bingo Country

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter to inform the public of one of the many good deeds Bingo Country and the 40 local charities do with the money raised by sponsoring a night each week at the hall.

On Dec. 7, nearly 400 people, including me, attended the senior citizens-Christmas party. The seniors were bused from the surrounding areas if they could not drive.

We had a hot turkey dinner, carol singing, entertainment, free draws

and gifts, and even some bingo. Some of the town councillors and Mayor Gord Krantz attended also.

Many thanks go to Tony Camilleri, manager of Bingo Country, for the hours he and his wife Barb and the rest of the family put in to make it a most enjoyable day.

Thanks too, to the staff for all their help in decorating and looking after us.

Lastly, but not forgotten, are the volunteers who gave of their time and energy to keep things running smoothly. Don't tell me there is no Santa Claus. His spirit was with each and every one of us that day.

June Gould  
Milton

## Slash was more like a slit

Dear Editor:

You know, it always amuses me

when I read that governments are slashing their budgets.

A gleaming example of this is in the weekend paper where it is reported that regional government is slashing \$295,000 from the police budget of more than \$38 million — a "slash" of less than one percent.

This is like a general describing a conflict to his superior. "The battle raged back and forth and we slashed at the enemy until we gained a great victory. We cut off his toenail."

Malcolm Phillips,  
Milton

## Help solve horrendous crime

Dear Editor:

On the morning of Sunday, May 16, the body of a newborn baby girl was found floating in the whirlpool of the Niagara River, approximately five kilometres (three miles) down

stream of the Horseshoe Falls in Niagara Falls, Ont. The Niagara River is a 56-kilometre long natural U.S.A./Canada boundary, separating New York from Ontario.

This baby may have been placed in the water from either side of the border and may have been in the water up to two weeks before being discovered.

The cause of death was attributed to drowning, which occurred in the Niagara River shortly after birth. The infant, believed to be caucasian, was a healthy full-term (8 1/2-9 1/2 months gestation) baby. No abnormalities or injuries were detected.

A portion of the umbilical cord still attached revealed it had been cut in a fashion which lead investigators to believe that the birth or this infant was not medically assisted and was likely a home delivery.

The identity of this baby has not been established nor has its mother

been located.

Who is responsible for this horrendous crime? Can you help? Any assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Contact detective sergeant Rick Berketa or detective Paul Koczula at (905)688-4111, ext. 2218.

Bruce Chambers  
Superintendent, 22 Division,  
Niagara Falls

## Letters Welcomed

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