



MILTON TIME CAPSULES

Resolution passed that soldiers will receive watches for service

Time Capsules are gems of information extracted from past issues of the Champion and other publications in order to provide a window into Milton's past.

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The following resolution has been passed by the council re presentations to returned soldiers; That all those who were bona fide residents of the town of Milton at the time of their enlistment and who have served their King and country overseas, shall be eligible to receive watches from the town. The committee has prepared a list of the names of such returned men which may be seen at the office of the secretary, Mrs. J.H. Peacock. Citizens are requested to examine such list and report to the secretary any omissions or corrections in names or initials that they may be dealt with by the committee at its next meeting.

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David Clark has bought from Mrs. Gorham the frame dwelling north east of his property and the lot on the opposite side of Victoria Street.

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Bandsman Lorne Wharton is in town visiting his parents. He enlisted at Winnipeg and went overseas as a bandsman in May 1916. After a time he left the band and served in the trenches. He was in France for two-and-a-half years. He got back to Winnipeg two weeks ago. He is a graduate of the Milton Citizens band.

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Adv. Mortgagee's Sale of Brick Plant and Property at Milton. National Trust company selling lots no. 14 and 15 1st Con. Traf. The Brandon Company, about 24 acres. Brick plant

and equipment capacity of 40,000 to 60,000 bricks per day, a boarding house, two dwelling houses, outbuildings, kilns and a railway siding. Also east half of lot no. 14 in 1st Con. Traf with exceptions, part of Scott Farm plus lease dated 1st Sept. 1911 between Frederic J. Martin and C.W. Martin.

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H.R. Hare, district Representative for Halton, Department of Agriculture, will go to Vancouver, B.C. in a week or two having been appointed to the Animal Husbandry department of the British Columbia Agricultural College. Mr. Hare has not only discharged his duties in Halton with great credit, but he has done his bit in the great war as an officer in the Imperial Army, in the heavy artillery.

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It was announced on Tuesday that the name of Burlington Bay had been changed to Hamilton Harbor by order in council at the request of the city of Hamilton. Burlington objected some time ago to the proposed change.

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Sergt. Percy Allport has sold his property on Pearl Street to Mrs. Annie Fay and has bought a house at Long Branch into which he and his family will move next week. He has long been a member of the choir of the Methodist Church and Mrs. Allport a leading church worker. On Tuesday afternoon she was given a life membership in the W.M.S.

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Dr. C.H. Heslop has bought R.B. Anderson's brick livery stables, Main St.

This material is assembled on behalf of the Milton Historical Society by Jim Dills, who can be reached through the society at (905) 875-4156.

Development proposal poor planning, believes local federal Green Party CEO

Dear Editor:

Do you drive your kids to Glen Eden for skiing? Does your family go to the beach at Kelso Conservation Area for swimming? Do you go mountain biking on the trails atop the escarpment?

If you do, you have driven past the fields, woodlots, old orchards, creeks, wetlands, and rural homes that make up the scenic parcel of land that lies between Peru Road and the Niagara Escarpment, an area known as Milton Heights. This area is slated for development. Although it would be ideal to protect all of this landscape, that appears unlikely, in my opinion.

In 2010, town council approved in principle a proposal to build upward of 1,400 housing units and a commercial/business park potentially including a hotel and conference centre. On one of the smallest parcels, the developers have applied to build approximately 300 homes, nearly triple the number of housing units currently permitted near the escarpment, according to the Town's official plan.

To do so, one creek will need to be relocated and two wetlands will need to be removed.

I believe this development proposal flies in the face of good planning. A recent report on the health of the Halton watershed states that 21.4 per cent of our watershed is covered with paved roads, parking lots, driveways, and rooftops. That's a staggering percentage and earned the Halton watershed a sad report card ranking of 'D' compared to other watersheds in Ontario.

Almost one quarter of the land surface won't accept rainwater and so that water is then rerouted, concentrated into artificial waterways and then dumped into streams and rivers. This contributes to flooding and to pollution of our waterways. Knowing this, I believe replacing wetlands and treed areas of Milton Heights with asphalt, concrete and shingles is poor planning.

Whether you look at practical planning issues or aesthetic issues, I think the increase in housing density requested by the developers should be rejected by the Town of Milton, the other agencies involved in the planning process, and the Ontario Municipal Board.

Judi Remigio, CEO

Halton Federal Green Party Association

Talent of local artists inspires people

Dear Editor:

Thank you to Milton's amazing local artistic talent.

We were truly blessed to have that talent at our annual patient appreciation day this past July. Two young and inspired artists graciously volunteered their time and energy to share with our patients their unique gifts.

Steve Rivers, a vocal artist and songwriter, entertained and engaged everyone to sing along to his latest singles *Mess it up* and *Uncomplicated*. His high energy, excitement and amazing talent inspired everyone to join in and buy his new CD.

Tina Newlove, a visual artist, has been impacting culture throughout Canada with her

paintings. At our event, she engaged our patients to participate in a collective masterpiece painting. She guided everyone to express their own creativity through painting and then blended everyone's contributions with her own to create a masterpiece that hangs on our office wall. It was an inspiration of what's possible through collective expression.

These two incredible individuals openly and selflessly shared their special artistic talents and inspired our community. We're lucky to call them Miltonians and I was so grateful to spend the day with them.

Dr. Heather Jones, B.Sc., D.C.

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