

OABE gala saw record-setting year for attendance

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• **Eastside Auto Service Ltd.** (*Small Business of the Year*) — recognized for its customer service through professional resources and dedication to servicing the needs of its clients through personalized service in an environmentally-conscious way.

• **Personal Service Coffee Corp.** (*Medium Business of the Year*) — founded 25 years, it has been recognized for its focus on innovation and service excellence. It was the first to market coffee brewed in thermal servers, and introduced single-cup brewers into the market. With 14 franchises already, the company plans on expanding to 50 across Canada in the coming years.

• **Euro-Line Appliances Inc.** (*Large Business of the Year*) — founded in 1987, Euro-Line brought German-engineered appliances to Canadian homes and quickly became the exclusive distributor for some of the most recognized brand names in Europe. Success in the condo market allowed the company to open a second office and showroom in Vancouver in 2012.

• **Courage Distributing Inc.** (*Genworth Community Builder of the Year*) — as a distributor of professional-grade window and paint protection film and automotive accessories for the last 22 years, Courage Distributing Inc. is a small company with eight employees. Its owners, Todd and Trent Courage, are the founders of the

Courage Polar Bear Dip, which takes place in Oakville annually on Jan. 1.

Courage Distributing is both a major financial supporter and its owners and employees volunteer hundreds of hours each year in support of this event, which raised more than \$240,000 last year for World Vision clean water projects in Africa — to date, it has raised more than \$1 million overall.

• **Bronte Natural Health Care** (*Professional Service Provider of the Year*) — in 1991, Bronte Natural Health Care became the first and only naturopathic clinic in Oakville. The clinic works in collaboration with other natural health care doctors and traditional medical approaches in

Oakville, which is now home to one of the most concentrated groups of natural doctors in Ontario.

Bronte Natural Health Care has a special interest in oncology and lifestyle medicine. The clinic's team, headed by Dr. Darlene Gustin, is involved in community education through their monthly lecture series and live cell-testing workshops.

• **Boston Pizza Dorval Drive** (*Restaurateur of the Year*) — has been named in the top three Boston Pizza locations in Ontario for the past two years. Franchisees Donna Corrigan and John Wannamaker have used text-mobile surveys to gather guest feedback, implemented a new program to help employees and super-

visors better manage schedules, and adjusted the menu to offer halal, gluten-free and Heart-and-Stroke-Certified meals.

• **Melissa Richardson of Totem Bags** (*Entrepreneur of the Year*) — Richardson designs and manufactures her products, recently profiled in the media, using locally-sourced up-cycled materials. Beginning her business in her basement in 2009, she has now established a manufacturing facility with four employees in Oakville.

• **Xerox** (*Hydro Conservation Leadership Award*) — the Xerox plant on North Service Road is a leader in energy management and has won internal global awards for energy efficiency.



Special Council Meeting

Canada Post Community Mailboxes

Monday, April 7, 2014
7 to 9 p.m.
Town Hall, 1225 Trafalgar Road - Council Chambers

You are invited to attend a Special Council Meeting where Canada Post representatives will be on hand to answer your questions about community mailboxes.

Starting in the fall of 2014, Canada Post will shift Oakville residences with home delivery to community mailboxes, like the rest of town. Mail delivery is under federal jurisdiction.

Questions? Contact Canada Post at 1-800-267-1177 or Oakville's Federal MPs Terence Young and Lisa Raitt.

Visit oakville.ca for more information or accessibility concerns with regards to this Special Council Meeting.

Open House and Workshop

Come see what it's all about!

Saturday, April 12, 2014
Town Hall, 1225 Trafalgar Road

8:30 a.m. — refreshments
9 a.m. — presentation
9:25 a.m. — workshop session 1
10:45 a.m. — workshop session 2



We've heard from residents and business owners across this community on the Downtown Plan, now it's time to see how those ideas and comments have transformed into draft options.

This is your opportunity to comment and make suggestions on how the downtown should be reinvented.

What should be included in a cultural hub? How should we redesign the streetscape? What facilities should remain at the Centennial Square and which could be moved?

Come have your say at this hands-on workshop!

RSVP today at downtownplan@oakville.ca or leave a message at 905-338-4710.

We need your input to get the best output!
The Downtown Plan brings together an extraordinary opportunity for this community to be part of building a community that embraces culture, supports beautiful streets and encourages all of us to make a difference in our town.

If you can't make it, post your ideas online on our Downtown Plan Idea Forum at oakville.ca

For accessibility needs, please contact Mary Jo Milhomens at 905-338-4244.

Is there ever a good time to think about cemeteries?

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Preplan.

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