ຼິິ School bus orientation classes set for CtK, Acton High Saturday

As the first day of school approaches, the Halton School Bus Safety Commitgetee is moving into high gear to assist parents and first time riders in understanding the importance of school bus safety.

The committee, with representatives from Halton Student Transportation Services and all bus operators in Halton, is hosting its annual "School Bus Orientation Day" on Saturday, August 25, starting at 9 a.m.

Halton Hills sessions will be held at Christ the King Secondary School in Georgetown and Acton District High School.

First Student (905-877-2251) is the host bus company for the Georgetown session while Tyler Transport Ltd. (519-853-1550) will host the Acton session. To register your child for a preferred time slot, parents should call the host bus company.

Parents are encouraged to bring their children to the free sessions, which will feature a presentation on school bus safety, including a special Winnie-the Pooh video and a demonstration on a school bus. School bus company safety officers and bus drivers will talk to the children about safely getting on and off the bus, proper behaviour on a school bus, crossing the street to get to a waiting bus and overall school bus safety.

In addition, a tip sheet on school bus safety, entitled "Think! Think! Think Safety!" will be distributed. The committee hopes that the orientation sessions will help students and their parents feel more comfortable with the idea of riding a school bus.



Murr tourney aids CAShh

The 28th annual Paul Murr Memorial Golf Tournament, held at Blue Springs Golf Course May 28, garnered \$6,730 for Cancer Assistance Services of Halton Hills (CAShh) as Margaret and Bill Lorriman (left) recently accepted the cheque on behalf of CAShh from Murr organizers John McNabb, Allan Hall and Jon Hurst. Photo by Ted Brown

Register next week for Catholic schools

The Halton Catholic District School Board will open its schools for advanced student registrations for the 2012-2013 school year the week of August 27-31.

Parents are encouraged to contact their local school directly for specific information regarding school office hours.

Elementary students registering for the first time in the Halton Catholic District School System are required to produce proof of age, updated immunization records, and a Catholic Baptismal Certificate of the Roman or Eastern Rite. If the child has no Roman/Eastern Rite Catholic baptismal certificate, the child may be admitted if one parent can provide a Roman/Eastern Rite Catholic baptismal certificate. Students registering in a Halton Catholic secondary school are not required to provide a Catholic Baptismal Certificate.

To find out which Catholic school is in your area, please visit: www.hcdsb. org, and click on School Finder, or call the Board's Assessment Services department at 905-632-6300.

Classes for elementary and secondary school students begin on Wednesday, September 5. Please note that this does not apply to Junior Kindergarten students. Parents of students entering Junior Kindergarten in September 2012 are encouraged to contact their school directly for details related to the staggered entry process for JK students.

All student bus information, including bus stop times, stop location and route numbers, will be available online at www.haltonbus.ca, starting the week of August 20, 2012.

Parents should note that in order to access student transportation information, either online or by telephone (1-888-803-8660), it is necessary to know their child's Ontario Education Number (OEN). Student bus information is also available at the school.

Tournament raises \$5,700

The ninth-annual fundraising golf tournament held at The Club at North Halton for the Open Door Youth Program in Halton Hills raised about \$7,500, its highest yearly total to date. Sponsored by Alberto Gregori (left) of Gregori Osteopathy and HaltonHomes.com's Matthew Hill, the tournament has raised close to \$50,000 for the Open Door centres in Georgetown and Acton. Operated by Links2Care, the Open Door Youth Program has been in existence for more than 20 years and is entirely dependent on grants, donations and fundraising to help support youths age 9-19.

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