Volunteers needed for Halton Rape Crisis centre

The Halton Rape Crisis Centre, which offers a 24-hour sexual assault crisis line, needs 25 new crisis line volunteers.

The fall training program for crisis line volunteers at the Halton Rape Crisis Centre will begin Oct. 21 at the centre's Burlington office and continue for eight consecutive Mondays.

Margaret Perry, the volunteer coordinator for the Halton Rape Crisis Centre, said volunteers are asked to commit themselves to a year and are required to work four shifts of six-to-eight hours a month.

"Crisis line workers are active listeners, providing nonjudgemental support," said Ms. Perry. "We expect our workers to listen and help the caller identify their options and help them make decisions based on these options."

She said the crisis line can only continue to exist because of its strong volunteer base; presently including 35 volunteers.

Volunteers can work in the office or at home thanks to an answering

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service which connects the calls to the volunteer's home. Some volunteers are also given the use of a pager so they won't miss any calls if they need to go out while on shift.

Ms. Perry said "there is no typical or perfect volunteer- the women at this centre vary tremendously in age, education, background and experience. What they all have in common is a committment to the women of Halton who use this service and a deep conviction that the work is important.

Some of the personal skills that will qualify you for a role at the Rape Crisis Centre are a highly developed sense of responsibility, excellent communication skills and an ability to empathize with

In addition to the crisis line, peer support groups are available to survivors of sexual assault. Groups are organized by the centre's group coordinator and co-facilitated by staff and volunteers, stated Ms. Perry in a press release.

The press release also stated the centre provides public education to

develop public awareness of sexual assault issues and sensitivity to victims as well as taking a pro-active role in working toward prevention by debunking old rape myths and providing accurate information.

For more information about volunteering at the Halton Rape Crisis Centre, contact Margaret Perry at 634-8182.

Community mourns victims of traffic accident

By BETTY SOJKA

Mourners overflowed Erin's Butcher Funeral Home last Tuesday, September 25, as they paid their final respects to Doug Gorter, the Hillsburg youth killed in an auto accident. Many of the mourners were youths. Doug was very popular, and had many friends.

The following day, Christine Barnes, also taken in the accident, was laid to rest in Brampton. Dave Haskins was in satisfactory condition in Sunnybrook Hospital and Sidney Spear is making steady steps of recovery in Mississauga

Hospital, after undergoing a back operation.

The Jim Dandies attended their league banquet on Friday, which formally brings the season to a close. At the banquet the team was presented with two trophies. The ladies received the Rockwood Gardens Season Champs, and the Maggie Hall Memorial Playoff Champs trophies.

Elaine Bowman of the Jim Dandies was awarded the Vivian Bremner Memorial Trophy. Elaine was chosen by the league for this award, as the player who best displays ability, sportsmanship, leadership and the willingness to help instruct others. The Hillsburg Panthers brought home the A.L.R.S. Playoff Runner Up trophy.

Tickets are now available for the October 26th Halloween Dance at the Ballinafad General Store at a cost of \$7.50 per person. Start thinking of a costume, as prizes are to be awarded including one for a group.

Watch your mail boxes for the September newsletter. It is full of local happenings for the past month.

The 4-H Club is now under way with a new session. This club is

called "Milk Makes It Better", and has 8 members, with Doreen Burt and Linda Mitchell as leaders. Many different ways of food preparation using milk and cheese are learned first hand, right at the stove. For their second meeting, members met at Bob and pat Kerr's dairy farm, where they observed a modern milking process, and had a tour of the barn and dairy operation.



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Happenings

Halton Centennial Manor is offering an educational series on Aging at the Manor, Ontario St., Milton, Session 5 - Mon., Oct. 7, 7-9 p.m. - Mental Health and the Elderly. Dementia. Depression. Delirium. Terry Paine. North Halton Mental Health Clinic. Mary Everett, Alzheimers' Society. Call Lauraine Andrews at 878-4141, ext. 167 for more information.

The 5th Annual Multiple Sclerosis Bachelor Classic will be held on Fri., Nov. 15 at the Westin Harbour Castle Conference Centre, Cost \$135 per person. Ticket on sale at (416) 922-6065 or 1-800-268-7582.

Centennial C.V.I. Reunion, Guelph. May 1-3, 1992. "Spartans Come Home" for a funfilled and nostalgle weekend. All former students, teachers and staff interested forward name, address and phone number to 289 College Avenue, Guelph, Ontario, NIG 1S9, Att. Reunite '92 or call (519) 824-1331.

Dinner Theatre, presenting Joe Abbey Colburne in 'The Treasure Chest' at Georgetown District Christian School, Nov. 2. 7 p.m. \$75 couple, \$38 single. For tickets call 878-2142 or 853-1203. Limited seating.

Acton Badminton Club will start the Fall session on Oct. 3. B p.m. at the Acton High School gym. Everyone welcome. For more info call George Lee, 853-1068.

The Victorian Order of Nurses. Halton Branch, will hold a Foot Care Clinic at Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital, Emergeney Dept., Oct. 15, 1-4 p.m. Cost \$15. For further info and appointment call 1-800-387-7127

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Halton Prevention Network presents a panel presentation on Self Help Groups. Oct. 3, 4-6 p.m. 'at the J.W. Singletown Centre, Halton Board of Education. 2050 Guelph Line, Burlington, For further info call Susan Stuart at 844-5502/878-2375.

Halton Regional Health Dept. offers a 6-part series "Pausitive Women", beginning Wed., Oct. 9 at the Halton Regional Health Department Office in Georgetown, 93 Main St. S. To register and for Info call 877-2238.

