

# Champion named best newspaper

The Ontario Community Newspaper Association (OCNA) announced today that The Milton Canadian Champion was chosen Best All-Round newspaper in Ontario.

The award is bestowed annually by the association and recognizes outstanding achievements in all areas of newspaper endeavor.

Champion publisher Herb Crowther said "the award, for best community newspaper was chosen by our peers and for The Champion to win Best Overall in our circulation category is an honour."

"Congratulations go out to all departments of the newspaper, to our carrier boys and girls and to our readers for their support."

In addition to the Best Overall rating in our category (8,001-20,000) we were awarded firsts for Best Front Page, Best Sports Pages, Best News and Features, and Best Advertising.

Earlier this year The Champion was informed that Ryan Leworthy would receive his Outstanding Young Citizen Award at the OCNA convention.



# Winter Carnival set for Feb. 8-10

The annual Milton Winter Carnival is set for Feb. 8-10 with a complete list of things to do and places to visit designed for the entire family.

The fun and games get underway Friday, Feb. 8 with the crowning of the prince and princess of the carnival at the mill pond at 7:40 p.m. No sooner will that be completed when the sky will be lit with a special fireworks display. Later in the evening there will be a Christmas Tree Bonfire at 8:30 p.m. to start family skating.

On Saturday, the family can go to a pancake breakfast at Memorial Arena and then take part in the free public skating. That starts at 8 a.m. Last year's popular helicopter rides will go from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Martin Street School while family skating will be going on at the mill pond.

In the evening there will be a broomball tournament and a dance at Memorial Arena with music provided by Sonic Entertainment.

But the big day is Sunday with noon to 5 p.m. being the time of most events and the place being in the Rotary Park-Martin Street School-mill pond area. The helicopters will be back along with a tug-of-war.



This is Mittle the Snowman, the official symbol of the Milton Winter Carnival. Mittle is urging children to come forward to try for the Prince and Princess pageant. The Springers are taking applications and they must be in by Friday, Feb. 1.

pony rides, polar bear demonstration, arts and crafts, and even a balloon-release contest.

One of the funniest events of the day will be the Mutt Show to be held in Rotary Park starting at 2 p.m. There will be prizes for the happiest-looking dog, the saddest-looking dog, the loudest bark, longest tail, shortest tails, and, of course, that infamous category "most resembles owner."

There will be log sawing, horseshoes, even a dart competition not to mention a complete list of races for boys and girls.

## Rural Watch

A special meeting for Nassagaweya residents will be held next Wednesday to subject is crime.

Halton Regional Police Crime Prevention Officer Dave Crawford said he is aiming for a large turnout at the Brookville Hall for the 7:30 p.m. meeting.

Constable Crawford said he hopes this meeting will look at Rural Watch which is the same type of program as Neighbourhood Watch in urban areas.

He said he encourages residents to come and outline their concerns for the area.

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## Takes to the sky

# Air test tower up

Milton's anti-toxic treatment group has taken to the air to prove a massive liquid waste facility should not be built here.

Last week, the Milton Environmental Advisory Group (MEAG) erected a 50-metre (150-foot) tower near Britannia Rd. and Highway 25. Instruments at the 10, 27 and 50 metre heights are now sampling temperature, wind speed and direction to aid MEAG in preparation of an air quality study.

This was done because the Ontario Waste Management Corporation (OWMC) toxic liquid waste treatment-incinerator-landfill facility, wherever it is located, will emit up to six tonnes of residual contaminants into the atmosphere.

## Railway service resumes

Milton residents may soon be able to get on VIA Rail trains in Acton with announcement yesterday (Tuesday) service will be resumed, probably by spring.

Otto Jelinek, Minister of State for Fitness and Amateur Sport, told The Champion he has been assured VIA Rail service in the North Halton area will be restored.

He said bringing back VIA service to this area was one of the campaign promises made by him in the fall election. He said he has already talked with area municipal officials including regional chairman, Peter Pomeroy, on resumption.

Based on those talks, Mr. Jelinek said he is bowing to the region and not bringing back the service until it can be included in the final draft of the Halton Tourism Survey now being completed.

MEAG said the OWMC has yet to make any attempt to find out where winds in this area would carry those contaminants, so they have decided to find out themselves.

MEAG spokesman Darryl DeMille said the measurements will give some sort of a profile of what happens in the atmosphere above Milton and it will be possible to extend this profile up to the 100-metre level, the height of a smokestack from an incinerator.

