



OUR READERS WRITE

THE CANADIAN CHAMPION

Grid system immaterial now; teacher

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to Pat Kelly's column in a recent edition of *The Champion*. He wrote that teachers have received a raise due to the fact that many have been reinstated to the 12-year grid structure of their contract. The fact is that no teacher in Halton Region has been restored to his or her grid position.

In an agreement with the Halton Board of Education prior to the start of the 1995-1996 school year, teachers agreed to take a six-day pay cut for budgetary considerations and an extra two-day pay cut to allow our young teachers to get back on the grid.

The board took our pay cuts but asked us to wait until September, 1996 for the reinstatement to kick in, because time was too short to implement it for September, 1995. We accepted this.

As it has turned out, in February, 1996, the board delivered termination notices to several hundred young teachers, virtually eliminating everyone who was in a position to benefit from grid reinstatement.

Verne O'Neill

Math teacher, 24 years
Milton District High School

We're here too on Main Street

Dear Editor:

In the May 1 issue of *The Canadian Champion*, Anthony Allwood, general manager of the Milton Downtown BIA, expressed his dismay at the closing of the downtown branch of the Bank of Montreal.

He finished his letter by pointing out that there are still four major financial institutions doing business in downtown Milton.

Perhaps your readers would be interested in knowing that there is another alternative

Gay, angry and proud

Dear Editor:

This is in response to the editorial printed in the May 15 edition of *The Champion* entitled "Flawed political judgment shown."

The publication of this editorial is proof that the passing of the gay rights legislation is the one time that our federal politician's judgment is not flawed.

To say Canadians do not go out of their way to attack homosexuality, or would feel ashamed to pick on anyone for their sexual orientation, is an outright lie. The proof is Rob Kelly's own editorial attacking the gay rights legislation.

Homosexuals are not asking for special rights. They are asking for equal rights, and I am proud that our federal government has seen fit to bring us one step closer to our goal. If homosexual union and same-sex benefits offend your "grass roots" sensibilities, and those of others, then so be it.

Speaking for myself and the other homosexuals in this riding, and Mr. Kelly there are more than you obviously realize, we will not apologize for having offended you and continue on with our fight to achieve equal rights.

Luigi De Santis
Milton

on Main Street. The Halton Credit Union has been in business since 1957.

The credit union offers generally the same services as the big banks. The difference is that we are locally owned (by our customers) and we invest virtually all of our members' money in the local economy. We believe that bigger is not necessarily better and we invite local residents and businesses alike to check us out. We think they would be pleasantly surprised.

Peter Buwalda
Milton

Firewood fundraiser warmed donor's heart

Dear Editor:

The firewood fundraiser for John Popp which was held on May 11 was a great success.

Despite the rain Maple Hill employees donated their time and efforts. Trucks were lined up for most of the day and everyone went away served and feeling better about helping the cause.

Most people did not know John Popp, but had heard his story, and their strong

sense of community compelled them to help. Halton Rent All assisted through the use of a loader to move the wood.

I would like to thank all of the people who helped in this cause. After doing something like this and being so strongly supported, I feel lucky to live in such a caring community.

Greg Hill
Maple Hill Tree Services, Hornby

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PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE TRAFALGAR ROAD (REGIONAL ROAD #3) HIGHWAY 403 TO 400 M NORTH OF BRITANNIA ROAD (REGIONAL ROAD #6) TOWN OF MILTON (PR-1327B)

The Regional Municipality of Halton is planning to reconstruct Trafalgar Road (Regional Road #3) from Highway 403 to 400 m North of Britannia Road (Regional Road #6) as well as to improve the intersections at Lower Baseline and Britannia Road. This project is part of the continuing program of upgrading Trafalgar Road.

In compliance with the requirements of the Class Environmental Assessment for Municipal Road Projects (Class EA), an Environmental Study Report (ESR) was prepared and filed for public review in June 1995. The improvement option recommended in the ESR includes widening Trafalgar Road from two to four lanes with a 1.2 m flush median, alignment adjustments at the intersecting roads, profile and drainage improvements.

The Region is proceeding with the preliminary and detail design of the project to review and develop further the recommended improvement options and mitigation measures to minimize impacts to the environment and the public. The proposed intersection improvements at Britannia Road have been separated and will be built under a separate contract.

A Public Information Centre will be held:

DATE: Thursday, May 30, 1996
TIME: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
PLACE: Wyldewood Golf and Country Club
6198 Trafalgar Road
Hornby, Ontario

This Public Information Centre has been arranged for the public to review and comment on the preliminary and detail design of the reconstruction prior to proceeding to the next phase. All residents with an interest in this project will be available to respond to your questions/concerns and receive your comments.

If you are unable to attend the Public Information Centre and require additional information, or wish to provide your written comments, please contact:

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For more information, call 878-5030