

# Hospice care an emotional support

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North Halton Hospice is a community service dedicated to meeting the needs of those individuals and their families facing the crisis of a life threatening and/or terminal illness.

Hospice provides support to terminally ill patients with the purpose of enhancing the quality of life for their remaining days (whether at home or in the hospital). Care is directed towards the control of distressing symptoms, rather than cure or prolongation of life.

Hospice care addresses the physical, psychological, social and spiritual needs of dying persons and their families. Its aim is to assist the patient and family to live as fully as possible in comfort and dignity.

North Halton Hospice functions within the existing health care system. Hospice works in conjunction with community visiting nurses, the hospitals, doctors and other health care and support agencies. North Halton Hospice's office space is provided by and located in the Georgetown Cancer Society offices.

Hospice accepts referrals from the patient, family member, physicians, nurses, clergy, social agencies, teachers and any health care professional. In an initial assessment visit the Hospice Patient Services Coordinator, who is a registered nurse, meets with the patient and/or family to assess their needs and explain how Hospice can help meet these needs.

A volunteer, who is best able to meet that patient's and family's needs is then assigned to the family as their primary contact and support. The strength of the Hospice is our volunteers. They contribute time and effort in a caring, creative and individual way.

Volunteers are carefully screened and undergo an intensive training program to learn the special skills needed to ensure the special needs of the terminally ill and their



Helping the dying to remain at home as long as possible is one of the things Karen Ferguson attempts to do as past president of the North Halton Hospice. The Georgetown woman met with the Regional Chairmen Peter Pomeroy last week, bearing a plaque proclaiming hospice week in Halton from April 5 to 11. A volunteer support system, North Halton Hospice works with family members, physicians, clergy and hospitals to give a dying person support. (Herald photo)

family are met. Volunteers working directly with patients and their families take on many of the small tasks that are so meaningful as well as the type of support provided by simply "being there".

Support offered by volunteers include friendly visiting and support, drives to appointments or shopping, relief for the primary care giver to go out or rest, babysitting, occasional meal preparation, meeting with the family to discuss their concerns and above all be

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there and listen.

The Patient Services Coordinator will maintain contact with the family as well. She is aware of resources within the community which will benefit the patient and family. She is available to arrange hospital equipment, clarify insurance coverage and arrange referrals for homemaking and nursing support if not already in place. The Patient Services Coordinator keeps in contact with other

agencies serving the patient so Hospice can best meet the needs of the patient and family without duplicating services and to be aware of family needs other agencies are not able to provide for and would like Hospice's support in meeting these needs.

North Halton Hospice provides a Bereavement Follow-up program for families aimed at the prevention and reduction of the negative consequences of grief. This is done through a one to one volunteer support or the Hospice's self help Widow and Widowers Group which meets regularly.

North Halton Hospice staff and volunteers have a commitment to further community education by initiating public forums on issues of life threatening illness, grief and bereavement and accepting speaking engagements in the community. This includes health care professions, service clubs, church groups, teachers and students.

Hospice can provide the support and information needed to enable the dying person to remain at home as long as possible, to provide continuity when hospitalization is necessary and to provide follow-up bereavement support.

North Halton Hospice needs your support to continue its effective work in the community. Volunteers are always needed. Not all volunteers work directly with patients. Volunteers are also needed to be involved in fund raising, public speaking, clerical tasks and many other activities. Your financial support is also needed.

North Halton Hospice Inc. is an independent, community based, non profit, registered charitable organization. Funding is obtained through United Way appeals to service clubs, church groups and in Memorial donations. Your private donation is most important and tax deductible. To obtain North Halton Hospice's service, to volunteer or donate contact North Halton Hospice, 873-1383, P.O. Box 294, Georgetown, L7G 4Y5.

# Two urgent requests send crews scurrying

Ambulance crews of Halton Hills rushed to two urgent code 4 calls March 27-April 3.

A motorcycle accident victim was taken to Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto and attendants responded to aid a stroke victim.

There were two ambulance transfers required: one to Peel Memorial Hospital relating to a kidney problem and another to Credit Valley Hospital.

