

Acton High School students hold a mock Council meeting

Students from the Grade 10 – French Immersion Civics Class at Acton District High School conducted a mock Town Council meeting in the Halton Hills Civic Centre, Council Chambers on Friday, May 25 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The experience was meant to engage youth in the role of municipal government and offer the curriculum based activity in a real government setting.

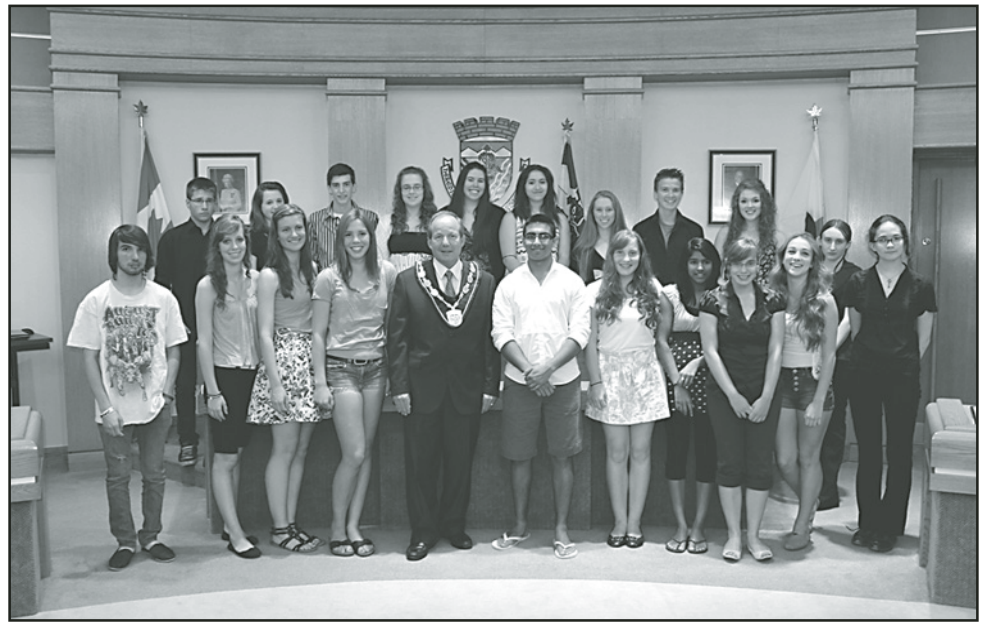
Students will be taking on the role of Mayor, Council-

lors, Town Staff and Town Residents in addressing a mock scenario in which a food vendor is requesting a permit for Acton Sports Park. The student Councilors and Town Residents have taken varying opinions for and against the request.

Acton High school Civics Class Teacher Melissa Somerville-Fletcher says “This project is an ideal, hands-on way to show the students the need for and process of political decision making. Through this simulated ex-

ercise, the students have a chance to become informed and active citizens in their community and to observe the various ways in which decisions are made and conflicts are resolved.”

Student Zachary Kroezen says “Our Grade 10 Civics class has learned many important things regarding our municipal and regional government. In particular, how much our municipal government is responsible for? This project has taught us the significance of all governments in Canada”.



A MOCK MAYOR: Acton High School Grade 10 French Immersion Civics class students conducted a Mock Town Council meeting last Friday. – Submitted photo



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING Regarding Development Charges

Take notice that on Monday June 25, 2012, the Council of the Town of Halton Hills will hold a public meeting pursuant to The Development Charges Act, 1997, regarding proposed development charge rates and policies that will be applied throughout the Town. It is proposed that enactment of a development charges by-law by Council would occur on Monday, July 9, 2012.

Development charges are levied against new development, and are a primary source of funding for growth-related capital expenditures. Town-wide capital services include library, fire protection, recreation and parks, public works, parking, general government, roads and related, and storm water management services.

Council is required under The Development Charges Act, 1997, to hold at least one public meeting to allow the public the opportunity to review and provide comments on the 2012 Development Charges Study, related staff reports and the proposed development charges by-law.

All interested parties are invited to attend the public meeting:

Date: Monday June 25, 2012
Time: 6:45 PM
Location: Council Chambers,
Halton Hills Civic Centre
1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON

Any person may attend the public meeting and make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the by-law. Written submissions are invited and should be directed to the Town Clerk no later than Monday, June 18, 2012. Written comments received and submissions made at the public meeting will be considered by Council prior to the enactment of a new development charges by-law.

Copies of the 2012 Development Charges Background Study and the proposed development charges by-law will be available through the Town's Corporate Services Department and on the Town's website, www.haltonhills.ca on June 1, 2012.

Inquiries should be directed to Wendy O'Donnell, Manager of Finance, (905) 873-2601 x 2240.

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Groundbreaking Celebration Marks Start of Construction at Georgetown Hospital

Tuesday, May 29, 2012 was a day of celebration for the Halton Hills community as Halton Healthcare Services (HHS) and the Georgetown Hospital Foundation (GHF) marked the start of construction on the Emergency Department expansion at Georgetown Hospital (GH).

“I am thrilled to be here today to celebrate the start of construction on this much needed expansion and renovation project,” said John Oliver, HHS President & CEO. “The project will provide new, modern clinical space and allow for the installation of GH's first CT scanner – ensuring residents of Halton Hills have access to this essential service, close to home.”

In August 2011, HHS received approval from

the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to proceed with an expansion and renovation to the Emergency and Diagnostic Imaging Departments at Georgetown Hospital. Over the past several months, HHS has been working diligently to finalize plans for the project.

“We are very excited to see the huge improvements being made at Georgetown Hospital,” noted Mayor Rick Bonnette. “The expanded emergency, improved diagnostic imagery and the essential CT scanner will greatly improve healthcare for our citizens in Halton Hills.”

“Thank you to everyone involved in making this project a reality – all the staff and physicians and the contributions of Hospital donors, the Volunteer As-

sociation, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and the Town of Halton Hills, under the leadership of Mayor Rick Bonnette,” concluded Mr. Oliver. Contractors will start with alterations to the Hospital's internal roadways and parking lots required to redirect traffic during construction and regain parking spaces that will be lost due to the expansion.

Once this site preparation is completed, work on the new Emergency Department will begin. Construction of the Emergency Department addition will be followed by the installation and commissioning of the new CT scanner. Renovations inside the building, required to expand the Hospital's Diagnostic Imaging Department, will begin following relocation of the Emergency Department to its new space.

The start of construction was not the only event being celebrated. This important milestone also marked the launch of the Georgetown Hospital Foundation's capital campaign, ‘Investing in Care Close to Home’.

“The Campaign for Georgetown Hospital is by far the most ambitious fundraising effort ever seen at the Hospital,” stated K.C. Carruthers, GHF Executive Director. “Our goal is \$6.5 million which makes *Investing in Care – Close to Home*, the largest single source of funds for the expansion project. We have had incredibly generous support already, with \$4.5 million committed to the project, but \$2 million is still quite a ways to go.”

“The Hospital is here for everyone whenever they need us. In turn, we hope that everyone will lend a hand to help us provide them and their loved ones with the best care possible,” remarked Shelley Phipps, a member of the Campaign Cabinet and GHF Board of Directors. “Whether a donation is the \$1 million given by Fred Helson or the \$120 that Gavin Conroy donated from his 10th birthday – it all adds up and it all makes a difference. We hope everyone will consider a generous donation to this important project at the heart of the Halton Hills community.”

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