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Spotlight on Volunteer

By Cor Baarda, Knowledge Management

Mark McIntyre was born here, grew up here, and has been in business in the Halton Region for 12 years. He has been involved in web development and custom programming along with technology consulting – lately focussing on managed services and VOIP (voice over internet protocols) under the auspices of ‘The Utility Company’.

Mark’s volunteering goes back that far, because he got involved in the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce when he started up in Ormac Inc. Mark has given significant time to Chamber activities over the years in various capacities. First, Mark served on the Economic Development Committee headed by John Drewry, with a focus on technology and its possible exploitation in Halton Hills. Following that, Mark served on the Chamber Board of Directors, still with a focus on business development and technology exploitation. Mark also worked with the Halton Hills Cultural Roundtable group exploring the concept of a centralized box office for Halton Hills, after getting all the stakeholders on the same page – the



Mark McIntyre

Town, various cultural groups and the operators of related venues for events. This endeavour is just now starting to come to fruition – and just in time! During gaps in his schedule, Mark also helped develop the ‘Let’s Vote’ website to encourage voter participation and served on the Chamber’s Golf Committee. Now Mark’s family and business are both growing, and most of his energy is going to go where it’s most needed. He’ll be back when the stars are appropriately aligned!

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