

LaBarge named deputy police chief

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A 25-year veteran of York Regional Police has been chosen as the force's new deputy chief.

Armand LaBarge, currently a staff inspector, was chosen from seven internal candidates for the high-ranking job. Chief Julian Fantino, who began leading the 800-officer force in August, announced LaBarge's appointment Wednesday.

"We're ending 1998 on a high note and there's a very bright future for this organization in the year ahead," Fantino said.

LaBarge, 45, began his police

career in 1973, two years after the York Region force was formed.

He worked his way up through the ranks, serving as a detective in Vaughan, the officer in charge of investigative services, operational services and information services.

"Getting to help people is what I like most about policing," LaBarge said following his appointment.

Policing is a family affair for LaBarge. His wife Denise is a detective-sergeant with the child and sexual abuse unit in Richmond Hill. One of his brothers is a cop, while another brother is a former police officer. He also

has a cousin serving with the OPP.

"It was a profession I've always leaned towards," LaBarge said. With Fantino being hired from outside the force, police service board members said it was important to choose an "insider" for deputy chief.

"I think it's a healthy thing that we have excellent people to bring forward for that position from within," said vice-chairperson Bob Callow.

Board member Dave Barrow said it would "have been a slap in the face" for police officers if both the chief and deputy were brought in from outside the force.

"We have a lot of good people here who deserve the opportunity," he said. "The problems of the past can't be laid on them."

Police union president Paul Bailey agreed LaBarge was a good choice for deputy. "We've always known that we had internal strength amongst our senior staff," he said. "This is very positive. He's a decent guy."

LaBarge said one of his priorities will be to implement recommendations from the force's new strategic plan.

"I'm confident that we will become the benchmark for policing in Canada," LaBarge said.

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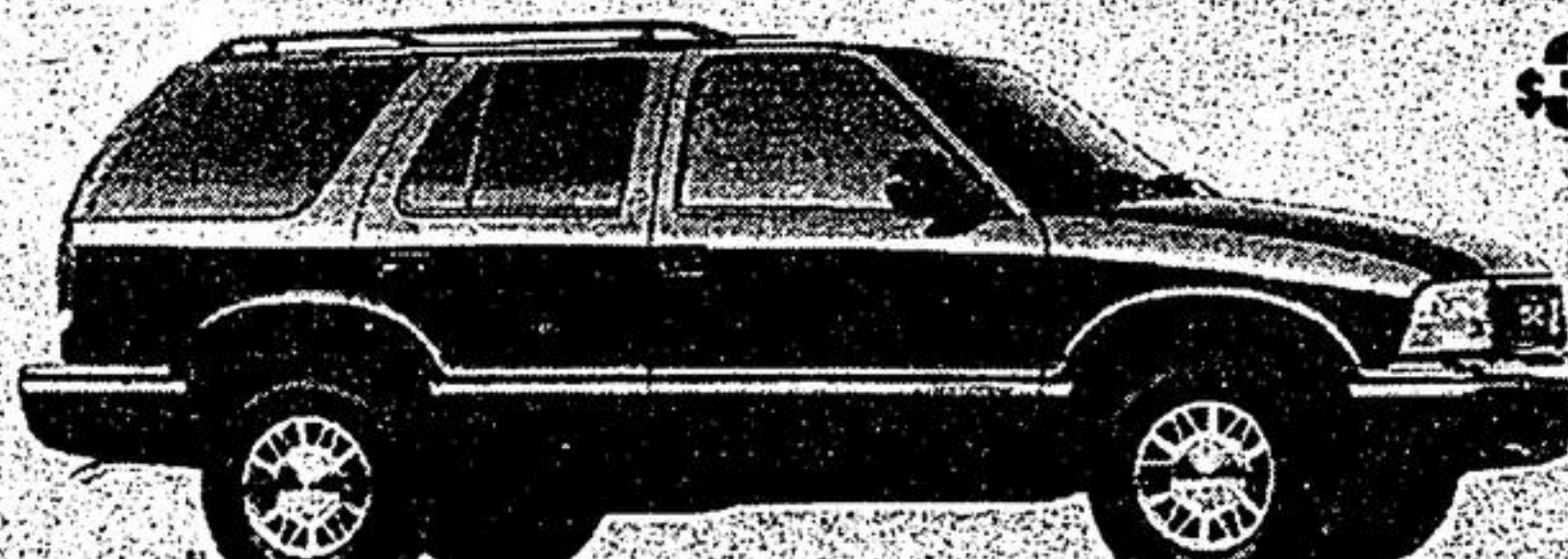
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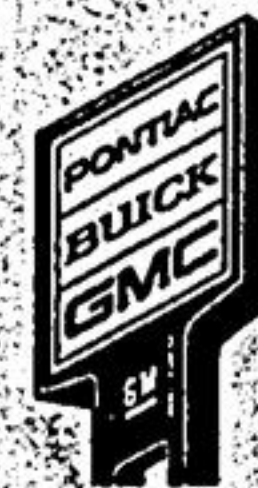


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