

Prevention the key

"Babies were born in my area without eyeballs." "There is a huge cancer cluster of childhood leukemia in my area and I'm mad as #% • #..."

These were comments reported by Citizens' Clearinghouse for Hazardous Wastes (CCHW) at a meeting held in May 1991. CCHW called together leaders from contaminated communities across the United States in an urgent attempt to force media and government attention back onto 30,000 long neglected, contaminated sites across the U.S. They wanted to know why sites are still contaminated after 10 years of Superfund,

In a small southern town, there is a family with three young children. Every day these children are fed small doses of chemical poisons. Two of the three are now sick, one of them with cancer. To save the cancer patient one of her limbs has been removed.

If you or I were responsible for hurting these children we would be jailed for child abuse. But in this case, it is a billion dollar corporation and U.S. government

agencies that are abusing and/or neglecting these children and thousands of other children.

Could this happen here? You are probably smugly

thinking that this would never happen here. In Elmira where wells were closed in 1989 because of NDMA contamination, the citizens have watched UniRoyal twice appeal control orders to clean up and still nothing significant has happened. The wells are still closed and a temporary pipeline brings war from Waterloo.

For Elmira this could just be the beginning. NDMA is only one of 60-80 chemicals buried. This witches brew could still bubble up in some other location even invading basements. Or what about the leaking dump in Stouville?

Pollution Prevention the Key We still have a chance to protect our groundwater from pollution by the dump. If you don't want a dump in the middle of Halton Hills write a letter to Ruth Grier by Jan. 17. See notice in this paper. You can make a difference.

Box sculptures

Now that all of us have become more conscious of what's happening to our environment, I have an idea that's fun to do and helps recycle too. Next time you go to throw out those empty cereal boxes, paper towels, egg cartons, and so on, save them and store them in a box or bag until you've accumulated a good assortment. Now you and your kids can do "Box Sculpture". You can create buildings, boats, robots, clowns, anything at all. You and your kids have only your imaginations to be your limits.

You need to use a strong bonding glue (like Elmer's) to make things hold together. Just glue the boxes, etc. to each other to create the sculpture you've decided on. You may have to hold things in place until the glue bonds. If this doesn't do the trick, you can use tape to reinforce it. After the glue dries, preferable the next day, you can paint your sculpture.

These beautiful works of art can make your child feel real pride in a job well done and you can feel good about recycling too!

JoAnn McDonald, a mother of one, attends the Georgetown Parent-Child Centre at 89 Mountainview Rd. S., 873-2960.



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NOTICE TO PARENTS OF GRADE 8 STUDENTS INFORMATION SESSIONS AT CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS

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BURLINGTON

3230 Woodward Avenue Principal: Mr. Ed Ryce Tel. 634-1835 Date: Wednesday, Jan. 29, 7:30 p.m.

Assumption Catholic Secondary School Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School 2333 Headon Forest Drive Principal: Mr. Peter Visser Tel. 335-1544 Date: Monday, Jan. 27, 7:00 p.m.

OAKVILLE

Loyola Catholic Secondary School 1550 Nottinghill Gate Principal: Mr. Onnig Pilibbossian Tel. 847-0595 Date: Thursday, Feb. 6, 7:15 p.m. St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School 124 Margaret Drive Principal: Mr. Don Grant Tel. 842-9494 Parents and students who missed the January 8th meeting are invited to call

Student Services for an appointment.

MILTON/HALTON HILLS

Bishop Reding Catholic Secondary School 1600 Main Street East, Milton Principal: Mr. Art Kelly Tel. 875-0124 Date: Wednesday, Jan. 29, 7:30 p.m.

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