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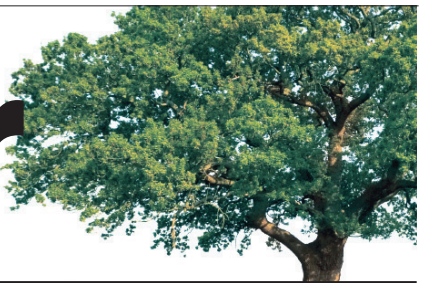
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Girls from Philippines here to see dying mom

by Dominik Kurek Oakville Beaver Staff

The story of Ma Concepcion Ala Gerente (Maricon), a dying Filipino nanny and mother of two, has touched many hearts in Oakville.



But none so much as those of her daughters, Lean, 14, and Saniel, 11, who flew in from the Philippines last week. "It's been heavy to see my mom like that, but now I'm fine. I'm OK," said Lean, in the home of Jodie and Eli Gilbert, their mother's former employers and close friends. see Daughters on p.5



North Oakville's Darren Snelgrove is among residents upset by the number of trees cut in McCraney Valley Park, situated between the north campus of White Oaks Secondary School and Sheridan College Monday, which happened to be Earth Day. The Town says it's the first of substantial tree loss in town resulting from the work of the Emerald Ash Borer.

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Emerald Ash Borer devastates woodlot

by David Lea Oakville Beaver Staff

With ash trees falling in McCraney Valley Park, Town of Oakville staff said, residents are finally getting an idea of just how devastating the Emerald Ash Borer really is.

Residents reported the removal of hundreds of trees from the woodlot over the past months and described the scene at the park Monday as devastating. "Acres and acres of what was a natural forest has just been completely levelled," said Darren Snelgrove, a McCraney Street resident.

"Especially on Earth Day, I think this is horrible. It's just a huge swath of destruction." As tragic as the tree removal is, the Town's Manager of Forestry Services John McNeil said it is necessary. The trees being removed, he said, are infested see Tree on p.4

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