

By **FLORENCE RIEHL**
Georgetown Seniors Centre

We were entertained prior to our Christmas Turkey Dinner by the new guitar group. Hard to believe they had just 12 lessons. If you want to join the guitar classes in the New Year drop into the Reception Desk and sign up. They say their instructor is really good.

Membership renewals are going well. Dec. 31 is the last day for the 2013 memberships. This is the year to fill in the sheet of information again. As I said before it is a bit of a bug but it is required.

Over the Christmas break the Centre will be closing Dec. 24 at noon and will re-open all day on Monday, Dec. 30 and Tuesday, Dec. 31. We are closed on New

Year's Day and re-open Thursday, Jan. 2, 2014.

Keep those closures in mind if you plan on waiting until then to sign up for Active Living Programs or renew your membership.

Now that we have had our first significant snowfall for this winter season it is best to review closure procedures. If you are in

doubt that the Centre is open, please phone first, 905-877-6444. There will be a phone message telling you the Centre is closed.

New computer classes are beginning Thursday, Jan. 9 and run for six weeks to Feb. 13. Each class will zero in on a different topic so you can sign up for all six or pick those you want the most help with. Classes run from

9-11 a.m. and cost \$5 per class for members and \$8 for non-members. Bring your own laptop or use one from the Centre.

Keep your eye on the Travel Desk for a new flyer. Only four weeks left to sign up for the Valentine's trip.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all my faithful readers. Hope it is your best ever!

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**ARTS ALIVE
IS BACK
Nominations
Deadline is FAST
approaching
Dec. 31, 2013**

The Arts Alive Awards are awarded every three years to recognize significant contributions to the Halton Hills Community in the areas of arts, culture, heritage and volunteerism. Nominations are open now. The winners will be announced on the Friday evening of the annual Halton Hills Cultural Symposium being held on January 24 2014. More information on the Symposium and Pre-Registration is available at this website myhaltonhills.ca

Awards List:

1. The **Arts Alive Award for Visual, Performing and/or Literary Arts** is for an individual who has displayed excellence in their artistic field.
2. The **Arts Alive Award for Culture** is for an individual who has displayed excellence in the field of cultural development within the Halton Hills community.
3. The **Arts Alive/Heritage Halton Hills Award for Heritage** is for an individual who has displayed excellence in the field of heritage development within the Halton Hills community.
4. The **Arts Alive Ralph Ursel Award for Volunteerism** recognizes an individual who has volunteered extensively in arts, culture and/or heritage activities. This award is named after the late Ralph Ursel who was an active volunteer in our community for many years.
5. The **Arts Alive Kenneth R. Harrison Award for Youth Mentorship** is named after this former Georgetown music teacher and choir leader. The recipient of this award works extensively with Halton Hills youth acting as a mentor for artistic, cultural and/or heritage endeavours.
6. The **Arts Alive Award for Patron/s of the Arts, Culture and/or Heritage** recognizes an individual or family who privately supports artistic, cultural and/or heritage activities through their continued financial support.
7. The **Arts Alive Award for Local Business Partner** recognizes a Halton Hills business that has contributed in a significant way to the development of arts, culture and/or heritage within our community.
8. The **Arts Alive Award for New Arts, Culture and/or Heritage Event, Group or Program** recognizes a Halton Hills non-profit event, group or program established within the past three years that has contributed

in a significant way to developing the cultural fabric of our community.

9. The **Arts Alive Award for Established Arts, Culture and/or Heritage Event, Group or Program** recognizes an ongoing Halton Hills non-profit event, group or program that has contributed in a significant way to developing the cultural fabric of our community.
10. The **Arts Alive Award/Heritage Halton Hills for Youth Leadership** recognizes a youth under the age of 21 who has contributed in a significant way to developing the arts and/or culture and/or preservation of local heritage.

Do you know someone who fits the criteria listed above? If you do and want to nominate that person please contact Beatrice Sharkey at 416-575-1232 or email sharkey@look.ca for information on submitting a nomination.

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