Optimes Craft and Bake Sale, Optimist Hall, Hwy, 7 N., Georgetown, Sat., Oct. 5 and 6. -10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Penny Sale, Free Collec, Free Admission.

George's Anglican Church Xmas Bazaar, Sat., Nov. 2, 1991. 10 a.m. Watch for further announcements.

Yoga Classes for persons with Multiple Sclerosis, held every Friday at 1:00 p.m. at Hugh Foster Hall, Victoria Park Square, Milton. \$5.00 per class. For more info call Kathy Williams, 875-1432.

Georgetown and District-Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is holding a Flea Market, Sat., Oct. 5, 9-12 noon in the Hospital Courtyard, inside rec, room if weather is poor.

Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital has created an advisory committee to review health, related social, transportation and housing needs for seniors in Halton Hills. We would like to hear from residents of Halton Hills who wish to make comment with respect to the services provided in the municipality. Send your comments to: Senior's Advisory Committee, c/o Georgetown and District Memorial

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Meetings

Amnesty International - Halton Hills Group will meet on Wed., Oct. 9 at St. Francis School. Newcomer orientation at 7 p.m. General meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Esquesing Historial Society is having a meeting Wed., Oct. 9. Knox Church, Georgetown. 7:30 p.m. Topic: In Repose -Victorian Funeral Customs. For more info call Karen Hunter, 838-2109.

Family History Research - The Halton-Peel Branch of the Ont. Genealogical Soc. meeting Oct. 24 at Brampton's Chinguacousy Library. 150 Central Park Dr., 2nd floor meeting room, 2:00 p.m. Visitors welcome. Topic: "Superstition and Pagan Rites" - Victorian and harvest

superstitions. Halton Hills Toastmasters meet Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at Glen Williams Town Hall. For more information call Don in Georgetown at 873-3354 or Paul in Acton at 853-3712.

Living With Cancer groups meets. every second Thursday at the Canadian Cancer society, Milton Branch, 751 Main St. E. at 7:30 p.m. For more information call 877-5228 or 878-1876.

Meetings of the Region of Peel VBAC Support Group held the 1st Tuesday of each month and offer post-caesarean support and discuss birth options. Call 826-9467 or 873-2779.

Special Needs Drop-In Centre of North Halton meets every Wednesday at the Acton Legion, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. For more info call Susan at 873-1534 or Jane at 853-1756.

The Halton Hills Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society will hold their Annual Meeting on Mon., Oct. 7 at 8:00 p.m. in the Community Room Georgelown Detachment of the Halton Regional Police Service, 217 Guelph St., Georgetown.

Acton Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society will hold its Annual Meeting and Volunteer Appreciation Night, Tues., Oct. 8, 7:30 p.m. at Knox Preshyterian Church. All volunteers invited. Guest speaker Barbara Reiger.

Acton Al-Anon Group is meeting every Wednesday at Acton Baptist Church, side entrance at 8 p.m. Everyone welcome, For further information contact Eleanor at 853-0331.

Volunteers

Georgetown Vintners are looking for amateur winemakers. For more information call 877-5302.

Red Cross Georgetown and District requires volunteers to assist in Finance and Publicity, driving and First Ald instructions. For more information call Bernice at 877-5233.

Alcoholic Anonymous can help. Call 877-1211 for more information.

Canadian Mental Health Association, Halton Region Branch, needs volunteers for recreation programs on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings in Burlington, Oakville and Acton, For more information call Laura Mc-Callum at 845-5044.

The Salvation Army will pick up appliances in working order. For more information call 853-3321.

Volunteer drivers for the Canadian Cancer Society, Georgetown Unit, needed to transport patients to and from the Princess Margaret Hospital in Toronto. Reimbursement for mileage will be paid. Please contact the Georgetown Unit's office at 164 Guelph St., Georgetown, between 1-4 p.m. daily, or call the cancer office at 877-1124,

Halton Support Services is looking for mature individuals who are interested in contract positions working 4-15 hours per week teaching life skills to children with developmental handicaps. Instruction takes place in the child's home. If you are 18 or older call (416) 849-8000 for more information.

North Halton Distress Information Center - Fall training for volunteers will begin on Wednesday, October 2 at 7:00 p.m. For more information call 877-1211.

Big Brothers is looking for men 18 years or older to volunteer 4 hours a week to a young boy from a father-absent home. For more information please call 847-7267 or 876-4756.

North Halton Literacy Gulld needs volunteer tutors. No qualifications needed - we train. Next training sessions Thurs., Oct. 10, Tues., Oct. 15, Wed., Oct. 23. Call 873-2200 for more details.

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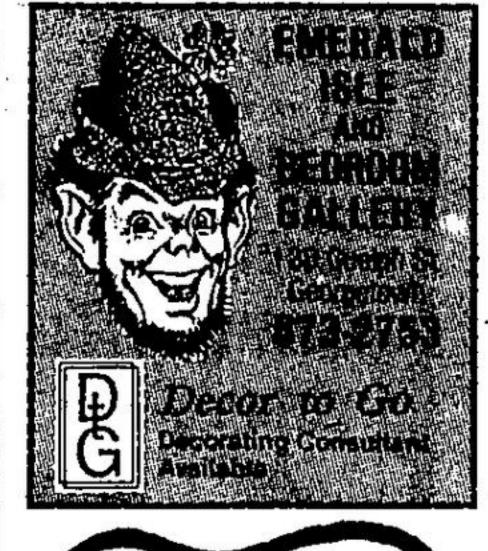
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