Attendants helped patients with a

broken leg, suffering from back pain and a dislocated hip. They also responded to a call for a possible broken hip and a back injury suspected to be a collapsed disc.

One person required treatment from a motor accident, receiving back and head injuries, while one child fell from a bicycle and a crew was called.

Other serious calls for assistance were a person with kidney pains, an asthma attack and a possible stroke victim.

Non serious, or code 1 responses included a possible gall bladder, a dislocated shoulder, a minor car accident and a transfer to McMaster hospital.

Ambulance crews were required to stand by at Mississauga Road and Highway 7 four times and a Trafalgar Road and Steeles Avenue three times.

Three calls to the station were cancelled.

## Sincere sympathy

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NORVAL-Norval people were saddened to hear of the passing of Pat (Curney) Schenk, who died April 5 at the Georgetown District Memorial Hospital.

Pat had been in ill health for two years during which time she maintained her own pleasant personality. She and her husband Carl had recently visited their daughter in California. However, they returned home early because of her illness. Besides her husband Carl of Georgetown, she is survived by two daughters: Kim Horrobin of California and Leslie Roberts of South Africa and two grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a son Gregory and her mother Muriel Curney.

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## In the hills

### Kentner/Cook in lead roles

Lori Kentner and Rod Cook have the lead roles in Georgetown Little Theatre's play "Ten Little Indians". Watch for Ron Hill in this cast of many varied characters. Completing the series of the rhyme, "Ten Little Indian Boys" here are the last four lines: (17) Ten little Indian boys basking in the sun, (18) One got shrivelled up and then there was one, (19) One little Indian boy living all alone, (20) He got married and then there was none.

Knowing the complete rhyme will add to the audience's enjoyment of the play. Tickets: Phone 877-3700.

### Reding dance

Bishop Reding Parents' Association is holding a hot acquainted dance April 25 at Holy Rosary Church Hall.

The cost is \$10 per person. There will be a chance to win a weekend escape for two. For tickets call 877-1662 or 877-7968.

### Futures opening

FUTURES is a provincial wage subsidy program for young people out of school and out of work looking for a full-time job. For more information come to the Future Open House at the Youth Employment Service, 37 Main St. Georgetown, April 9 from 2-4 p.m. Bring a friend.

### Pacific musical

The Brampton Musical Society presents South Pacific April 15 - 25. Curtain time at the Lester B. Pearson Theatre in Brampton is 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$8 but there are special group rates and discounts for seniors and students. For more information call 793-4600.

### Bridge winners

Bridge offered at the Royal Canadian Legion in Georgetown is completing its spring/summer term April 13.

Last week's winners are: first, Elsie Whitham and Bill Scannell, Joan and Bob Jackson in second and tied for third Doris Barber, Jean Servos, and Harry Arbie and Norma Maynard.

### Used book sale

The University Women's Club of Georgetown will be holding their annual Book Sale April 11 at Knox Presbyterian Church Hall from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Refreshments will be served by the Georgetown Newcomers Club. Come early for best selection! All proceeds from the book sale will aid our scholarship fund.

### Saddle shop grows

A saddle shop in Hornby has Committee of Adjustment approval to expand by another 2,800 square feet.

Bahr Saddlery Ltd. located on Steeles Avenue just west of Trafalgar Road, needs the extra space, Berend Bahr said.

Built about 10 years ago, the saddle shop business has grown. With the large quantity of big bulk material required to be stored to make horse blankets.

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# Narrow street, safety studied

The Norval area neighbours are agreed on one thing, Noble Street is a very narrow street with barely enough room for two cars to pass one another.

But they don't agree with how that problem should be resolved.

Monday night, councillors voted to

have the town's public works department monitor the neighbourhood over the next three months to determine if a safety hazard exists and what measures are warranted.

Noble Street residents Beverly and Robert Porter and Mary and Leslie Bond want council to ban truck traf-

fic from their street. They're afraid that when the Region puts in a new double lane bridge over the Credit on Winston Churchill Boulevard truck traffic will increase.

The road is about five metres wide with no shoulders on either side.

