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Cast is 'magnificent' in Georgetown Little Theatre comedy

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Almost everyone has been embarrassed by parents or

grandparents at some point.

And anyone who has experienced that emotion should see Georgetown Little Theatre's

Over the River and Through the Woods, which opened Thursday night at John Elliott Theatre.

The plot centers around Nick

Cristano, a 29-year-old bachelor who dutifully has Sunday dinner with both sets of his Italian-born grandparents at their in Hoboken, New Jersey home.

In an aside, Nick explains how his grandparents are "old Italian, adhering to the three 'F's of Italian values— Faith, Family and Food."

When Nick is offered the dream job promotion—in Seattle—the grandparents are devastated he'd be moving away, so they devise a scheme to 'keep him here'.

At the next Sunday dinner, an attractive, eligible young lady is invited, and the laughs carry on from there.

The cast is magnificent, and all mesh well. Stuart Bell shines as the nervous Nick, with his awkward body language and pained facial expressions.

Grandparents Frank and Aida Gianelli, played by Bruno Chiovitti and Dina Dametto were the epitome of Italian grandparents, with Frank's incessant reading of the newspaper and ignoring his grandson, and Aida's obsession with making sure her grandson is well-fed. They have excellent Italian accents to add to the part.

Gary McIlravey and Pat Ball were also great as Nick's other grandparents, Emma and Nuzio Cristiano. With their New York Italian accents and Emma's wild wardrobe, they are prefect for the parts.

Tara Ross completes the cast as the sweet and unassuming Caitlin O'Hare, the young lady invited for dinner.

The play is a wonderful combination of comedy with an underlying poignancy which makes one both laugh and cry. One feature of the play— every cast member steps out of the action, into the spotlight to give an aside, a moment to share their inner thoughts, or offer background on the situation. It works like a charm.

The set is unique being slightly elevated and lighting is quite effective, especially during the asides.

Over the River and Through the Woods is without a doubt, one the best GLT productions to date. Anyone who has endured embarrassment by elder family members will relate, and most likely sit back, and reflect with a certain amount of warm fuzzy reminiscence, and suddenly realize how truly precious those moments really were.

Over the River and Through the Woods continues its run this week. It is certainly one of GLT's plays that should not be missed.



NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF the lands in the Town of Halton Hills known municipally as 181 – 185 Main Street South, Georgetown (Halton Hills),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Halton Hills intends to designate Cedarvale Park which includes Freeman-Bradley House, Cedarvale Community Centre and Cedarvale Cottage, under Section 29(1), Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.8.

Description of the Property:

181 – 185 Main Street South is also known as "Cedarvale Park". The property is legally described as Part of Block N, Judge's Plan 1269, except Part 4, 20R-2912, Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

Cultural Landscape Value: Cedarvale Park is a cultural heritage landscape that has associative value because of its association with pioneering families, the Armenian Farm School and the United Church Girls' School.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available for viewing at the Corporate Services Customer Service Counter – Civic Centre, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Georgetown during regular business hours. Refer to the Cedarvale Designation Report for the Design Value of Freeman-Bradley House, Cedarvale Community Centre and Cedarvale Cottage, as well as the Historical and/or Associative Value and Contextual Value of the property.

Any person may, by **May 20, 2010**, (within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice) serve written notice of objection to the proposed designation with Corporate Services - Clerks, together with a statement for the objection and all relevant facts.

Dated at the Town of Halton Hills this 20th day of April 2010.

Ashley Mancuso, Records/FOI Coordinator, The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, Ontario, L7G 5G2. 45

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

Official Plan Amendment Growth Plan Conformity (Urban Matters)

Residents are invited to attend a public open house to provide comments on a draft Official Plan Amendment to address Growth Plan Conformity (Urban Matters – 2031 Population and Employment Targets, Settlement Area Expansions, and other related matters). The draft Amendment represents a municipally-initiated effort to achieve conformity with the Provincial Growth Plan, as required by provincial legislation, as well as to achieve conformity with Regional Official Plan Amendment (ROPA) No. 38, which is the Region of Halton Growth Plan Conformity Amendment.

