

Numbers down from last year

Kettle campaigns come up short

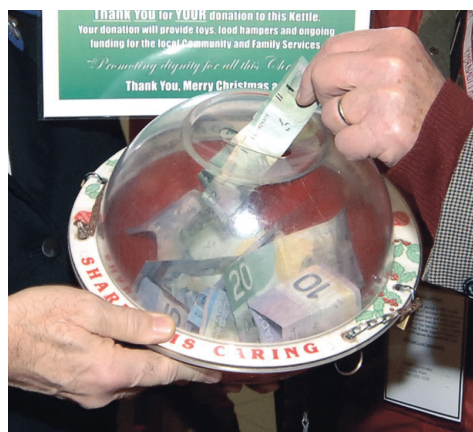
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The Salvation Army in both Acton and Georgetown saw less money dropped into their kettles over the Christmas season compared to the previous year.

In Georgetown, \$67,173 came in—exceeding the \$65,000 goal—but that was down slightly from the \$68,408 that was donated the previous year.

In Acton, kettle donations were down 11 per cent from the previous year. The amount donated was \$30,552. The letter campaign in that community was also down about 22 per cent with \$24,225 coming in. Georgetown Salvation Army's letter appeal was also down about 40 per cent.

"We weren't aggressive with our target because of the economy," said Emily Allen, Salvation Army



kettle co-ordinator.

Major Sam Roberts, co-ordinator of the Acton campaign said "we only spend what we raise."

Allen said 186 volunteers helped out Georgetown Salvation Army in November and December.

She said the toy drive was big success nearly filling a tractor-trailer with toys.

Program geared to youth

Region launches Sex Healthy Halton

Halton Region's health department is opening the discussion about safer sex and healthy relationships through its social media campaign Sex Healthy Halton.

The department has created a Facebook page to kick off the campaign that also aims to raise awareness and reduce sexually transmitted infections.

"The landscape for today's youth is constantly changing and evolving and

"There are a lot of false information, myths and misconceptions about sexual health and sexuality," said Dr. Bob Nosal, Halton Region's Medical Officer of Health. "We hope to provide a safe and trusted environment for youth to ask questions and seek answers."

Nosal continued, "Social media will never replace one-to-one services or counseling, but this will open the door for discussions and education."

The health department is encouraging youth to ask questions (publicly or privately), seek the answers on its Sex

Healthy Halton page, connect with a Public Health Nurse, and find information about clinic locations, times and services.



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reflecting these changes."

The Facebook page, which can be found by visiting www.facebook.com/sexhealthyhalton, is the first phase of the campaign. Later in the fall, a YouTube channel will be launched, featuring videos of Public Health Nurses answering frequently asked questions and discussing current and local topics.

Robson re-elected vice-chair for CVC

Halton Hills Councillor Joan Robson has been re-elected as vice-chair of the Credit Valley Conservation (CVC) board at its recent 2013 inaugural meeting.

It's Robson third term as vice-chair. She has served on the board since 2001.

Mississauga and Region of Peel Councillor Pat Mullin was acclaimed as chair and Councillor Tom Adams, Town of Oakville and Region of Halton, will serve as a second vice-chair.

The CVC board of directors consists of 12 members represented by Councillors from member municipalities within the Credit River watershed.

"We continue to make significant gains in all CVC programs," said Mullin. "For ex-

ample, innovative water technologies incorporating low impact development practises are helping provide cleaner water to rivers and streams while saving money over the long term. We completed construction of an expanded nursery to support more tree planting throughout the watershed. ...Staff are successfully raising funds to supplement municipal levies. Environmental education outreach has increased by more than 100 per cent per year."

The first order of business was to approve its \$24.2 million 2013 budget.

A priority will be to hire a new Chief Administrative Officer and secretary/treasurer after longtime CAO Rae Horst announced her retirement effective May 17, 2013.



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