Bill Pomeroy, who operates the Credit River Boat Company around the corner, on Adamson Street (Winston Churchill Boulevard), has a different solution.

He thinks the parking situation on Noble Street is potentially dangerous and wants no parking signs imposed on both sides of the street as soon as possible.

Last year, his neighbours fought and won no parking signs for a stretch of Adamson Street.

"Why is everything on Adamson and Noble so confrontational?"

Coun. Pam Sheldon asked Monday night. "We all know there's a neighbourly dispute. Underneath it, there may or may not be some problem."

Town Engineer Bob Austin said the narrowness of Noble Street didn't make it an unusual street. The town has other similarly narrow streets.

Coun. Peter Norton said trucks don't have to use Noble Street, but have the option of turning onto Winston Churchill at the lights.

Mr. Austin said large trailer vehicles such as those delivering boats to Mr. Pomeroy's business could have a difficult time making such a turn.

# Solarium dining patio in restaurant addition

The Chateau Restaurant will be taking on a new look over the next few weeks.

Reconstruction of the Guelph Street dining room has already begun.

Co-owner Terry Katsilieri says the brick wall now facing Guelph Street is being replaced by a 500 square foot glass enclosed solarium, six feet long and out by 60 feet.

There'll be more glass on the west side of the restaurant, where intentions are to knock down the existing wall and replace it with flat glass 7 by 42 feet across. Beyond that second glass wall will be an outdoor patio.

Chateau owners Terry and his brother-in-law George Athanassoulis have already applied to the Liquor Licence Board for a patio licence. They'd like to make the patio into a beer garden.

Renovations won't just be to these two walls, the two men also intend to make changes to the restaurant's interior. There'll be lots of hanging

and floor plants added, taking advantage of the greenhouse effect of the glass walls.

Mr. Katsilieri said the restaurant will add a cocktail lounge with a stand up bar and stools. The area will be suitable for people to meet afterwards over a snack or beer.

To paint the interior walls and ceiling and undertake the interior renovations, it's expected the Chateau restaurant will have to close from 10 days to two weeks, but Terry isn't sure when that will be.

In the meantime, Rob Faber of Georgetown, owner of Faber Glass Enclosures and Awnings Ltd. is gearing up for the glasswork. He said the solarium roof is tempered solar reflective glass to reflect the heat of the sun. From the outside it will look like a mirror, and from the inside like bronze glass.

The work began two weeks ago, and Mr. Faber anticipates the solarium will take five weeks to complete.

"They're really going to change the place up," he said.

# Tasty meal for Xi Delta

March 24, the Xi Delta Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held its meeting at Epicurian Delight in Norval.

At this time Joan Hill, one of the owners of this deli and gift shop, demonstrated different ways to serve fresh pasta. Members were treated to samples of the tasty gourmet pastas that are available at this speciality shop.

Beta Sigma Phi was started 60 years ago by Walter Ross. This international organization has grown so that hundreds of chapters are now in existence.

April 30, chapters around the world celebrate Founder's Day. Halton Hills chapters will meet at St. George's Hall for its annual banquet.

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- 2½ to 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 pkg. (1 tbsp.) active dry yeast
- ¾ cup milk
- ¼ cup sugar
- 1 egg
- ½ tsp. grated lemon peel
- ½ cup light raisins or glazed fruit
- ½ cup chopped figs
- ½ cup chopped walnuts
- ¼ cup honey

In large bowl combine 1 cup of the flour and the yeast. Heat milk, sugar, butter and ½ tsp. salt just till warm (115-120°) stirring constantly to melt butter. Add to dry mixture; add egg and lemon peel. Beat at low speed with electric mixer for ½ min., scraping bowl. Beat 3 mins. at high speed. By hand, stir in enough remaining flour to make a moderately stiff dough. Knead on floured surface till smooth (5 to 10 mins). Shape into a ball. Place in greased bowl; turn once, cover, let rise till double (1 to 1½ hrs). Knead in fruit & nuts. Let rest 10 mins. shape into round loaf; place in greased 9x1½" round baking pan - let rise till double (about 45 mins.) Bake at 375° about 30 mins. Remove from pan; brush with honey. Makes 1 loaf.

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