The Amendment contains the following revisions to the Official Plan necessary to achieve conformity to the Provincial Growth Plan and Regional Official Plan Amendment No. 38:

- the replacement of the current 2021 planning horizon with a 2031 planning horizon, and the identification of a 2031 population of 94,000 people and employment of 43,000 jobs, for Halton Hills as a whole;
- the expansion of the Georgetown Urban Area to include: Southwest Georgetown bounded by Trafalgar Road, Fifteen Side Road, Eighth Line (Main Street) and 10 Side Road; Southeast Georgetown bounded by the Tenth Line, 10 Side Road and the Hamlet of Norval; and the existing Hamlet of Stewarttown along with adjacent lands bounded by the CN Railway line and the Protected Countryside Area of the Greenbelt Plan;
- the expansion of the 401/407 Employment Corridor by 340 gross hectares northwest of Steeles Avenue;
- the incorporation of the Regional Natural Heritage System within the Georgetown Urban Area, and the 401/407 Employment Corridor expansion areas;
- the integration of the existing Rural (Mansewood) Industrial Area into the Urban Area designated as General Employment Area;
- the inclusion of a minimum Designated Greenfield Area density target of 39 residents and jobs per gross hectare, which is a blended figure for Georgetown and the 401-407 Employment Corridor, as well as updates to the housing unit mix;
- the designation of the urban expansion areas of Georgetown and the 401/407 corridor as Future Residential/Mixed Use Area and Future Employment Area, respectively, and the inclusion of preliminary policy direction for those areas;
- the inclusion of additional policy direction regarding employment land conversions, and the identification of Future Strategic Employment Areas (FSEA) with accompanying policies; and,
- the inclusion of additional policy direction on phasing policies and regarding the preparation of Secondary Plans as per ROPA No. 38.

In addition, the Amendment contains some minor housekeeping changes pertaining to the Urban Areas of the Official Plan.

The lands affected by this Amendment generally include all land within the Town of Halton Hills, however many of the policies apply more specifically to the areas identified within the amendment as Future Residential/Mixed Use Area, Future Employment Area (referred to on the accompanying Location Map as 2031 Expansion to Urban Area), and Future Strategic Employment Area (as shown on the accompanying Location Map).

The Public Open House will include a brief formal presentation at 7:00 p.m., followed by a question period. Display boards will contain maps and information to assist the public in understanding the draft Amendment, and to ask questions and engage in discussion with Town staff.

ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

DATE/TIME: Thursday April 29, 2010, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Presentation: at 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Civic Centre, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Georgetown
FILE NO: D08/Official Plan Review - Growth Plan Conformity

STATUTORY PUBLIC MEETING Official Plan Amendment Growth Plan Conformity (Urban Matters)

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Halton Hills will hold a statutory public meeting pursuant to Section 17 of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990. Members of the public are invited to attend and provide input on the Town of Halton Hills draft Official Plan Amendment to address Growth Plan Conformity (Urban Matters – 2031 Population and Employment Targets, Settlement Area Expansions, and other related matters), at this public meeting hosted by Town Council.

Following this public meeting, Town staff will prepare a report to Council addressing public submissions received on the draft Official Plan Amendment to address Growth Plan Conformity (Urban Matters), and provide final recommendations regarding the adoption of the Official Plan Amendment.

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Copies of the text of the draft Official Plan Amendment, as well as mapping showing the location of the above areas, will be available for public review in the Town of Halton Hills Planning Development and Sustainability Department or on the Town's web site at: www.haltonhills.ca under Departments/Planning, Development and Sustainability/Policy/Official Plan Program/Official Plan Review, on Thursday April 15, 2010.

ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

DATE/TIME: Tuesday May 11, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Civic Centre, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Georgetown

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If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Halton Hills before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted:

- the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Halton Hills Council to the Ontario Municipal Board; and
- the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the Halton Hills Official Plan Amendment to address Growth Plan Conformity (Urban Matters – 2031 Population and Employment Targets, Settlement Area Expansions, and other related matters), you must make a written request to the Town of Halton Hills Planning Development and Sustainability Department, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, Ontario, L7G 5G2.

To obtain further information regarding this project please visit the project webpage at: www.haltonhills.ca under Planning Development and Sustainability/Policy, or the Planning Department, Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills (Georgetown), Ontario L7G 5G2, or contact: Steve Burke, Senior Planner – Policy at 905-873-2601 ext. 2254 or at stevebu@haltonhills.ca, or John Linhardt, Manager of Policy at john@haltonhills.ca or ext. 2294. 46

