

EARTH WEEK CELEBRATION EVENTS 2011

The Town of Halton Hills recognizes the "need to think globally and act locally."

April 24, 2011 will mark the 41st anniversary of Earth Day. To promote environmental awareness and celebrate Earth Day, the Town of Halton Hills promotes "Earth Week" which includes activities such as: Community Wide Clean-Up Day, The 22 Minute Makeover, Halton Hills Earth Day and the Earth Day Fair.

Celebrate Earth Day by participating in the following events to be held between April 16th and April 30th, 2011:



11th Annual Community Wide Clean-Up Day Saturday, April 16th, 2011

Once again, Halton Hills will get its annual spring cleaning. Residents and community groups will scour the parks, ravines and roadsides of Halton Hills picking up litter and assorted debris. Free gloves and garbage bags are available from the Robert C. Austin Operations Centre located at 11620 Trafalgar Road (Georgetown), and also at participating McDonald's Halton Hills restaurants. Gloves and bags have been provided through the generosity of Superior Glove, Tim Hortons and McDonald's.

We encourage all participating groups to register with the Town of Halton Hills. Please call the Infrastructure Services/Public Works Division at 905-873-2601 ext. 2609 or visit: www.haltonhills.ca/earthday



7th Annual Halton Hills 22 Minute Makeover Wednesday, April 20th, 2011

In past years, we have had 100% participation from area schools and a growing number of businesses participating in our municipality, and we are hoping to attract even more this year. Please take 22 minutes to spruce up your community. Free gloves and bags will be available from the Robert C. Austin Operations Centre at 11620 Trafalgar Road (Georgetown), and at participating McDonald's Halton Hills restaurants.

To register for Clean-Up activities, please call the Infrastructure Services/Public Works Division at 905-873-2601 ext. 2609 or visit www.haltonhills.ca/earthday



Halton Hills Earth Day Saturday, April 30, 2011, 8a.m.-2p.m. Robert C. Austin Operations Centre

The 11th Annual Earth Day event will take place at the Robert C. Austin Operations Centre located at 11620 Trafalgar Road (Georgetown). Join us in celebrating Earth Day with the following activities:

- Residents can purchase trees for a nominal cost of \$5.00
- Pick up free compost and mulch
- Drop off Household Hazardous Waste (HHW), and Electronic Waste
- Various pieces of Public Works Equipment and Vehicles will be on display, along with interactive and fun activities for children with prizes.
- Enjoy a barbeque too!

Please note that donations to the local food banks will be gratefully accepted.

For further information on Earth Day, please call the Infrastructure Services/Public Works Division at 905-873-2601 ext. 2609 or visit www.haltonhills.ca/earthday



Earth Day Fair Saturday, April 30th, 2011, 10:00a.m. - 4p.m. Georgetown Market Place

Again this year, an Earth Day Fair will take place at the Georgetown Market Place located at 280 Guelph Street. The following activities will take place to celebrate Earth Day:

- Live Bird Exhibit from 11:00a.m. - 1p.m.
- Hiccup the Clown and Balloon Sculpting from 12:00p.m. - 2p.m.
- Live musical Entertainment (all day)
- Environmental group displays (all day)
- The Town Sustainability Advisory Committee will offer information on the Community Sustainability Plan

Please note that donations to local food banks will be gratefully accepted.

Green Tours will also be taking place at the following locations:

Devereaux House

- Open House: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., visit www.devereauxhouse.ca
- Guided Tours: 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

HERE! Halton Enablers of Renewable Energy

- Self Guided Solar Tours
- Contact: here.office@gmail.com or 905-299-2327

Wastewise (Halton Hills Community Resource Centre)

- Open House: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., 36 Armstrong Ave. Georgetown

Willow Park Ecology Centre

- Self Guided Tours 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., visit www.willowparkecology.ca

For more information, please contact the Office of Sustainability at 905-873-2601 ext. 2290 or visit www.haltonhills.ca/sustainability

Mayor's Corner

By Rick Bonnette



On Saturday, between 8:30pm and 9:30pm, Halton Hills celebrated Earth Hour. Last year the Town achieved an energy savings of about seven per cent. This reduction translated into a savings of 4,060 kWh of electricity or enough to power approximately 3,300 homes for one hour. Since 2008, we have saved enough energy through Earth hour to power about 15,000 homes for an hour.

The Town of Halton Hills 401-407 Gateway Business Park is strategically located along the busiest traffic corridor in Canada. Over six million people are within one hour drive of the Halton Hills location. Based on this location, we have two large companies that have recently announced their intention to build right here in Halton Hills.

Calloway REIT have been working with Town staff on a site plan to build a 500,000 square foot "high end" outlet mall on the south east corner of Trafalgar Road and Steeles Avenue. This will be about a \$200-million dollars investment in our Town.

Now a second, RioCan REIT announced they have partnered with Tanger Factory Outlet Centres to conditionally purchase a 35 acre site along the corridor as well. This site is at James Snow Parkway and Steeles Avenue.

Needless to say, these recent turn of events have been very positive. A large outlet mall will be a big tourist attraction. In addition, there will be a lot of jobs and assessment for our Town. We are keeping our fingers crossed.

Congratulations Hockey Heritage's 2011 recipient Geraldine Hardcastle on being selected, an excellent choice.

Congratulations to all of the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce Business Award recipients including: Dufferin Aggregates Acton Quarry for being named the 2010 Business of the Year, Ted Brown, Employee of the Year, Acton's Anthony Andrews, Party Cinemas, 2010 Entrepreneur of the Year and Sheridan Nurseries for the 2010 Green Award.

Keeping it real. I can be reached by telephone at 905-873-2601, ext. 2342, or by email at mayor@haltonhills.ca or you can read my blog at www.rickbonnette.blogspot.com

Meetings for parents of gifted students

The Halton district School Board is holding two information meetings for parents of students who have met the criteria to be identified as gifted. To provide the best possible information for parents, specific evenings are scheduled according to student's grade level.

These information meeting will take place on April 13 for parents of primary students in Senior Kindergarten and Grade 1 who have met the criteria to be identified as gifted. The meeting for parents of Grades 4 to 7 students who have met the criteria to be identified as gifted is April 14. The meetings begin at 7 p.m., at the New Street Education Centre in Burlington. For additional information, call 905-631-6120 ext. 324.



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