

Students at Gardiner Public School in Georgetown South held a coin drive for the Haiti earthquake relief efforts and raised about \$5,400. Pictured above (front, from left) are: Matt McKnight, Heather Terryberry, Ashley Clark, Blair Vander Glas, Oscar Pasten. Back row: Nina Birac, Brodie Briscoe, Judd Cameron, Christian Brownlee.



Photo by Eamonn Maher

Local groups helping Haiti relief effort

Welcome Home Children's Centre, a small Canadian charity run by Georgetown residents Audrey Hoekstra and Camille Otum of Georgetown and Era Ferron of Brampton, is hosting a fundraising Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre at Sugar Plum Lounge, 1615 Dupont St., Toronto.

The event will be held Saturday (Feb. 6) at 5:30 p.m. and is in support of the expansion of the Welcome Home Children's Centre Orphanage in Haiti.

The immediate need of the orphanage is to provide a home for 12 additional children who have become orphaned by the recent earthquake.

Tickets are \$25 and \$10 per child aged 5 to 12. Email marjorieasbury@yahoo.com, or Camille.otum@welcomechildren.org, 905-873-9963 for tickets.

For those who can't attend but would like to help the cause visit www.welcomechildren.org and make a donation online, or send a cheque by mail to WHCC, 13619 Hwy. 7 W., Georgetown, ON, L7G 4S4.

Those who make donations of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt.

Also collecting funds locally for the relief effort in Haiti is the Georgetown Rotary Club.

The club is raising money to purchase Shelter Boxes for the Haitians who lost their homes in the earthquake.

The Boxes, which cost \$1,000 each, include a tent, sleeping blankets, water purification items, cooking aids, tools, light and heat for 10 people in a box.

To date the club has raised enough for three Boxes. Anyone interested in making a donation is asked to email Harry Hope at hhope@cogeco.ca or call 905-877-7779.

Halton Hills firefighters were out on the weekend in both Acton and Georgetown with a Boot Drive. Money raised goes to the Red Cross Haiti Earthquake Relief.

At press time the firefighters did not yet have a total, but are hoping when all the funds are tallied to raise between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

Taking shape

Work is progressing at the new site of Holy Cross Church at Mountainview Road South and Argyll Road in Georgetown South. Construction is expected to be completed this fall.

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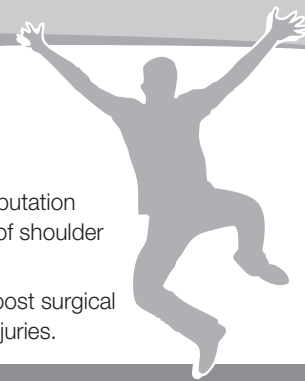
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