Information from the study will allow MEAG's fair quality group to assess the amount of turbulence in the atmosphere and where stable air conditions exist. High turbulence means the contaminants would disperse quickly, whereas stable conditions, along with low level inversions, means they would be brought to earth more quickly. Measuring wind direction will show, Mr. DeMille said, how often these contaminants will be blown in a northwesterly direction up into the escarpment.

"If the wind drives them on, rather than over the escarpment, it could result in a high level of contamination," he said.

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## Springers Bring Back Gold



Kim Collier, 15, goes through her routine in the Tyrn "B" portion of the Ontario Gymnastic Federation's Central Region meet Saturday in Burlington. The Milton Springers, of which Kim is a member, came home with an entire team of medal and ribbon winners. Getting gold in Tyrn "B" for Milton were Jennifer Dobson and Gail Eastwood. For story and pictures see page B1.

## Bowlathon needs you

Milton residents still have time to line up sponsors for the Feb. 2 Bowl-a-thon being sponsored to aid Milton Big Brothers.

The annual Bowl For Millions will start at 7 p.m. at Milton Bowlway with the rest of the day being given over to those who are trying to raise money for the Big Brothers of Oakville and Milton.

But even if you can't get out Feb. 2, you can still try to get over to Milton Bowlway during Bowl-a-thon Week which runs until Feb. 9. A sponsor sheet used any time during the week will be recognized by Big Brothers.

Milton pledges sheets are available at the offices of The Canadian Champion, 191 Main St. during regular business hours. Further information on the Bowl-a-thon can be obtained by telephoning 878-4756 in Milton or 845-6456 in Oakville.

## It's Heart Month

February has traditionally been Heart Month and this year will be no exception.

The month-long campaign objective in Ontario is \$7 million and a portion of this will be raised in Milton through the efforts of volunteer canvassers Diane Palmer and Milton is heading the local campaign for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario.

She said most volunteer positions are filled however those interested in helping with door-to-door canvassing here may call her at 878-8780.

## Kub Kars are rolling on Saturday

This is the big weekend for Milton area kubs as they pit their racing skills against each other in the annual Kub Kar Rally.

The trials begin Friday evening in St. Paul's Church and a special guest will be Olympic gold medalist in canoeing, Larry Cain, who will be on hand to assist rally organizer Gilles Laframboise.

On Saturday racing resumes at 9 a.m. and should be completed around 2 p.m. This year Mr. Laframboise said there are two new trophies for best design and fastest car of the rally.

"Another thing this year has been the response of the merchants of the town. They always support us with donations to be given out for prizes, but this year they really came through and we have a prize for each entrant," he said.

Between 150 and 200 kubs are expected to be racing their kub kars.

## Major grant will help our kids cope

An award of \$117,000 will provide expanded mental health care to a youth residence which serves Milton.

The Burlington Youth Residences and Services group, which is partially funded by Milton United Way, will receive the funding from the Ministry of Community and Social Services.

Services said Hugo Filice, executive director of BYRS.

He said it underlines a commitment to keep children (needing these services in the community. The money has been redirected from a Toronto centre which has been deal-

ing with clients coming from Halton.

The BYRS budget was \$353,000 for the fiscal year 1983-84. Five new staff will be hired with the additional sum and Mr. Filice said he hopes to have new programs in place by the end of February.

Merlin Kobas will become community services program director responsible for outreach programs in Milton, Acton, and Georgetown. The programs will be geared to specific local needs including group counselling for parents, adolescents and family groups as well as individual work with teenagers.

A consulting psychiatrist will join the BYRS multi-discipline team which will provide consultation internally and also for other community agencies.

Three half-time staff will handle work in new programs. A full-time co-ordinator for crisis services across the region will work with the equivalent of an full-time child worker.

Mr. Filice expects these positions will alleviate pressure on over-extended Children's Aid Society resources.

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## Marj needs your help

Money is coming in slowly to Miss Marjorie McKerr who was burned out of her home on Five Sideroad at Christmas.

So far \$300 has been donated to a fund which was set up by friends of Miss McKerr to help her get back on her feet again.

In the blaze which destroyed her farm home, she escaped with just the clothes on her back.

Although she did have some fire insurance, it was not for replacement value of the home and therefore the amount will come nowhere near paying for the cost of a wall let alone an entire home.

In the meantime the need for money to help buy clothing for Miss McKerr is great.

Donations are being accepted by Susan Brothet of The Canadian Champion. Any contribution can be dropped off at our offices at 185 Main St., or mailed to us at Box 248, Milton, Ont. L9T 4N9.