

Sisnett is an active volunteer for many groups

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successful local businesses: Georgetown Terminal Warehouses and Elliott Custom Brokers, named Halton Hills Business of the Year by the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce in 1996.

Penrice said Sisnett volunteers with a large number of organizations, and in many cases, she has served with them for decades.

"The list includes executive of the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce, Halton Legal Aid Clinic, director; Georgetown & District Hospital, director; Friends of Devereaux House, director and Canadian Highway Sufferance Warehouse Association as director," said Penrice.

He said she has devoted countless hours to provide guidance to children in our community, including Scouts Canada 2nd Georgetown troop as leader and executive member; Georgetown Youth Soccer Club as both coach and fundraiser and a teacher at St. George's Anglican Church.

She continues to provide support for St. George's Church and was on the 150th Anniversary Committee.

Sisnett has provided volunteer hours to Halton Learning Foundation and to the Halton Hills Community Services and Information Centre as a council member.

She has also been a volunteer with CASHh for over 10 years.

"Brenda took on one of her biggest volunteer challenges when she agreed to chair the 'Per Chance to



BRENDA SISNETT

Dream' capital campaign in 2011 to raise funds for the Halton Hills Library and Cultural Centre. Under her direction and tireless drive, the campaign has raised over \$1 million to date," said Penrice.

Sisnett said that project has been

a dynamic one.

"The library is free so everybody should go there and see it, use it. When I see the programs there, it's amazing," said Sisnett.

Penrice said her contributions have been recognized in the past as she has received the Ontario Volunteer Award 2003, Health Care Services Award from the Georgetown Hospital 1990, Scouts Canada Commemorative Centennial Medal 2007 and the Arts Alive Award as a Patron of the Arts 2014.

Volunteering is a tradition she learned from her parents.

Her father John Elliott was a former Lions Club member and her mother Norma received an Arts Alive Award.

"I volunteer because I enjoy it and want to make sure that Georgetown is a great place to live, work and raise a family," said Sisnett. "I love the idea of carrying on the tradition and I'm trying to coach my children in that way. It's a responsibility in a small town to continue doing things that will improve the town."

She and her husband Larry have three children— Cameron, Julia and Andrew.

Citizen of the Year Awards dinner ticket info

The awards dinner will be held March 25 at the Georgetown Lions' new home at the Mold-Masters SportsPlex in Alcott Hall. The reception starts at 6 pm and dinner will start at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$40 each and are available by calling Doug Penrice at 905-873-8469 or by email at depenrice@sympatico.ca. Tickets may be available after March 10 from the Carpet Barn at 26 Guelph Street.

HDSB may add extreme temps to weather protocol

By TIM WHITNELL
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Halton District School Board is considering including extreme cold temperatures in its procedures with the possibility it could result in the limitation or cancellation of on and off-site school activities.

Trustees voted unanimously at Wednesday's board meeting to investigate the possible inclusion of extreme cold/wind chill in the board's Inclement Weather Administrative Procedures.

The results of a report, to be conducted by the education director's office, are to come back to the board by the end of April.

A motion brought forward at Wednesday's meeting by Halton Hills trustee Alice Strachan stated the board has a responsibility for the safety and welfare of students and staff during school hours, and that on certain occasions it can decide to close schools due to inclement weather.



ALICE STRACHAN

In winter, schools can be closed for things like heavy snowfalls.

The Halton public board's current procedures for bad weather are used to decide whether to close schools.

The board currently considers weather and road reports, weather predictions and information from local police departments and bus operators on road conditions.

However, it does not consider extreme cold.

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OPP seek witnesses to man's death

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Friends and family reached out on social media posting memories and offering condolences on Bell's sudden passing.

"Doug was brave.... he had a beautiful heart.... and he protected any and all that he loved with a ferocious-

ness not matched by many here on earth," posted Facebook user Robin Coulson.

"I am very sorry to hear the news about Doug Bell... my heart goes out to his family during this tough time... I hope you found peace kid, I am just sorry it was this way. RIP Paradise Doug!" wrote Vanessa Baird.

"R.I.P. Doug Bell u were like a brother to me for a long time and u will be miss a lot!!!!" Dave Corley posted on Facebook.

Witnesses or anyone with information about Bell's death is asked to contact Caledon OPP at (905) 584-2241 or the OPP Provincial Communications Centre at 1-888-310-1122.

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